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Jumping Championships and Olympic Games

Chapter I World Championship Teams and Individuals

Article 300 ORGANISATION

1. Every four years, in the even year between Olympic Games, the Team and Individual World Championship may be organised under the authority of the FEI according to the following principles:

1.1. A NF will not normally be authorised to organise two consecutive World Championships.

1.2. This Championship must be organised in full agreement with the General Regulations, the Rules for Jumping Events (Part One) and the following conditions.

1.3. In the week preceding and during this Championship it is forbidden to host a CSI**** or CSI***** or a CSIO***** in the same Continent as the Championship.

1.4. This Championship must be held out of doors.

2. The Championship may not be held as part of a CSI or a CSIO. The programme for the Championship must provide also for competitions open only to competitors entered in the Championship, riding horses, which are not taking part in the Championship.

The programme for each day may include one or two of these competitions. Each horse may only compete in one competition per day. The Secretary General of the FEI must approve the conditions for these competitions.

Article301 GROUND JURY, FOREIGN TECHNICAL DELEGATE AND COURSE DESIGNER

1. With the agreement of the FEI Bureau and the Organising Committee, the President and the other members of the Ground Jury must be appointed by the FEI Jumping Committee in accordance with the provisions of the General Regulations and Article 259. The President of the Ground Jury, the Foreign Judge plus one member must be chosen from the list of Official International Judges and additional members of the Ground Jury from the list of Official International Judges and/or International Judges.

2. With the agreement of the FEI Bureau and the Organising Committee the Foreign Technical Delegate must be appointed by the FEI Jumping Committee in

accordance with the provisions of the General Regulations. He must be selected from the list of Official International Course Designers.

3. With the agreement of the FEI Bureau, FEI Jumping Committee and Organising Committee the Course Designer must be chosen by the National Federation/Organising Committee from the list of Official International Course Designers.

Article302 APPEAL COMMITTEE AND VETERINARY COMMISSION

1. With the agreement of the FEI Bureau and Organising Committee, the President of the Appeal Committee must be appointed by the FEI Jumping Committee and the members shall be appointed by the FEI Jumping in accordance with the General Regulations.

2. The President and the Associate Member of the Veterinary Commission shall be appointed by the National Federation or the Organising Committee. With the agreement of the FEI Bureau and Organising Committee the Foreign Veterinary Delegate shall be appointed by the Veterinary Commission and all must be selected from the FEI List of Event Veterinarians. FEI approval is required for these nominations.

Article303 ENTRIES

1. After approval by the Secretary General of the FEI the invitations for this Championship together with schedules are sent by the National Federation of the host nation to all National Federations affiliated to the FEI.

2. Riders and horses entered for a Championship on the list of nominated entries (four weeks before the Championship) can be replaced and additions can be made within the limits specified in art 121.7.2 until the date of definite entries (maximum ten days before the start of the Championship).

In the event of an accident or illness of a competitor and/or horse, substantiated by a certificate from an official recognized doctor and/or veterinarian, between the date of definite entries and one hour before the first horse inspection of the Championship, substitutions of riders and/or horses can be made. Such substitutions must be taken from the updated list of nominated entries and require Ground Jury approval.

3. Teams

A team comprises at least three competitors and three horses and at most five competitors and ten horses.

Each NF may enter a maximum of ten competitors and twenty horses with its nominated entries and a maximum of five competitors and ten horses with its definite entries. Each NF may only send a maximum of five competitors and ten horses.

Each NF may in addition send a Chef d'Equipe to whom will be accorded the same privileges as the competitors.

4. Individuals instead of a team

A NF, which cannot send a full team, may enter one or two individual competitors with two horses each.

5. Additional competitor and horses

The additional competitor (5th competitor) and his horses plus the horses of team members or individuals not taking part in the championship competitions may compete in the non championship competitions.

Article304 DECLARATION AND SUBSTITUTION OF STARTERS (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS)

1 Declaration

The declaration of starters will take place after the training session, which must be provided on the day preceding the first competition of the Championship (Article 307). At a time fixed by the Organising Committee, the Chefs d'Equipe will designate in writing the members of their team (three or four) or their individual competitors and the names of their horses (a single and same horse for each competition for the three competitions of the Championship) as starters in the competitions of the Championship.

2 Substitution

In the event of an accident or illness of a competitor and/or horse between the submission of declarations and one hour before the start of the first championship competition, the competitor and/or the horse may, on production of a certificate from an officially recognised doctor and/or with the permission of the Veterinary Commission and after approval of the President of the Ground Jury and the Appeal Committee, be replaced by another competitor and/or horse formally entered with the definite entries or substituted according to Art. 303.2.

Article305 QUALIFICATIONS

3 Horses

The horses must be nine years old or more (minimum 8 years old for the 2006 WEG).

4 Competitors

The Championship is confined to competitors from the year in which they reach their 18th birthday.

5 Certificates of Capability

Only those competitors and horses likely to be able to complete the Championship may be entered. NFs must send to the FEI a Certificate of Capability to this effect (see GRs).

This Certificate of Capability must include a record of the results obtained in competitions satisfying the requirements as laid down in the present rules, or produce evidence confirming that the competitors and horses have the necessary experience and ability at the required standard without endangering competitor or horse.

The procedure for qualification, laid down under Annex VIII of the present rules, must be strictly followed.

Upon arrival at the Championship, Chefs d'Equipe can exchange competitors and horses at will, whether originally qualified as combinations or not. After the first championship competition, no further changes are permitted.

Article306 EXPENSES AND PRIVILEGES

1. The Organising Committee is responsible for the travelling expenses of the President and members of the Ground Jury, the President and members of the Appeal Committee, the Foreign Technical Delegate and the Foreign Veterinary Delegate.

2. The Organising Committee is responsible for the living and accommodation expenses of the President of the Ground Jury, the Foreign Technical Delegate, the Judges, the President and members of the Appeal Committee and of the Veterinary Commission, the Team Veterinarians, the Chefs d'Equipe, the competitors, the grooms (one per competitor) as well as the stabling and fodder of the horses during the period of the Championship.

3. The Organising Committee is responsible for providing transport for the President of the Ground Jury, the Foreign Technical Delegate, the Judges, the President and the members of the Appeal Committee and of the Veterinary Commission, the Chefs d'Equipe, the competitors, the grooms and the horses during the period of the Championship.

4. The Organising Committee is responsible for meeting the travelling expenses of Chefs d'Equipe, Team Veterinarians, competitors and horses belonging to the official teams and of their grooms, from the frontier of the host country, or the point of arrival in the host country to the place of the event, including the cost of loading and unloading from a ship or aircraft in the host country and cost of quarantine. The same applies for the return journey.

5. The Organising Committee is responsible for meeting the government veterinary, customs and importation costs at the border of the host country.

Article307 TRAINING SESSION

The day prior to the first official competition, the OC must provide a training period in the main arena with a course consisting of approximately eight obstacles including a combination.

Each competitor is permitted a maximum of 90 seconds per horse. Dress is informal; boots, breeches, shirt and a hard hat must be worn.

The public may not be charged to enter and prizes of any kind may not be offered.

