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## **FEI CODE OF CONDUCT FOR THE WELFARE OF THE HORSE**

The FEI requires all those involved in international equestrian sport to adhere to the FEI's Code of Conduct and to acknowledge and accept that at all times the welfare of the Horse must be paramount and must never be subordinated to competitive or commercial influences.

### **1. At all stages during the preparation and training of competition Horses, welfare must take precedence over all other demands.**

#### a) Good Horses management

Stabling, feeding and training must be compatible with good Horses management and must not compromise welfare. Any practices which could cause physical or mental suffering, in or out of Competition, will not be tolerated.

#### b) Training methods

Horses must only undergo training that matches their physical capabilities and level of maturity for their respective disciplines. They must not be subjected to any training methods which are abusive or cause fear or for which they have not been properly prepared.

#### c) Farriery and tack

Foot care and shoeing must be of a high standard. Tack must be designed and fitted to avoid the risk of pain or injury.

#### d) Transport

During transportation, Horses must be fully protected against injuries and other health risks. Vehicles must be safe, well ventilated, maintained to a high standard, disinfected regularly and driven by competent staff. Competent handlers must always be available to manage the Horses.

#### e) Transit

All journeys must be planned carefully, and Horses allowed regular rest periods with access to food and water in line with current FEI guidelines.

### **2. Horses and competitors must be fit, competent and in good health before they are allowed to compete.**

#### a) Fitness and competence

Participation in competition must be restricted to fit horses and competitors of proven competence.

#### b) Health status

No Horse showing symptoms of disease, lameness or other significant ailments or pre-existing clinical conditions should compete or continue to compete when to do so would compromise its welfare. Veterinary advice must be sought whenever there is any doubt.

c) Doping and Medication

Abuse of doping and medication is a serious welfare issue and will not be tolerated. After any veterinary treatment, sufficient time must be allowed for full recovery before competition.

d) Surgical procedures

Any surgical procedures that threaten a competing horse's welfare or the safety of other horses and/or athletes must not be allowed.

e) Pregnant/recently foaled mares

Mares must not compete after their fourth month of pregnancy or with foal at foot.

f) Misuse of aids

Abuse of a Horse using natural riding aids or artificial aids (e.g. whips, spurs, etc.) will not be tolerated.

**3. Events must not prejudice horse welfare.**

a) Competition areas

Horses must only be trained and compete on suitable and safe surfaces. All obstacles must be designed with the safety of the Horse in mind.

b) Ground surfaces

All ground surfaces on which Horses walk, train or compete must be designed and maintained to reduce factors that could lead to injuries. Particular attention must be paid to the preparation, composition and upkeep of surfaces.

c) Extreme weather

Competitions must not take place in extreme weather conditions if the welfare or safety of the Horse may be compromised. Provision must be made for cooling Horses quickly after competing in hot or humid conditions.

d) Stabling at Events

Stables must be safe, hygienic, comfortable, well ventilated and of sufficient size for the type and disposition of the Horse. Clean, good quality and appropriate feed and bedding, fresh drinking water, and washing-down water must always be available.

e) Fitness to travel

After Competition, a Horse must be fit to travel in accordance with the FEI's guidelines.

**4. Every effort must be made to ensure that Horses receive proper attention after they have competed and that they are treated humanely when their competition careers are over.**

a) Veterinary treatment

Veterinary expertise must always be available at an event. If a horse is injured or exhausted during a competition, the athlete must dismount and a veterinarian must check the horse.

b) Referral centres

Wherever necessary, the Horse should be collected by ambulance and transported to the nearest relevant treatment centre for further assessment and therapy. Injured Horses must be given full supportive treatment before transport.

c) Competition injuries

The incidence of injuries sustained in Competition should be monitored. Ground surface conditions, frequency of Competitions and any other risk factors should be examined carefully to indicate ways to minimise injuries.

d) Euthanasia

If injuries are sufficiently severe the Horse may need to be euthanized by a veterinarian as soon as possible on humane grounds and with the sole aim of minimising suffering.

e) Retirement

Every effort should be made to ensure that Horses are treated sympathetically and humanely when they retire from Competition.

**5. The FEI urges all those involved in equestrian sport to attain the highest possible levels of education in their areas of expertise relevant to the care and management of the Competition Horse.**

This Code of Conduct for the Welfare of the Horse may be modified from time to time and the views of all are welcomed. Particular attention will be paid to new research findings and the FEI encourages further funding and support for welfare studies.

The Code is available on the FEI's website: [www.fei.org](http://www.fei.org)

The English text shall be the authoritative version for legal purposes.

## **CHAPTER I – GENERAL**

### **Article 1 – INTRODUCTION**

This booklet sets out the special rules and qualification procedures for the equestrian events at the Youth Olympic Games. It must be read in conjunction with the Olympic Charter applicable at the time of the Youth Olympic Games and the FEI Rules and regulations including but not limited to the FEI Statutes, FEI General Regulations, FEI Rules for the Olympic disciplines (Jumping) and FEI Veterinary Regulations, all of which remain in force except where otherwise specified.

A dispute resolution procedure is provided for in the FEI Statutes and FEI General Regulations. In accordance with this procedure, the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) in Lausanne, Switzerland has the exclusive jurisdiction to be the final forum to resolve all disputes concerning these events.

The FEI is responsible for the technical supervision of the preparations of facilities and for the technical control of the competitions.

### **Article 2 - COMPETITIONS**

The following competitions will be included in the Youth Olympic Equestrian programme:

1. Jumping - Team Competition
2. Jumping - Individual Competition

In addition to the above medal competitions the following will be organised:

- An Official Training session will be held before the Team Jumping Competition. See Annex F for competition schedule.

### **Article 3 - COMPETITION SCHEDULE**

**3.1** The general competition schedule for the Equestrian Events is agreed between FEI, BAYOGOC (Buenos Aires Youth Olympic Organising Committee) and the IOC (International Olympic Committee) by the end of 2016;

**3.2** An explanatory brochure containing the general programme and arrangements giving all details of facilities and installations shall be distributed by the Youth Olympic Games Organising Committee (in French, English and the language of the host country) to the IOC, to the FEI and to all National Olympic Committees (NOCs), no later than one year before the opening of the Youth Olympic Games, see also the Olympic Charter - Rule 49, Bye-Law 49.

### **Article 4 - COMPETITION PROGRAMMES**

A program containing all details in regard to the competitions will be produced by the BAYOGOC for the public attending the Equestrian Events. This programme should include, e.g., the description of all competitions, competition timetable, biographies of all competitors taking part, participation list of competitors, course-designs description as well as a list of Officials functioning.

## **Article 5 - CLASSIFICATION, MEDALS & PRIZES**

### **5.1 MEDAL COMPETITIONS**

Only one (1) set of medals will be awarded for each equestrian medal competition.

### **5.2 PRIZES**

Medals will be awarded according to the Olympic Charter Rule 56.

**5.2.1** Individual Medals and diplomas are awarded to the individual competitors placed 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Diplomas are awarded to the individual competitors placed 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>.

**5.2.2** Teams Medals and diplomas are awarded to all members of teams placed 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> providing competitors that have taken part in at least one competition or test.

Diplomas are awarded to each team member placed 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>.

**5.2.3** Horses Rosettes (ribbons) and stable plaques provided by the BAYOGOC will be awarded to the horses of all competitors who have received a medal or a diploma.

## **Article 6 - QUOTA**

### **6.1 TOTAL QUOTA**

Thirty (30) competitors will be eligible and allowed to participate at the 2018 Youth Olympic Games, and thirty eight (38) horses will be allowed to enter the stables as follows:

**6.1.1** Jumping: thirty (30) competitors with thirty (30) horses with the addition of eight (8) reserve horses.

A maximum number of one (1) competitor per NF is allowed to enter the Youth Olympic Jumping competitions.

### **6.2 TRIPARTITE COMMISSION (IOC-ANOC-FEI) UNIVERSALITY PLACES**

(ANOC: ASSOCIATION OF NATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE'S)

The deadline for NOCs to submit their requests for Universality Places is 15 January 2017. The allocation of Universality places will be confirmed, in writing, to the NOCs as of 13 March 2017.

