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ATTENTION: SELECTION TRIAL INFORMATION

MEMORANDUM

TO: 2010 WEG US Show Jumping Applicants
FROM: Lizzy Chesson, Director, Show Jumping High Performance Programs
DATE: February 9, 2010
RE: 2010 WEG US Show Jumping Selection Trials Guide

Thank you for applying for the 2010 World Equestrian Games Show Jumping Team. Please read the below information pertaining to the 2010 WEG US Show Jumping Selection Trials:

SCHEDULE:

Tuesday, February 23

7:00 p.m. All horses entered in the Selection Trials must be in the secured stabling

Wednesday, February 24

9:00 a.m. Horse Inspection

Approx. 3:00 p.m. Rider Meeting (Location TBA)

(After last class in International Ring)

5:00 p.m. Deadline for declaration of Selection Trial horses

Thursday, February 25

7:00 p.m. Selection Trial #1 (International Arena)
(Stand Alone Class)

Saturday, February 27

7:00 p.m. Selection Trial #2 (International Arena)
(Also Class #101 - \$75,000 Fidelity Investment CSI2* Grand Prix)

Tuesday, March 2

1:00 p.m. Horse Inspection

Wednesday, March 3

7:00 – 9:00 a.m. Horse move to Polo Stadium

3:00 p.m. Selection Trial #3 (The Stadium - weather permitting)
(Stand Alone Class)

Friday, March 5

Approx. 2:00 p.m. Selection Trial #4 (International Arena)
(Also Class #103 - \$30,000 1.60 Classic)

Sunday, March 7

1:00 p.m. Selection Trial #5 (International Arena)
(Also Class #106 - \$150,000 CN CSIO Grand Prix)

Approx. 5:00pm Horse Inspection – Top 15 from the Selection Trials plus any additional chosen by the Selectors.

SELECTION TRIALS HORSES:

Horses participating in Selection Trials # 1, 2, 3, 4, & 5 are not permitted to enter any other classes during WEF 7/Fidelity Investments CSI2* & WEF 8/CN CSIO4* (March 3-7).

ENTRIES FOR SELECTION TRIALS: All entries for the Selection Trials or classes of which Selection Trials are part of must be made through the horse show office of Equestrian Sport Productions (ESP).

SELECTION TRIALS: For Selection purposes only, all classes will be scored as Table A Article 238.1.1 (Not against the clock but with time allowed).

The 2010 WEG Show Jumping Selection Trials # 1,2,3,4 & 5 are being conducted under the current FEI Rules for Jumping Events, 23rd edition, updated January 1, 2010 and the FEI Veterinarians Regulations, 11th edition, updated January 1, 2009.

Thursday, February 25

\$40,000 USEF WEG US SJ Selection Trial #1 (USEF Stand Alone Class)

Entry Fee: \$600

Nomination Fee: See page 1 of Jumper Section in the 2010 WEF Prize List

Participation: Only open to US riders who are applicants for the 2010 World Equestrian Games (WEG). Each rider may start up to two (2) horses unless otherwise granted permission by Selectors to ride more than two (2).

Rules: Conducted under the current rules of the FEI Rules for Jumping Events, Table A Article 238.1.1. (not against the clock but with a time allowed). For Selection purposes competitors with an equal number of faults will remain tied. For prize money distribution, time will break the ties.

Speed: 375 m/min

Obstacles: 1.60 meters; spreads to 1.72 meters not including water jump

Prize Money: 1st – \$12,000, 2nd – \$8,800, 3rd – \$5,200, 4th – \$3,200, 5th – \$2,400, 6th – \$2,000, 7th – \$1,600, 8th – \$1,200, 9th – \$1,200, 10th- \$800, 11th - \$800, 12th- \$800

Saturday, February 27

USEF WEG US SJ Selection Trial #2 (Class #101 - \$75,000 Fidelity Investments CSI 2* Grand Prix)

Qualifier for the FTI Finale Grand Prix

FEI World Ranking Competition *Nomination Fee:* See page 1 of Jumper Section in the 2010 WEF Prize List

Entry Fee: \$800

Grand Prix - Table A, Article 238.2.2 *Jump-off (if any)* 238.2.2

Speed/Fixed time: 375/400 m/min

Obstacles height: max 1:60

Number of horses/ponies per rider: 1

Participation: Each rider may start one (1) horse except for US WEG applicants who may start up to two (2) horses unless otherwise granted permission by Selectors to ride more than two (2). US WEG applicants with more than one horse must declare the horse that will compete for prize money. Declarations to compete must be made no later than 5:00 p.m., Friday 26th February. Declarations received after 5:00 p.m. Friday 26th February will be accepted at management's discretion.