Article308 CHAMPIONSHIP COMPETITIONS

The Championship comprises three competitions and a Final, each taking place on a different day. The total penalties incurred by the three best placed competitors in the first competition and in each round of the second competition count towards the team placing and the total penalties incurred in each of the first three competitions count towards qualification for the Final. Only the total penalties incurred by each of the four competitors at the end of the four rounds of the Final will count to determine the individual placing.

The design and construction of all obstacles with regard to safety and technical suitability must be approved by the Technical Delegate and Course Designer.

Should a dispute arise relating to these obstacles, the Technical Delegate has the final decision.

A sponsored obstacle is defined as one where there is advertising material or a sponsor's product or representation of a product inside the flags. If advertising or a product on the obstacle wings is more than 0.50 sq/m, the obstacle is also considered to be a sponsored obstacle. No more than 30% of the efforts rounded up to the next whole number may be sponsored obstacles. All the wings of obstacles may have advertising of not more than 0.50 sq/m.

Article 309 FIRST COMPETITION (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS)

1. *Conduct, Table, Speed*

This first competition is conducted over a big Table A course judged under Table C (Articles 239 and 263) at a speed of 400 m per minute without a jump-off in the event of equality for first place.

2. *Obstacles, Length of the course*

12 to 14 obstacles, including one double and one treble or three doubles. Height 1,50 m maximum, a spread in proportion not exceeding 2 m (2,20 m for the triple bar). Water jump 4 m maximum including the take-off element. Length: 500 m minimum, 600 m maximum.

3. *Participation*

The competitors and horses declared as starters for the Team and Individual Championships are qualified to take part in this first competition.

4. *Starting order*

The starting order in the first competition is drawn in the presence of the Ground Jury, the Foreign Technical Delegate and the Chefs d'Equipe at a time fixed by the President of the Ground Jury in agreement with the Organising Committee after the training session. The draw for the starting order for individuals and teams will be conducted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 252. The Chefs d'Equipe of the teams with only three competitors may choose in which of the three places out of four they will start their competitors.

5. *Penalties*

The scores obtained by each competitor will be converted into points by multiplying the time of each competitor by the coefficient 0.5; the score must be rounded up or down to the second decimal place. The second decimal place will be rounded up from .005 and rounded down from .004.

The competitor with the lowest number of points after this conversion will be given zero penalties, the other competitors being credited with the number of penalties representing the difference in points between each of them and the leading competitor.

If a competitor is eliminated or does not complete his round for any reason, he will be awarded the same number of penalties as that incurred by the competitor who has been the most severely penalised, plus 20 penalties. If the competitor concerned has himself received the highest number of penalties before being eliminated or retiring, 20 penalties will be added to his score.

Adding the 20 penalties is done after the time difference has been converted into penalties.

Article 310 SECOND COMPETITION (TEAM FINAL COMPETITION, SECOND INDIVIDUAL)

1. *Conduct, Table, Speed*

This second competition is conducted over two equal rounds run over one or two days under Table A not against the clock and without a jump-off at a speed of 400 m per minute.

2. *Obstacles, Length of the course*

12 to 14 obstacles, including one double and one treble or three doubles. Height 1.60 m maximum with a spread in proportion not exceeding 2 m (2.20 m for the triple bar). At least two vertical obstacles, which must be 1.60 m in height. (Sloping walls do not count as compulsory vertical obstacles). At least six other obstacles of at least 1.40 m in height. Water Jump: 4 m (not including the take-off element giving a total of 4.50 m maximum). Length: 500 m minimum, 700 m maximum.

After Consultation with the Course Designer, the Ground Jury may decide to move the obstacles sideways following the first round depending on the condition of the footing. The course must be re-measured if there is a change in the length. If the position of any of the obstacles is altered, the riders will be permitted to inspect the course before the second round.

3. *Participation*

Only the competitors and horses, which have taken part in the first competition, may start in this second competition.

The second round is open only to the ten best teams after the first round and those teams with equality of penalties for tenth place.

Before the ten best placed teams and those with equality of penalties for the tenth place begin their second round, all individuals and members of teams not qualified for the second round may take part in a second round qualifier for the third competition. There must be a break of at least 30 minutes between the second round qualifier and the second round of the team competition.

4. *Starting order*

The starting order in this second competition will be determined by a new draw in accordance with the same procedure as provided for the first competition.

The starting order of the ten best placed teams and those teams with equality of penalties for tenth place in the second round is according to the reverse order of the total penalties of the best three competitors per team incurred in the first competition and of the best three competitors per team in the first round of the team competition. In case of equality of total penalties teams retain the same starting order as in the first round.

The starting order for the individuals and team competitors taking part in a second round qualifier for the third competition is according to the reverse order of total penalties incurred in the first competition and the first round of

the team competition. In case of competitors with equality of penalties, the score of the first competition will decide their starting order

5. *Team Placing*

Teams which participate in the second round receive their placing by adding the penalties incurred by the three best competitors in each team in the first competition and penalties incurred by the three best competitors in each of the two rounds of the second competition. The team, which has obtained the least number of penalties will be placed first and declared World Team Champion.

In the event of equality between teams for first, second and/or third place, there will be a jump-off against the clock in which all team competitors may take part, at a speed of 400 m per minute over six obstacles, which may be increased in height and/or spread.

The score in this jump-off is obtained by adding the penalties incurred by the three best competitors in each team, but in the event of further equality of penalties, the times of these three competitors in this jump-off added together will decide the winning team as well as those placed second or third. The score of this jump-off is only to determine the placing of the teams and will not count towards the final scores of the individual competitors.

If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the first and the second place.

If after the jump-off there is equality of penalties and time for one of the first three places, the teams concerned will be placed equal.

Teams not qualified for the second round of the team competition receive their placing by adding the penalties incurred by the three best competitors in each team in the first competition and the penalties incurred by the three best competitors in the first round of the team competition.

6. *Rest Day*

A rest day must be scheduled between the second and third competitions.

Article 311 THIRD COMPETITION (INDIVIDUAL)

1. *Conduct, Table, Speed*

This third competition is conducted under Table A not against the clock (Article 238.1.1) over two different successive courses at a speed of 400 m per minute, without a jump-off in the event of equality of penalties for first place.

2. *Obstacles, Length of the courses*

2.1. *Round A*

10 to 12 obstacles, including one double and one treble or three doubles. Height 1.60 m maximum with a spread in proportion, not exceeding 2 m (2.20 m for the triple bar). At least two vertical obstacles which must be 1.60 m in height. (Sloping walls do not count as compulsory vertical obstacles). Water jump: 4 m (not including the take-off element giving a total of 4.50 m maximum). Length: 500 m minimum, 600 m maximum.

2.2. *Round B*

A different course from Round A comprising 8 to 10 obstacles including only one combination (one double or one treble). Height 1.60 m maximum with a spread in proportion not exceeding 2 m (2.20 m for the triple bar). At least two vertical

obstacles, which must be 1.60 m in height. Sloping walls do not count as compulsory vertical obstacles.

A water jump may not be included, but an obstacle with water beneath, in front or behind (a so-called "Liverpool") may be included in the course.

Length: 400 m minimum, 500 m maximum.

