

FEI - Jumping Rules
"Amateur Owner Category"
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An amateur owner category for international events has been established. The following criteria define amateur owner status:

Requirements

To be considered an "Amateur Owner" :

Competitors may participate from the year in which they reach the age of 22 years.

The competitor must be the owner of the horse(s) with which he/she competes. Ownership may be extended to the immediate family members.

The competitor must possess a valid licence granted by his/her National Federation and be registered with the FEI. Horses must be registered with the FEI and for Cat. A have a valid FEI passport or a national passport with an FEI recognition card.

An "Amateur Owner's" license would only be granted by NFs to those competitors who have formally signed a statement that he/she does not earn money for riding other people's horses, giving riding lessons, riding sponsored horses, or for publicity or commercial purposes, etc.

The buying and selling of horses, as well as receiving prize money in cash, are not forbidden providing they do not constitute the competitor's only source of income.

The "Amateur Owner" status will limit participation in other classes and championships. Competitors will not be allowed, after obtaining or renewing the "Amateur Owner" license, to take part in international or national competitions with an initial height of 1.50m or greater.

International Events

International events for "Amateur Owners" can be organised for a category A group consisting of competitions with a height of between 1.30m and 1.40m maximum and a width of 1.55m maximum (except the triple bar), and a category B group consisting of competitions with a height of between 1.15m and 1.25m maximum and with a width of 1.40m maximum (except the triple bar).

International events would be open to individual competitors of the host country and a limited number of foreign competitors.

~~Cash prizes may be given, at the discretion of the Organising Committee.~~

Maximum global entry fee per horse per event: € 1500

Minimum prize money per competition: € 1600 (€ 400 to winner)

For events charging a global entry fee of € 500 or less the minimum prize money distributed for [each of] the top three placings of each competition cannot be less than the entry fee per competition, which is established by dividing the global entry fee by the number of competitions at the event.

International events must comply with the FEI rules for International Jumping events. All event draft schedules must be submitted to the FEI for approval.

Championships

When Continental or Regional Championships for this category are organised, the competition formula to be used must follow the formula for the FEI Continental Championships.

Course Designers

The Course Designer is appointed by the Organising Committee, chosen from the list of FEI International Course Designers.

Facilities

All expenses relating to competitions, transportation, travel, hotel accommodation and expenses at border crossings are borne by the competitor.

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