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Rule Change Intent

The intent of the proposal is to re-organize the Appendixes into a logical order and to update the Appendix to align with the Eventing Chapter Style Formatting Guide created by the Eventing Chapter Task Force.
Appendix 5 - Eventing Dressage Arenas is proposed to become Appendix 5 - USEA/USEF Competition Standards. The new Appendix 5 is attached for review.

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Comments

Committee Actions

APPENDIX 5 - USEF/USEA EVENTING COMPETITION STANDARDS

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VENUE INFRASTRUCTURE	Beginner Novice/ Novice/Training	Modified/Preliminary	FEI: CC11'/CC12'-L/CC12'-S	Intermediate/Advanced	FEI: CC11'/CC12'-L/CC12'-S
Restrooms (one per 25 horses/per day or cleaned daily)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
Veterinarian	On site for cross country and jumping tests (USEF EV177.4.a)	On site for cross country and jumping tests (USEF EV177.4.a)	On site for entire competition (FEI Eventing Article 1.4)	On site for cross country and jumping tests (USEF EV177.4.a)	On site for entire competition (FEI Eventing Article 1.4)
Qualified Farrier (USEF EV178.6)	ON CALL	On site for cross country and jumping tests	Not required per rules but strongly recommended	On site for cross country and jumping tests	Not required per rules but strongly recommended
Ambulance	ON CALL	ON CALL	On site for cross country and jumping tests (FEI Eventing Annex D.3)	ON CALL	On site for cross country and jumping tests (FEI Eventing Annex D.3)
Medical Personnel	Requirements per USEF EV113.5	Requirements per USEF EV113.5	Requirements per FEI Eventing Annex D	Requirements per USEF EV113.5	Requirements per FEI Eventing Annex D
Emergency Horse Transport: Ability to transport horse at competition site and to veterinary hospital off site	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
Physical scoreboard on site	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
Minimum stall size: 10'X10'	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
Minimum stall door opening of at least 90 degrees concurrently	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
Electrical outlets in stabling (Click for link and instructions to calculate heat index)	Strongly Recommended	Strongly Recommended	Required if competition's heat index is over 90 (as an average of the high from previous 3)	Required if competition's heat index is over 90 (as an average of the high from previous 3)	Required if competition's heat index is over 90 (as an average of the high from previous 3)
Lighting in Stabling	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
Wash area: Designated area with drainage and appropriate surface to prevent flooding	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
Adequate water supply (USEF GR1216.1)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
COMMUNICATION	Beginner Novice/ Novice/Training	Modified/Preliminary	FEI: CC11'/CC12'-L/ CC12'-S	Intermediate/Advanced	FEI: CC11'/CC12'-L/ CC12'-S
Radios must be ample in number and effective (i.e. able to hold charge or enough to change out for charging)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
Speakers in stabling area sufficient to communicate throughout stabling	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
Speakers in parking area sufficient to communicate throughout parking area	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
Source for online competitor communication (list in Omnibus and post at show office)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
DRESSAGE	Beginner Novice/ Novice/Training	Modified/Preliminary	FEI: CC11'/CC12'-L/ CC12'-S	Intermediate/Advanced	FEI: CC11'/CC12'-L/ CC12'-S
Warm-Up Arena(s)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
Warm-up arena(s) must be within 250 feet from competition arena(s) (USEF EV108)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
Minimum size: 20,000 square feet, plus 10,000 additional square feet per additional competition arena using the same warm-up	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
Monitoring: If enclosed, the warm-up must be monitored	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
Effective drainage: Ability to drain in order to maintain consistent footing (through installed drainage, grading or natural slope)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
Sufficient staff to maintain footing (applies to surface and grass arenas)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
Schedule to maintain footing with equipment appropriate to the type of footing to ensure quality (excludes grass)	REQUIRED: dragging	REQUIRED: dragging	REQUIRED: dragging	REQUIRED: dragging	REQUIRED: dragging
Practice arena available: 60m x 20m (USEF EV108.3)	N/A	N/A	REQUIRED	N/A	REQUIRED
Competition Arena(s)	Beginner Novice/ Novice/Training	Modified/Preliminary	FEI: CC11'/CC12'-L/CC12'-S	Intermediate/Advanced	FEI: CC11'/CC12'-L/CC12'-S
Effective drainage: Ability to drain in order to maintain consistent footing (through installed drainage, grading or natural slope)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
Schedule to maintain arenas with equipment appropriate to the type of footing to ensure consistent footing (excludes grass)	REQUIRED: dragging	REQUIRED: dragging	REQUIRED: dragging	REQUIRED: dragging	REQUIRED: dragging
CROSS COUNTRY	Beginner Novice/ Novice/Training	Modified/Preliminary	FEI: CC11'/CC12'-L/CC12'-S	Intermediate/Advanced	FEI: CC11'/CC12'-L/CC12'-S
Warm-Up	25,000 square feet	30,000 square feet	30,000 square feet	35,000 square feet	35,000 square feet
Minimum size	25,000 square feet	30,000 square feet	30,000 square feet	35,000 square feet	35,000 square feet
Portable jumps must be secured as outlined in the USEF Eventing Rules (EV140.3.a)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
Schedule to maintain footing with equipment appropriate to the type of footing to ensure quality	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
Ability to irrigate	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Jumps presented in a manner consistent with the jumps on course	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
Warm-up fences: minimum of one solid cross country fence and three show jumps, including one oxer (EV108.3)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
Safety cups must be used per the USEF Eventing Rules (EV149.9)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
Warm-up fences must be of good quality and in good repair	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED
Course	Beginner Novice/ Novice/Training	Modified/Preliminary	FEI: CC11'/CC12'-L/CC12'-S	Intermediate/Advanced	FEI: CC11'/CC12'-L/CC12'-S
Footing maintenance plan that outlines year-round care and strategy for improvement	Strongly Recommended	Strongly Recommended	Strongly Recommended	Strongly Recommended	Strongly Recommended

