

TO: Potential 2023 Jumping Team Applicants

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RE: 2023 Qualification Opportunities for Olympics - Nations Cup Final and Pan American Games

Dear U.S. Jumping Athletes and Owners -

In 2023, the US Jumping Team has two opportunities to qualify for the 2024 Olympic Games in Paris. They are as follows:

• FEI Nations Cup Final in Barcelona, ESP – Sept 28 – Oct 1, 2023

Top placed Team not already qualified for Paris will qualify

As of the 2022 Nations Cup Final, the following teams have secured qualification:

BEL, FRA, GBR, GER, IRL, NED, SWE

• **Pan American Games in Santiago, Chile** – Oct 31 -Nov 3, 2023 (subject to slight change) *Top 3 Teams not already qualified for Paris will qualify*

It is proposed that the selection methodology for the Nations Cup Final as well as the Pan American Games for the Jumping Team be comprised of a combination of the Rolex/USEF Show Jumping Ranking List (Rider List) and Discretionary Selection. Please click <u>HERE</u> for the Ranking List which is updated and published weekly. It is planned that selection for both events will take place July/early August of 2023.

It is also anticipated that the FEI Nations Cup Final Team will consist of 5 athletes of which 4 athletes will compete in each round of the Final. This format allows for athlete and/or horse substitution between the competitions. The Pan American Squad will consist of five (5) athletes: four (4) Team Members and one (1) Traveling Reserve. The Pan American Games is the traditional format with Speed/Team Competition/Individual Competition with the ability to substitute prior to the Speed Competition for veterinary/medical reasons.

In consultation with the Jumping Advisors, Robert Ridland will make selection recommendations. The list of Advisors will be published in January 2023.

There will be a virtual Rider Meeting later this fall and an Owner Meeting early in 2023 (details to follow) with Robert and myself to discuss the plans and answer any questions.

The Ranking List date for selection as well as the criteria to be used or Discretionary Selection will be confirmed in the approved Selection Procedures that will be posted on www.usef.org/jumping in January of 2023.

Equine Transportation for Chile: Currently there is little information regarding the transportation and Pre and Post Quarantine Requirements for Chile. This could impact the selection dates as well as competition plans pre and post Santiago. We will share the details as soon as we have more information.

Eligibility - FEI Nations Cup Final:

- Athletes: Athletes must be 18 years of age or older in the year of the Nations Cup Final;
- Ownership: There are no owner nationality requirements for the Nations Cup Final;
- FEI Certificates of Capability: Athlete/Horse combinations must have achieved a score of not more than eight (8) penalties in the first round of a Table A Competition providing the height of the obstacles in the initial round of the Competition is at least 1.50m between January 1, 2022 and until the closing date of the entries.

Eligibility - Pan American Games:

- Athletes: Athletes must be 18 years of age or older in the year of the Pan American Games;
- Horses: Horses must be 8 years of age or older in the year of the Pan American Games;
- Ownership: There are no owner nationality requirements for the Pan American Games;
- FEI Certificates of Capability: Athletes and horses, not necessarily as combinations, must obtain a FEI Certificate of Capability by obtaining a result of not more than eight penalties in the first round of a Table A Competition with a minimum height of 1.50m at a CSI/CSI-W or CSIO outdoor event between January 1, 2022 and September 24, 2023.

Funding: The financial support for the Jumping Team will be confirmed later this year.

Human Anti-Doping: Please be reminded that athletes are subject to in-competition drug testing while competing under FEI rules. In addition, athletes in the out-of-competition testing pool are subject to out-of-competition testing. The Prohibited Substance List can be found <u>HERE</u>. It is your responsibility to know if you are taking any medications on the Prohibited Substance List.

Equine Anti-Doping: Please be reminded all horses that are registered with the FEI or USEF shall be subject to in-competition testing. Additionally, the FEI has authority to conduct intelligence based out-of-competition testing (See Equine Anti-Doping Rules, Article 5.1) The FEI Prohibited Substance database can be accessed <u>HERE</u>.

This preliminary information is being provided to assist you with your competition planning. Please remember that this information is preliminary and is subject to approval by the USEF Board of Directors and therefore subject to change.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Lizzy Chesson, US Equestrian Managing Director, Jumping at 859.225.7689 or lchesson@usef.org.