



## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Potential 2027 FEI Driving World Championship for Pair Horses Applicants

**Date:** October 7, 2025

**From:** Steven Morrissey, Managing Director of Sport Logistics & Non-Olympic Disciplines

**Copy:** Hallye Griffin, Director of FEI Sport

**Re:** Anticipated Selection Methods for the 2027 FEI Driving World Championship for Pair Horses

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This preliminary information is provided to assist you with your competition planning and is subject to change. Please remember that this information is based upon the recommendations of the USEF Driving Sport Committee and is subject to approval by the USEF Board of Directors or USEF Executive Committee. Therefore, it is subject to change upon the approval of the final Selection Procedures by the USEF Board of Directors or USEF Executive Committee.

**Championship Location and Date:** The 2027 FEI Driving World Championship for Pair Horses (Championship) being held September 22-26, 2027, in Budapest, Hungary.

**Selection Methodology:** Please be advised that the proposed Selection Period for the 2027 U.S. Driving Team will begin on January 1, 2026, and is anticipated to end three days prior to the FEI Nominated Entry ("Selection Period"), with the end date to be determined and published in the full Selection Procedures.

The athlete, horse owner, and horse must comply with FEI Rules for the Championship, including, but not limited to, the FEI Qualifying Requirements found on the FEI Website.

Athletes wishing to be considered for selection to the Championship must have completed (without elimination, disqualification, or retirement) at least three (3) Selection Events in the applicable FEI sanctioned class during the Selection Period. Selection Events will include any CAI3\*-H2 or above level events. Athletes must achieve a minimum score as listed in the FEI Criteria or better in the Dressage test in at least three (3) Selection Events. One of the qualifying results, as defined above, must be achieved after January 1, 2027, with at least two of the horses listed on the Athlete's application.

**2027 U.S. Driving Team Composition:** Per the FEI Rules Article 922, the 2027 U.S. Driving Team will consist of three athlete/horse combinations.

**Funding:** The availability of funding is subject to confirmation of the 2027 USEF Driving budget.

**Questions and Feedback:** If you have any questions or feedback on the full Selection Procedures prior to their approval of the above information, please do not hesitate to contact Steven Morrissey, at [smorrissey@usef.org](mailto:smorrissey@usef.org).