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# THE 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 Code of Conduct and to acknowledge and accept that at all times the welfare of the Horse must be paramount. Welfare of the Horse must never be subordinated to competitive or commercial influences. The following points must be particularly adhered to:

## 1. General Welfare:

### a) Good Horse management

Stabling and feeding must be compatible with the best Horse management practices. Clean and good quality forage, feed and water must always be available.

### 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 methods which are abusive or cause fear.

### 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 personnel. 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. Fitness to compete:

### a) Fitness and competence

Participation in Competition must be restricted to fit Horses and Athletes of proven competence. Horses must be allowed suitable rest period between training and Competitions; additionally rest periods should be allowed following travelling.

### b) Health status

No Horse deemed unfit to compete may compete or continue to compete; veterinary advice must be sought whenever there is any doubt.

### c) Doping and Medication

Any action or intent of doping and illicit use of medication constitutes 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.

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### **3. Events must not prejudice Horse welfare:**

#### a) Competition areas

Horses must be trained and compete on suitable and safe surfaces. All obstacles and Competition conditions 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.

#### c) Extreme weather

Competitions must not take place in extreme weather conditions that may compromise welfare or safety of the Horse. Provision must be made for cooling conditions and equipment for Horses after competing.

#### d) Stabling at Events

Stables must be safe, hygienic, comfortable, well ventilated and of sufficient size for the type and disposition of the Horse. Washing-down areas and water must always be available.

### **4. Humane treatment of Horses:**

#### 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 stop competing and a veterinary evaluation must be performed.

#### 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 being transported.

#### 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 a Horse may need to be euthanised by a veterinarian as soon as possible on humane grounds, with the sole aim of minimising suffering.

#### e) Retirement

Horses must be treated sympathetically and humanely when they retire from Competition.

### **5. Education:**

The FEI urges all those involved in equestrian sport to attain the highest possible levels of education in 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.

## CHAPTER I GENERAL

### Article 600 – INTRODUCTION

This document summarises and highlights some key provisions of the FEI Qualification Systems for Jumping, Dressage and Eventing, as approved by the IOC. In case of incompatibility, conflict or divergence between the summarised key provisions of the FEI Qualification Systems in this document and a provision of the relevant FEI Qualification System, the relevant FEI Qualification System as approved by the IOC shall prevail, unless otherwise specifically agreed by the IOC. In case of incompatibility, conflict or divergence between the summarised key provisions of the FEI Olympic Competition Format in this document and a provision of the ORIS document, the ORIS document as approved by the IOC shall prevail, unless otherwise specifically agreed by the IOC.

This booklet sets out the rules and qualification procedures for the Equestrian Events at the Olympic Games. It must be read in conjunction with the Olympic Charter applicable at the time of the Olympic Games, FEI Statutes, FEI General Regulations (GRs), FEI Rules for the Olympic disciplines (Eventing, Dressage, Jumping, otherwise known as “Sporting Rules”), and FEI Veterinary Regulations (VRs), FEI Anti-Doping Rules for Human Athletes, the World Anti-Doping Code and the International Olympic Committee Anti-Doping Rules applicable to the Games of the XXXI Olympiad, Rio 2016 (collectively the “Human Anti-Doping Rules”) and the FEI Equine Anti-Doping and Controlled Medication Regulations (EADCMR), all of which remain in force except where otherwise specified.

A separate document setting out the FEI Olympic Venue and Operational requirements is also applicable to the organisation of the Equestrian Competition at the Olympic Games.

A Tribunal procedure resembling arbitration is provided for in the FEI Statutes and in the 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 Olympic Games Equestrian Events.

In accordance with Rule 46 & Bye-law 1 of the Olympic Charter (in force as of 9 September 2013) each International Federation is responsible for the technical control and direction of its sport at the Olympic Games. Accordingly the FEI is responsible for all elements of the Competitions, including the schedule, field of play, training sites and all equipment must comply with FEI Rules (including but not only results standards, technical specification, rules of technical disqualification and rules of judging and timing, exercise technical jurisdiction over the Competition and training venues, selection of judges and other technical Officials, preparations of facilities and for the technical control of the Competitions).

In these Rules, the use of the masculine form shall be interpreted also to include the feminine form.

Any terms with a capitalised letter are defined in the FEI Rules and Regulations referenced above.

### Article 601 –COMPETITIONS

1. The following medal Competitions will be included in the Olympic programme:
  - (i) Eventing, Team Competition
  - (ii) Eventing, Individual Competition
  - (iii) Dressage, Team Competition

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- (iv) Dressage, Individual Competition
- (v) Jumping, Team Competition
- (vi) Jumping, Individual Competition

2. In addition to the above medal Competitions the following will be organised:

- (i) For Jumping, a First Individual Qualifying Jumping Competition will be held before the Team Jumping Competition.

See **Annex F** for Competition schedule.

### **Article 602 – COMPETITION SCHEDULE**

The general Competition schedule for the Equestrian Events is agreed between the FEI, the Organising Committee of the Olympic Games (OCOG) and the IOC (International Olympic Committee).

For each sport, an explanatory brochure (book) containing the general programme and arrangements giving all details of facilities, installations and Health Regulations and International movement of Horses requirements if applicable, shall be distributed by the OCOG to the IOC, to the relevant IFs (FEI) and to all National Olympic Committees (NOCs), no later than one year before the opening of the Olympic Games; see also the Olympic Charter - Rule 49, Bye-Law 1.

### **Article 603 – CLASSIFICATION, MEDALS & PRIZES**

#### **1. Participation in the Olympic individual finals**

The number of entries in the Olympic Individual Final Competitions shall in no event, exceed three (3) per country (see Olympic Charter - Rule 44 Bye-Law 11).

#### **2. Medal Competitions**

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

Medals will be awarded according to the IOC Protocol Guide, section 5.3 Victory Ceremonies.

##### **2.1. Individual Athletes**

Medals and diplomas are awarded to the individual Athletes placed first (1<sup>st</sup>), second (2<sup>nd</sup>) and third (3<sup>rd</sup>).

Diplomas are awarded to the individual Athletes placed fourth (4<sup>th</sup>), fifth (5<sup>th</sup>), sixth (6<sup>th</sup>), seventh (7<sup>th</sup>) and eighth (8<sup>th</sup>).

##### **2.2. Teams**

Medals and diplomas are awarded to all members of teams placed first (1<sup>st</sup>), second (2<sup>nd</sup>) and third (3<sup>rd</sup>) and to the Athletes that have at least taken part in one Competition or test.

Diplomas are awarded to each team member placed fourth (4<sup>th</sup>), fifth (5<sup>th</sup>), sixth (6<sup>th</sup>), seventh (7<sup>th</sup>) and eighth (8<sup>th</sup>).

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### 2.3. Horses

Rosettes (ribbons) and stable plaques provided by the OCOG will be awarded to the Horses of all Athletes who have received a medal or a diploma.