As stipulated in the Qualification System – Youth Olympic Games Buenos Aires 2018 for Equestrian, to be eligible for such a Universality Place, each competitor must achieve the FEI minimum eligibility standards. Further information on invitation places is contained in the Information Paper for NOCs distributed to NOCs with the qualification system.

## **Article 7 - ELIGIBILITY OF COMPETITORS AND HORSES**

### **7.1. COMPETITORS**

**7.1.1** To be eligible for participation in the equestrian events at the Youth Olympic Games, competitors must comply with all current FEI Regulations as well as Rule 40 and 41 of the Olympic Charter and its Bye-Law (see Annex A);

**7.1.2** From the year competitors reach their 15th birthday and including the year in which they reach their 18th birthday, competitors are eligible to take part in the Jumping Competitions at the Youth Olympic Games for Equestrian.



## **7.2 HORSES**

**7.2.1** Age Horses of any origin and a minimum of eight (8) years of age (the age being counted from 1st January of the year of birth) are eligible to compete;

**7.2.3** Passports: Any horse entered for the Youth Olympic Games equestrian competitions must have a valid FEI passport or an FEI approved national passport with an accompanying valid FEI Recognition card as a means of identification. These documents must be valid and completed to the required standard at the time of the competitions;

**7.2.4** Name of horse: No sponsor name of horse will be included on any Youth Olympic participation/entry list, start list or results.

## **Article 8 - DEADLINES FOR QUALIFICATION OF NATIONS, ELIGIBILITY STANDARD AND CERTIFICATES OF CAPABILITY**

### **8.1 QUALIFICATION OF NATIONS**

The deadline for National Federations (NFs)/NOCs to gain eligibility to take part in the Youth Olympic Games - Equestrian is 31 December 2017.

NFs/NOCs will be informed by FEI, immediately after the above mentioned deadline of their eligibility in the 2018 Youth Olympic Games. Eligible NFs/NOCs must inform the FEI and Buenos Aires 2018 Youth Olympic Games organising Committee (BAYOGOC) in writing by 31 December 2017 whether or not they intend to participate at the Youth Olympic Games. A positive answer will imply that this NF/NOC is qualified to participate at the Youth Olympic Games.

The FEI will reallocate all available places by 02 July 2018.

### **8.2 MINIMUM ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR PARTICIPATION AT THE YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES**

**8.2.1** FEI Nominated entries must be accompanied by Certificates of Capability and must be received by FEI no later than 30 June 2018, midnight (Swiss time).

**8.2.2** Certificates of Capability: NFs qualified to take part at the Youth Olympic Games must send a Certificate of Capability for all competitors nominated, on a form provided by the FEI (see Annex C), to FEI no later than 01 June 2018 midnight (Swiss time). Competitors for whom Certificates of Capability have not been received on time will not be allowed to participate. The Certificate of Capability must include a record of the results obtained in competitions satisfying the requirements as laid down in the rules of the Jumping discipline confirming that the competitors have the necessary experience and ability to participate at the required standard.

The FEI will inform the respective NOCs not to accept the entry of competitor(s) that have not reached the minimum required eligibility standard.

### **8.3 FINAL ENTRIES:**

The Final Entry date is 23 August 2018.

By this date, NOCs must provide entries by name on a form entitled "Sports Entry Form" directly to BAYOGOC with a copy to the FEI. These entries will include the competitors having reached the minimum standard requirements from countries having achieved qualification according to the procedure established by the FEI and approved by the IOC. All qualifications must have been previously confirmed by the FEI as per above.

The number of competitors entered on the Official Entries by "Sports Entry Form" is one (1).

## **Article 9 - FILL-UP OF QUOTA**

If a qualified nation finds itself unable to compete after the nominated entries of 30 June 2018, it must inform the FEI immediately, in order to provide the opportunity to other nations to participate.

The fill-up of quota may only be made in accordance with the procedure laid down article 21 of this document.

## **Article 10 – LATE ATHLETE REPLACEMENT**

**10.1** Substitutions to the Final Entry list will only be allowed in the event of an accident or illness of competitors on the production of a certificate from an officially recognised doctor;

**10.2** Substitutions can only be made with another competitor that has obtained the minimum eligibility standard for participation in accordance with the relevant rules and providing that the competitor(s) has/have been duly entered on the list of nominated entries of 30 June 2018.

NOCs will be required to nominate to BAYOGOC the list of all competitors (nominate entry list) by 30 June 2018 who will possibly be entered for the Youth Olympic Games at the time of Final Entries. **Reserve riders also have to be entered by this date.** Any substitution made according to these rules will have to be made by a competitor entered from this list.

**10.3** Substitution of competitors must be made prior to the deadline date of Final entries 23 August 2018;

The IOC will put in place a policy regarding late athlete replacement, in case an athlete is unable to participate due to injury, or other exceptional circumstances, following the deadline date for Final Entries. In principle, a replacement may be made by the NOC of the competitor in question 1 hour prior to the Horse Inspection.

In case the NOC in question no longer has eligible athletes the quota place will be reallocated according to the qualification system. The deadline for this specific replacement will be determined with the IOC and communicated by early 2018 to all NOCs.

**10.4** Eight (8) reserve horses are provided by BAYOGOC. Substitutions will be allowed in the following cases:

**10.4.1** In the event of an accident or illness of a horse upon presentation of a Veterinary Certificate from the Veterinary Commission;

**10.4.2** In case of incompatibility of the competitor and the horse. Decisions on substitutions are taken by the Ground Jury in consultations with the Chief Steward.

**10.4.3** Requests for substitution of a Horse must be presented by the Chef d'Equipe to the Ground Jury not later than 18:00hrs the day prior to the start of the first official competition.

## **Article 11 - OFFICIALS**

### **11.1 GROUND JURIES AND APPEAL COMMITTEE**

The President and Members of the Ground Jury and of the Appeal Committee are appointed by the FEI in consultation with the FEI Jumping Committee.

Their travel and accommodation expenses will be met by the IOC.

### **11.2 VETERINARY COMMISSION**

**11.2.1** A Veterinary Commission is responsible for the veterinary supervision of the equestrian events. It shall be composed of a President, a Foreign Veterinary Delegate and one (1) Associate member, all of whom must be selected from FEI list of National Head Veterinarians and Official Veterinarians;

**11.2.2** The President and the Associate Member shall be appointed by the NF of the country where the Games are held with the approval of the FEI Veterinary Committee.

**11.2.3** The Foreign Veterinary Delegate shall be appointed by the FEI in agreement with the FEI Veterinary Committee.

**11.2.4** The powers, obligations and responsibilities of the Veterinary Commission are laid down in the FEI Veterinary Regulations.

**11.2.5** The travel and accommodation expenses for a pre-visit of the FVD as well as and other costs of the President and Members of the Veterinary Commission will be met by BAYOGOC if they are national officials. Travel expenses of international officials will be met by the IOC.

**11.2.6** The Veterinary Commission must arrive at the venue for the Games not later than the day prior to the first Horse Inspection.

### **11.3 COURSE DESIGNER**

The Course Designer must be selected from the FEI list of Level Four Course Designers.

The Course Designer will be appointed by BAYOGOC from a list of three (3) names drawn up by the FEI Jumping Committee.

The travel, accommodation expenses and other fees will be met by BAYOGOC. Uniforms are to be provided for by BAYOGOC according to the International Technical Officials requirements.

### **11.4 CHIEF STEWARD**

The Chief Steward for the Youth Olympic Games is selected by the FEI.

### **11.5 FOOTING SPECIALIST**

For the Jumping arena ground preparations, a Footing Specialist must be appointed by BAYOGOC from a list provided by the FEI.

Travel, accommodation expenses and other fees will be met by BAYOGOC.

## **Article 12 - TECHNICAL DELEGATE**

### **12.1 TECHNICAL DELEGATE (OLYMPIC CHARTER RULE 46, BYE- LAW 46)**

**12.1.1** One (1) Foreign Technical Delegate shall be appointed by the FEI in consultation with the FEI Jumping Committee.

The Foreign Technical Delegate for Jumping is selected from the FEI list of Level Four Course Designers or Retired Level Four Course Designers.

**12.1.2** The Foreign Technical Delegate for the next Youth Olympic Games may be appointed at any time after the conclusion of the last Games.