3. *Participation*

This third competition is compulsory for the 25 best placed competitors and horses (including those placed equal for 25th place) according to the cumulative penalties over the first and second competitions or according to the cumulative penalties over the first competition and first round of the second competition as well as the round replacing the second round of the team competition for individuals and members of teams not qualified for the second round of the team competition.

Competitors must have taken part in the first competition (completed or not) and have completed the second competition (without having been eliminated or having retired) or have taken part in the first competition (completed or not) and have completed the first round of the second competition as well as the round replacing the second round of the team competition for individuals and members of teams not qualified for the second round of the team competition (without having been eliminated or having retired). If, for any reason, one or more of these 25 best placed competitors are unable to start, they may be replaced by participants from the reserve list of five competitors.

4. *Inspecting the Course B*

Competitors will be invited to inspect the course for Round B at the conclusion of Round A.

5. *Starting order*

5.1 The starting order for Round A will follow the reverse order of penalties incurred in the first and second competitions. For those individuals and members of teams not qualified for the second round of the team competition the starting order will follow the reverse order of total penalties incurred in the first competition and the first round of the second competition as well as the round replacing the second round of the team competition. In case of competitors with equality of penalties, the score of the first competition will decide their starting order. The 25th qualifier will, therefore, start as number one.

5.2 The starting order for Round B will follow the reverse order of total penalties incurred in Round A of the third competition, as well as in the first and second competitions. For those individuals and members of teams not qualified for the second round of the team competition the starting order will follow the reverse order of total penalties incurred in Round A of the third competition, the first competition and the first round of the second competition as well as the round replacing the second round of the team competition. The competitor with the most penalties will start first, the competitor with the least penalties will start last. In case of competitors with equality of penalties, the score of the first competition will decide their starting order.

Article312 FINAL

1. Participation

The four best placed competitors for the Final are selected by adding the penalties incurred by each competitor in the first and third competitions to the penalties incurred in the two rounds of the second competition, and for those individuals and members of teams not qualified for the second round of the team competition the penalties incurred in the first and third competitions are added to the penalties incurred in the first round of the second competition and the round replacing the second round of the team competition.

In the event of equality of penalties for the fourth place, the best score obtained in the third competition will decide which competitor qualifies. In the event of further equality the best score in the second competition and in turn that of the first competition will decide. If the scores are still equal, there will be a jump-off against the clock over six obstacles of Rounds A and B of the third competition.

2. The conduct and starting order of the Final competition

Each competitor must jump the course with each of the four horses qualified for this Final, starting with his own and following the order shown in the table below.

A special draw will decide the starting order of the finalists with their own horses.

3. Rotation of the competitors

	Horse A	Horse B	Horse C	Horse D	
Competitor	a	b	c	d	1 st round
Competitor	b	c	d	a	2 nd round
Competitor	c	d	a	b	3 rd round
Competitor	d	a	b	C	4 th round

4. Schooling the horses for the Final

Each competitor in the Final will use the exercise or the schooling area to school his own horse. The competitors may school the other horses to be ridden in subsequent rounds, for 3 minutes in a special enclosure built in the main arena in which there will be a vertical and a spread practice obstacle. These obstacles will not exceed 1.30 m in height or 1.40 in spread.

After the first round, each finalist remains in the enclosure with his horse.

Except for Officials, the only people allowed inside the enclosure are the competitors, the Chef d'Equipe, the trainer and the groom for each horse taking part. After each competitor has finished the course with his own horse, he may school the horse he is to ride in the next round. The three-minute period will start when the competitor mounts the horse. The time used of the three minute period must be shown on the scoreboard or other display beside the arena, clearly visible for the competitor. The end of this time will be announced to the competitor by ringing the bell. The competitor may only jump the vertical obstacle once and the spread obstacle once or the same obstacle twice.

5. Saddlery for the Final

Competitors are allowed to change the saddle, but the horses must always be ridden in the same bridle, bit and boots as in the last qualifying competition (3rd Individual Competition) before the Final.

6. Obstacles, Table, Speed, Length of the course for the Final

The competition takes place under Table A not against the clock at a speed of 400 m per minute.

The course must comprise eight obstacles including a combination (one double or one triple). The height must not exceed 1.60 m without however, being less than 1.30 m with a spread in proportion not exceeding 1.80 m. Neither a water jump, nor a "Liverpool" may be included. Length: 400 m minimum, 500 m maximum.

7. Accidents, Elimination or Retirement

7.1. If one of the four competitors or horses qualified is unable to participate for reasons of health, he will automatically be replaced by the competitor placed 5th and so on. (In the event of equality for 5th place the procedure laid down in paragraph 1 of the present Article 312 will be followed).

7.2. The competitor on the 5th place must keep himself and his horse ready until a time to be determined by the Ground Jury in case he has to replace one of the four competitor/horse qualified.

7.3. If a competitor has an accident during the Final preventing him from continuing, but the horse with which he has the accident is able to continue, the horse must compete in all the rounds with the other finalists.

7.4. If a competitor is eliminated or retires and does not complete one of his rounds for any reason, he will be awarded the same number of penalties as that incurred by the competitor who has been the most severely penalised during the same round, plus 20 penalties. If the competitor eliminated or who has retired had himself received the highest number of penalties before being eliminated or retiring, 20 penalties will be added to his score for that round.

7.5. If a horse is not fit to participate in the second, third or fourth round, the results it has obtained so far, except its result in the first round, are cancelled. The competitor of the horse that is unable to continue will not participate in the fourth round. In this case the total result of each competitor is determined over three rounds, one on his own horse and two on other horses.

Article313 INDIVIDUAL PLACING IN THE FINAL

The competitor who has the lowest total penalties over all the rounds of the Final will be declared World Champion.

In the event of equality of penalties for first, second and/or third place there will be a jump-off against the clock over the same course, each competitor riding his own horse.

If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the first and the second place.

If after the jump-off there is equality of penalties and time for one of the first three places, the competitors concerned will be placed equal.

If the horse of a competitor, who must take part in a jump-off, has an accident, preventing it from participating in the jump-off, the competitor concerned will be placed after the competitor(s) against whom he would have had to participate in the jump-off.

Article314 PRIZES

1. Prizes must be awarded for individual placing in each competition. The allocation of prizes must follow the provisions of the General Regulations.
2. FEI gold, silver and bronze medals will be awarded to each member of the three best placed teams and to the individuals placed first, second and third.

Article315 INSURING THE HORSES FOR THE FINAL

The Organising Committee must insure the horses competing in the Final and must state in the schedule the amount for which the horses are insured.

Chapter II Continental Championship Teams and Individuals

Article 316 ORGANISATION

1. Every two years, in the uneven years between Olympic Games, the Team and Individual Continental Championship may be organised under the authority of the FEI according to the following principles:
 - 1.1. A NF will not normally be authorised to organise two consecutive Continental Championships.
 - 1.2. This Championship must be organised in full agreement with the General Regulations, the Rules for Jumping Events (Part One) and the following conditions.
 - 1.3 In the week preceding and during this Championship it is forbidden to host a CSI**** or CSI***** or CSIO***** in the same Continent as the Championship.
 - 1.4. This Championship must be held out of doors.
2. The Championship may be held together with a CSI but not as part of a CSIO. If the Championship is held on its own, the programme for the Championship must provide also for competitions open to competitors entered in the Championship riding horses which are not taking part in the Championship.