## Article 604 – QUOTA

### 1. Total quota

Two hundred (200) Athletes will be eligible and allowed to participate at the 2016 Olympic Games, and two hundred and thirty six (236) Horses will be allowed to enter the Olympic stables as follows:

#### 1.1. Jumping: Seventy Five (75) Athletes and Seventy Five (75) Horses

A maximum number of four (4) Athletes per nation are allowed to enter the Equestrian Events at the Olympic Games.

Fifteen (15) reserve Horses (one (1) per nation with a qualified team of at least three (3) Athletes) will be authorised to be entered and stabled in Olympic stables for substitution reasons as outlined in the Qualification Procedure.

#### 1.2. Dressage: Sixty (60) Athletes and Sixty (60) Horses

A maximum number of four (4) Athletes per nation are allowed to enter the Equestrian Events at the Olympic Games.

A maximum of ten (10) reserve Horses (one (1) per nation that has obtained direct qualification as a team with at least three (3) Athletes) will be authorised to be entered and stabled in Olympic stables for substitution reasons as outlined in the Qualification Procedure.

#### 1.3. Eventing: Sixty Five (65) Athletes and Sixty Five (65) Horses.

A maximum number of four (4) Athletes per nation are allowed to enter the Olympic Competitions.

A maximum of eleven (11) reserve Horses (one (1) per nation that has obtained direct qualification as a team of at least three (3) Athletes) will be authorised to be entered and stabled in Olympic stables for substitution reasons as outlined in the Qualification Procedure.

## Article 605 - RESERVE HORSES, ALTERNATE ATHLETES, GROOMS FOR RESERVE HORSES

NOCs will be responsible for the costs of reserve Horses, Alternate Athletes and grooms attending the Olympic Games.

Stabling for Horses and accommodation for grooms of reserve Horses will be available at the venue.

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### 1. Alternate Athletes

P Alternate Athletes are non-competing Athletes, and are not included within the Athlete's quota as described in **Athletes Quota**. More detailed information about entitlements and quotas can be found in the '*Accreditation at the Olympic Games – Users Guide*'. P Alternate Athletes can only become competing Athletes as per the conditions outlined in the '*IOC/Rio 2016 Late Athlete Replacement policy*'. (IOC wording). (see also "Substitutions" below)

### 2. Eligibility

P Alternate Athletes must comply with the same eligibility rules as competing Athletes as described in for the relevant disciplines.

### 3. Reserve Horses

- (i) For Jumping, fifteen (15) reserve Horses will be allowed (one (1) reserve Horse for each team of three (3) or four (4) Athletes);
- (ii) For Dressage, maximum ten (10) reserve Horses will be allowed (one (1) Horse for nations directly qualified as a team);
- (iii) For Eventing, maximum eleven (11) reserve Horses will be allowed (one (1) Horse for nations directly qualified with a team).

## Article 606 – ELIGIBILITY OF ATHLETES AND HORSES

### 1. Athletes

1.1. To be eligible for participation in the Equestrian Events at the Olympic Games, Athletes and Horses must comply with all current FEI Regulations as well as Rules 40 & 41 of the Olympic Charter and its Bye-Laws pertaining to the IOC Eligibility Code and Nationality (see **Annex A**).

1.2. Athletes participating in the Rio 2016 Olympic Games Eventing and Jumping Competitions must be born on or before 31 December 1998 (eighteen (18) years of age in the year of the Olympic Games).

In Dressage, all Athletes must be born on or before 31 December 2000 (sixteen (16) years of age in the year of the Olympic Games).

1.3. Olympic Title Holders. No past Olympic title holder (team or individual) will be automatically eligible for the 2016 Olympic Games.

### 1.4 Athletes Nationality change

Any Athlete changing his sport nationality during the Rio 2016 Olympic Games qualification period (for Jumping: **1 January 2015 to 6 March 2016**; For Dressage and Eventing **9 March 2015 to 6 March 2016**) will be removed from the Olympic Individual rankings.

In addition, an Athlete will only be allowed to earn an individual quota place for a given nation provided he satisfies the Olympic Charter's eligibility requirement on nationality (Rule 41 Bye-Law 2) for this specific nation at the time such quota is earned.



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### 2. Horses

#### 2.1. Age

For Jumping, Horses participating in the Rio 2016 Olympic Games must be born on or before 31 December 2007 (nine (9) years of age), Horses of any origin (the age being counted from 1 January of the year of birth).

For Dressage and Eventing, Horses must be born on or before 31 December 2008 (eight (8) years of age).

#### 2.2. Ownership

**2.2.1.** Horses entered for the Equestrian Events at the Olympic Games must have been registered with FEI as property of owners of the same nationality as the Athlete, by **15 January 2016**.

**2.2.2.** Horses, with multinational ownership, must be registered with FEI by **15 January 2016** (as per above paragraph), under the name of the nation for which the Horse will compete during the Olympic Games.

**2.2.3.** National Federations (NFs) are responsible to ensure that Horses which do not meet ownership requirements as laid down by FEI, are not entered for the Equestrian Events at the Olympic Games.

#### 2.3. Registration of Athletes and Horses

All Athletes and Horses must be registered with the FEI in 2016 before they can be permitted to take part in the Equestrian Events at the Olympic Games. For registration of Athletes and Horses with the FEI see GRs.

#### 2.4. Passports

Any Horse entered for the Equestrian Events at the Olympic Games must have a valid FEI Passport or an FEI approved national passport with a valid FEI Recognition card as a means of identification and to establish ownership. These documents must be duly completed at the time of the Competitions.

#### 2.5. Name of Horse

No commercial prefix or suffix will be included with the name of Horse on any Olympic participation/entry list, start list or results. The FEI will reserves the right to amend any Horse's name accordingly.

## **Article 607 – DEADLINES FOR QUALIFICATION OF NATIONS, ELIGIBILITY STANDARD AND CERTIFICATES OF CAPABILITY**

### **1. Qualification of Nations**

The deadline for NOCs to gain qualification to take part in the Olympic Games is **6 March 2016**. Only results until **6 March 2016** midnight in the country where the Competition is taking place will be considered for this qualification.

NOCs will be informed by FEI within forty eight (48) hours after the above mentioned deadline of their qualification with either a team and/or individuals in the Rio 2016 Olympic Games. Qualified NOCs must inform FEI in writing by **31 March 2016** 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 Olympic Games.

The FEI will reallocate all available places by **15 April 2016**.

### **2. Minimum Eligibility Criteria for participation at the Olympic Games**

**2.1.** The deadline for Athletes and horses to achieve the FEI minimum eligibility requirements is **19 June 2016** midnight in the country where the qualification event takes place.

