

# Annex 2: EVENTING SHOWCASES AND ARENA EVENTING

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**Purpose:** To promote the sport of Eventing in a different environment and take it to a new and diverse audience.

Note: Competitions must be licensed per USEF Rules for Competition Licensing as they pertain to Eventing competitions.

#### SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENTING SHOWCASES AND ARENA EVENTING DIMENSIONS

Cross-Country Fences: as per USEF Rules for Eventing at each level Show Jumping Fences: as per USEF Rules for Eventing at each level

Note: For Eventing Showcases, it is at the Organizer's discretion whether whips may be carried for Dressage.

# **EVENTING SHOWCASES (OUTDOORS ONLY)**

Showcase Events may consist of:

- 3 phases **or**
- 2 phases including Dressage and Cross-Country or Show Jumping & Cross Country

MINIMUM ELIGIBILTY REQUIREMENTS – EVENTING SHOWCASES: All Athletes and Horses, though not necessarily as a combination, must be qualified per USEF Eventing Rules (Appendix 2) to compete in a CCI-L of the same height level e.g. Preliminary Eventing Showcase: 3 Preliminary or higher (MER) plus 1 Preliminary or higher (MER) with not more than 20 Jumping Penalties at obstacles on the Cross-Country Course. In all cases one MER must be obtained in the twelve-month period prior to the competition. USEF MER Requirements apply to all U.S. and foreign athletes.

|                        | Preliminary      | Intermediate        | Advanced   |
|------------------------|------------------|---------------------|--|
| Dressage               |                  |                     |  |
|                        |                  |                     | Advanced A or B, Freestyle which must include required movements from Advanced tests or an |
| USEF Eventing Dressage | Preliminary A or | Intermediate A or B | Advanced, or 4* or 5* test approved  |
| Tests                  | В                | Or C                | by the Eventing Sport Committee.   |
| Show Jumping           |                  |                     |  |
|                        |                  |                     | 1.25m after Cross-Country  |
|                        | 1.10m            | 1.15m               | 1.30m before Cross-Country   |
| Cross-Country          |                  |                     |  |
| Fixed Height           | 1.10m            | 1.15m               | 1.20m  |
| Distances              | 750-1250m        | 1000-1750m          | 1500-2500m   |
| Efforts                | 30-50 mpe        | 50-80 mpe           | 80-100 mpe   |
| Speeds                 | 420-470 mpm      | 450-500 mpm         | 500-535 mpm  |





#### **ARENA EVENTING**

Arena Eventing competitions can include two rounds. It is suggested that the first round have an optimum time and the second, for all combinations with clear rounds or a number to be determined by the Organizer e.g. top 25% or top 10 from the first round.

Arena Eventing courses must be comprised of a minimum of 50% Cross Country fences. It is suggested that the course starts and finishes with two or three Show Jumping obstacles. Additional Show Jumping obstacles may be added in the middle section of the course. Details regarding the competition format must be included in the prize list.

## MINIMUM ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS - ARENA EVENTING

**Eventing competitors:** Both Athlete and Horse, though not necessarily as a combination, must have obtained two MERs at the applicable level *or above* in the twelve-month period prior to the competition. *USEF MER Requirements apply to all U.S. and foreign athletes.* 

**Jumping Competitors:** Both Athlete and Horse, though not necessarily as a combination, must have completed two Jumper classes with no more than 4 jumping faults, 15cm above the fixed height of Cross Country jumps for the applicable division (or higher) in the six month period prior to the competition in question e.g. Intermediate Eventing Competition: a 1.30 Jumper Class with no more than 4 Jumping faults.

## **Arena Eventing Scoring**

Scoring of refusals, knock downs, and time per USEF Eventing Show Jumping rules.

|                   | Preliminary | Intermediate | Advanced (Indoors, Outdoors, or Indoors/Outdoors) |
|-------------------|-------------|--------------|---|
| Cross-Country     |             |              |   |
| Fixed Height      | 1.10m       | 1.15m        | 1.20m   |
| Distances         | 750m-1000m  | 750-1250m    | 1000-2000m  |
| Efforts (Minimum) | 30-50 mpe   | 40-60 mpe    | 50-75 mpe   |
| Speeds            | 375-425 mpm | 400-475 mpm  | 450-550 mpm                                       |

It is at the discretion of the Course Designer, in consultation with the Technical Delegate, to design to the specifications appropriate for the venue.





# Officials permitted for Eventing Showcases and Arena Eventing

| Showcases                       | Preliminary   | Intermediate   | Advanced  |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Ground Jury                     | President minimum USEF "R" Eventing or equivalent foreign license with a Guest Card   | President USEF "S" Eventing or equivalent foreign license with a Guest Card  |   |
| Additional Judges<br>(Optional) | Dressage: Judge must be either "R" Eventing or "r" Dressage Judge  Jumping: Must be   | Dressage: Judge must be either "S" Eventing or "R" Dressage Judge  | Dressage: Judge must be either "S" Eventing or "R" Dressage Judge   |
|                                 | selected from the current roster of Eventing, Jumping or Eventing Technical Delegates | Jumping: Must be selected<br>from the current roster of<br>Eventing, Jumping or<br>Eventing Technical<br>Delegates | Jumping: Must be selected from<br>the current roster of Eventing,<br>Jumping or Eventing Technical<br>Delegates |
| Technical<br>Delegate           | Minimum USEF "R"  | USEF "S"   | USEF "S"  |
| Course Designer                 | Minimum USEF "R" Eventing CD or equivalent foreign license                            | USEF "S" Eventing CD or equivalent foreign license   | USEF "S" Eventing CD or equivalent foreign license  |
| SJ Course<br>Designer           | N/A   | EVJCD or SJCD  | EVJCD or SJCD   |
| Additional<br>Requirements      | Either President or TD<br>must be USEF "S"<br>Eventing or "S" Technical<br>Delegate   |  |   |

| Arena Eventing     | Preliminary  | Intermediate                                       | Advanced   |
|--------------------|--|--|--|
| Technical Delegate | Minimum USEF "R"   | USEF "S"   | USEF "S"   |
| Course Designer    | Minimum USEF "R" Eventing CD or equivalent foreign license | USEF "S" Eventing CD or equivalent foreign license | USEF "S" Eventing CD or equivalent foreign license |

The competition will be judged by:

- Technical Delegate or Licensed Jumper Judge.
- A Judge with a FEI Eventing or Jumper License
- A judge with a USEF Eventing or Jumper License

