

**VETERINARY ASPECTS "A"****VETERINARY REGULATIONS (VR), 10<sup>th</sup> Edition, 1<sup>st</sup> June 2006 (see website [www.horsesport.org](http://www.horsesport.org))**

THE FOLLOWING TEXT MUST BE PUBLISHED IN VERBATIM IN ALL SCHEDULES

**VETERINARY EXAMINATIONS, HORSE INSPECTIONS & PASSPORT CONTROLS**

These will be carried out in accordance with the "Veterinary Regulations", Art. 1011 & the discipline rules.

**General Regulations (GR), 21<sup>st</sup> Edition, effective 1<sup>st</sup> January 2005:****Art. 139.1**

Every horse entered for any competition at CNs or CIMs (see Appendix D) in a foreign country (see GR 141.2), and all horses entered for other CIs, CIOs, Championships, Regional and Olympic Games, whether at home or in foreign countries (see GR 141.2), must have an official, valid FEI Passport, or a National Passport approved by the FEI and accompanied by an FEI Recognition Card and, when applicable, an FEI registration number, as a means of identification and to establish ownership.

**Art. 139.2**

Horses taking part in CNs and CIMs (see Appendix D) in their country of residence are not required to have such a passport as is mentioned in paragraph 1. All such horses must be properly registered and identifiable and, unless there is no national requirement for equine influenza vaccination in the host country and in the country of origin all horses must have a valid vaccination certificate.

**EQUINE INFLUENZA VACCINATION, VR ANNEX VII** (except events taking place in NZL & AUS)

All horses and ponies for which an FEI Passport, or a National Passport approved by the FEI has been issued, must have the vaccination section endorsed by a veterinarian, stating that it has received two injections for primary vaccination against equine influenza, given between 1 and 3 months apart. In addition, a booster injection must be recorded as having been given within each succeeding 6 months, subsequent to the second injection of the primary vaccination. None of these injections must have been given within the preceding 7 days including the day of the competition or of entry into the competition stables.

The above are the minimum requirements for influenza vaccination. Both primary and first and subsequent booster injections should be given according to the manufacturer's instructions which will fall within the stipulation of the FEI ruling.

**SAMPLING FOR PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES (VR Chapter V & VI and Annex IV)**

Regular sampling is carried out in CCI3\* and CCI4\*, CSIs (3\*, 4\*, 5\*), CIOs, World Cup Qualifiers and Cup Finals, Championships and Games, whereas at other CIs sampling is recommended. Where testing takes place, the number of horses tested is at the discretion of the Testing Veterinarian/Veterinary Delegate. A minimum of three is recommended. (VR Art. 1016)

Special guidelines are applicable for events covered by the FEI Medication Control Programme (Groups I & II only).

**MEDICATION CONTROL PROGRAMME (GROUP I & II ONLY)**

The Organising Committees of FEI events within Groups I & II are advised to charge competitors the equivalent of CHF 12.50 per horse per event as a contribution towards the costs of the MCP programme.