NFs must submit Certificates of Capability to FEI, comprising a maximum of three times the number of Athletes and Horses for all three disciplines allowed to enter on the final entries as follows:

- (i)* **Eventing:** maximum twelve (12) Athletes and twelve (12) Horses; (plus maximum three (3) reserve Horses);
- (ii)* **Dressage:** maximum twelve (12) Athletes and twelve (12) Horses (plus maximum three (3) reserve Horses);
- (iii)* **Jumping:** maximum twelve (12) Athletes and twelve (12) Horses (plus three (3) reserve Horses).

NOC qualified with Individual(s) only can enter no more than three (3) times the number of qualified individual(s) on the Certificate of Capability.

This list will be composed of Athletes and Horses from which teams or individuals will eventually be chosen.

### **2.2. Certificates of Capability/Minimum Eligibility Standard**

NFs qualified to take part at the Olympic Games must send a Certificate of Capability for all Athletes and Horses nominated, on a form provided by the FEI (see **Annex C**), to FEI no later than **20 June 2016** midnight (Swiss time).

Athletes and Horses for which Certificates of Capability have not been received on time will not be accepted or 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 appropriate discipline confirming that the Athletes and the Horses have the necessary experience and ability to participate at the required standard. Each Horse nominated on the Certificate of Capability

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must be included with a passport number, registration number for Athletes and Horses, and for Horses, breeding information, birth date, colour, and sex.

The FEI will inform the respective NOCs/NFs not to accept the entry of Horse/Athlete combinations that have not reached the required minimum eligibility standard.

### 3. Rio 2016 Official Final entries: 18 July 2016 (Rio Sport Entry deadline)

The deadline for the Rio 2016 Organising Committee to receive these entry forms is: **18 July 2016**.

By this date, NOCs must provide entries by name on a form entitled "Sports Entry Form" directly to OCOG with a copy to the FEI. These entries will include the Athletes and Horses having reached the minimum eligibility standards 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 Athletes and Horses entered on the Official Entries by "Sports Entry Form" are the following:

- (i) **Eventing:** maximum four (4) Athletes and four (4) Horses. (plus one (1) reserve Athlete and/or Horse for the directly qualified teams).
- (ii) **Dressage:** maximum four (4) Athletes and four (4) Horses (plus one (1) reserve Athlete and/or Horse for the directly qualified teams).
- (iii) **Jumping:** maximum four (4) Athletes and four (4) Horses (plus one (1) reserve Athlete and/or Horse).

## Article 608 – REALLOCATION OF QUOTA PLACES

If a qualified nation finds itself unable to compete in the Team or in the Individual Competitions after the Rio Sports entries **18 July 2016**, it must inform the FEI immediately, in order to provide the opportunity to other nations to participate.

The fill-up of quota of additional teams and individuals may only be made in accordance with the procedure laid down for each discipline, provided that the total quota of permitted Horses and Athletes per discipline is not exceeded (see Article 605.1 1 above).

### 1. Replacement of Team and/or Individuals see also Rules of each discipline

If a team withdraws before **18 July 2016**, the Team may be replaced according to the relevant procedure of each disciplines reallocation of unused quota places and as follows:

- (i) The nation in question may then compete with maximum of two (2) individuals. For Eventing and Dressage see fill-up procedure from Ranking List.
- (ii) A team which has withdrawn may be replaced by another team from another nation providing such a team has qualified to participate in accordance with the team qualification criteria of the relevant discipline.

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- (iii) If the team is not replaced by another team, the number of places left vacant will be filled up by individuals Athletes (maximum two (2) per nation for Jumping and Dressage).

After **18 July 2016** (date of Rio 2016 final entries), teams which withdraw will not be replaced by another team but by individual Athletes only in accordance with the procedure for each discipline (Please refer to the Late Athlete Replacement Policy (LAR)). The list of NFs/NOCs qualified to participate with individuals Athletes can therefore only be finalised after the deadline of **18 July 2016**.

If, after **18 July 2016** one team member drops out of a qualified Team Competitions of any discipline, and if the Athlete cannot be replaced by another eligible Athlete from the same nation (see Article 609 – substitutions below), the vacant place will not be filled.

### 2. NOCs qualified with Individuals only

Fifteen (15) places for Jumping are reserved for NOCs not represented by a team, each Athlete with one (1) Horse each. A maximum of two (2) Athletes per nation, not represented by a team, will be qualified to participate in the Individual Competition.

For Eventing and Dressage, participation of NOCs not represented by a team will depend on the fill-up of the quota system.

## Article 609 – SUBSTITUTIONS (Please refer to the Late Athlete Replacement Policy (LAR))

1. Substitutions will only be allowed in the event of an accident or illness of an Athlete and/or Horse on the presentation of the appropriate Medical/Veterinary certificate and the permission of the Chief Medical Officer and/or the Veterinary Commission.
2. Substitutions can only be made with another Athlete or Horse that has obtained the minimum eligibility standard for participation according to the relevant Rules and that was duly entered on the list of nominated entries of **20 June 2016**.

NOCs will be required to nominate to Rio 2016 the long list of all Athletes who could possibly be entered for the Olympic Games by ~~23 March~~ **29 April 2016** (date to be confirmed by Rio 2016). Any substitution made according to these Rules will have to be made by an Athlete entered on this list.

### 3. Substitutions are defined as follows:

- 3.1. For all disciplines: substitution **Request I** for Athletes and Horses will be permitted from the FEI nominated entries/Certificates of Capability list between the date of the official Final entries **18 July 2016** until one (1) hour before the First Horse Inspection for each discipline.
- 3.2. For ~~Jumping and Dressage~~ **all disciplines**: substitution **Request II** will apply to Athletes and/or reserve Horses already in the Olympic Stables and will be permitted in the period between the Declaration of Starters and:
  - (i) for Jumping: up to two (2) hours before the First Competition (First Individual Qualifier);

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- (ii) for Dressage: Substitution of Team Athletes up to two (2) hours before the scheduled starting time of the Grand Prix test.
- (iii) For Eventing: substitution of Team Athletes up to two (2) hours before the scheduled starting time of the Dressage test.**

Replacement of Individual Athletes up to one (1) hour before the start of the Grand Prix Special / Grand Prix Freestyle.

- 3.3.** All substitutions must be validated by OCOG Competition Management, the FEI and IOC according to the Late Replacement Policy.

### **4. Substitute Athletes**

Should an ~~Jumping or Dressage~~ Athlete be substituted following **Request II**, his Olympic accreditation will be transferred to the substitute Athlete and the initial Athlete will lose all his rights.

## **Article 610 –FOREIGN TECHNICAL DELEGATES AND FOREIGN VETERINARY DELEGATE**

### **1. Foreign Technical Delegates (Olympic Charter Rule 46 Bye- law 1.5)**

With the approval of the IOC, three (3) Foreign Technical Delegates shall be appointed by the FEI in consultation with the relevant Technical Committee:

- (i) A Technical Delegate for Jumping, selected from the FEI list of Level 4 Course Designers;
- (ii) A Technical Delegate for Eventing, selected from the FEI list of International Technical Delegates;
- (iii) A Foreign Veterinary Delegate (FVD);
- (iv) A FEI Dressage Delegate will be appointed by the FEI; he will have the same accreditation status as the President and the Members of the Ground Jury.

