
RULES FEI WORLD REINING MASTERS 2008

The FEI World Reining Masters is a competition to find the best individual Reiner each year. The competition is based on qualifying the best Reiner from each NF for a final event which will alternate between the USA and Europe.

QUALIFICATION:

1. A rider ranking based on a points system Annex 1 will decide the qualification for the final. A rider can start a maximum of 3 horses at each CRI to qualify for Masters points. The horses must be declared before the competition to the President of the Ground Jury and the OC. The highest scoring of the combinations entered will receive WRM points.
2. A rider can earn points at all CRIs abroad or in his/her home country. However, in order to be eligible for the Final a rider must have started in at least one CRI in the home country. CRIOS or Championships do not qualify for points.
3. The qualification period for the 2008 FEI World Reining Masters Final will be 1 December 2007 until the nominated entry date of the final 2008.
4. The leading points winning rider from each NF during the qualification period will qualify (ties to be decided by the NF. See point 7 below), with the exception of NFs having qualified a team amongst the first five teams* for the Final Team Competition at the World Equestrian Games 2006 who will qualify the 1st and 2nd ranked rider.
5. There will be no limit to the number of CRIs that count in each country.
6. If a qualified rider cannot attend, the position will be given to the next placed rider and so on down to the 5th placed rider. If the 5th placed rider cannot take their place then no further riders from that NF will be qualified.
7. If two or more riders from the same National Federation are equal in points, the NF in question will decide which rider to send to the Final.
8. The FEI may grant Wild Cards for riders from countries where NFs are not yet able to organise CRIs and whose riders are forced to travel, or who are living abroad.
9. Requests for Wild Cards by NFs may be directed to the FEI Reining Department before the date of Nominated entries for 2008.



CATEGORIES OF COMPETITION:

FEI medals will be awarded in the following categories.

1. FEI World Reining Masters – Open Division: This division is open to entrants from every country that sends riders.
2. FEI World Reining Masters – Restricted Division – This division is open to all countries except those five that qualified for the finals of the WEG in 2006.

POINT SYSTEM

The following points system will apply for the 2008 FEI World Reining Masters based on the number of starters at each CRI. A rider, if starting with more than one horse, may only gain points on his/her highest scoring horse.

Placing	15 or more riders	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4 or less riders
1st	20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9
2nd	17	16	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6
3rd	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4
4th	13	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2
5th	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	
6th	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2		
7th	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2			
8th	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2				
9th	8	7	6	5	4	3	2					
10th	7	6	5	4	3	2						
11th	6	5	4	3	2							
12th	5	4	3	2								
13th	4	3	2									
14th	3	2										
15th	2											

* The five best teams at the 2006 World Equestrian Games : USA, Canada, Italy, Germany and Switzerland.