With the exception of US WEG applicants, Draw as per Art 252.7 in three groups according to FEI rankings the highest placed riders in the FEI rankings will be in the final group followed by the next highest placed and so on. The numbers in each group will be decided following the declaration. Riders withdrawing after the declaration will not affect the numbers in each group. US WEG applicants will also be divided into three groups according to their Selection Trial Ranking after Selection Trial #1. Positions within these groups will be drawn and then US WEG applicants will be slotted into these positions in reverse order of their Selection Trial standings.

US WEG applicants with two or more horses must declare the horse that will compete for prize money and start that horse in their first position in the start order. Riders withdrawing after the declaration will not affect the numbers in each group.

Total prize money \$75,000

\$22,500, \$16,500, \$9,750, \$6,000, \$4,500, \$3,750, \$3,000, \$2,250, \$2,250, \$1,500, \$1,500, \$1,500

Wednesday, March 3

\$40,000 WEG US SJ Trial Class #3 (USEF Stand Alone Class)

Entry Fee: Part of CSIO Horse Fee. See 2010 WEF Prize List

Participation: Only open to US riders who are applicants for the 2010 WEG. Each rider may start up to two (2) horses unless otherwise granted permission by Selectors to ride more than two (2).

Rules: Conducted under the current rules of the FEI Rules for Jumping Events, Table A Article 238.1.1. (not against the clock but with a time allowed).

For Selection purposes competitors with an equal number of faults will remain tied. For prize money distribution, time will break the ties.

Speed: 375 m/min

Obstacles: 1.60 meters; spreads to 1.72 meters not including water jump

Prize Money: 1st – \$12,000, 2nd – \$8,800, 3rd – \$5,200, 4th – \$3,200, 5th – \$2,400, 6th – \$2,000, 7th – \$1,600, 8th – \$1,200, 9th – \$1,200, 10th- \$800, 11th - \$800, 12th- \$800

Friday, March 5

USEF WEG US SJ Selection Trial #4 (Class #103 - \$30,000 1.60 Classic)

Participation: Each rider may start one (1) horse except for US WEG applicants who may start up to two (2) horses unless otherwise granted permission by Selectors to ride more than two (2). US WEG applicants with more than one horse must declare the horse that will compete for prize money and Grand Prix qualification. Declarations to compete must be made no later than 5:00 p.m., Thursday, March 4th. Declarations received after 5:00 p.m Thursday, March 4th, will be accepted at management's discretion.

Rules: Conducted under the current rules of the FEI Rules for Jumping Events, Table A Article 238.2.1. against the clock. Competitors with equality of penalties for any place are placed according to the time taken to complete the round (no jump-off).

Speed: 375/400 m/min

Obstacles: 1:60meters; spreads to 1.72 meters not including water jump

Prize Money: \$30,000 Total prize money to the owners of the placed horses. As per Article 129 of FEI General Regulations. \$9,000, \$6,600, \$3,900, \$2,400, \$1,800, \$1,500, \$1,200, \$900, \$900, \$600, \$600, \$600

Sunday, March 7

USEF WEG US SJ Selection Trial #5 (Class #106 - \$150,000 CN CSIO)

FEI World Ranking Competition. Qualifier for FTI Finale Grand Prix

Participation: Each rider may start one (1) horse except for US WEG applicants who may start up to two (2) horses unless otherwise granted permission by Selectors to ride more than two (2). Qualified US WEG applicants with more than one horse must declare the horse that will compete for prize money. Maximum of 50 riders are allowed to start. The following riders are automatically qualified:

* The individual medal winners from the last Olympic and Pan American Games, of the last World and Continental Championships and the first three competitors/horses in the Rolex FEI World Cup Final

* Any competitor/horse combination that has won the Grand Prix held at a CSIO4* and CSIO5* event during the previous 12 months.

Riders may qualify as follows:

The 14 highest placed riders from the Competition 102

The 14 highest placed US WEG applicants who have declared for Grand Prix Qualification in Competition 103.

Only the declared Grand Prix Qualification scores from Competition 103 will be taken into consideration when determining the highest placings.

The 18 riders with the lowest scores based on faults and time from the first round of the Nations Cup.

If openings become available or a rider has qualified more than once, the 1st replacement rider will be the next highest rider from Competition 102, the 2nd replacement rider will be the next highest qualified US WEG applicant from Competition 103 and so on alternating between Competition 102 and 103. Declarations to compete must be

made no later than 5:00 p.m., Saturday, March 6th. Declarations received after 5:00 p.m. March 6th will be accepted at management's discretion. Horses competing in this class may not compete in any other class on the same day.

Rules: Conducted under the current rules of the FEI Rules for Jumping Events, Article 238.2.2. In the event of equality of faults for first place there will be one jump off against the clock. Other competitors are placed according to their penalties and time in the first round.

Starting Order: With the exception of US WEG applicants, in the first round all the horses' names are drawn individually starting with the first position and then working down. In the event of a jump-off, the Starting Order will remain the same as in the first round. For US WEG applicants, positions will be drawn within the starting order and then US WEG applicants will be slotted into these positions in reverse order of their Selection Trial standings. US WEG applicants with two or more horses must declare the horse that will compete for prize money and start that horse in their first position in the start order.

