

**Fédération Équestre Internationale
(FEI)
Jumping**

EVENTS

Team Competition
Individual Competition

ATHLETE / NOC QUOTA

<u>Athlete quota:</u>	75 riders and 75 horses (15 reserve horses/1 per team)
<u>Maximum per NOC:</u>	<p>For NOCs qualified in team competition, the maximum per NOC shall be 4 riders per nation, with the 3 best results to count.</p> <p>For nations qualified only as individuals, the maximum per NOC shall be 2 riders.</p> <p>An NOC may only participate with a maximum of 3 riders in the Final Individual competition.</p> <p>Qualification for the Final Individual Jumping Competition: If after the Team competition a NOC has four riders qualified for this competition the three best placed riders following the Team competition will be selected to participate in the Individual Final competition. (The fourth rider from the same NOC cannot be included on the reserve list of riders for the Final Individual competition.)</p>

QUALIFICATION SYSTEM**GEOGRAPHICAL REGIONS**

FEI Olympic Groups as referred to through the qualification procedure are based on the following 7 geographical regions:

- A - North Western Europe;
- B - South Western Europe;
- C - Central & Eastern Europe; Central Asia
- D - North America;
- E - Central & South America;
- F - Africa & Middle East;
- G - South East Asia, Oceania

JUMPING TEAM - QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

15 NOCs will be qualified to take part with a team consisting of 4 riders and 4 horses or 3 riders and 3 horses as follows:

	Reserve list (R)
1. The host nation CHN & HKG	CHN (1) HKG (2)
2. The 5 best placed teams from the World Equestrian Games 2006, excluding teams qualified above	NED (3) USA (4) GER (5) UKR (6) SUI (7)
3. The 3 best placed teams from the 2007 European Jumping Championship, excluding teams qualified above	GBR (8) SWE (9) NOR (10)
4. The 3 best placed teams from the 2007 Pan-American Games, excluding the teams qualified above	BRA (11) CAN (12) MEX (13)
5. The team with the best combined classification among the Group F Teams at the WEG 2006 and the 2007 FEI selected Olympic Qualification event from Group F*	KSA (14)
6. The best placed team from FEI Olympic Group G at the World Equestrian Games 2006	AUS (15)
7. The best placed team of Olympic Qualification Group G at the 2007 FEI selected Olympic Qualification event. If Group G is not represented by a team at the WEG 2006, the best 2 teams of the Olympic Group G at a 2007 FEI approved event are selected. The reverse counts if the 2007 FEI approved event for Group G does not take place.	NZL (16)
TOTAL	16 teams (64 riders)

Note:

* In case of a tie for this position the team with the better result at the WEG 2006 is selected. If Group F is not represented by a team at the WEG 2006, the best placed team of Group F at the 2007 FEI selected Olympic Qualification event is included.

JUMPING INDIVIDUAL - QUALIFICATION SYSTEM

15 spaces will be reserved for NOCs not represented by teams, each competitor with 1 horse, with a maximum of 2 riders per nation.

	Reserve list (R)
1. Should the host nation (CHN & HKG) not enter a team, it shall directly qualify 1 or 2 individual riders	(1/1)
2. The NOC of the 2 best placed individuals from Olympic Qualification Group A or B (both riders can be from the same group) on the FEI Olympic Riders Ranking – Jumping, as of 1 May 2008	IRL (1) BEL (2)

3.	The NOC of the 3 best placed individuals from Olympic Qualification Group C on the FEI Olympic Riders Ranking – Jumping, as of 1 May 2008	RUS (3) RUS (4) AZE (5)
4.	The NOC of the best placed individual from Olympic Qualification Group D at the 2007 Pan-American Games	BER (6)
5.	The NOC of the 4 best placed individuals from Olympic Qualification Group E at the 2007 Pan-American Games	VEN (7) COL (8) ARG (9) GUA (10)
6.	The NOC of the 2 best Individual classifications among the Group F individuals at the WEG 2006*.	JOR (11) EGY (12)
	The NOC of the best Individual classification among the Group F individuals at the Group F FEI selected Olympic Qualification event*.	UAE (13)
7.	The NOC of the best Individual classification among the Group G individuals at the WEG 2006**.	JPN (14)
	The NOC of the best Individual classification among the Group G individuals at the Group G FEI selected Olympic Qualification event**.	JPN (15)
8.	In accordance with the specifications noted under the heading 'Tripartite Commission (IOC-ANOC-FEI) Invitation places', Invitation places may be distributed to NOCs if confirmed by the Tripartite Commission.	+
	TOTAL	15 riders