**12.1.3** His powers, obligations and responsibilities are laid down in the IOC Olympic Charter, FEI General Regulations and in the FEI Jumping Rules.

**12.1.4** The Foreign Technical Delegate is required, before the Games, to:

A. Give his opinion in regard to administrative and logistic arrangements for the accommodation, transportation and meals for all technical officials, judges, grooms and competitors. He must also check arrangements for the transportation, stabling and fodder for the horses.

B. Carry out a quality control of horses prior to selection for the Games.

C. Overseeing the preparation and training of horses.

D. Approve the sites for the competitions including the practice and schooling areas.

E. Review and validate all technical elements of the test event for the Youth Olympic Games.

F. Check the general layout of the competition venue.

G. Ensure that the courses and arenas are thoroughly tested:

- The Foreign Technical Delegate needs to ensure together with the Footing Specialist that the footing of the arena is of required standard. He may request that arena surface be tested and that horses and obstacles be made available to test the condition of the arena the Foreign Technical Delegate is also responsible for ensuring the design of the obstacles created by the Course Designer are according to FEI Rules.

H. Be present at least five (5) whole days prior to the first Horse Inspection.

**12.1.5** As per the IF pre-YOG visit policy the IOC and BAYOGOC will pay for travel expenses to the Youth Olympic Games, and for one (1) pre-Youth Olympic Games visits by the IF YOG contact person.

In exceptional cases only, additional visits by the IF representatives are to be agreed between the FEI and BAYOG.

## **12.2 FEI VETERINARY DELEGATE**

A FEI Veterinary Delegate (FVD) shall be appointed by the FEI to assist and advise the BAYOGOC on the preparations for the Games and approve the veterinary and medication control infrastructure. The FVD will visit the equestrian venue at least once prior to the Games.

The FEI Veterinary Delegate will liaise, throughout the preparative phase, with the President of the Veterinary Commission, the FEI headquarters and communicate with the veterinary authorities of the host country.

## **Article 13 – STAFF AND FEI HEADQUARTERS STAFF**

### **13.1 FEI Staff**

The FEI Representative and/or his assistant will ensure that a continuous co-operation exists between the Foreign Technical Delegate and BAYOGOC Competition Management. He will provide support to BAYOGOC for all matters that will require FEI involvement.

The FEI Representative and/or his assistant, must be present at least (6) six days prior to the start of the first competition to review and validate entries. Accommodation expenses for FEI Headquarters Staff and FEI Communication Director/Officer will be met by the IOC.

### **13.2 BAYOGOC Staff**

BAYOGOC will appoint an event manager for the Equestrian events in close collaboration with the NF and agreement with FEI. The role of the event manager is to oversee the smooth running of the event including sport competition. A dedicated resource will be appointed for all matter regarding the planning and the implementation of the competition and training in accordance with the FEI requirements.

## **Article 14 - PUBLIC RELATIONS & RESULTS**

**14.1** The FEI Representative will be responsible for relations with the news media (press, radio, TV). In addition, FEI will be responsible for providing information concerning the entries (competitors and horses), Judges, Foreign Technical Delegate, Course Designer, etc., and, during the Games, to provide the latest information about the Final Entries, the draw, the starting order and technical information. FEI will also attend and initiate press conferences in consultation with the Foreign Technical Delegate and the President of the Ground Jury.

**14.2** The BAYOGOC must ensure that a mixed zone where media can speak with competitors is included at the venue.

**14.3** Arrangements must be made by the BAYOGOC to ensure that the results are published immediately after each competition and distributed to media, team officials, FEI officials, etc. according to YORIS procedures (Youth Olympic Result & Information Services).

## **Article 15 – MEDICATION CONTROL OF PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES OF ATHLETES**

The World Anti-Doping Code , Olympic Charter Rule 43 - will apply to all competitors participating in the Youth Olympic Games ( refer to ANNEX I).

Should a competitor athlete be disqualified from the Games for a positive test(s) for a Prohibited Substance as set forth in the Equine Anti-Doping and Controlled Medication Regulations for the 2018 Youth Olympic Games, the competitor's result will be annulled and the entire team disqualified. The other team members may however take part in the Final Individual competition.

Should a tie for a medal placing arise as a result of a team being disqualified due to one (1) of its competitors testing positive, the tie is broken by the following procedure:

- By taking the best team score in the second round of the Team Competition;
- In case of a further tie for a medal placing the result of the fourth competitor in the first round is decisive;
- In case of a further tie the result of the fifth competitor in the first round is decisive;
- In case of a further tie the result of the fourth competitor in the second round is decisive;
- In case of a further tie the result of the fifth competitor in the second round is decisive.

## **Article 16 - CONTROL OF PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES OF HORSES**

Control for Prohibited Substances will be carried out as set out in the FEI Equine Anti-Doping and Medication Control Rules for the 2018 Youth Olympic Games, and the FEI Veterinary Regulations (refer to Annex G).

### **16.1 SELECTION OF HORSES FOR TESTING (see also Veterinary Regulations)**

**16.1.1** During the preparation and training of horses to be used in the event, if treatments are required using any substance from the FEI Prohibited Substances List, then they must be recorded in a Medication Logbook for that Horse. For the 4 weeks prior to the start of competition, any administration of Prohibited Substances is only possible with the consent of the Foreign Veterinary Delegate (FVD). Prior to competition, the FVD may request that samples be taken from a Horse and submitted for Elective Testing at the designated FEI approved laboratory.

**16.1.2** The Testing Veterinarian(s) will operate in close liaison with the President of the Ground Jury and the Veterinary Commission. The Testing Veterinarian will, wherever possible, respect any specific request for horses to be sampled made by the President of the Ground Jury. The President of the Ground Jury will, however, fully consider the proposals of the Testing Veterinarian before deciding on the strategy for sampling at the event.

Notification of testing can commence from 1 hour before the first horse inspection up until half hour after the announcement of final results for the Event

**16.1.3** Three (3) possible methods for selection of horses can be distinguished: obligatory testing (i.e. medal winners), random testing, (i.e. selection agreed by the President of the Ground Jury, Veterinary Commission and Testing Official) and targeted testing (i.e. if a specific reason necessitates testing of a horse). Selection of horses can be made at any time during the Equestrian event. Horses can be tested several times during one event.

**16.1.4** It is recommended that a minimum of 5% of all horses must be sampled.

**16.1.5** For obligatory testing in the Youth Olympic Games, sufficient horses must normally be sampled to ensure that the following samples are available for analysis.

**16.1.5.1** In the Final Competition for Individuals, the first three placed horses.

**16.1.5.2** In Final Jumping Competition for Teams, one horse from among all the horses in each of the first three placed teams.

### **16.2 TEAM DISQUALIFICATION DUE TO A TEAM MEMBER OR TEAM HORSE TESTING POSITIVE**

**16.2.1** Should a horse be disqualified from the Games for a positive test(s) for a Prohibited Substance as set forth in the Equine Anti-Doping and Controlled Medication Regulations for the 2018 Youth Olympic Games, the a competitor's result will be annulled and the entire team disqualified. The other team members may however take part in the Final Individual competition.

Should a tie for a medal placing arise as a result of a team being disqualified due to one (1) of its horses testing positive, the tie is broken by the following procedure:

- By taking the best team score in the second round of the Team Competition;
- In case of a further tie for a medal placing the result of the fourth competitor in the first round is decisive;

- In case of a further tie the result of the fifth competitor in the first round is decisive;
- In case of a further tie the result of the fourth competitor in the second round is decisive;
- In case of a further tie the result of the fifth competitor in the second round is decisive.

### **Article 17 - RESPONSIBILITY**

Neither BAYOGOC nor the FEI accepts any responsibility for any accident or illness that may befall any horse, competitor, groom or any other person. The same applies in case of damage to cars, saddlery, utensils and all other objects (including damage resulting from theft, loss, fire).

BAYOGOC is responsible to ensure that it has a third party insurance policy to cover any eventuality that can occur during or in relation to the Youth Olympic Games.

### **Article 18 – PROTESTS AND APPEALS**

**18.1** The procedure regarding the lodging of protest and appeals are laid down in the FEI General Regulations;

**18.2** All protest and appeals to the Ground Jury or the Appeal Committee during the Youth Olympic Games must be accompanied by a deposit of CHF 150 or equivalent.

