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Memorandum: FEI HorseApp and Horse Health Requirements

To: FEI Eventing Veterinarians, FEI Eventing Organizers, & FEI Eventing Athletes

cc: FEI Grooms, Trainers, & Owners

From: Amber Braun – Managing Director, Eventing

Dear FEI Participants,

As we begin the FEI Eventing season in the U.S., please take time to review the resources below and familiarize yourself with the current FEI HorseApp and Horse Health Requirements.

Horses present at all FEI Events must fulfill the Horse Health Requirements via the FEI HorseApp. These requirements can be reviewed under **Article 1027** and **1029** of the [2023 FEI Veterinary Regulations](#). **Article 1008.3** of the [2023 FEI Veterinary Regulations](#) covers the Minimum Stabling Requirements for Horses during an Event. Clarification was requested from the FEI regarding the definition of an accompanying horse and the following explanation was provided, “Accompanying Horses are FEI Registered Horses that are **registered with an FEI Athlete competing in a specific FEI Event and are under the same care and management as the Horses that the Athlete is competing in this event.**”

Please note, updated language for these three sections has been updated for 2023. You can see the changes in the [marked up 2023 FEI Eventing Veterinary Regulations](#).

Sanctions have come into effect worldwide as of September 1, 2022. These can be found below and in Annex VI of the 2023 FEI Veterinary Regulations.

Failure for the first and second time to: - to present a 3 day temperature record at the Examination on Arrival in the FEI HorseApp, and/or - present the FEI Equine Health Self-Certification Form in the FEI HorseApp at the Examination on Arrival, and/or - take the Horse’s temperature and record it in the FEI HorseApp for 3 or more consecutive recordings or 4 or more recordings in total whilst present on the Event Venue	Warning
For the third and fourth time	CHF 200
For the fifth and sixth time	CHF 300 – The Horse may be allowed to compete but will be blocked in the FEI Database for 10 days following the event
For the seventh and subsequent times	CHF 400 – The Horse may be allowed to compete but will be blocked in the FEI Database for 1 month following the Event. The Athlete must be reported to FEI HQ for further possible disciplinary action.





The FEI has a dedicated section of their website to address all questions regarding the [FEI HorseApp](#). It also provides information as it is pertinent to the participant – athlete, officials, organizers, etc. For support, email usersupport@fei.org.

While the application of the FEI requirements should be consistent at every event, the implementation may be different. It is the responsibility of the Organizer to have their plan for intake and stabling determined in consultation with the FEI Veterinary Delegate well in advance of the event so that it may be communicated to participants.

It is the responsibility of the athlete to comply with the arrival times and protocols set out by the Organizer and fulfill the FEI requirements. How Organizers and/or FEI Officials elect to address/penalize late arrivals is at their discretion.

This is an additional complexity to competition but let's remember this is being implemented in the interest of horse welfare and biosecurity to ensure the protection of our equine partners so that we can enjoy our sport.

Thank you,

Amber Braun
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