



Updated Qualification Procedure

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Dressage

- 1. Qualification period:** Start: 1 January 2009
End: 16 August 2010
- 2. Minimum qualification criteria - Teams and Individuals:** In order to qualify for participation at the 2010 FEI World Dressage Championships, athletes and horses must have attained (as a combination) a result of at least **64%** attributed by any two of the FEI Official International Dressage Judges (5*), of a nationality other than that of the athlete, in a Grand Prix at two different CDI3*/4*/5*/CDI-W or CDIO events during the qualification period.

Jumping

- 1. Qualification period:** Start: 1 January 2009
End: 16 August 2010
- 2. Article 305 QUALIFICATIONS (Rules for Jumping Championships and Olympic Games)**
 - Horses*

The horses must be nine years old or more.
 - Athletes*

The Championship is confined to competitors from the year in which they reach their 18th birthday.
 - Certificates of Capability*

Only those athletes 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 **Rules for Jumping Events**, or produce evidence confirming that the athletes and horses have the necessary experience and ability at the required standard without endangering athlete or horse.
The procedure for qualification, laid down under Annex VIII of the **Rules for Jumping Events**, must be strictly followed.
Upon arrival at the Championship, Chefs d'Equipe can exchange athletes and horses at will, whether originally qualified as combinations or not. After the first championship competition, no further changes are permitted.

3. Annex VIII (Rules for Jumping Events)

Qualification Procedure for Olympic Games, World and Continental Jumping Championships

1. NFs must declare in writing to the FEI by a fixed date their intention to enter a team or individuals.

Except for Olympic Games athletes and horses are not required to qualify as combinations.

2. Athletes and horses who have had not more than eight penalties in the team competition (1st or 2nd round) at the European or World Championships or Pan American Games or Olympic Games or other Continental Championships for Seniors approved by the FEI Jumping Committee, are qualified for the Olympic Games, World and Continental Championships. Those athletes and horses that have completed the third competition at the World Championship, or the Individual Final at the European Championship or Pan American Games or Olympic Games or other Continental Championships for Seniors approved by the FEI Jumping Committee, are also qualified for the Olympic Games, World and Continental Championships..

Athletes and horses which 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 zero penalties are qualified for the Olympic Games, World and Continental Championships.

3. For the World Championship and Olympic Games athletes and horses can qualify according to any one of the following paragraphs:

3.1. athletes and horses must have completed the first round of two Grand Prix competitions at selected CSI3* out door events with a score of zero penalties.

3.2. athletes and horses must have completed the first round of a Grand Prix competition at a CSI4* out door event with a score of not more than four penalties.

3.3. athletes and horses must have completed the first round of a Grand Prix competition at a CSI5* out door event with a score of not more than eight penalties.

3.4. athletes and horses must have completed the first or second round of a Nations Cup competition at a selected CSIO4* outdoor event with a score of not more than four penalties in the first round or zero penalties in the second round, or must have completed the first round of the Grand Prix competition with a score of not more than four penalties provided the courses of these competitions are built according to the dimensions laid down in Art. 264.3 for 4* Nations Cup competitions. The course plans of these competitions must be sent to the FEI.

3.5. athletes and horses must have completed the first or second round of a Nations Cup competition at a CSIO5* out door event with a score of not more than eight penalties, or must have completed the first round of the Grand Prix competition with a score of not more than eight penalties.

4. For the Continental Championship athletes and horses can qualify according to any one of the following paragraphs:

4.1. athletes and horses must have completed the first round of a Grand Prix competition at a selected CSI3* out door event with a score of zero penalties.

4.2. athletes and horses must have completed the first round of a Grand Prix competition at a CSI4* or a CSI5* out door event with a score of not more than eight penalties.

4.3. athletes and horses must have completed the first or second round of a

Nations Cup competition at a selected CSIO4* outdoor event with a score of not more than four penalties, or must have completed the first round of the Grand Prix competition with a score of not more than four penalties provided the courses of these competitions are built according to the dimensions laid down in Art. 264.3 for 4* Nations Cup competitions. The course plans of these competitions must be sent to the FEI.

4.4. athletes and horses must have completed the first or second round of a Nations Cup competition at a CSIO5* outdoor event with a score of not more than eight penalties, or must have completed the first round of the Grand Prix competition with a score of not more than eight penalties.

5. Selection will be made from events which take place from the 1st January the year preceding the Event until the closing date for Nominated Entries, or a date to be fixed by the FEI. A list of events will be published on the FEI Website in the year preceding the Games or Championship.