### **Article 19 - OLYMPIC SOJOURN**

The "Olympic Sojourn" for the athletes will start at the opening the Youth Olympic Village until the close of the Youth Olympic Village. For the IF representatives, the sojourn will be determined with the IOC in early 2018

## CHAPTER II – JUMPING

### Article 20 - RULES FOR THE JUMPING COMPETITIONS

#### 20.1 OFFICIAL TRAINING SESSION

The Official Training Session is held in the main competition arena. A course with approximately ten (10) obstacles including a combination will be provided. Competitors have ninety (90) seconds to complete the course or any number of obstacles on the course. The training session is observed by the Ground Jury. No results are registered.

#### 20.2 OFFICIAL JUMPING COMPETITION

##### 20.2.1 First Competition - Team Competition

One (1) team per Continent – total thirty 30 competitors (six (6) teams).

Each Team consists of maximum five (5) competitors. The best three (3) results per team count in each round (there are two (2) drop scores per team).

##### Format

Two (2) rounds not against the clock over the same course with a jump-off against the clock in case of equality of penalties for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and/or 3<sup>rd</sup> place. All six (6) teams return for the second round. All team competitors take part in the possible jump-off.

##### Starting order

The starting order of the teams in the first round is established according to a draw. As this is a Continental Team competition format, the order of starting in each team will be decided by the Chefs d'Equipe.

The starting order of the teams in the second round is according to the reverse order of the total penalties incurred by the three (3) best competitors in each team in the first round. Teams with equality of penalties will retain the starting order of the first round.

The order of starting in the possible jump-off will be the same as in the second round. If more than one jump-off is required to determine medal placing, the jump-off for third place will take place before the jump-off for first and second place. Teams retain the same order of starting as the second round.

##### Classification

The team classification is decided by adding the penalties incurred by the best three (3) competitors of each team in each of the two (2) rounds. In the case of equality of penalties between the teams for first, second and/or third place, a jump-off against the clock is compulsory in which all team competitors participate. The score in the jump-off is obtained by adding the penalties incurred by the three (3) best competitors in each team, but in the event of further equality of penalties, the times of these three (3) competitors in the jump-off added together will decide the winning team as well as those placed second or third. Teams with equality of total penalties for other places are placed equal.

##### Obstacles and other technical requirements

Number of Obstacles: twelve (12)

Min/Max length of the course: 500m/600m



Height: Maximum 120cm Spread: Maximum 130cm Speed: 350 m/min

The course must comprise one (1) treble combination or two (2) doubles. In the case of a jump-off, this will take place over a reduced course of six obstacles which may not be raised or widened.

### **20.2.2 Second Competition – Final Individual Competition**

#### Format

Two rounds A and B judged under Table A not against the clock in the first round and against the clock in the second round with a jump-off against the clock in case of equality of penalties for 1st, 2nd and/or 3rd place. (Art. 273.3.5 and 273.4.4 of the FEI Jumping Rules).

All competitors participate in Round A. All competitors who complete Round A go forward to Round B. The penalties in the two rounds are added. The competitors will be invited to inspect the course of Round B.

#### Starting order

The starting order for Round A is established according to a draw.

The starting order for Round B will follow the reverse order of the penalties incurred in Round A. The competitor with the greatest number of penalties will start first; the competitor with the least penalties will start last. Competitors with equality of penalties retain the same starting order as in Round A.

The order of starting in the possible jump-off will be the same as in Round B.

#### Classification

The Individual classification is determined for each competitor by the addition of penalties incurred in Rounds A and B. In case of equality of penalties for first, second and/or third place, a jump-off against the clock is compulsory. If more than one jump-off is required to determine medal placing, the jump-off for the third place will take place before the jump-off for the first and 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. Athletes not participating in the jump-off will be placed according to aggregate Penalties over both rounds and the time incurred in the second round.

#### Obstacles and other technical requirements

Round A: Number of obstacles twelve (12) Min/Max length of course: 500m/600m

Round B: Number of obstacles eight (8) Min/Max length of course: 450m/550m

Height: Maximum 130cm Spread: Maximum 140cm Speed: 350 m/min

The course of Round A must comprise one (1) treble combination or two (2) doubles.

The course of Round B must comprise one (1) double or one (1) treble combination. Round B must be different from Round A. In the case of a jump-off, this will take place over a reduced course of six obstacles which may not be raised or widened.

## **20.3 DECLARATION OF STARTERS (TEAMS & INDIVIDUALS)**

### **20.3.1 Team Competition**

Chefs d'Equipe must declare, no later than 18.00hrs the day prior to the Team competition, the order of starting of team members within their teams. This must be done following the draw for the Team competition.

### 20.3.2 Final Individual Competition

Chefs d'Equipe must declare competitors that will take part in the Final Individual competition. Declarations must be made prior to the draw. The draw takes place following the second Horse Inspection.

### 20.4 HORSE INSPECTIONS

There will be a first Horse Inspection followed by a re-inspection is necessary prior to the Team competition. There will be a second Horse Inspection prior to the Final Individual competition.

The order of presenting Horses for the first Horse Inspection will follow the alphabetical order of names of horses.

The order of presenting Horses for the second Horse Inspection will follow the alphabetical order of competitors NOC abbreviations.

## Article 21 - QUALIFICATION PROCEDURE – JUMPING

In case of a discrepancy the Qualification System – Youth Olympic Games Buenos Aires 2018 for Equestrian as hosted on NOCnet will prevail.

**QUOTA:** THIRTY (30) COMPETITORS (EIGHT (8) RESERVE HORSES)

Maximum per NOC: The maximum per NOC shall be one (1) per Nation;

### A. EVENTS (2)

Men's Events (-)	Women's Events (-)	Open Events (2)
N/A	N/A	Individual competition Continental team competition

### B. ATHLETES QUOTA

#### 1. Total Quota for Equestrian:

	Qualification Places	Host Country Places	Universality Places	Total
Total	23	1	6	30

**2. Maximum Number of Athletes per NOC:**

	Quota per NOC
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>

**3. Type of Allocation of Quota Places:**

The quota place is allocated to the NOC.

**C. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY**

All athletes must comply with the provisions of the Olympic Charter currently in force, including but not limited to, Rule 41 (Nationality of Competitors). Only those athletes who have complied with the Olympic Charter may participate in the Youth Olympic Games.

**Age**

To be eligible to participate in the Youth Olympic Games, athletes must have been born between 1 January 2000 and 31 December 2003.

**Additional IF requirements****Certificate of Capability**

All athletes taking part in the YOG must have obtained a Certificate of Capability at one of the following events:

- 2017 FEI European Junior Championship;
- 2017 FEI North American Junior Championship;
- 2017 FEI South American Junior Championship;
- The FEI World Jumping Challenge Category A (Certificates of Capability may be earned in the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> FEI World Jumping Challenge Category A competition in any country)
- CSI1\* Grand Prix Competition;
- CSI2\* Grand Prix Competition.

Each athlete must obtain a score of not more than eight penalties in the first round of any of the above competitions to gain a Certificate of Capability.

Certificates of Capability must be obtained between 1 April 2017 and 31 May 2018.

## QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

The events are listed in hierarchical order, irrespective of the actual calendar of the events.