- 1.1.** Technical Delegates for the next Olympic Games may be appointed at any time after the conclusion of the last Games.

- 1.2.** Their powers, obligations and responsibilities are laid down in the IOC Olympic Charter, in the FEI General Regulations and in the respective Rules of the Equestrian Olympic disciplines.

- 1.3.** The Eventing, Jumping Technical Delegates and Veterinary Delegate are required to visit the Competition venue before the Games. Timing and number of visits established in agreement between FEI and OCOG:

- 1.3.1.** Review administrative and logistical arrangements for accommodation, transportation and meals for all technical Officials, judges and grooms. They must also check arrangements for the transportation, stabling and other arrangements for the Horses.

- 1.3.2.** Approve the sites for the Competitions including the practice and schooling areas.

- 1.3.3.** Review and validate all technical elements of the pre-Olympic test Events.

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- 1.4.** The Technical Delegates and the FEI Dressage Delegate are required, before the start of their respective Competitions to:
- 1.4.1.** Check the general layout of the Competition venue.
- 1.4.2.** Ensure that the courses and arenas are thoroughly tested.
- 1.4.3.** Ensure that results and sign-off procedures are organised together with the OCOG and Officials involved:
- (i) for Eventing, the Technical Delegate needs to ensure in cooperation with the FEI Course Designer that the footing of the Cross-Country course is of the required standard, and the design of the obstacles are according to FEI Rules & Regulations;
  - (ii) for Jumping, the Technical Delegate needs to ensure in cooperation with the FEI appointed Footing Specialist that the footing of the arena is of required standard. He may request that arena surface is tested and Horses and obstacles are made available to test the condition of the arena. The Technical Delegate is also responsible for ensuring that the design of the obstacles created by the Course Designer are according to FEI Rules & Regulations.
- 1.4.4.** Be present before the start of their respective Events, at least five (5) days before the Eventing starts and five days before Jumping and Dressage
- 1.5.** The OCOG will pay for travel expenses to the Olympic Games itself, and for ten (10) pre-Olympic visits by the Technical Delegates to the 2016 Olympic venue including the Test Event. Minimum three (3) visits for Eventing, two (2) for Jumping and one (1) for the FEI Veterinary Delegate.

The FEI will cover the travel and accommodation expenses for one (1) pre-visit of the FEI Dressage Delegate.

In exceptional cases only, additional visits by Technical Delegates will be covered by FEI with the approval of the FEI Secretary General.

## **2. Foreign Veterinary Delegate (FVD)**

A FEI Foreign Veterinary Delegate (FEI Foreign Veterinary Delegate shall be appointed by the FEI with the agreement of the Veterinary Committee), to assist and advise the OCOG on the preparations for the Games and approve the veterinary services and the equine Anti-Doping and Controlled Medication infrastructure. The FEI Foreign Veterinary Delegate will visit the equestrian venue at least once prior to the Games to liaise with the Veterinary Services Manager (VSM) appointed by the OCOG with the agreement of the FEI. The FEI Foreign Veterinary Delegate must be at the site of the Games at least five (5) days before the start of the first Competition.

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

### **Article 611 – FEI OFFICIALS**

The FEI will appoint the following Officials in accordance with the relevant FEI Rules and Regulations. These Officials will be considered International Technical Officials (ITOs) according to IOC definition and numbers are subject to the approval of the IOC.

The expenses for accommodation, transport and uniforms for technical Officials (Judges and International Technical Officials) shall be paid by OCOG according to agreement with OCOG.-The technical Officials must be present at the site at least three (3) days prior to the first (1<sup>st</sup>) event in their sport and at least one (1) day after the last event of their discipline. (Olympic Charter Rule 46 Bye-Law 1.4) or according to specific agreement with FEI/OCOG depending on needs.

- (i) Twenty (20) Judges / additional FEI Delegates:
  - o Eventing: three (3) Ground Jury (President and two (2) members) and one (1) Assistant Technical Delegate.
  - o Dressage: seven (7) Ground Jury (President and six (6) members), one (1) FEI Delegate, and three (3) Supervisory Panel Judges.
  - o Jumping: five (5) Ground Jury (President & three (3) members and one (1) Limb sensitivity Judge).
- (ii) Five (5) Appeal Committee: one (1) President, one (1) Vice-President and three (3) members.
- (iii) Two (2) FEI Tribunal members: one (1) President and one (1) members.
- (iv) Seven (7) Veterinary:
  - o Veterinary Commission: one (1) President and two (2) Associate Members.
  - o Two (2) EADCMP Vets and two (2) Limb sensitivity Veterinarians.
- (v) Maximum four (4) Stewards:
  - o One (1) overall steward and maximum three (3) Chief Stewards (one (1) per discipline) – from level 3 list (the overall Chief Steward cannot act as Chief Steward for more than one (1) discipline)
- (vi) One (1) Footing specialist for the Jumping and Dressage arena ground preparations. Pre-visits to be organised in cooperation with OCOG.
- (vii) Ten (10) ITOs; International exchange program - stewards

### **Article 612 - COURSE DESIGNERS**

Course Designers will be appointed by the OCOG from a short list of not less than three (3) names drawn up by the FEI Jumping and Eventing Committees respectively.

The names proposed must be selected from:

- (i) For Jumping from the FEI Jumping Level 4 Course Designers list;

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- (ii) For Eventing from the FEI Eventing 3\*/4\* Course Designers list.

Their travel, accommodation expenses and other fees will be met by the OCOG. Uniforms are to be provided by OCOG in line with those provided for International Technical Officials.

### **Article 613 – SECRETARY GENERAL & FEI MANAGEMENT**

The FEI Secretary General or his representative(s) will ensure the co-operation between the Technical Delegates and the OCOG Competition Management. He will provide support to the OCOG for all matters that will require FEI involvement.

### **Article 614– PUBLIC RELATIONS & RESULTS**

1. The FEI Secretary General or his representative(s), in cooperation with the OCOG, will be responsible for relations with the news media (press, radio, TV). In addition, FEI will be responsible for providing information concerning entries (qualification of teams, Athletes and Horses), Judges, Technical Delegates, Course Designers, etc. according to ORIS (Olympic Results and Information systems) requirements, and, during the Games, will provide the latest information regarding definite entries, draws, starting orders and technical information. FEI will also attend and when necessary, initiate press conferences in consultation with the OCOG, Technical Delegate(s), and the President(s) of the Ground Jury and/or the Chairs of the Discipline committees.
2. The OCOG must ensure that a flash interview zone (broadcast) and mixed zone (written press) where media can talk to the Athletes is included in the venue for Equestrian Sports. The OCOG is also responsible for ensuring that the Athletes come through these zones.
3. Arrangements must be made by the OCOG to ensure that the results are published immediately after each Competition and distributed to media, team officials, FEI Officials and other relevant client groups according to ORIS procedures (Olympic Result & Information Services).