Note:

- * If Group F is not represented at the WEG 2006 or if it fails to meet its quota at the 2006 WEG, its quota will be filled by using the Group F FEI selected Olympic Qualification event in 2007. The reverse applies if the Group F FEI selected Olympic Qualification event in 2007 does not meet its quota. If after both the above events the quota is still not filled the FEI Olympic Riders Ranking – Jumping, as of 1 May 2008 will be used to fill the quota.
- ** If Group G is not represented at the WEG 2006 or if it fails to meet its quota at the 2006 WEG, its quota will be filled by using the Group G FEI selected Olympic Qualification event in 2007. The reverse applies if the Group G FEI selected Olympic Qualification event in 2007 does not meet its quota. If after both the above events the quota is still not filled the FEI Olympic Riders Ranking – Jumping, as of 1 May 2008 will be used to fill the quota.

FEI OLYMPIC RIDERS RANKING - JUMPING

The point system to be used for establishing the FEI Olympic Riders Ranking - Jumping will be published by FEI by 1 January 2007. The FEI Olympic Riders Ranking - Jumping, covering the period of **1 January 2007 to 1 May 2008** will be used to determine respective qualification. The list is restricted to the 30 best results per rider within the specified period.

HORSE AND RIDER MINIMUM ELIGIBILITY STANDARD

All horses and riders who take part in the 2008 Olympic Games must achieve the minimum eligibility standard required. Riders and horses may obtain the minimum requirements at the 2004 Olympic Games and at the World Championships (WEG) in 2006 as well as specific events which take place from the **1 January 2007 until 30 June 2008** for FEI Nominated Entries.

Riders and horses must have obtained the following results, as a combination, to achieve the minimum standard as follows:

- Competitors and horses who have completed the first round of two selected Grand Prix competitions at selected outdoor CSI 3* event with a score of zero penalties;
- Competitors and horses who have completed the first round of a selected Grand Prix competition at a selected outdoor CSI 4* event with a score of not more than four penalties;
- Competitors and horses who have completed the first round of a selected Grand Prix competition at a selected outdoor CSI 5* event with a score of not more than eight penalties;
- Competitors and horses who have completed the first round of a selected 4* Nations Cup competition with a score of not more than four penalties in the first round or with zero penalties in the second round;
- Competitors and horses who have completed the first round of a selected Grand Prix competition at a 4* CSIO event with a score of not more than four penalties;
- Competitors and horses who have completed the first or second round of any 5* Nations Cup competition with a score of not more than eight penalties in the first round or with zero penalties in the second round;
- Competitors and horses who have completed the first round of any Grand Prix competition at a 5* CSIO event with a score of not more than eight penalties;
- Riders and horses who have had not more than eight penalties in the team competition (1st or 2nd round) at the 2007 European or 2006 World Championships or 2007 Pan-American Games or 2004 Olympic Games or other Continental Championships for Seniors approved by the FEI Jumping Committee;
- Riders and horses who have completed the third competition at the 2006 World Championship, or the Individual Final at the 2007 European Championships or 2007 Pan-American Games or 2004 Olympic Games or other Continental Championships for Seniors approved by the FEI Jumping Committee;
- Riders and horses who have completed the first round of two World Cup qualifying competitions at selected outdoor World Cup events with not more than a total score of four penalties.

Selection will be made from events which take place from the 1 January 2007 until the closing date for Nominated Entries on 30 June 2008. A list of 2007 events will be published in the FEI Bulletin at the end of 2006 and 2008 events at the end of 2007.

- Selected Nations Cup, Grand Prix competitions and World Cup qualifying competitions must meet the following criteria: consist of at least 12 obstacles which may vary in height between 1.40 m and 1.60 m. There must be a water-jump of **3.50 m** including the take-off element. The spread obstacles must have spreads of between 1.50 m to 2.00 m (2.20 m for the triple bar). At least two straight obstacles must be provided with a minimum height of 1.60 m.
- NFs unable to send complete teams to any of the CSIOs will be allowed to enter individuals who will be allowed to compete hors concours in the Nations Cup competition.

Jumping Assessing Delegate

If an NF finds it impossible for its competitors to achieve the minimum eligibility standards as above, it should request the FEI to send a Foreign Delegate according to published FEI procedure.

TRIPARTITE COMMISSION (IOC-ANOC-FEI) INVITATION PLACES

The deadline for NOCs to submit their requests for Tripartite Commission Invitation places is 15 November 2007. The allocation of Invitation places will be confirmed, in writing, to the NOCs by July 2008. However no places will be allocated for such Invitations within the equestrian quota. Invitation requests may be matched with any unused quota positions in agreement between the FEI and the IOC by 15 June 2008.