### Qualification Places

#### MEN & WOMEN

Number of Quota Places	Qualification Event
23 athletes	<p><b>PERFORMANCE &amp; CONTINENTAL REPRESENTATION</b></p> <p>The total number of participants will be 30 and no NOC may be represented by more than one athlete.</p> <p>NOCs will be selected based on the individual final classification at either a Continental Championship or from the Continental classification in the FEI World Jumping Challenge.</p> <p><b>NOC GROUPS</b></p> <p>References to 'Group' throughout this document refer to the following six Groups into which the world has been divided for the purpose of qualification:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Europe</li> <li>b. North America (Canada, USA, Mexico, Central America and the Caribbean Islands)</li> <li>c. South America</li> <li>d. Asia</li> <li>e. Australasia (Australia and New Zealand as well as any additional country from Australasia that may become affiliated to the FEI)</li> <li>f. Africa</li> </ol> <p>Each Group has a total quota of five (5) athletes, which includes the allocation of Universality Places.</p> <p>After Universality Places have been allocated, the top ranked athletes from each group qualify their NOC based on the individual final classification, until the total quota of five athletes per group is reached.</p> <p><i>Example: if group C. South America receives 2 Universality Places, then the top ranked 3 athletes from group C will qualify their NOC.</i></p> <p>All athletes qualifying their respective NOC for the YOG must not be older than 18 years in the year in which they have taken part in the NOC YOG qualification.</p>

<p>The first result for each athlete in the Challenge (as per table below) counts as his/her result for NOC qualification purposes whether at home or in a foreign country.</p> <p>For all qualifying events, only an athlete's first participation on the declared horse will count towards the NOC qualification.</p> <p><b>NOCs will qualify through the following events:</b></p>	
<b>Europe</b>	2017 FEI European Junior Championship (Individual Classification)*
<b>North America</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The top two (2) ranked NOCs from the 2017 FEI North American Junior Championship for Canada, USA, Mexico (Individual Classification)*</li> <li>• NOCs of the three (3) best placed athletes from the 2017 3<sup>rd</sup> FEI World Jumping Challenge Category A** for the Caribbean Islands and Central America's classification In case a Universality Place is allocated to an NOC from this Group, the number of NOCs that may qualify through the FEI World Jumping Challenge will be reduced to two (2).</li> </ul>
<b>South America</b>	2017 3 <sup>rd</sup> FEI World Jumping Challenge Category A**
<b>Asia</b>	2017 3 <sup>rd</sup> FEI World Jumping Challenge Category A**
<b>Australasia</b>	2017 3 <sup>rd</sup> FEI World Jumping Challenge Category A **
<b>Africa</b>	2017 3 <sup>rd</sup> FEI World Jumping Challenge Category A **
<p>*In case of Athletes equal on penalties in the Individual Final classification at the 2017 Continental Junior Jumping Championship, ties for the last qualifying place for the 2018 Youth Olympic Games will be broken as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The result of the Individual Final competition will be used to break a tie;</li> <li>• Should a further tie exist the time in the second round of the Individual Final competition will be taken to break the tie;</li> <li>• Should a further tie exist the time in the first round of the Individual Final competition will be taken to break the tie.</li> </ul> <p>** NB: Only the 3<sup>rd</sup> FEI World Jumping Challenge Category A competition in any given country counts as an NOC qualifier for the Youth Olympic Games. These competitions must be held between <b>1 April 2017 and 31 December 2017</b>.</p>	

### HOST COUNTRY PLACES

The host country will automatically qualify one (1) athlete on the condition that the athlete meets the eligibility requirements described in Section C of this document.

If the host NOC selects an athlete, the number of athletes qualifying through the qualification procedure for that Group will be reduced by one (1).

## **UNIVERSALITY PLACES**

To be eligible to receive Universality Places, athletes must comply with the Eligibility criteria as defined under point C. of this document.

Of the 30 places available, the IOC may allocate, by 13 March 2017, up to six (6) Universality Places, with a maximum of one (1) competitor per NOC. The allocation of the Universality Places will determine the number of remaining places available for qualification.

Up to six (6) Universality Places will be made available to eligible NOCs at the YOG, subject to the athletes reaching a minimum level of performance defined by FEI, and that the athletes meet the eligibility criteria under section C.

The International Olympic Committee will invite all eligible NOCs to submit their requests for Universality Places by 15 January 2017. The Tripartite Commission will confirm, in writing, the allocation of invitation places to the relevant NOCs, in collaboration with FEI, as of 13 March 2017. The NOCs will have until 31 March 2017 to confirm the use of their places to the Tripartite Commission.

Once the Universality Places have been allocated, the remaining places will be filled following the qualification procedure outlined in Section D. ensuring each Group consists of five athletes.

## **D. CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES**

### **CONFIRMATION OF QUALIFICATION PLACE**

The FEI shall confirm to NOCs at the end of 2017 for those NOCs qualifying through the Challenge, and immediately following the 2017 Championships for those NOCs qualifying through the Championships.

NOCs will then have up to two (2) weeks to confirm in writing to the FEI and Buenos Aires Youth Olympic Games Organising Committee that they will use the obtained places.

The FEI will confirm the quota places to the NOCs qualifying through the 3<sup>rd</sup> FEI World Jumping Challenge Category A competitions by 31 January 2018.

The FEI will confirm quota place(s) to the NOCs qualifying through the respective 2017 Continental Championships immediately following each competition.

NOCs will then have up to two weeks to confirm in writing to the FEI and BAYOGOC that they will use the obtained place.

### **CONFIRMATION OF HOST COUNTRY PLACES**

The host country must confirm in writing to the FEI and BAYOGOC by 15 January 2018 the use of its Host Country Places.

## E. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES

### REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUALIFICATION PLACES

If a quota place allocated is not confirmed by the NOC by the confirmation of quota place deadline or is declined by the NOC, the quota place will be reallocated within the same group as follows:

<b>Europe</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The next best ranked NOC not yet qualified at the 2017 FEI European Junior Championship taken from the Final Individual Classification.</li> </ul>
<b>North America</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The next best ranked NOC not yet qualified from North America at the 2017 FEI North American Junior Championship taken from the Final Individual Classification if a North American NOC drops out,</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;">or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>the next best-ranked Central American or Caribbean Islands NOC not yet qualified on the final classification of the 2017 3<sup>rd</sup> FEI World Jumping Challenge Category A qualifiers for Central America and the Caribbean Islands if a Central American or Caribbean Islands NOC drops out.</li> <li>Should the North American NOCs not be able to fill their quota, the vacant place(s) go to a Central American or Caribbean Islands NOC based on the results of the Challenge and vice versa if Central American and the Caribbean Islands NOCs cannot fill their quota.</li> </ul>
<b>South America</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The next best-ranked NOC not yet qualified on the final classification of the 2017 3<sup>rd</sup> FEI World Jumping Challenge Category A qualifiers.</li> <li>If there are still quota places left to be allocated, the next best-ranked NOC not yet qualified at the 2017 FEI North American Junior Championship taken from the Final Individual Classification will receive a quota place.</li> </ul>
<b>Asia</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The next best-ranked NOC not yet qualified based on the Asian Continental Final Classification of the 2017 3<sup>rd</sup> FEI World Jumping Challenge Category A qualifiers.</li> <li>If there are still quota places left to be allocated, the next best-ranked NOC not yet qualified on the Australasia Continental Final Classification of the 2017 3<sup>rd</sup> FEI World Jumping Challenge Category A qualifiers will receive a quota place.</li> </ul>
<b>Australasia</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The next best-ranked NOC not yet qualified based on the Australasia Continental Final Classification of the 2017 3<sup>rd</sup> FEI World Jumping Challenge Category A qualifiers.</li> <li>If there are still quota places left to be allocated, the next best-ranked NOC not yet qualified on the Asian Continental Final Classification of the 2017 3<sup>rd</sup> FEI World Jumping Challenge Category A qualifiers will receive a quota place.</li> </ul>
<b>Africa</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The next best-ranked NOC not yet qualified based on the African Continental Final Classification of the 2017 3<sup>rd</sup> FEI World Jumping Challenge Category A qualifiers.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If there are still quota places left to be allocated, the next best-ranked NOC not yet qualified on the 2017 FEI European Junior Championship taken from the Final Individual Classification will receive a quota place.</li> </ul>
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If there are still quota places left to be allocated after all reallocations methods have been implemented from the above table, the next best-ranked NOC not yet qualified on the Individual Final Classification rankings at the 2017 European Jumping Championship will receive a quota place. This procedure will be implemented until all 30 quota places are filled.

#### REALLOCATION OF UNUSED HOST COUNTRY PLACES

The unused Host Country Place will be allocated to the next best-ranked South American NOC on the South American Continental Final Classification of the 2017 3<sup>rd</sup> FEI World Jumping Challenge Category A qualifiers.

If the Host Country Quota Place is not able to be reallocated to a South American NOC, then section F. Reallocation of unused qualification places will be implemented.

#### REALLOCATION OF UNUSED UNIVERSALITY PLACES

For any unused Universality Places, including those returned after the final allocation by the YOG Tripartite Commission, section F. Reallocation of unused qualification places will be implemented.