### **Article 615 –MEDICATION CONTROL OF PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES FOR ATHLETES**

The World Anti-Doping Code will apply to all Athletes participating in the Olympic Games.

### **Article 616 – EQUINE ANTI DOPING AND CONTROLLED MEDICATION MEASURES FOR HORSES**

Medication and Doping Control for Horses will be carried out as set out in the FEI Equine Anti-Doping and Controlled Medication Regulations and the FEI Veterinary Regulations.

1. **Selection of Horses for Sampling (see also Veterinary Regulations Chapter 6)**
  - 1.1. The FEI Testing Veterinarian(s) (and technicians) will operate in close liaison with the President of the Ground Jury of the respective discipline and the Veterinary Commission/Delegate. The Testing Veterinarian(s) 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(s) before deciding on the strategy for sampling at the Event:



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**1.2.** Three (3) possible methods for selection of Horses can be distinguished:

**1.2.1.** Obligatory sampling (i.e. medal winners).

**1.2.2.** Random sampling, (i.e. selection process agreed by the President of the Ground Jury, Veterinary Commission/Delegate and/or Testing Official).

**1.2.3.** Targeted sampling (i.e. if a specific reason necessitates testing of a Horse).

Horses may be selected for sampling at any time during the FEI On-site Jurisdiction period. Horses may be selected for sampling one or more times during the FEI On-site Jurisdiction period.

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

**1.3.1.** in all Final Competitions for Individuals, the first three (3) placed Horses;

**1.3.2.** in Final Jumping and Dressage Competitions for teams, one (1) Horse from among all the Horses in each of the first three (3) placed teams;

**1.3.3.** in Eventing, one (1) Horse from among all the Horses in each of the first three (3) placed teams at the end of the whole event.

## **2. Pre-Arrival and Elective Testing**

FEI may offer a **Pre-Arrival and Elective Testing** service for Horses competing at the Olympic Games. Full details will be published in advance of the event if this service is to be provided.

## **3. Procedures resulting from positive finding for prohibited substances**

**3.1.** All procedures resulting from a positive finding for a Prohibited Substance in a Horse shall be conducted in accordance with the Equine Anti-Doping and Controlled Medication Regulations and all related documents, including, but not limited to, the VRs and the FEI Standard for Laboratories.

**3.2.** The PR of a Horse whose A-analysis was positive is not allowed to leave the venue of the Olympic Games until given permission to do so by the FEI Secretary General, on sanction of elimination from the Olympic Games.

**3.3.** If the PR contests the validity of the test results, FEI Legal Director, IOC Medical and Scientific Director, and FEI Veterinary Director, must be informed immediately by confidential letter. All copies of the original and subsequent analytical documents must be submitted to the FEI

**4.** Limb Sensitivity Testing will be carried out in accordance with the FEI Rules and Regulations.

## **Article 617 – RESPONSIBILITY AND LIABILITY**

Neither OCOG nor the FEI accepts any responsibility for any accident or illness that may befall any Horse, Athlete, 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).

NFs/NOCs are responsible to ensure that each participating Horse is insured for a sufficient amount to cover any eventuality that can occur during or in relation to the Olympic Games including without limitations, problems during any OCOG organised transportation between port of arrival and the Equestrian venue.

Neither OCOG nor the FEI will be responsible for any damage caused by Athletes, their Horses, their employees/grooms or their representatives.

Both OCOG and the FEI decline any liability for property or pecuniary damage which may happen to Athletes, grooms and Horse owners, visitors, through slight negligence of OCOG and/or the FEI, or their delegates. OCOG and the FEI also decline any liability for theft, fire or other incidents. By participating to the Events each Athlete declares that he has taken notice of the rules and exclusion of the liability and that the Athlete explicitly agrees therewith.

## **Article 618 – PROTESTS/APPEALS**

1. Presidents of NFs, Officials appointed under the FEI Rules & Regulations, Chefs d'Equipe, or if there is no Chef d'Equipe present, the Persons Responsible for the Horses taking part in the event and team veterinarians, are entitled to lodge a Protest or Appeal as set forth more specifically in the GRs.
2. The procedure regarding the lodging of Protests and Appeals, is laid down in the FEI General Regulations.
3. Protest and Appeals to the Ground Jury or the Appeal Committee must be accompanied by a deposit to the FEI of the equivalent of one hundred and fifty Swiss Francs (CHF 150).
4. Protests and Appeals to the FEI Tribunal must be accompanied by a deposit to the FEI of the equivalent of five hundred Swiss Francs (CHF 500).
5. No deposit is required for protests concerning Abuse of Horse.
6. Protest and Appeals to the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) must be made in accordance with Rule 61 of the Olympic Charter and the CAS Arbitration Rules for the Olympic Games.
7. The Appeal Committee is appointed in accordance with Article 150 of the GRs.

Article 160 of the GRs shall apply to the duties of the Appeal Committee during the Olympic Games with the following clarifications:

- (i) For the Olympic Games, the Appeal Committee shall consist of one (1) President, one (1) Vice-President and three (3) other members;
- (ii) The Appeal Committee members must be available from the commencement of the FEI On Site Jurisdiction Period (as defined below) until the end of the period of the Olympic Games; and

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- (iii) At the Olympic Games, in order to be a valid decision of the Appeal Committee, the decision must be taken by a panel comprising the President (or Vice-President) and at least two (2) other members.

### Article 619 – FEI On-site JURISDICTION Period

The FEI On-site Jurisdiction Period corresponds to the enforcement of the FEI Rules and Regulations at the Olympic Games.

The "FEI On-site Jurisdiction Period" will start on the date of arrival of the Horses in the Olympic Stables (indicatively three (3) days before each discipline's First Horse Inspection) until the day of the last Competition of the relevant discipline.

For each discipline the start of the FEI on-site Jurisdiction Period will be determined by the arrival schedule as follows:

- (i) Eventing: **30 July 2016** (or at the end of the Competition);
- (ii) Dressage: **2 August 2016** (or at the end of the Competition);
- (iii) Jumping: **7 August 2016** (or at the end of the Competition).

Indicatively, the first arrival of the Horses at the Olympic Stables will be on **30 July 2016**.

**Note:** Dates to be confirmed when Competition Schedule has been agreed by the IOC.

### Article 620 – OWNERS OF HORSES

#### 1. Accreditation

Each NOC may request accreditation for a maximum of two owners for each competing Horse allowed in to the Olympic Stables during the Olympic Games. One (1) of those two (2) owners name must be entered in the passport. If only one (1) owner of a competing Horse requests an accreditation, the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) accreditation can be provided to the owner of a reserved Horse (if applicable). Access will include the stables in accordance with Veterinary Regulations, training areas, Athletes' and Olympic Family seating.