Footings aerated/aggravated as appropriate to ensure quality footing	N/A	N/A	N/A	REQUIRED	REC
Sufficient staff to maintain footing (take off and landing) and repair fences in a timely manner	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REC
Privacy screens readily available	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REC
SHOW JUMPING					
Warm-Up Arena(s)	Beginner Novice/ Novice/Training	Modified/Preliminary	FEI: CC11'/CC12'-L/CC12'-S	Intermediate/Advanced	FEI: CC11'/CC12'-L/CC12'-S
Minimum size	16,000 square feet	20,000 square feet	20,000 square feet	20,000 square feet	20,000
Ability to monitor warm-up to prevent overcrowding	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REC
Schedule to maintain footing with equipment appropriate to the type of footing to ensure quality (excludes grass)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REC
Safety cups must be used per the USEF Eventing Rules (EV149.9)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REC
Minimum of four warm-up fences: two verticals, two oxers (USEF EV108.3.c)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REC
Fences must be of good quality and in good repair (USEF EV149.4)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REC
Competition Arena(s)	Beginner Novice/ Novice/Training	Modified/Preliminary	FEI: CC11'/CC12'-L/CC12'-S	Intermediate/Advanced	FEI: CC11'/CC12'-L/CC12'-S
Appropriate size	20,000 square feet	25,000 square feet	25,000 square feet	25,000 square feet	25,000
Sufficient number of poles/ standards available to facilitate course design with varying questions and types of fences	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REC
Fences built and maintained as directed in the USEF Eventing Rules (EV149)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REC
Quality footing appropriate to the level	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REC
Effective drainage: Ability to drain in order to maintain consistent footing (through installed drainage, grading or natural slope)	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REC
Schedule to maintain arenas with equipment appropriate to the type of footing to ensure consistent footing (excludes grass)	REQUIRED: dragging	REQUIRED: dragging	REQUIRED: dragging	REQUIRED: dragging	REQUIRED: dragging
Privacy screens readily available	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REC
Event Communications	Beginner Novice/ Novice/Training	Modified/Preliminary	FEI: CC11'/CC12'-L/CC12'-S	Intermediate/Advanced	FEI: CC11'/CC12'-L/CC12'-S
Competition website to provide information including announcements, live scoring link and ride times	STRONGLY RECOMMENDED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REC
Real time information: including announcements, live-scoring, and scheduling changes on competition website and/or social media	STRONGLY RECOMMENDED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REC

Announcements to ensure scheduling and key information is shared immediately via: PA System, office staff, text messaging, or email	RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	REQUIRED	REQUIRED	REC
Feedback solicitation: Post-event outreach to riders, owners, sponsors, and vendors.	STRONGLY RECOMMENDED	STRONGLY RECOMMENDED	STRONGLY RECOMMENDED	STRONGLY RECOMMENDED	REC
Competition improvement plan with objectives for the next competition year(s)	STRONGLY RECOMMENDED	STRONGLY RECOMMENDED	STRONGLY RECOMMENDED	STRONGLY RECOMMENDED	REC
Marketing Initiatives	Beginner Novice/ Novice/Training	Modified/Preliminary	FEI: CC11'/CC12'-L/CC12'-S	Intermediate/Advanced	FEI: CC11'/CC12'-L/CC12'-S
Social media/email announcements for pre-event exposure, in-competition updates, and post-event results	RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	STRONGLY F
Media center with electricity and dedicated internet access for use during the competition and for end-of-day press conferences	RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	STRONGLY F
Sponsorship packet to outline available sponsorship opportunities	RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	REC
Amenities and credentials for owners, sponsors and patrons	RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	RECOM
Prize money (separate from in-kind prizes)	RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	STRONGLY F
Venue Preparation	Beginner Novice/ Novice/Training	Modified/Preliminary	FEI: CC11'/CC12'-L/CC12'-S	Intermediate/Advanced	FEI: CC11'/CC12'-L/CC12'-S
Trade fair with sufficient equestrian shops and food vendors for the number of people on site	RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	STRONGLY RECOMMENDED	STRONGLY RECOMMENDED	REC
Directional information for competitors, volunteers, sponsors, owners, vendors, media and wheelchair users	RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	STRONGLY RECOMMENDED	STRONGLY RECOMMENDED	STRONGLY F
Secure FEI stabling area accessible only by riders, owners, grooms and essential team	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	RECOM
Riders' lounge with live streaming CCTV and hospitality	N/A	N/A	RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	STRONGLY F