### F. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

Period	Date	Milestone
<b>Universality Places</b>	<b>March 2017</b>	Validation of final allocation of Universality Places by the YOG Tripartite Commission
<b>Qualification</b>	<b>1 April 2017 – 31 December 2017</b>	YOG 2018 qualification period
	<b>1 April 2017 – 31 May 2018</b>	Period for athletes to obtain a Certificate of Capability
	<b>8 - 13 August 2017</b>	2017 FEI European Junior Championship, Samorin (SVK)
	<b>18 – 23 July 2017</b>	2017 FEI North American Junior Championship, HITS-On-The-Hudson Saugerties NY (USA)
	<b>1 April 2017 – 31 December 2017</b>	2017 FEI World Jumping Challenge - Category A – South America
	<b>1 April 2017 – 31 December 2017</b>	2017 FEI World Jumping Challenge - Category A - Caribbean Islands and Central America



		2017 FEI World Jumping Challenge - Category A - Asia
		2017 FEI World Jumping Challenge - Category A - Australasia
		2017 FEI World Jumping Challenge - Category A - Africa
<b>Accreditation Deadline</b>	<b>&lt;date&gt;*</b>	Buenos Aires 2018 Accreditation Deadline (All potential athletes must be registered in the system)
<b>Inform and Confirm</b>	<b>15 January 2018</b>	FEI to inform NOCs of their allocated quota places
	<b>15 January 2018</b>	Host Country to confirm the participation of athletes
	<b>31 January 2018</b>	NOCs to confirm use of allocated quota places to FEI and BAYOGOC
<b>Nominated entries</b>	<b>30 June 2018</b>	All competitors and reserve riders have to be entered by this date
<b>Reallocation</b>	<b>02 July 2018</b>	FEI to reallocate all unused quota places and NOC to confirm
	<b>22 August 2018</b>	End of reallocation period
<b>Sport Entries Deadline</b>	<b>23 August 2018</b>	Entries deadline by name for all sports
<b>Finalisation of DRP Deadline</b>	<b>&lt;date&gt;*</b>	Finalisation of DRP deadline
<b>YOG</b>	<b>06 - 18 October 2018</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Summer Youth Olympic Games – Buenos Aires 2018

***\*To be defined***

## **CHAPTER III - STABLES, SERVICES AND TRAINING FACILITIES**

### **Article 22 - INTRODUCTION**

The Youth Olympic Games bring together the best qualified young competitors from all over the world to compete for the most coveted award in the Youth's equestrian sports. It is therefore most important that the accommodation, health and feeding facilities for horses, grooms and competitors and the facilities for training and practice should be satisfactory in every respect. The following guidelines/directives are designed to help Organising Committees to provide for the needs of the horses, grooms, competitors and Team Officials.

### **Article 23 - STABLES**

**23.1** Provision of suitable stables with adequate lighting and ventilation (60 m<sup>3</sup> air space for each horse). Loose boxes must be of at least nine (9) square metres. They should be disinfected before arrival and after departure of the horses.

Preferably the stable design should include a roof some distance above the stalls, reflecting heat and allowing airflow over the stabled boxes or the stables should be air-conditioned.

**23.2** Each team must be provided with one (1) tack room (six (6) tack rooms in total).

**23.3** Each stable block will require:

**23.3.1** A supply of drinking water and drinking buckets, at least one outlet per 10 boxes;

**23.3.2** Hot water, cold water hoses and ice readily available;

**23.3.3** A regular routine for the collection and disposal of used bedding and manure;

**23.3.4** A supply of straw and shavings for bedding material;

**23.3.5** Fire precautions and a plan for emergencies, (it is important to keep passage ways free of obstructing material/tack in case of emergencies);

**23.3.6** A security system designed to keep all unauthorised persons out of the stable areas (refer to Veterinary Regulations);

**23.3.7** Tying up facilities in the stables and the passage ways;

**23.3.8** At least one electrical power point for each team, out of reach of the horses;

**23.3.9** A restroom for grooms and competitors in the stable block plus a room for the team officials in the stable area;

**23.3.10** Vector and insect control (i.e. screening for insect control if required, sand around stables for tick control, if required).

## **Article 24 - CENTRAL SERVICES**

**24.1** All commonly used feeds should be available including hay, bran, oats, barley, sweet feed, pellets or cubes, corn, linseed and carrots, certified free of prohibited substances.

**24.2** Storage facilities for feed and bedding.

**24.3** Workshops for repairing tack.

**24.4** A qualified farrier with sufficient assistants is required to provide a quick and reliable service at all times of the day and night.

**24.5** A small isolation stable - not less than four (4) boxes - should be provided at some distance from the stable area to provide temporary isolation for horses thought to be suffering from a contagious infection.

**24.6** Suitable facilities including not less than four (4) boxes must be provided for injured horses and horses needing veterinary attention. These can be included in a temporary structure located in large air-conditioned tent and an experienced veterinary team to provide 24 hour emergency veterinary treatment and possible surgical procedures. A means of access suitable in all weather conditions for horse trailers is necessary, power, water supply and sewer connection. A referral surgical equine clinic in the vicinity is desirable. Details on the design and the required standard of veterinary facilities can be obtained from the FEI Veterinary Department and they must be agreed well in advance with the FEI Veterinary Committee.

**24.7** All appointed Veterinary Officials must be in possession of the FEI veterinarian ID card as required by the Veterinary Regulations.

**24.8** Not less than four (4) boxes must be provided for the Horse Medication Control.

**24.9** A conference room, with microphone, loud speakers and visual aid equipment, is required in the vicinity of the management area for the technical briefing meetings, draws for starting orders and where notices and results can be displayed.

**24.10** A lockable letter box for each nation for official communications to Chefs d'Equipes and the Individual competitors.

**24.11** A joint working room for Team leaders with Wi-fi internet access, work terminal with internet access, access to INFO, telephone, photocopier and secure lockers.

**24.12** A service of surveillance in the stables during the night.

## **Article 25 - ACCOMMODATION AND CATERING**

**25.1** Horses, Trainers and Grooms must be housed as close to the stables as possible, preferably not further than five hundred (500) meters.

**25.2** Horses, Trainers, Grooms and other team officials resident at the equestrian site(s) must be provided with adequate washing, bathing or shower facilities, as well as catering facilities and laundry facilities, as close to the stables as possible.

## **Article 26 - SCHOOLING AREAS**

### **26.1 GENERAL**

**26.1.1** In all schooling areas the ground surface is of the utmost importance to all competitors. Great care should be taken to see that the horses can come to no harm in the selected areas. Deep sand is dangerous. Newly levelled and seeded

areas are liable to have soft patches and grass areas may become too hard if there is no provision for watering.

**26.1.2** There must be at least two (2) large areas (50 x 100m), with an all-weather footing for training.

## **26.2 JUMPING FACILITIES**

**26.2.1** The competition arena must have a size of 60m x 90m and be covered with either a permanent or temporary roof in case of bad weather; Sufficient fence material of the same general specifications as those approved for the competition arenas must be provided in each area to allow the construction of ten (10) obstacles including material for a treble combination.

**26.2.2** The Jumping areas must be strictly supervised at all times by an FEI steward to ensure that any form of abuse is prohibited (see General Regulations and the Jumping Rules).

## **26.3 OFFICIAL TRAINING SESSION**

**26.3.1** Should competitions take place a night-time, training under floodlight must be organised by BAYOGOC.

**26.3.2** Jumping: BAYOGOC, in agreement with the Foreign Technical Delegate must organise an Official Training Session for competitors in the main competition arena as follows:

- An Official Training Session takes place the day prior to the first official competition and must consist of maximum ten (10) obstacles, including a combination; maximum height 1.25 m height;
- Each competitor is permitted a maximum of ninety (90) seconds per horse;
- Dress is informal; boots, breeches, shirt and protective headgear must be worn;
- The training session is open to all competitors and horses (plus reserve horses) and five (5) horses per team;
- The public may not be charged to enter and prizes of any kind may not be offered;
- A draw will take place the day prior to the training session to determine the starting order of the nations in the training session. Chefs d'Equipe will determine the starting order of the competitors within the teams.