Speed: 375 m/min

Obstacles: Height 1.60 meters; spreads to 1.72 meters not including water jump

Prize Money: \$150,000 Total prize money to the owners of the placed horses. As per Article 129 of FEI General Regulations. \$45,000, \$33,000, \$19,500, \$12,000, \$9,000, \$7,500, \$6,000, \$4,500, \$4,500, \$3,000, \$3,000, \$3,000

DRUGS & MEDICATIONS: FEI Drug and Medication rules will be enforced beginning 48 hours prior to Selection Trial #1 and will continue through the end of Selection Trial #5.

SCHOOLING: All horses entered in the Selection Trials are subject to the posted schooling hours. Horses will not be allowed out of the Stable Area during non-scheduled schooling hours. (See Stabling, Schooling rules below)

STABLING, SCHOOLING, VETERINARY DURING THE SELECTION TRIALS: The Selection Trials must be conducted under the rules of the FEI in regard to schooling and veterinary regulations (see FEI Rules for Jumping Events, Articles 243, 244 and the FEI Veterinary Regulations). These rules will be enforced beginning 48 hours prior to the first Selection Trial, and will continue through the competition. In addition,

- a. All horses competing in the Selection Trial classes will be stabled in the same stabling area, with security provided and schooling carefully supervised;
- b. Horses must arrive the Selection Trial site no later than 48 hours prior to the first Selection Trial and be on the grounds continuously from this time through the completion of the last Selection Trial; and
- c. Any horse found by a steward or designated schooling supervisor to be in violation of the posted schooling restrictions or of items a or b above (leaving stable area or grounds without authorization) or non-compliance with FEI Veterinary Regulations may be eliminated from the Selection Process.

The decision to eliminate a horse from the Selection Process which has been found to be in violation of items a, b, or c above may only be made by the Selectors, by unanimous vote, subject to the approval of the Ground Jury and the concurring approval of the Show Jumping High Performance Committee, High Performance Working Group, USEF Executive Committee or its designees physically present at the competition site.

SOUNDNESS:

- a. All horses competing in the Selection Trials as well as others which might have been named to the Long List prior to the Selection Trials will be examined prior to the first Selection Trial by a panel of three veterinarians chosen by the USEF Executive Committee (the "Veterinary Panel"). In the case of the Selection Trials, horses failing a veterinary examination will not be permitted to compete in the next Selection Trial.

Horses will either "pass" or "fail" this examination upon majority vote of the Veterinary Panel. In the case of a "failing vote", riders will have the option of re-presenting their horse at a designated time before the

beginning of each subsequent Selection Trial. At each subsequent re-presentation, if a horse's soundness is questioned, any decision to eliminate such a horse from the Selection Trial will only be taken following a unanimous vote of the Veterinary Panel.

It is possible, therefore, for a horse to be re-presented before the beginning of each Selection Trial, i.e. before Selection Trial #1, #2, #3, #4 and/or #5.

Horses found to be unsound by the Veterinary Panel at any time during the Selection Trials may be eliminated from the Selection Process with the unanimous approval of the Selectors, as well as the Chef d'Equipe, Show Jumping High Performance Committee, High Performance Working Group, and USEF Executive Committee or its designees.

- b. In addition, the top fifteen (15) horses in the Final Overall Placings after the Selection Trials, plus any additional horses chosen by the Selectors, will be examined by the Team Veterinarian in consultation with the Veterinary Panel for soundness at the conclusion of Selection Trial #5, so that a complete report may be made to the Selectors prior to their meeting.

Further, horses which are candidates for selection for the 2010 World Equestrian Games Show Jumping Squad may be examined for soundness by the Team Veterinarian at any time after the Selection Trials until traveling to the World Equestrian Games.

All horses chosen to be part of the 2010 World Equestrian Games Show Jumping Squad will also be examined for soundness by the Team Veterinarian prior to traveling to the World Equestrian Games.

Horses found to be unsound by the Veterinary Panel may be eliminated from the Selection Process with the unanimous approval of the Selectors, as well as the Chef d'Equipe, Show Jumping High Performance Committee, High Performance Working Group, and USEF Executive Committee or its designees.

SELECTION TRIAL OFFICIALS: The individuals listed below will serve in the following capacity during the Selection Trials:

Competition Manager - David Distler
Technical Delegate - Anthony D'Ambrosio
Course Designer - Guilherme Jorge
Veterinary Panel – Dr. Tim Ober, Dr. Richard Mitchell, & Dr. Steve Soule
USEF Liaisons – Sally Ike & Lizzy Chesson

We encourage you to call or email if you have any questions. Please contact any of us at (908) 234-0848 or email us at the following addresses: Lizzy Chesson - lchesson@usef.org, Amy Serridge - aserridge@usef.org, or Kristina Pichalski - kpichalski@usef.org.

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