To be eligible for such an Invitation place, each rider and horse must achieve the FEI minimum eligibility standards.

Further information on Invitation places is contained in the Information Paper for NOCs distributed with the qualification system manual.

QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

20 Aug - 3 Sept 2006	World Equestrian Games (WEG), Aachen (GER)
6 – 10 March 2007	FEI Qualification for Olympic Group F, Doha (QAT)
7 – 10 June 2007	FEI Qualification for Olympic Group G, Balve (GER)
14-19 July 2007	Pan-American Games, Rio de Janeiro (BRA)
15 - 19 August 2007	European Jumping Championships, Mannheim (GER)
15 November 2007	Deadline for the submission of requests for Tripartite Commission Invitation places by all NOCs
1 May 2008	FEI Olympic Riders Ranking - Jumping used to determine qualification places for Individual riders
1 May 2008	FEI to inform NOCs of their qualified quota positions
31 May 2008	NOCs to confirm use of qualified quota positions to FEI
15 June 2008	FEI to confirm allocation of final qualification places, including confirmation of the allocation of Tripartite Commission Invitation places
30 June 2008	Deadline for riders and horses to achieve the FEI minimum eligibility criteria
July 2008	The Tripartite Commission will confirm, in writing, the allocation of Invitation places to the NOCs
23 July 2008	Deadline for Beijing 2008 Organising Committee to receive entry forms submitted by NOCs

DATES / PROCESS OF CONFIRMATION OF PLACES

The FEI will inform NOCs immediately by 1 May 2008 of their qualification of team or individual places. Eligible NOCs must inform the FEI in writing by 31 May 2008 whether or not they intend to participate at the Olympic Games. A positive answer will imply that this NOC is qualified to participate at the 2008 Olympic Games. By **15 June 2008** the FEI will reallocate all available places.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA POSITIONS

Teams

Should any NOC not enter a qualified team, the unused quota position will be reallocated to the next ranked unqualified team from the respective event in the following order of priority:

1. a team qualified from the 2006 WEG will be replaced by the next highest placed unqualified team from WEG 2006
2. a team qualified from the 2007 Jumping European Championships will be replaced by the next highest placed unqualified team from the list of 3 reserve teams from this championship. Once these 3 reserve teams have been included, replacements will be made from the next highest placed unqualified team from WEG 2006
3. a team qualified from the 2007 Pan-American Games will be replaced by the next highest placed unqualified team from the list of 2 reserve teams from these Games. Once these 2 reserve teams

have been included, replacements will be made from the next highest placed unqualified team from WEG 2006

4. a team qualified from the 2007 FEI-approved Olympic Group F & G events, will be replaced by the next highest unqualified team from WEG 2006

Should the host nation not enter a team, the team place will not be reallocated.

Individuals

The completion of the Individual quota, resulting from qualified nations being placed in more than one of the above events or following the cancellation of Team or Individual entries, will be achieved as follows:

note: If the host nation is not qualified with a team but instead qualifies with one or two individuals, a maximum of 14 teams will take part in the team competition. 2 or 3 additional individual riders will qualify to take part in the individual competition. These individual riders will qualify according to the following order of priority:

1. the NOC of an Individual of Olympic Qualification Group A or B qualified from the ranking list will be replaced by the NOC/NF of the next highest placed individual from the FEI Olympic Riders Ranking - Jumping;
2. the NOC of an Individual of Olympic Qualification Group C qualified from the ranking list will be replaced by the NOC/NF of the next highest placed individual from a reserve list of six from Group C on the FEI Olympic Riders Ranking - Jumping. Once this list is exhausted, replacements will be taken from the FEI Olympic Riders Ranking - Jumping;
3. the NOC of an Individual of Olympic Qualification Groups G and F qualified from the ranking list will be replaced by the NOC/NF of the next highest placed individual from the FEI Olympic Riders Ranking - Jumping;
4. the NOC of an Individual of Olympic Qualification Group D qualified from the ranking list will be replaced by the NOC/NF of the next highest placed individual from a reserve list of one from Group D on the FEI Olympic Riders Ranking - Jumping. Once this list is exhausted, replacements will be taken from the FEI Olympic Riders Ranking - Jumping;
5. the NOC of an Individual of Olympic Qualification Group E qualified from the ranking list will be replaced by the NOC/NF of the next highest placed individual from the FEI Olympic Riders Ranking - Jumping.