## **ARTICLE 27 - FAMILIARISATION**

The day prior to the Official Training Session, all competitors will be permitted to have a familiarisation session in the main competition arena with obstacles.

## **ANNEX A - IOC ELIGIBILITY CODE**

### **Olympic Charter - Eligibility Code - Rule 40**

To participate in the Olympic Games, a competitor, team official or other team personnel must respect and comply with the Olympic Charter and World Anti-Doping Code, including the conditions of participation established by the IOC, as well as with the rules of the relevant IF as approved by the IOC, and the competitor, team official or other team personnel must be entered by his NOC.

### **Bye-Law to Rule 40**

1. Each IF establishes its sport's rules for participation in the Olympic Games, including qualification criteria, in accordance with the Olympic Charter. Such criteria must be submitted to the IOC Executive Board for approval.
2. The application of the qualification criteria lies with the IFs, their affiliated national federations and the NOCs in the fields of their respective responsibilities.
3. Except as permitted by the IOC Executive Board, no competitor, team official or other team personnel who participates in the Olympic Games may allow his person, name, picture or sports performances to be used for advertising purposes during the Olympic Games.
4. The entry or participation of a competitor in the Youth Olympic Games shall not be conditional on any financial consideration.
4. The entry or participation of a competitor in the Olympic Games shall not be conditional on any financial consideration.

### **Olympic Charter - Nationality of Competitors - Rule 41 Bye-Law 41**

1. Any competitor in the Olympic Games must be a national of the country of the NOC which is entering such competitor.
2. All matters relating to the determination of the country which a competitor may represent in the Olympic Games shall be resolved by the IOC Executive Board.

### **Bye-law to Rule 41**

1. A competitor who is a national of two or more countries at the same time may represent either one of them, as he may elect. However, after having represented one country in the Olympic Games, in continental or regional games or in world or regional championships recognised by the relevant IF, he may not represent another country unless he meets the conditions set forth in paragraph 2 below that apply to persons who have changed their nationality or acquired a new nationality.
2. A competitor who has represented one country in the Olympic Games, in continental or regional games or in world or regional championships recognised by the relevant IF, and who has changed his nationality or acquired a new nationality, may participate in the Olympic Games to represent his new country provided that at least three years have passed since the competitor last represented his former country. This period may be reduced or even cancelled, with the agreement of the NOCs and IF concerned, by the IOC Executive Board, which takes into account the circumstances of each case.

3. If an associated State, province or overseas department, a country or colony acquires independence, if a country becomes incorporated within another country by reason 79 Olympic Charter In force as from 2 August 2016 of a change of border, if a country merges with another country, or if a new NOC is recognised by the IOC, a competitor may continue to represent the country to which he belongs or belonged. However, he may, if he prefers, elect to represent his country or be entered in the Olympic Games by his new NOC if one exists. This particular choice may be made only once.

4. Furthermore, in all cases in which a competitor would be eligible to participate in the Olympic Games, either by representing another country than his or by having the choice as to the country which such competitor intends to represent, the IOC Executive Board may take all decisions of a general or individual nature with regard to issues resulting from nationality, citizenship, domicile or residence of any competitor, including the duration of any waiting period.

### **IOC Entries - Olympic Charter - Rule 44 - Bye-Law 44**

1. The invitations to take part in the Olympic Games shall be sent out by the IOC to all NOCs one year before the opening ceremony.

2. Only NOCs recognised by the IOC may submit entries for competitors in the Olympic Games.

3. Any entry is subject to acceptance by the IOC, which may at its discretion, at any time, refuse any entry, without indication of grounds. Nobody is entitled as of right to participate in the Olympic Games.

4. An NOC shall only enter competitors upon the recommendations for entries given by national federations. If the NOC approves thereof, it shall transmit such entries to the OCOG. The OCOG must acknowledge their receipt. NOCs must investigate the validity of the entries proposed by the national federations and ensure that no one has been excluded for racial, religious or political reasons or by reason of other forms of discrimination.

5. The NOCs shall send to the Olympic Games only those competitors adequately prepared for high level international competition. Through its IF, a national federation may ask that the IOC Executive Board review a decision by an NOC in a matter of entries. The IOC Executive Board's decision shall be final.

### **Bye-law to Rule 44**

1. The IOC Executive Board determines the numbers of all participants in the Olympic Games.

2. The procedures and the deadlines for the entries of competitors for sports competitions at the Olympic Games and their acceptances are established by the IOC Executive Board.

3. All entries must be submitted as prescribed by the IOC.

4. As a condition precedent to participation in the Olympic Games, every competitor shall comply with all the provisions of the Olympic Charter and the rules of the IF governing his sport. The NOC which enters the competitor is responsible for ensuring that such 81 Olympic Charter In force as from 2 August 2016 competitor is fully aware of and complies with the Olympic Charter and the World Anti-Doping Code.

5. Should there be no national federation for a particular sport in a country which has a recognised NOC, the latter may enter competitors individually in such sport in the Olympic Games subject to the approval of the IOC Executive Board and the IF governing such sport.

6. All participants in the Olympic Games in whatever capacity must comply with the entry process as prescribed by the IOC Executive Board, including the signing of the entry form,

which includes an obligation to (i) comply with the Olympic Charter and the World Anti-Doping Code and (ii) submit disputes to CAS jurisdiction.

7. The relevant NOC shall also comply with the entry process, including the signing of the entry form, referred to in paragraph 6 above to confirm and guarantee that all the relevant rules have been brought to the notice of the competitor and that the NOC has been authorised by the national sports federation concerned to comply with such entry process on its behalf.

8. At the request of the OCOG, the relevant IF shall confirm and guarantee, at the close of entries, that the participants entered for its sport have satisfied the relevant qualification criteria to compete in the Olympic Games.

9. No entry shall be valid unless the above provisions have been observed.

10. The withdrawal of a duly entered delegation, team or individual shall, if effected without the consent of the IOC Executive Board, constitute an infringement of the Olympic Charter, and be subject to an inquiry, and may lead to measures or sanctions.

11. The number of entries for each sport is established by the IOC Executive Board following consultation with the relevant IFs three years before the Olympic Games concerned. 82 The Olympic Games

12. The number of entries in the individual events shall not exceed that provided for in the World Championships and shall not, unless the IOC Executive Board grants an exception, exceed three per country.

13. For team sports, the number of teams shall not exceed twelve teams for each gender and not be less than eight teams, unless the IOC Executive Board decides otherwise.

14. In order to obtain an equitable breakdown in the number of substitutes in certain sports, both individual and team, and taking into account the fact that in certain other sports a single entry per event and per country is allowed without any substitute, the IOC Executive Board, following consultation with the IFs concerned, may increase or reduce the number of substitutes.

## **ANNEX B - IOC PROPAGANDA & ADVERTISING**

Guidelines regarding authorised identifications will be published by the IOC mid-2017.

## ANNEX C - FEI CERTIFICATE OF CAPABILITY

### 2018 YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES BUENOS AIRES (ARG) 01-12 October 2018

I, the undersigned, \_\_\_\_\_ in my capacity as President of the National Federation of \_\_\_\_\_ hereby declare that the hereunder mentioned competitor has the experience and qualifications required to take part in the 2018 Youth Olympic Games for which he/she has been entered and that his/her performance in the competition mentioned below entirely satisfies the standards as laid down in the appropriate FEI Regulations.

The maximum number of competitors allowed to be listed on this form is one competitor and one horse with which the Certificate of Capability has been obtained.