6. Selected Nations Cup, Grand Prix competitions and FEI World Cup™ qualifying competitions must meet the following specifications: 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.

7. 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.

8. If a NF finds it impossible for its athletes to qualify as above, it should request the FEI to send a Foreign Delegate at the expense of the NF to assess the level of performance, at a special competition consisting of one round with the dimensions as laid down on a course plan provided by the FEI. Athletes/horses scoring 8 penalties or less in this round will be considered to be qualified. The FEI Foreign Delegate, appointed by the Jumping Committee, will advise the NF and the FEI on the granting of Certificates of Capability. If by misfortune an athlete/horse combination has more than 8 penalties but shows a very good performance otherwise over the course, the Foreign Delegate can let him repeat a similar course. But in no case can an athlete qualify if he has scored more than 8 penalties in the second round.

9. At Nations Cup and CSIO3*/4*/5* Grand Prix competitions the Foreign Judge who will be responsible for ensuring that the course is built to the required dimensions carries out the qualification.

10. Certificates of Capability must be received by the FEI for athletes and horses not later than the date fixed for Nominated Entries or date fixed by the FEI. Athletes and horses for whom Certificates of Capability have not been received will not be allowed to start.

11. Any and all "hors concours" participation provided for directly or indirectly in the present annex and/or in any special regulations of the Jumping Discipline are in compliance with the permissible exceptions as per article. 117.5 of the General Regulations (Bulletin 6/04).

12. The report of the assessing Foreign Delegate must be sent to the Secretary General who in turn will send a copy to the Chairman of the Jumping Committee. The NFs of the qualified horses and athletes will be informed by the FEI immediately after the qualification is given.

Eventing

1. Qualification period: Start: 1 January 2009
End: 16 August 2010

2. Minimum qualifications criteria – Rules for Eventing 2009 (Article 506)

All horses and athletes who take part in the 2010 World Equestrian Games Eventing competitions must fulfil the minimum eligibility requirements for a 4 Star Eventing Championship.

CH4*	The minimum eligibility requirements must be achieved as a combination out of: - 1x CCI 4* OR - 1x CCI3* + 1x CIC3*
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3. Definition

Minimum eligibility requirements: (Art 506.2) must be achieved by completing the above competition(s) within minimum parameters of all round performance:

- **Dressage Test:** Not more than 75 penalty points
- **Cross-Country Test: Cross-Country Test, from 2009 onwards, the results at International events need to include, where applicable:**
 - a clear round (0 penalties) at obstacles for CIC events (15 April 2009) and
 - maximum 20 penalties at CCI events.

Not more than 90 seconds exceeding the optimum time in the Cross. At 4* events, the maximum time by which the optimum time may be exceeded is 120 seconds; and
- **Jumping Test:** not more than 16 penalties at obstacles.

For all Championships **No exemptions** to the above will be permitted

Driving – Four in Hand

1. Qualification period: Start: Four In Hand World Championships – Beesd (NED) – 3 September 2008
End: 16 August 2010

These criteria to be achieved from and including the previous Four in Hand World Championships up to the date for nominated entries of the 2010 World Equestrian Games.

2. Minimum qualification criteria: Drivers and all horses must successfully complete all three competitions (without Elimination, Retirement or Disqualification) at any combined FEI approved National or FEI International Driving Event in their own class. Drivers and all Horses must also achieve a result of 70 penalty points or less in a Dressage competition, at an approved event, in Dressage Test 8A, as outlined in Art 905.3 of the FEI Rules for Driving.

Drivers and all horses that competed at the previous 2008 Four in Hand World Championship are automatically qualified.

Maximum Driven penalty points allowed at the Championships in competition **A**, as per Art 905.3.2- 85

Wild Cards: None

Endurance

1. **Qualification period:** Start: 26 September 2008
End: 27 July 2010

2. Minimum qualification criteria (see Endurance Rules 7th Edition, Art. 815 & 816): To be eligible to compete either as a member of a team or as an individual at the 2010 FEI World Endurance Championships, athletes and horses must achieve the following criteria during the qualification period:

- 815.1 Any person from the year in which he/she reaches his/her 14th birthday and who is duly authorised by his/her National Federation is eligible to take part in all Endurance Rides (CEIs, CEIOs and Championships), either as an individual or as a member of a team.
- 815.2.4 For 4-Stars, CEIOs and Championships horses must be at least 8 years of age.
- 815.2.5 Mares obviously in advanced pregnancies, meaning over 120 days, or with foal at foot cannot be entered in any CEI or higher event.
- 815.2.6 All ages are determined as of the date of the event for which eligibility to participate is sought, and must be confirmed either through reliable registrations or written veterinary opinion, which may be recorded within Passports. Northern Hemisphere horses are deemed to have their birthday on the 1st January and Southern Hemisphere horses on the 1st August.
- 816.3.8 Horses must have graduated through the qualifying processes outlined in Art. 816 for Novice and CEI-Star qualifying up to, and including, the distance of the event for which a Certificate of Capability is sought.
- 816.3.9 Horses must have successfully completed at least 3 CEI 2* events or higher.
- 816.3.10 Of these 3 CEI events, at least one must be at the same distance, minimum speed (**13kph**) and time frame as the 4-Star Championship and achieved no earlier than 24 months prior to, no later than the close of nominated entries for Championship and/or 60 days prior to the event, which ever is the longest and must be in combination with the nominated athlete.

- 816.3.11 Athletes must have graduated through the qualifying processes outlined in Art. 816 for Novice and CEI-Star qualifying up to, and including, the distance of the event for which a Certificate of Capability is sought.
- 816.3.12 Athletes must have successfully completed at least 5 CEI 2* events or higher.
- 816.3.13 Of those 5 CEI events, one must be at the same distance, minimum speed (**13kph**) and time frame as the 4* Championship and achieved no earlier than 24 months prior to, no later than the close of nominated entries for Championship and/or 60 days prior to the event, which ever is the longest and must be in combination with the nominated horse.
- 816.3.14 *Recording and Proof of Qualification:* Approved records must be provided for Athlete/Horse results for eventual insertion into FEI Database/Passports as required. However, the ultimate responsibility for proof still remains with each NF.

3. Teams and Individuals:

At Championships, the following applies to individuals and teams who are eligible to take part.

- 817.4.1 Teams: If an NF starts three or more competitors, up to four shall all constitute members of their Team, but are also eligible for individual classification and placing/awards.
- 817.4.2 Individuals: If an NF starts fewer than 3 competitors, they shall only be eligible for individual classification and placing/awards, but not as a Team.
- 817.4.3 With regard to the number of teams required for Championships, Art. 108 of the General Regulations applies.

Reining

- 1. Qualification period:** Start: 1 January 2009
End: 16 August 2010
- 2. Minimum qualification criteria:** To be eligible to compete either as a member of a team or as an individual at the 2010 FEI World Reining Championships, a athlete must achieve a minimum average score of **68** at two different CRIs during the qualification period.
- 3. Teams:** A NF wishing to send Teams to the 2010 FEI World Reining Championships must have organised at least two CRI events within their country during the qualification period.
- 4. Individuals:** A NF which does not have the minimum of 3 athletes for the team competition qualified as per above, may still send 1 or 2 individual athletes who have achieved the minimum qualification criteria as stated above.

Wild Cards: Wild cards may be allocated to extra athletes belonging to National Federations where Reining is not yet established if the FEI Reining Committee is of the

opinion that the athletes are deserving of such wild cards and taking fairness and development of the sport into account. Minimum qualification criteria as per above.

Vaulting

1. **Qualification period:** Start: 1 January 2009
End: 16 August 2010
2. **Minimum qualification criteria:**
 - a. **Individuals:** To be eligible to compete as an individual at the 2010 FEI World Vaulting Championships, Individual vaulters who are members of NFs in Group I & Group II must have attained an average score of 6.0 points or higher in Round 1 (comprising Compulsory and Freestyle Tests) in at least two CVI 1* or CVI 2*.

All other Individual vaulters must have attained an average score of 6.0 points or higher in Round I (comprising Compulsory and Freestyle Tests) at one CVI 2*/1* provided the horse canters left.
 - b. **Teams:** There are no qualification requirements for Teams.
3. **Wild Cards:** none

Para-Equestrian -Dressage

1. **Qualification period:** Start: 1 September 2008
End: 16 August 2010
2. **Qualifying events:** any CPEDI 3* or 4* event including the Paralympic Games 2008, Hong Kong
3. **Qualification score:** all athletes: minimum 60 % score in Team test or Individual Championship test.
4. **Judges:** minimum of 3 FEI PE O or I-judges of different nationalities.