The programme for each day may include one or two of these competitions. Each horse may only compete in one competition per day. The Secretary General of the FEI must approve the conditions for these competitions.

3. If the Championship is held together with a CSI, the training session on the first day is only open to competitors of the Championship. For competitors of the CSI, separate competitions may be organised. From the second day on, the competitors may be mixed.

Article317 GROUND JURY, FOREIGN TECHNICAL DELEGATE AND COURSE DESIGNER

1. The President of the Ground Jury must be appointed by the Jumping Committee of the FEI in accordance with the provisions of the General Regulations. He must reach agreement with the Organising Committee and with the FEI with regard to the appointment of his colleagues on the Ground Jury.

The President of the Ground Jury and Foreign Judge must be chosen from the list of Official International Judges and the members of the Ground Jury from the list of Official International Judges or International Judges. The President of the Ground Jury may also act as the Foreign Judge.

2. The Foreign Technical Delegate must be appointed by the Jumping Committee of the FEI in accordance with the provisions of the General Regulations. He must be selected from the list of International Course Designers.
3. The Course Designer must be chosen from the list of International Course Designers.

Article318 APPEAL COMMITTEE AND VETERINARY COMMISSION

1. The President and the members of the Appeal Committee must be appointed in accordance with the provisions laid down in the General Regulations.
2. The President and the Associate Member of the Veterinary Commission shall be appointed by the National Federation or the Organising Committee. The Veterinary Committee shall appoint the Foreign Veterinary Delegate and all must be selected from the FEI List of Event Veterinarians. The FEI has to approve these nominations.

Article319 ENTRIES

1. After approval by the Secretary General of the FEI the invitations for this Championship together with schedules are sent out by the National Federation of the host nation to all NFs affiliated to the FEI, in the Continent where the Championship is to take place.
2. Riders and horses entered for a Championship on the list of nominated entries (four weeks before the Championship) can be replaced and additions can be made within the limits specified in art 121.7.2 until the date of definite entries (maximum ten days before the start of the Championship).

In the event of an accident or illness of a competitor and/or horse, substantiated by a certificate from an official recognized doctor and/or veterinarian, between the date of definite entries and one hour before the first horse inspection of the Championship, substitutions of riders and/or horses can

be made. Such substitutions must be taken from the updated list of nominated entries and require Ground Jury approval.

3. Teams

A team comprises at least three competitors and three horses and at most five competitors and ten horses. Each NF may enter a maximum of ten competitors and twenty horses with its nominated entries and a maximum of five competitors and ten horses with its definite entries. Each NF may only send a maximum of five competitors and ten horses. Each NF may in addition send a Chef d'Equipe to whom will be accorded the same privileges as the competitors.

4. Individuals instead of a team

A nation, which cannot send a full team, may enter one or two individual competitors with two horses each.

4.1. Additional rider and horse

The additional competitor (5th competitor) and his horses plus the horses of team members and individuals not taking part in the Championship competitions may compete in the non Championship competitions.

5. South American Championships - Number of teams and Individuals

A minimum of three NFs must be represented by teams. A minimum of three teams are required for this event to be recognised as a Championship. Each NF may not be represented by more than two teams. Competitors and/or horses may not change from one team to another team during the championship. A maximum of two individual competitors only are allowed to participate per nation, if the nation in question sends one team to the Championship. If the NF is not represented by a team, two individual competitors may participate for the NF in question.

Article320 DECLARATION AND SUBSTITUTION OF STARTERS (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS)

1. Declaration

The declaration of starters will take place after the training session, which must be provided on the day preceding the first competition of the Championship (Article 323). At a time fixed by the Organising Committee, the Chefs d'Equipe will designate in writing the members of their team (three or four) or their individual competitors and the names of their horses (a single and same horse for each competitor for the three competitions of the Championship) as starters in the competitions of the Championship.

2. Substitution

In the event of an accident or illness of a competitor and/or horse between the submission of declarations and one hour before the start of the first championship competition, the competitor and/or the horse may, on production of a certificate from an officially recognised doctor and/or with the permission of the Veterinary Commission and after approval of the President of the Ground Jury and the Appeal Committee, be replaced by another competitor and/or horse formally entered with the definite entries or substituted according to Art. 319.2.

Article321 QUALIFICATIONS

1. Horses

The horses must be eight years old or more.

2. Competitors

The Championship is confined to competitors from the year in which they reach their 18th birthday.

3. Certificates of Capability

Only those competitors and horses likely to be able to complete the Championship may be entered. NFs must send to the FEI a Certificate of Capability to this effect (see GRs).

This Certificate of Capability must include a record of the results obtained in competitions satisfying the requirements as laid down in the present rules, or produce evidence confirming that the competitors and horses have the necessary experience and ability at the required standard without endangering competitor or horse.

The procedure for qualification, laid down under Annex VIII of the present rules, must be strictly followed.

Upon arrival at the Championship, Chefs d'Equipe can exchange competitors and horses at will, whether originally qualified as combinations or not. After the first championship competition, no further changes are permitted.

Article322 EXPENSES AND PRIVILEGES

1. The Organising Committee is responsible for the travelling expenses of the President of the Ground Jury, the Foreign Technical Delegate and the Foreign Veterinary Delegate.

2. The Organising Committee is responsible for the living and accommodation expenses of the President of the Ground Jury, the Foreign Technical Delegate, the Judges, the President and members of the Appeal Committee and of the Veterinary Commission, the Team Veterinarians, the Chefs d'Equipe, the competitors and the grooms (one per competitor) as well as the stabling and fodder of the horses during the period of the Championship.

3. The Organising Committee is responsible for providing transport for the President of the Ground Jury, the Foreign Technical Delegate, the Judges, the President and the members of the Appeal Committee and of the Veterinary Commission, the Chefs d'Equipe, the competitors, the grooms and the horses during the period of the Championship.

4. The Organising Committee is responsible for meeting the travelling expenses of Chefs d'Equipe, Team Veterinarians, competitors and horses belonging to the official teams and of their grooms, from the frontier of the host country, or the point of arrival in the host country to the place of the event, including the cost of loading and unloading from a ship or aircraft in the host country and cost of quarantine. The same applies for the return journey.

5. The Organising Committee is responsible for meeting the government veterinary, customs and importation costs at the border of the host country.

Article323 TRAINING SESSION

The day prior to the first official competition, the OC must provide a training period in the main arena with a course consisting of approximately eight obstacles including a combination.

Each competitor is permitted a maximum of 90 seconds per horse.

Dress is informal; boots, breeches, shirt and a hard hat must be worn.

The public may not be charged to enter and prizes of any kind may not be offered.

Article324 CHAMPIONSHIP COMPETITIONS

The Championship comprises three competitions, each taking place on a different day. The total penalties incurred by the three best placed competitors in the first competition and in each round of the second competition count towards the team placing and the total penalties incurred in each of the first three competitions count towards the individual placing.