COMPETITOR				
First & Last Name	Passport No	Date of Birth	Sex	Qualifying Competition
HORSE				
Name	Passport No	Year of Birth	Sex	Breed

***NOTE: Incomplete forms will not be accepted.***

DATE:

SIGNATURE AND NOC STAMP:

MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE FEI NOT LATER THAN **30 June 2018**

One form per competitor



## **ANNEX D - ENTRY FORM – HORSE BREEDS, COLOUR & SEX CODES**

### **ABBREVIATIONS - TO BE USED FOR ALL ENTRY FORMS**

<b>Colours</b>		<b>Sex</b>	
BL	Black	G	Gelding
BA	Bay	M	Mare
DB	Dark Bay	S	Stallion
LB	Light Bay		
CH	Chestnut		
DC	Dark Chestnut		
LC	Light Chestnut		
GR	Grey		
DG	Dark Grey		
AP	Appaloosa		
PB	Piebald/Skewbald		
RO	Roan		
ST	Strawberry		
PA	Palomino		
CR	Cream		
DU	Dun		

### **BREED (STUD BOOK)**

AA	Anglo-Arab
AAFE	Asociacion Argentina de Fomento Equino
AES	Anglo European Studbook
AHS	The American Hanovrian Society
P.R.E	Pura Raza Español
APH	Studbook Austrian Performance Horses AWA Australian Warmblood Horse Association
AWR	American Warmblood Registry
AWS	American Warmblood Society
BAD-WÜ	Pferdezuchtverband Baden-Württemberg e.V.
BAVAR	Landesverband Bayerischer Pferdezüchter V.
BHHS	The British Hanoverian Horse Society
BRAND	Landespfederzuchtverband Berlin-Brandenburg w.V.
Bras-H	Associacao Brasileira de Criadores do Cavalo de Hipismo
Bri. WS	British Warmblood Society
BWP	Belgisch Warmbloedpaard v.z.w.
CCDM	Criadores de Caballos Deportivos Mexiicanos
Cdesp	Caballo de Deporte Espanol
CH	Swiss Warmblood

CSHA	Canadian Sport Horse Association
CWHBA	Canadian Warmblood Horse Breeders Ass. DWB Danish Warmblood Society
FWB	Finnish Warmblood
HAA	The Holsteiner Association of Australia
HANN	Verband Hannoverscher Pferdezüchter e.V.
HESS	Verband Hessischer Pferdezüchter e.V.
HOLST	Verband der Züchter des Holsteiner Pferdes e.V.
HSHBA	Hungarian Sport Horse Breeders Association
ISH	Irish Sport Horse
ISREG	International Sporthorse Registry Oldenburg Registry North America
KWPN	Koninklijk Warmbloed Paardenstamboek Nederland
Lusit	Lusitanian
MECKL	Verband der Pferdezüchter Mecklenburg-Vorpommern e.V.
NA/WPN	The Dutch Warmblood Studbook in North America
NRPS	Nederlands Rijpaarden en Pony Stamboek
NWB	Norwegian Warmblood Association
OLDBG	Verband der Züchter des Oldenburger Pferdes e.V.
PHBA	Polish Horse Breeders Association
RHEIN	Rheinisches Pferdestammbuch e.V.
SA	Pferdezuchtverband Sachsen Anhalt e.v.
SACHS	Pferdezuchtverband Sachsen e.V.
SAWHS	South African Warmblood Association
SBS	Stud-book sBs, le Cheval de Sport Belge
SCSL	Stud-book du Cheval de Selle Luxembourgeois
SDWA	Scottish Dutch Warmblood Association
SF	Stud-book Français du Cheval Selle Français
SHBGB	Sport Horse Breeding of Great Britain
SLS	Studbook La Silla
SWB	Swedish Warmblood Association
THU	Verband der Thüringen Pferdezüchter
TRAK	Verband der Züchter und Feunde des Ostpreussischen Warmblutpferdes Trakehner Abstammung e.V.
UNIRE	Unione Nazionale Incremento Razze Equine
VNP	Verband Niederösterreichischer Pferdezüchter

WESTF	Westfälisches Pferdestammbuch e.V.
ZANG	Stud-book Zangersheide
ZVDP	Zuchtverband für Deutsche Pferde e.v.
ZWEIB	Pferdezuchtverband Rheinland-Pfalz-Saar e.V.

## Annex E – FEI OLYMPIC QUALIFYING GROUPS

<b>Olympic Group - EUROPE</b>	Albania, Andorra, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bosnia Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Great Britain, Greece, Georgia, Hungary, Israel, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Macedonia, Malta, Monaco, Moldova, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, San Marino, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Ukraine
<b>Olympic Group – AFRICA</b>	Algeria, Angola, Botswana, Congo, Egypt, Ethiopia, Kenya, Libya, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritius, Morocco, Namibia, Senegal, South Africa, Sudan, Swaziland, Tunisia, Zambia, Zimbabwe
<b>Olympic Group – ASIA</b>	Bahrain, Brunei, Cambodia, China People’s Rep., Chinese Taipei, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Korea, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Lebanon, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, Oman, Palestine, Pakistan, Philippines, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Syria, Thailand, Turkmenistan, United Arab Emirates, Uzbekistan, Yemen
<b>Olympic Group - AUSTRALASIA</b>	Australia, New Zealand
<b>Olympic Group – SOUTH AMERICA</b>	Argentina, Brazil, Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Nicaragua, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela,
<b>Olympic Group - NORTH AMERICA, CENTRAL AMERICA AND THE CARRIBEAN ISLANDS</b>	Antigua, Barbados, Bermuda, Canada, Cayman Islands, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Puerto Rico, Trinidad & Tobago, U.S.A., Virgin Islands

**Note:** The above list includes NFs affiliated to the FEI and will be able to participate providing the NF is in good standing with the FEI.

## **ANNEX F – COMPETITION TIMETABLE**

### **Buenos Aires 2018**

#### **PRELIMINARY TIMETABLE; REQUIRES IOC APPROVAL**

1st Day	Horse Inspection, Draw for Horses, Training Session
2nd Day	Training Session
3rd Day	Training Session
4th Day	Warm-Up Session, Technical Meeting, Draw of the Team Competition
5th Day	Team Competition 1st Round
6th Day	Team Final Competition 2nd Round & Jump-Off - Team Medal Ceremony
7th Day	Rest Day
8th Day	Rest Day, Horse Inspection Individual Competition, Draw of the Individual Competition
9th Day	Individual Competition Round A
10th Day	Individual Final – Individual Competition Round B & Jump-Off - Individual Medal Ceremon

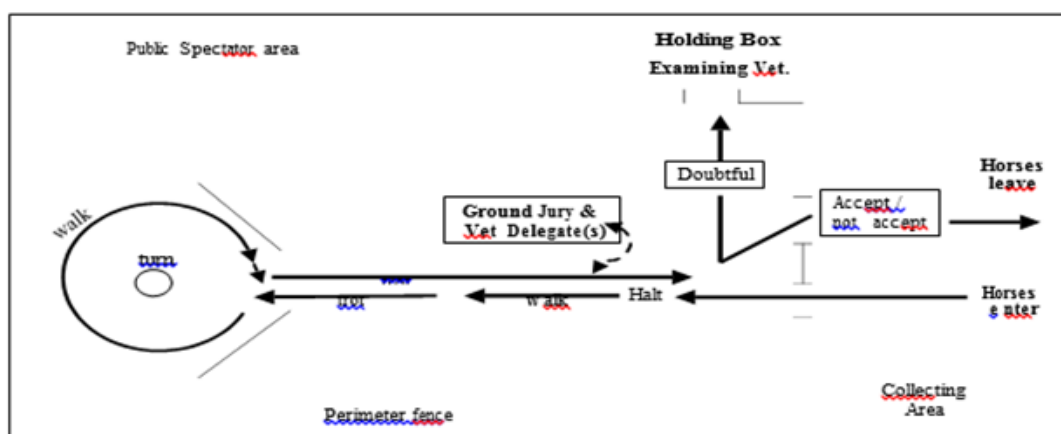
## **ANNEX G – FEI Equine Anti-Doping and Medication Controlled Regulations 2018 Version Exclusively for the 2018 Youth Olympic Games**

See the FEI Equine Anti-Doping and Medication Controlled Medication Regulations (version exclusively for the 2018 Youth Olympic Games) published in the FEI website under <http://inside.fei.org/content/anti-doping-rules>

## ANNEX H – HORSE INSPECTIONS

**Fig 1 Lay-out for Horse Inspections in FEI competitions**

The veterinarian(s) watch the horse's gait from the center of the inspection track. The exact location of the Holding Box, entry and exit points for the horses and the public area may vary depending on the competition venue.



## **ANNEX I – WORLD ANTI-DOPING CODE**

### **World Anti-Doping Code – Olympic Charter Rule 43**

The World Anti-Doping Code is mandatory for the whole Youth Olympic Movement.  
*(See also the FEI website)*