#### 2. Registered owners

The National Federation (NF) of a Horse belonging to a partnership or a syndicate of owners must inform FEI by the date of the OCOG/IOC nominated entries for NOCs: **31 March 2016**, of the name of one (1) owner to ensure that they are entered in the Olympic Accreditation system.

#### 3. Property of Horses

Horses entered for the Olympic Games must be the property of Owners of the same nationality as the Athlete by 31st December of the year preceding the Games.

For the 2016 Olympic Games the relevant date is **15 January 2016**.

## **Article 621 - ACCESS TO STABLES**

The only accredited personnel to be authorised to enter the stable area are:

- Aa (Athlete)
- Ao (Primary Official including Grooms, Vet)
- Ao (Additional Official)
- Team Veterinarians
- Trainers
- Chefs d'Equipe
- Animal Health Professionals registered with the Veterinary Commission
- Official farrier, team farriers
- NOC (Horse Owner) (Not more than two owners per Horse)
- P (Alternate Athlete)
- P (reserve Horse, groom)
  
- Technical Delegates
- Members of the Ground Juries and Appeal Committee
- Members of the FEI Veterinary Committee
- Stewards
- Veterinary Commission/Delegate
- Treating Veterinarians;
- EADCMP Officials;
- FEI accredited staff
  
- OCOG work force or contractors related to stable operations
- Approved Horse transport agents
- Observers agreed with the OCOG and FEI (e.g. next Olympic VSMs, key Events)
- Other personnel may be authorised in accordance with the VRs

## **Article 622 – INFORMATION TO SPECTATORS, VIDEO BOARDS, CCTV**

### **1. Information to spectators**

Daily Start lists must be available to spectators free of charge paper format on arrival to venue.

### **2. Video Boards**

For all disciplines an electronic scoreboard must be provided by OCOG within the Main Arena.

### **3. Cross Country Course**

The provision of closed circuit television covering the Cross Country test in the Athlete enclosure of the start or finish area and at the control centre for the use of the Ground Jury and Control Officials is mandatory for this level of Competition.

## **Article 623 - VIOLATION OF THE HUMAN ANTI-DOPING RULES AND/OR THE EADCMR AND RELATED DISQUALIFICATIONS**

### **1. In-Competition Period**

For the purposes of human anti-doping, the "In-Competition Period" shall be as set out in the International Olympic Committee Anti-Doping Rules applicable to the Games of the XXX Olympiad, Rio 2016 (the "IOC Anti-Doping Rules").

For the purposes of the EADCMRs, the "In-Competition Period" shall correspond to the "FEI On-Site Jurisdiction Period" as set out in Article 619 of these Regulations.

### **2. Teams**

If a member of a team is found to have committed a violation of the Human Anti-Doping Rules and/or the EADCMR during the Olympic Games, the results of the Athlete/Person Responsible will be disqualified in all Competitions and the entire team disqualified, unless exceptional circumstances apply.

### **3. Individuals**

#### *(i)* Human Anti-Doping Rule Violation

If an Athlete commits a violation of the Human Anti-Doping Rules during or in connection with the Olympic Games, the IOC Anti-Doping Rules shall apply.

#### *(ii)* EADCMR Violation

An EADCMR Rule violation occurring during or in connection with the Olympic Games shall lead to Disqualification of all of the Person Responsible's individual results obtained in the Olympic Games, with any and all Horses with which the Person Responsible competed, unless specified otherwise in the EADCMRs.

### **4. Reclassification and Redistribution of Medals**

In all disciplines, if an Athlete/Horse is disqualified due to a violation of the Human Anti-Doping Rules and/or the EADCMR, the results shall be reclassified and, if applicable, the medals will be re-awarded.

The following procedure applies in the event that two (2) or more Athletes/Horses are tied:

#### *(i)* Eventing

A tie will be decided in accordance with Paragraph 7.2 of Article 624 (Rules for the Eventing Competition).

#### *(ii)* Dressage

A tie will be decided in accordance with Paragraph 5.1 of Article 627 (Rules for the Dressage Competition).

#### *(iii)* Jumping

- Team:

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A tie will be decided by taking the best team score in the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) round of the team Competition. In case of a further tie for medal placings, the teams are placed equal.

- Individual:

If two (2) or more Athlete/Horses are tied the tie will be broken as follows:

Best result in Round B of the Individual Final Competition. In case of a further tie the following applies:

- The combined result of the First Qualifying Competition plus the Second Qualifying Competition plus the Third Qualifying Competition. In case of a further tie the following applies:
- The combined result of the Second Qualifying Competition plus the Third Qualifying Competition. In case of a further tie the following applies:
- The best result of the First Qualifying Competition;
- In case of a further tie the Athletes are placed equal.

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### Article 624 – RULES FOR THE EVENTING COMPETITION

#### 1. General

The Olympic Team and Individual Eventing Competitions are conducted in accordance with the FEI Eventing Rules, with the addition of the specific regulations listed below.

The Competitions will be conducted according to a special Olympic Format of a 4\* level of difficulty.

#### 2. Eventing Olympic Competition Format

An NF/NOC having obtained eligibility and qualification according to Olympic Games qualification procedure may enter a team composed of minimum three (3) and a maximum of four (4) Athletes/Horse combinations with the three (3) best results to count for the team classification.

The Team and Individual Competition will be run concurrently on separate consecutive days in the following order: the Dressage test, the Cross Country test and the First Jumping Competition to determine the Team classification.

Individual final Jumping test will take place after the Team Jumping Competition on the same day. The twenty five (25) best Athletes, including those who tie for twenty fifth (25<sup>th</sup>) place on the conclusion of the Team Competition (maximum three (3) best scoring Athletes per team classification per nation) will qualify to participate.

The Athlete rides the same Horse throughout all three (3) tests.

Results will be carried over from all tests for all Athletes to determine the final results.

#### 3. Technical Specifications of the Olympic Eventing Competition

**3.1** Dressage Test: 2008 Olympic Games 4\* B test (short).

**3.2** Cross Country Test: Distance: approx. 5700-6270 metres; time: 10-11 minutes; speed: 570 metres/minute; maximum number of efforts: 40-45.

**3.3.** Team Jumping Test: Distance: 600 metres; speed: 375 metres/minute; number of obstacles: 11-12 (maximum 16 efforts); height: 125 centimetres.

**3.4** Individual Jumping Test: Distance: 360-500 metres; speed: 375 metres/minute; maximum number of obstacles: 9 (maximum 12 efforts); height: 130 centimetres.

#### 4. Scoring

A total of one thousand (1,000) points will be awarded to a team Athlete eliminated, retired or withdrawn in the Team Competition.

#### 5. Draw and starting order

##### 5.1 Approval of Method of Draw

The method of draw must be approved by the Technical Delegate having consulted, if possible, with the Ground Jury. He may also approve rearrangement of the order or

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number of blocks of teams or individual Athletes where the number of Athletes makes it necessary.