The design and construction of all obstacles with regard to safety and technical suitability must be approved by the Technical Delegate and Course Designer. Should a dispute arise relating to these obstacles, the Technical Delegate has the final decision.

A sponsored obstacle is defined as one where there is advertising material or a sponsor's product or representation of a product inside the flags. If advertising or a product on the obstacle wings is more than 0.50 square meters the obstacle is also considered to be a sponsored obstacle. No more than 30% of the efforts rounded up to the next whole number may be sponsored obstacles. All the wings of obstacles may have advertising of no more than 0.50 sq/m.

Article325 FIRST COMPETITION (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS)

1. Conduct, Table, Speed

This first competition is conducted over a big Table A course and judged under Table C (Articles 239 and 263) at a speed of 400 m per minute without a jump-off in the event of equality for first place.

2. Obstacles, Length of the course

12 to 14 obstacles, including one double and one treble or three doubles. Height 1.50 m maximum, a spread in proportion not exceeding 2 m (2.20 m for the triple bar). Water Jump: 4 m maximum, including the take-off element.

Length: 500 m minimum, 600 m maximum.

3. Participation

The competitors and horses declared as starters for the Team and Individual Championships are qualified to take part in this first competition.

4. Starting order

The starting order in this first competition is drawn in the presence of the Ground Jury, the Foreign Technical Delegate and the Chefs d'Equipe, at a time

fixed by the President of the Ground Jury in agreement with the Organising Committee after the training session. The draw for the starting order for individuals and teams will be conducted in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 252. The Chefs d'Equipe of the teams with only three competitors may choose in which of the three places out of four they will start their competitors.

5. Penalties

The scores obtained by each competitor will be converted into points by multiplying the time of each competitor by the coefficient 0.50; the score must be rounded up or down to the second decimal place. The second decimal place will be rounded up from .005 and rounded down from .004.

The competitor with the lowest number of points after this conversion will be given zero penalties, the other competitors being credited with the number of penalties representing the difference in points between each of them and the leading competitor.

If a competitor is eliminated or does not complete his round for any reason, he will be awarded the same number of penalties as that incurred by the competitor who has been the most severely penalised, plus 20 penalties. If the competitor concerned has himself received the highest number of penalties before being eliminated or retiring, 20 penalties will be added to his score.

Adding the 20 penalties is done after the time difference has been converted into penalties.

Article326 SECOND COMPETITION (TEAM FINAL COMPETITION, SECOND INDIVIDUAL)

1. Conduct, Table, Speed

This second competition is conducted over two equal rounds run over one or two days under Table A not against the clock and without a jump-off at a speed of 400 m per minute (Bulletin 6/2005).

2. Obstacles, Length of the courses

12 to 14 obstacles, including one double and one treble or three doubles. Height 1.60 m maximum with a spread in proportion not exceeding 2 m (2.20 m for the triple bar). At least two vertical obstacles, which must be 1.60 m in height (sloping walls do not count as compulsory vertical obstacles). At least 6 other obstacles of at least 1.40 m in height. Water jump: 4 m (not including the take-off element giving total of 4.50 m maximum). Length: 500 m minimum, 700 m maximum.)

After Consultation with the Course Designer, the Ground Jury may decide to move the obstacles sideways following the first round depending on the condition of the footing. The course must be re-measured if there is a change in the length. If the position of any of the obstacles is altered, the riders will be permitted to inspect the course before the second round.

3. Participation

Only the competitors and horses, which have taken part in the first competition, may take part in the second competition.

3.1. Individuals

3.1.1 The 50 riders (such number to be increased if there is equality for the 50th place) having the best score deriving from the addition of the scores obtained in the First Individual Qualifying Competition and Round 1 of Team Competition (Second Individual Qualification Competition) are allowed to participate in the Third Individual Qualification Competition which is the Round 2 of the Team Competition.

3.1.2 If the riders qualified as above under 3.1.1 are not members of a team which has been qualified to participate in Round 2 of the Team Competition, said riders will compete prior to Round 2 of the Team Competition. There will be at least 30 minutes interval between this round and Round 2 of the Team Competition.

3.2. Teams

3.2.1 Round 2 of the Team Competition takes place after the 3rd qualifying competition for Individuals. It is open only to the ten best placed teams and those teams equal on penalties for tenth place after Round 1 of the Team Competition.

3.2.2 All teams allowed to compete in Round 2 of the Team Competition carry their penalties forward from the First Individual Qualifying Competition and Round 1 of the Team Competition.

Score obtained in Round 2 by members of Teams who are not among the riders eligible to compete in the Third Individual Qualifying Competition as mentioned under 3.1.1 above, count only for the classification of their respective teams.

4. Starting order

~~The starting order in this second competition will be determined by a new draw in accordance with the same procedure as provided for the first competition.~~

Individuals – Round 1:

First to start in Round 1 of the Team competition are all individuals. The starting order of individual riders in Round 1 of the Team competition is according to the reverse order of individual classification in the first competition. In case of equality of penalties for any place competitors retain the same starting place as in the first competition.

Teams – Round 1:

Following the first Individual competition, teams are divided into two groups based on the results of the best three competitors in each team. The first group of teams to start in the first round of the Team competition is that with teams placed eleventh and beyond. The group with teams placed first to tenth and those ex-aequo for tenth place start last. Teams in each group start in the reverse order of classification resulting from the first Individual competition. There is a draw to decide the starting order for teams in case of equality of penalties.

4.1. Individuals – Round 2

4.1.1 The starting order of the Individuals qualified to compete as mentioned hereinabove under section 3.1.1 is set according to the reverse order of the aggregate penalties incurred in the First and the Second Individual Qualifying

Competitions In case of competitors with equality of penalties, the score of the first competition will decide their starting order.

4.2. Teams – Round 2

4.2.1 The starting order of the Teams qualified to compete as mentioned hereinabove under section 3.2.1 is set according to the reverse order of order total penalties of the best three competitors per team incurred in the First Individual Qualifying competition and of the best three competitors per team in the Round 1 of the team competition. Teams with equality of the penalties retain the starting order of Round 1.

4.2.2 Scores of Individuals who are members of any team eligible to participate in Round 2 as provided herein above will count for the classification of their team in the Team Competition but also as their personal result in the Third Qualifying Competition if they are among the riders mentioned in paragraph 3.1.1 above.

5. Team Placing

The ten teams and those with equality of penalties for tenth place receive their placing by adding the penalties incurred by the best three competitors in each team in the first competition and the penalties incurred by the three best competitors in each of the two rounds of the second competition. The team, which has obtained the least number of penalties will be placed first and declared Continental Team Champion.

In the event of equality of penalties between teams for first, second and/or third place, there will be a jump-off against the clock in which all team competitors may take part, over six obstacles, which may be increased in height and/or spread at a speed of 400 m per minute.

The score in this jump-off is obtained by adding the penalties incurred by the three best competitors in each team, but in the event of further equality of penalties, the times of these three competitors in the jump-off added together will decide the winning team as well as those placed second or third. The score of this jump-off is only to determine the placing of the teams and will not count towards the final scores of the individual competitors.

