



December 8, 2025

Alison Lloyd, Eventing Sport Administration Director
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Sent via email: alloyd@usef.org

Dear Alison:

Thank you for submitting your request for a Presidential Modification to the application of GR1040.3d and GR1211.4.e. A Presidential Modification is granted in cases of extraordinary, special circumstances. When measured against that criterion, it has been determined that your request meets the standard for a Presidential Modification and therefore is approved.

As a result, these rules will be modified as outlined below for the 2026 competition year until such time as the USEF Board of Directors approves these standard rule changes.

GR1040 Conflicts of Interest and Restrictions - Stewards and Technical Delegates

3. Stewards and Technical Delegates are not to be used as Competition Staff, a Competition Official (Directors, Officers, Chairman of the Show Committee, Manager, Secretary, Judge, Veterinarian, and Course Designer), FEI Official, or in any other paid position not related to their proper duties at Licensed Competitions where they are officiating with the following exceptions:

c. Federation Combined Driving Technical Delegates and FEI Driving Stewards holding both licenses may serve in both roles at dually licensed FEI/Federation Driving Competitions. Federation Combined Driving Technical Delegates and FEI Driving Technical Delegates holding both licenses may serve in both roles at dually licensed FEI/Federation Driving Competitions. FEI Driving Stewards and FEI Driving Technical Delegates may serve as Federation Combined Driving Technical Delegates per DC971 and GR100.

d. Federation licensed Eventing Technical Delegates and FEI Eventing Technical Delegates, holding both Federation and FEI licenses, may serve in both roles at dually licensed FEI/Federation Eventing Competitions.

GR1211 Appointment of Officials and Employees

4 e. Competitions are required to obtain the necessary Stewards or Technical Delegates in accordance with the restrictions below:

i. Competition Management is permitted to obtain more than the minimum number of Stewards or Technical Delegates required above.

ii. For any competitions holding **an** the eventing division, when the cross-country phase is running, it will count as one competition ring, regardless of the number of levels offered. In addition, all dressage arenas will be counted as one ring. **When the show jumping phase is running, each ring will count as one ring, regardless of the number of levels offered within that ring. For purposes of this rule, all dressage rings being run concurrently will be counted as one ring so long as all the rings are observable from the same**

vantage point. Additional Eventing TD requirements contained in EV153 are intended to be in addition to the minimum TD requirements contained in the above chart.

iii. Competitions that host regionals, championships, or finals that occur on a rotating schedule, and create a significant change in horse entry numbers, may request a waiver to the Federation to utilize the horse entry count from the year prior to the regional, championship, or final. The waiver must be requested with the competition license renewal.

Please feel free to contact the Federation office if you need further assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Thomas F. X. O'Mara', written in a cursive style.

Thomas F. X. O'Mara
President

cc: William J. Moroney, CEO
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