### 5.2 First & Second Horse Inspection, Dressage and Cross-Country Tests

For the Olympic Games, a draw will take place prior to the First Horse Inspection to determine the nations order for the First Horse and Second Horse Inspection. All nations participating in the Olympic Competitions whether with teams or individuals, will be included in this draw, which will be used to determine the running order of team and individual Athletes in the Dressage and Cross-Country tests.

Both Horse Inspections must be open to public in accordance with the FEI Eventing Rules.

This draw will take place, in the presence of the Ground Jury, Technical Delegate and Chefs d'Equipe.

### 5.3 Declaration of Starters

**5.3.1** To determine the starting order of the members within the teams and the starting order for Individual Athletes, a Chef d'Equipes briefing will take place after the First Horse Inspection, in the presence of the Ground Jury, Technical Delegate and Chefs d'Equipe, incorporating a draw to be run according to the following method:

- (i) The starting order within each team will be declared by its Chef d'Equipe. A team with only three (3) members shall declare which starting positions shall remain vacant. The team positions will be filled first.

**5.3.2.** The starting order for the Individual Athletes will then be determined as follows:

- (i) Individual Athletes will be positioned in any of the remaining unallocated starting places by their Chef d'Equipes, at each turn in the sequence according to the draw of nations; a Chef d'Equipe may place one Horse in one of the blocks B, D, E and G.

**5.3.3.** The total starting places will be divided into nine blocks (A to H) and the Athletes allocated to each block as follows:

<b>Block A</b>	first Athletes in each team
<b>Block B</b>	25% of individual Athletes
<b>Block C</b>	second Athlete in each team
<b>Block D</b>	25% of individual Athletes
<b>Block E</b>	25% of Individual Athletes
<b>Block F</b>	third Athlete in each team
<b>Block G</b>	25% of Individual Athletes
<b>Block H</b>	fourth Athlete in each team

### 5.4. Dressage & Cross Country - Starting Order

The drawn starting order will be used for the Dressage and Cross-Country Tests.



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### 5.5. Jumping Test – Starting Order

5.5.1. For the Team Jumping Test, the starting order will be:

- (i) First to start will be the individual Athletes in reverse order of merit; these are the Athletes not being considered for the team classification (those teams with fewer than three (3) Athletes from the same nation at the beginning of the Competition).
- (ii) Then the teams in the reverse order of merit after the Cross Country and order determined after the Second Horse inspection. Within each teams the Athletes will also start in reverse order of merit (the fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) Athlete from each nation will start first, then the number threes (3) from each nation etc. such that at the end the last Athlete to jump will be the highest placed Athlete from the highest placed team.

5.5.2. For the Individual Jumping Test, the order will be the reverse order of merit. In the event of equality of penalties, the same starting order as in the Team Jumping test will be used to decide the starting order of Athletes. The twenty fifth (25<sup>th</sup>) qualified Athlete will, therefore, start as first (1<sup>st</sup>).

### 6. Horse Inspections

Horse Inspections will be carried out in accordance with Veterinary Regulations. Nations will present themselves in the order determined by the draw as per point 5.2 above and by Horse number within their nation.

### 7. Individual Final Classification

7.1. The winning individual is the Athlete with the lowest total of penalty points, after adding together, for each Athlete, the penalty points incurred in all tests.

7.2. In the event of equality between two or more Athletes, the classification is determined as follows:

- (i) The best cross-country score including faults at obstacles and time penalties and other penalties incurred during the Cross Country test.
- (ii) If there is still equality, the classification is decided in favour of the Athlete whose cross-country time was closest to the optimum time.
- (iii) If there is still equality, the Athlete with the best Individual Final Jumping score (time & obstacles).
- (iv) If there is still equality, the Athlete with the best Individual Qualifier (Team Competition) Jumping score (time & obstacles).
- (v) If there is still equality, the Athlete with the best time (fastest) in the Individual Final Jumping Test.
- (vi) If there is still equality, the classification will be decided in favour of the Athlete with the best total of collective marks in the Dressage Test.
- (vii) If there is still equality the tie will remain in the Final Classification, by order of NOC codes.

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### **8. Team Final Classification**

The winning team is that with the lowest total number of penalty points, after adding together the final scores of the three highest placed Athletes in the team. For the purposes of Team Classification only, an Athlete who fails for any reason to complete the entire Competition will be awarded one thousand (1,000) penalty points.

In the event of equality between any two or more teams, the classification will be decided by the best combined highest three (3) placings, e.g. a team with Athletes ranked individually second (2<sup>nd</sup>), eight (8<sup>th</sup>) and twelfth (12<sup>th</sup>) team total twenty two (22) will beat one (1) with Athletes ranked first (1<sup>st</sup>), seventh (7<sup>th</sup>) and fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>), team total. Should these figures be equal, a tie shall be declared.

### **9. Disqualification or elimination – Eventing**

Disqualification or elimination from one of the tests entails elimination/disqualification from the final classification.

## **Article 625 – QUALIFICATION PROCEDURE – EVENTING (2016 Procedure Approved by IOC)**

**Quota: A Maximum of sixty (65) Athletes and sixty five (65) Horses (eleven (11) reserve Horses / one (1) per “directly” qualified team)**

### **1. FEI Olympic Groups are based on the following seven (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.

### **2. Eventing Teams – Qualification System**

Eleven (11) NOCs will obtain “direct” qualification; ten (10) team quota places will be allocated through team championships and one (1) as a host country place as per the table below. A team consists of a minimum of three (3) Athletes and three (3) Horses, and a maximum of four (4) Athletes and four (4) Horses, as follows:

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	Qualification Events	Team quota place
1.	The Host Nation	BRA (1)
2.	The six (6) best ranked teams from the 2014 World Equestrian Games (WEG) excluding the Host Country team.	
3.	The two (2) best ranked teams from the 2015 European Championship, from FEI Olympic Groups A, B and/or C (excluding Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan) excluding teams qualified as above.	
4.	The best ranked team from FEI Olympic Groups D or E at the 2015 Pan American Games, or at an FEI approved event excluding the teams qualified above.	
5.	The best ranked team from the Olympic Groups F or G Championship at an FEI approved 2015 Asia Pacific Eventing Championship (including Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan) excluding teams qualified above.	
<b>Total: eleven (11) teams maximum forty four (44) Athletes</b>		
	Composite" qualified Teams:	(+)
	<p>NOCs will also have the possibility to participate in the Team Competition with "composite" qualified teams.</p> <p>"Composite" qualified teams are made up of minimum three (3) to maximum of (4) Athletes from the same NOC who qualified as individuals as per the individual qualification process detailed below. The total number of teams participating in the Team Competition including the "composite teams" may exceed eleven (11).</p> <p>The order of priority for the selection of the composite teams will be based on the combined highest four (4) placings from one NOC on the FEI Olympic Rider Ranking - Eventing.</p>	

### Note:

- (i) Should all eleven (11) team places not be allocated through the qualification through Team Championships process, the available places will be filled by 'composite teams comprised of Athletes from an NOC qualified through the FEI Olympic Riders Ranking – Eventing, of **6 March 2016**.
- (ii) To be eligible as Olympic team qualification Events, Competitions outlined in 2, 3, 4 & 5 above must include at least three (3) nations i.e. teams presented at the First Horse Inspection. At least three (3) Athletes of the team must complete the Olympic Qualification event for the team to be considered qualified.