If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the first and the second place.

If after the jump-off there is equality of penalties and time for one of the first three places, the teams concerned will be placed equal.

Teams not qualified for the second round of the Team competition receive their placing by adding the penalties incurred by the three best competitors in each team in the first competition and the penalties incurred by the three best competitors in the first round of the team competition.

6. Rest Day

A rest day must be scheduled between the second and third competitions.

Article327 THIRD COMPETITION (INDIVIDUAL FINAL)

1. Conduct, Table, Speed

This third competition is conducted over two rounds (A) and (B) each judged under Table A not against the clock with a time allowed at a speed of 400 m per minute (Article 238.1.1).

2. *Obstacles, Length of the Courses*

2.1 *Round A*

10 to 12 obstacles, including one double and one treble or three doubles. Height: 1.60 m maximum with a spread in proportion, not exceeding 2 m (2.20 m for the triple bar). At least two vertical obstacles, which must be 1.60 m in height. (Sloping walls do not count as compulsory vertical obstacles). Water Jump: 4 m (not including the take-off element, giving a total of 4.50 m maximum). Length: 500 m minimum, 600 m maximum.

2.2 *Round B*

A different course from Round A comprising 8 to 10 obstacles including only one combination (one double or one treble). Height 1.60 m maximum with a spread in proportion not exceeding 2 m (2.20 m for the triple bar). At least two vertical obstacles, which must be 1.60 m in height. (Sloping walls do not count as compulsory vertical obstacles).

A water jump may not be included, but an obstacle with water beneath, in front or behind (a so-called "Liverpool") may be included in the course. Length: 400 m minimum, 500 m maximum.

3. *Participation*

This third competition is compulsory for the 25 best-placed competitors and horses (including those with equality of penalties for 25th place) according to the cumulative penalties over the first and second competitions or according to the cumulative penalties over the first competition and first round of the second competition as well as the round replacing the second round of the team competition for individuals and members of teams not qualified for the second round of the team competition. Competitors must have taken part in the first competition (completed or not) and have completed the second competition (without having been eliminated or having retired) or have taken part in the first competition (completed or not) and have completed the first round of the second competition as well as the round replacing the second round of the team competition for individuals and members of teams not qualified for the second round of the team competition (without having been eliminated or having retired). If for any reason one or more of these 25 best placed competitors are unable to start, they will be replaced by participants from the reserve list of five competitors.

4. *Inspection of Course B*

Competitors will be invited to inspect the course for Round B at the conclusion of Round A.

5. *Starting order*

5.1. The starting order for Round A will follow the reverse order of penalties incurred in the first and second competitions. For those individuals and members of teams not qualified for the second round of the team competition the starting order will follow the reverse order of penalties incurred in the first competition and the first round of the second competition as well as the round replacing the second round of the team competition. In the event of equality of

penalties, the score of the first competition will decide the starting order. The 25th qualifier will, therefore, start as number one.

5.2. The starting order for Round B will follow the reverse order of total penalties incurred in Round A of the Final competition, as well as in the first and second competitions. For those individuals and members of teams not qualified for the second round of the team competition the starting order will follow the reverse order of total penalties incurred in Round A of the Final competition, the first competition and the first round of the second competition, as well as the round replacing the second round of the team competition. The competitor with the most penalties will start first, the competitor with the least penalties will start last. In the event of competitors with equality of penalties, the score of the first competition will decide their starting order.

6. *Individual Placing*

The individual placing is determined by adding together for each competitor the penalties incurred in the first competition, as well as the two Rounds of the second competition (disregarding the penalties incurred in the jump-off if there is one) and the two Rounds A and B of the third competition. For those individuals and members of teams not qualified for the second round of the team competition their score in the second round qualifier counts instead of the second round of the team competition.

The competitor with the least penalties will be placed first and declared the Continental Champion.

In the event of equality for one of the first three places after Round B of the third competition, there will be a jump-off against the clock at a speed of 400 m per minute over 8 obstacles from the courses of Rounds A and B. The competitors will be invited to inspect the jump-off course.

If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the first place and the second place.

If after the jump-off there is equality of penalties and time for one of the first three places, competitors concerned will be placed equal.

Article328 PRIZES

1. Prizes must be awarded for individual placing in each competition. The allocation of prizes must follow the provisions of the General Regulations.
2. FEI gold, silver and bronze medals will be awarded to each member of the three best placed teams and to the individuals placed first, second and third.

Chapter III Olympic Games

Article329 ORGANISATION

1. Every four years the Olympic Games are organised under the authority of the International Olympic Committee (IOC).

2. The programme for competitions of the Olympic Games is established by the FEI in co-operation with the IOC. Each horse may only compete in one competition per day. The conditions of the competitions are established by the FEI and must be approved by the Secretary General of the FEI.

Article330 GROUND JURY, FOREIGN TECHNICAL DELEGATE AND COURSE DESIGNER

1. The members and the President of the Ground Jury must be appointed by the FEI Jumping Committee with the agreement of the FEI Bureau in accordance with the provisions of the General Regulations. At least two members and the President of the Ground Jury must be chosen from the list of Official International Judges. The remaining judges must be at least International Judges.

2. The Foreign Technical Delegate must be an Official International Course Designer and must be appointed by the FEI Jumping Committee with the agreement of the FEI Bureau in accordance with the provisions of the General Regulations.

3. The Course Designer must be chosen from the list of Official International Course Designers and appointed by the Organising Committee in agreement with the FEI.

Article331 APPEAL COMMITTEE AND VETERINARY COMMISSION

1. The members and the President of the Appeal Committee must be appointed by the FEI Bureau.

2. The President and the Associate Member of the Veterinary Commission shall be appointed by the National Federation or the Organising Committee. The Veterinary Committee shall appoint the Foreign Veterinary Delegate and all must be selected from the FEI List of Event Veterinarians. The FEI has to approve these nominations.

Article332 ENTRIES

Refer to the Regulations for the Equestrian Events at the Olympic Games, 22nd edition 2008.

Article333 DECLARATION AND SUBSTITUTION OF STARTERS (Teams and Individuals)

1. *Declaration*

1.1. For Jumping horses and competitors must have qualified as combinations.

1.2. The Chef d'Equipe must declare in writing to the Secretariat, not later than 18:00 hrs. on the day before the start of the first official competition, the names of competitors and horses which will actually take part, from among those formally entered on the official forms.

2. *Substitution*

2.1. No reserve competitors will be allowed to receive Olympic accreditation, although substitutions will be permitted.

2.2. Substitution of competitors and horses will be permitted until one hour before the start of the first official competition.

2.3. Substitution will only be allowed in the event of an accident or illness of a competitor and/or horse on the production of a certificate from an officially recognised doctor and/or with the permission of the Veterinary Commission.

2.4. The competitor and/or the horse to be substituted can be replaced either by another competitor or horse or by another competitor/horse combination. All substituted competitors and/or horses must have qualified **as combinations in accordance with** the relevant rules and must have been duly entered on the list of nominated entries.

Article334 QUALIFICATIONS

1. *Horses*

The horses must be nine years old or more and be the property of the competitors or owners of the same nationality.

2. *Competitors*

The Olympic Games are confined to competitors from the year in which they reach their 18th birthday.

Certificates of Capability

Only those competitors and horses likely to be able to complete the Olympic Games may be entered. NFs must send to the FEI a Certificate of Capability to this effect (see GRs). Riders and horses must qualify as combinations.

This Certificate of Capability must include a record of the results obtained in competitions satisfying the requirements as laid down in the present rules (Annex VIII).

The procedure for qualification, laid down under Annex VIII of the present rules, must be strictly followed.

Article335 EXPENSES AND PRIVILEGES

Refer to FEI Regulations for Equestrian Events at the Olympic Games, 22nd edition 2008.

Article336 TRAINING SESSION

The Organising Committee, in agreement with the Foreign Technical Delegate, must organise a training session for the competitors of the Jumping Competitions in the main competition arena under the following conditions:

- it must take place 2 or 3 days before the first official competition;
- none of the obstacle material, water jumps or ditches to be used for the Olympic competitions may be used;
- a course consisting of maximum 10 obstacles, including a combination;

- maximum height 1.50 m;
- each competitor is permitted a maximum of 90 seconds per horse;
- dress is informal, boots, breeches, shirt and a hard hat must be worn;
- this training session is open to maximum 4 competitors (plus possible reserve rider) and 6 horses per team;
- the public may not be charged to enter and prizes of any kind may not be offered.

Article337 OFFICIAL COMPETITIONS OF THE OLYMPIC GAMES

The official programme of the Olympic Games will comprise the following competitions:

- The first individual qualifying competition
- The team jumping competition, the first and second rounds also count as the second and third individual qualifying competitions.
- The final individual jumping competition.

Article338 THE FIRST INDIVIDUAL QUALIFYING COMPETITION

FIRST COMPETITION DAY

1. Conduct, Table, Speed

The first individual qualifying competition is conducted over one round under Table A not against the clock, without a jump-off, at a speed of 400 m per minute (Article 238.1.1). Competitors with equality of penalties will be placed equal.

This competition counts as a qualification for the Final Individual Competition and establishes the starting order for the Team competition. The score of the best three riders in each team will be added together. Teams start in the first round of the team competition in the reverse order of penalties obtained in this competition. In case of equality of penalties for any place the score of the fourth rider is decisive. In case of a further tie on penalties a draw is held to establish the starting order.

If a competitor is eliminated or does not complete his round for any reason, he will be awarded the same number of penalties as that incurred by the competitor who has been the most severely penalised, plus 20 penalties. If the competitor concerned has himself received the highest number of penalties before being eliminated or retiring, 20 penalties will be added to his score.

2. Obstacles, Length of the Course

12 obstacles including one double and one treble or three doubles. The obstacles may vary from 1.40 m to 1.60 m in height. There must be two vertical obstacles of 1.60 m. Sloping walls do not count as compulsory vertical obstacles. It is not compulsory to have a water jump.

Length: 500 m minimum, 600 m maximum

3. Participation

A maximum of four competitors/horses per nation, selected from among those entered, may start in this competition.

4. Starting Order

The starting order in this competition will be determined by a **slow computerized** draw in the presence of the Ground Jury, Foreign Technical Delegate and Chefs d'Equipe, at a time fixed by the President of the Ground Jury in agreement with the Organising Committee.

First a draw for the individual starting places takes place, followed by a draw to decide the starting position of each team. The starting order of team members is established by the Chefs d'Equipe.

FIRST REST DAY

Article339 THE TEAM COMPETITION (Also the second and third individual qualifying competitions)

SECOND AND THIRD COMPETITION DAYS

1. Conduct, Table and Speed

This competition is conducted in accordance with the Rules for the "Nations Cup" except where modified as follows.

This competition takes place over two rounds (qualifying round and final round) during two days, over different courses.

It is judged under Table A not against the clock with a time allowed at a speed of 400 m per minute.

2. Obstacles, Length of the Course

12 to 13 obstacles, including one double and one treble or three doubles. The spread of obstacles (open ditch, spa rail, oxer, etc.) must have a width of between 1.50 m and 2 m (2.20 m for the triple bar) with a height in proportion to their spread. There must be two vertical obstacles of 1.60 m. Sloping walls do not count as compulsory vertical obstacles. A water jump with a spread of water of a least 4.30 m and 4.50 m maximum (including the take-off rail) must be included.

Length: 500 m minimum, 600 m maximum.

3. Team Placing

The team classification for the eight best teams and those with equality of penalties for eighth place is decided by adding the penalties of the three best placed competitors of each team in Rounds 1 and 2 (qualifying round and final round) of the team competition. Teams not qualified for Round 2 of the team competition receive their placing by adding the penalties incurred by the three best competitors in each team in Round 1 of the team competition.

4. Jump-off

In the case of equality of penalties for 1st, 2nd or 3rd place, there will be a jump-off against the clock, in which all team competitors may take part.

If more than one jump-off is required to decide medal placing, the jump-off for the third place will take place before the jump-off for the first and the second place.

- The course of the jump-off consists of at least six obstacles, including a combination.
- The height of the obstacles must vary between 1.40 minimum and 1.60 m maximum, the spread obstacles having a spread of 1.50 m minimum to 2 m maximum (2.20 m for the triple bar) with a proportionate height to their spread.
- If the teams have completed the previous rounds without penalties, the obstacles may be raised and/or increased in spread. If the teams have completed the previous rounds with penalties, the Ground Jury may decide whether to raise the obstacles and/or increase them in spread.

The score in this jump-off is obtained by adding the penalties incurred by the three best competitors in each team, but in the event of further equality of penalties, the times of these three competitors in the jump-off added together will decide the winning team as well as those placed second or third. The score of this jump-off is only to determine the placing of the teams and will not count towards the qualification for the Final Individual competition.

In the case of a tie for first, second or third place resulting from a horse testing positive and becoming the drop score, the tie is broken by taking the best team score in the second round of the team competition. In case of a further tie for first, second or third place the teams are placed equal.

SECOND COMPETITION DAY

5. Round 1

Round 1 (qualifying round) of the team competition takes place on the 2nd competition day and counts as the 2nd individual qualifying competition for the Individual Final competition.

All teams start in Round 1 (qualifying round) with zero penalties.

5.1. Participation

Round 1 (qualifying round) of the team competition is open to the competitors and horses declared as starters for the team and individual qualifying competitions of the Games.

5.2. Starting order

5.2.1. Individuals

First to start in Round 1 (qualifying round) of the team competition are all individuals. The starting order of individual riders in Round 1 (qualifying round) of the team competition is according to the reverse order of individual classification in the first competition. All individual riders in the first competition take part over the course of Round 1 (qualifying round) for the team competition in the morning of the 2nd competition day. In case of equality of penalties for any place competitors retain the same starting place as in the first competition.

5.2.2. Teams

The starting order in Round 1 (qualifying round) of the team competition for teams classified 9th to 15th in the first competition is according to the reverse order of team classification in the first competition. These teams take part over the course of Round 1 (qualifying round) in the morning of the 2nd competition day. The starting order of team members is established by the Chefs d'Equipe.

In case of equality of penalties for any place teams retain the same starting place as in the first competition.

Teams classified 1st to 8th and those equal on penalties for 8th place in the first competition start in Round 1 of the team competition in the afternoon of the 2nd competition day in the reverse order of classification in the first competition. The starting order of team members is established by the Chefs d'Equipe. In case of equality of penalties for any place teams retain the same starting place as in the first competition.

The Chefs d'Equipe of teams with only three competitors may choose in which three places out of four they start their competitors.

THIRD COMPETITION DAY

6. Round 2

Round 2 (final round) of the Team competition takes place on the 3rd Competition day and counts as the 3rd Individual Qualifying Competition.

6.1. Participation

6.1.1. Individuals

6.1.1.1 The 50 riders (such number to be increased if there is equality for the 50th place) having the best score deriving from the addition of the score obtained in the First Individual Qualifying Competition and of the score obtained in Round 1 (qualifying round) of Team Competition (Second Individual Qualification Competition) are allowed to participate in the Third Individual Qualification Competition which is the Round 2 (final round) of the Team Competition.

6.1.1.2 If the riders qualified as above under 6.1.1.1 are not members of a team which has been qualified to participate in Round 2 (final round) of the Team Competition, said riders will compete in the morning of the Third Competition Day.

6.1.2. Teams

6.1.2.1 Round 2 (final round) of the Team Competition takes place in the afternoon of the 3rd Competition Day and it is open only to the eighth best placed teams and those teams equal on penalties for eight place in Round 1 (qualifying round) of the Team Competition.

6.1.2.2 All teams allowed to compete in Round 2 (final round) of the Team Competition carry their penalties forward from Round 1 (qualifying round) of the Team Competition. The score obtained in Round 2 (final round) by members of Teams who are not among the riders eligible to compete in the Third Individual Qualifying Competition as mentioned under 6.1.1.1 above, count only for the classification of their respective teams.

6.2. Starting Order

6.2.1. Individuals

The starting order of the Individuals qualified to compete as mentioned hereinabove under section 6.1.1.1 is set according to the reverse order of the aggregate penalties incurred in the First and the Second Individual Qualifying Competitions. **In case of a tie on penalties competitors retain the same starting order as in the Second Individual Qualifying Competition (round 1 of the team competition).**

6.2.2. Teams

The starting order of the Teams qualified to compete as mentioned hereinabove under section 6.1.2. is set according to the reverse order of penalties incurred in the Round 1 (qualifying round) of the Team Competition. Teams with equality of the penalties retain the starting order of Round 1 (qualifying round).

Score of individuals who are members of any team eligible to participate in Round 2 (final round) as provided herein above will count for the classification of their team in the Team Competition but also as their personal result in the Third Qualifying Competition if they are among the riders mentioned in paragraph 6.1.1.1. above."

TWO REST DAYS

FOURTH COMPETITION DAY

Article340 FINAL INDIVIDUAL COMPETITION

1. *Conduct, Tables and Speed*

This competition is conducted over two rounds (A) and (B) each judged under Table A not against the clock with a jump-off, with a time allowed at a speed of 400 m per minute (Article 273.3.2).

2. *Obstacles, Length of the Course*

2.1. *Round A*

10 to 12 obstacles including one double and one treble or three doubles. Height 1.40 m to 1.60 m maximum with a spread in proportion, not exceeding 2 m (2.20 m for the triple bar). There must be two vertical obstacles of 1.60 m. (Sloping walls do not count as compulsory vertical obstacles). The spread obstacles (open ditch, spa rail, oxer, etc.) must have a spread of 1.50 m to 2 m (2.20 m for the triple bar) with a height in proportion to their spread. A water jump with a width of water not less than 4.30 and not greater than 4.50 m (including the take-off rail) must be included.

Length: 500 m minimum, 600 m maximum.

2.2. *Round B*

Round B is over a different course of 10 obstacles including a double and a treble. The height of the obstacles may be from 1.40 m to 1.60 m with their spread proportionate to their height but not exceeding 2 m (2.20 m for the triple bar). There must be one vertical obstacle and one spread obstacle of 1.60 m in height. If the spread obstacle of 1.60 m in height comprises parallel top elements, its spread may not exceed 1.70 m. The water jump as described under round A is optional.

Length: 500 m minimum, 600 m maximum.

The jump-off is over a shortened course of at least six obstacles taken from both rounds.

3 Participation

3.1 Round A

Round A of this competition is compulsory for the 35 best placed competitors and horses (including those with equality of penalties for 35th place) according

to the cumulative penalties over the first and second competition. For those individuals and members of teams not qualified for the second round of the team competition their score in the second round qualifier will count.

Participants must have taken part in the first qualifying competition (completed or not) and have completed both rounds of the Team Competition (without having been eliminated or having retired).

If for any reason one or more of these 35 best placed competitors are unable to start, they are replaced by participants from the reserve list of competitors.

Not more than three competitors from any one nation may take part in this competition. In case four competitors from one nation are within the top 35 riders, the three best placed riders from the nation(s) in question will participate in the Individual Final. **If two competitors tie for third place the Chef d'Equipe decides which of the two competitors will participate in this competition.** The fourth rider cannot be added to the reserve list.

Participants start in Round A of the Individual Final competition with zero penalties.

3.2 Round B

Round B of this competition is open to the 20 best placed competitors from Round A, including those with equality of penalties for 20th place.

3.3 *Inspecting the Course B*

Competitors will be invited to inspect the course for Round B at the conclusion of Round A.

4. Starting Order

4.1 Round A

The starting order for Round A follows the reverse order of penalties incurred in the first, second and third qualifying competitions of the Games. In the event of equality of penalties, the same starting order as in the first competition is used to decide the starting order of competitors. The 35th qualified participant will, therefore, start as number one.

4.2 Round B

The starting order for Round B follows the reverse order of the penalties incurred in Round A. The competitor with the most penalties starts first, the competitor with the least penalties starts last. Competitors with equality of penalties retain the same starting order as in Round A.

4.3 Jump-off

The starting order in the jump-off is according to the same order as Round B.

If more than one jump-off is required to decide medal placing, the jump-off for the third place takes place before the jump-off for the first and the second place.

In case of equality of penalties and time for any of the medal placing after the first jump-off, there is a second jump-off over the same course. In case of equality of penalties and time after the second jump-off, the competitors concerned are placed equal.

5. *Individual Placing*

The individual placing is determined by adding together for each competitor the penalties incurred in Rounds A and B and, if necessary, the penalties and time incurred in the jump-off.

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Olympic gold, silver and bronze medals will be awarded to each member of the three best placed teams and to the individuals placed first, second and third.

Should one of the horses placed first, second or third test positive the following applies if there is a tie for fourth place in order to decide which combination moves up to third place:

1. Best result in Round B of the Individual Final competition. In case of a further tie the following applies;
2. The combined result of the first qualifying competition plus the second qualifying competition plus the third qualifying competition. In case of a further tie the following applies;
3. The combined result of the second qualifying competition plus the third qualifying competition. In case of a further tie the following applies;
4. The best result of the first qualifying competition. **In case of a further tie the competitors in question are placed equal and receive medals.**