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### 3. Eventing Individual Qualification System

Only NOCs which have not obtained "direct" team qualification are eligible to qualify for individual quota places as per the FEI Olympic Athletes Rankings – Eventing.

Each Athlete can qualify maximum for one (1) individual quota place for his NOC.

The FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking - Eventing is limited to the best four (4) results per Athlete/Horse combination in these Events, within the period from **9 March 2015-6 March 2016** included, and only Athletes having obtained the Minimum eligibility requirement results for participation in the Olympic Games as per Article 626 Athlete eligibility will be listed.

	Qualification event	Individual quota NOC
1.	<p><b>FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Eventing (allocation through FEI Olympic Groups)</b></p> <p>The best ranked Athlete in the FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Eventing from each of the seven (7) below-mentioned groups will qualify one (1) individual quota place for their NOC:</p> <p>A - North Western Europe;            B - South Western Europe            C - Central &amp; Eastern Europe; Central Asia            D - North America            E - Central &amp; South America            F - Africa &amp; Middle East            G - South East Asia, Oceania</p>	(7)
2.	<p><b>FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Eventing (allocation through combined FEI Olympic Groups)</b></p> <p>The NOC of the best ranked Athlete in the FEI Olympic Riders Ranking - Eventing in each of the respective combined FEI Olympic Groups will qualify two (2) quota places (excluding the quota places earned by the NOCs above):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A, B &amp; C- North Western Europe/South Western Europe/Central &amp; Eastern Europe; Central Asia</li> <li>• D &amp; E- North America/Central &amp; South America</li> <li>• F &amp; G- Africa &amp; Middle East / South East Asia, Oceania</li> </ul>	(6)
3.	<p><b>FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Eventing (allocation through overall ranking)</b></p> <p>Eight (8) quota places will be allocated to the NOCs of the best ranked Athletes in the FEI Olympic Riders Ranking - Eventing.</p>	(8)
<b>Total: minimum twenty one ( 21) Athletes</b>		

### 4. FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Eventing

The point system to be used for establishing the FEI 2015-2016 Olympic Riders Ranking - Eventing, will be published by **1 January 2015** and distributed to NFs/NOCs. This list is based on Athlete/Horse combinations achieving FEI Qualifying Results in 3\* and 4\* level Events (CCI

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& CICs) and covers the period from **9 March 2015 to 6 March 2016**. The list is limited to the four (4) best results per Athlete in Events at the specified level during this period.

### **5. Reallocation of Unused Quota Positions (see Article 607 above)**

#### **5.1. Unused team quota places (excluding Host Country places)**

If the members of a qualified team do not reach the minimum eligibility requirements or if a team quota place is declined by an NOC, the team quota place will be reallocated as individual quota places to the NOC of the next best ranked Athlete on the FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Eventing.

Should an NOC send three (3) Athletes as part of their team instead of the maximum four (4) entitled, the unused Athlete quota place will be reallocated to the NOC of the next best ranked Athlete from the overall FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Eventing.

#### **5.2. Unused individual quota places**

If an allocated individual quota place 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 as follows:

- (i)* If the quota place was obtained through the FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Eventing (allocation through FEI Olympic Groups) it will be reallocated to the NOC of the next best ranked Athlete from that group. Only if none of the NOCs with Athletes ranked in the respective group are able to use the quota place, it will be reallocated to the next best ranked Athlete on the FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Eventing (allocation through overall ranking).
- (ii)* If the quota place was obtained through the FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Eventing (allocation through overall ranking or allocation through combined FEI Olympic Groups), it will be reallocated to the NOC of the next best ranked Athlete in the FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Eventing (allocation through overall ranking).

### **6. Host Country places**

The Host Country is guaranteed one (1) team with a maximum of four (4) Athletes. Each Athlete and Horse must obtain the minimum eligibility requirements to compete as listed in Article 626 Athletes eligibility below.

In case the Host Country is unable to field a team, it may send one (1) or two (2) eligible individual Athletes instead.

#### **6.1. Reallocation of unused Host Country places**

In case the Host Country is unable to field a team or decides to send one (1) or two (2) eligible Athletes instead of a team, the unused Athletes quota places will be reallocated to the NOCs of the best ranked Athletes, not already qualified in the FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Eventing.

## **Article 626 – ATHLETES & HORSES MINIMUM ELIGIBILITY STANDARD- EVENTING**

All Athletes/Horses who take part in the 2016 Olympic Games Eventing Competitions must achieve the following minimum eligibility standard as a combination by obtaining “FEI qualifying results” in the following level of Competition:

- (i) One (1) qualifying result at a CCI 4\*<sup>\*</sup>; or
- (ii) One (1) qualifying result in a CCI 3\* AND 1 qualifying result in a CIC 3\*.

An FEI qualifying result is achieved by completing the above Competitions within the minimum parameters of an all-round performance, with:

- (i) Not less than fifty percent (50%) Dressage good marks (no more than seventy five (75) penalty points);
- (ii) Clear (0) round on Cross Country Obstacles, not more than ninety (90) seconds over the optimum Cross Country phase time. At 4\* Events, the maximum time by which the optimum time may be exceeded is one hundred and twenty (120) seconds;
- (iii) Not more than sixteen (16) jumping penalties on Show Jumping.

Athletes and Horses may obtain the minimum eligibility standard at Eventing events at the specified level which take place between **1 January 2015 and 19 June 2016**.

List of approved selected events counting for achieving minimum eligibility standards for 2015 and 2016 will be published on the FEI website: ([www.fei.org](http://www.fei.org)). This list of 2015 Events will be published in December 2014 and the 2016 Events will be published in December 2015. No additions of Events will be accepted after the publication of the selected Events calendar.

All 3\* Events counting for eligibility and qualification Events of nations will be on established and experienced Events with a proven organisational record at 3\* level.

The FEI reserves the right to appoint the Technical Delegate for 3\* Events counting for qualification and eligibility.

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### **Article 627 – RULES FOR THE DRESSAGE COMPETITIONS**

#### **1. General**

The Team Dressage Competition and the Individual Dressage Competition are conducted in accordance with the FEI Dressage Rules with the addition to specific regulations listed below. The tests are those of the FEI Grand Prix, the FEI Grand Prix Special and the FEI Grand Prix level Freestyle test respectively in force at the time of the Olympic Games.

#### **2. Participation in Dressage Competitions**

##### **2.1. Teams**

An NF/NOC having obtained eligibility and qualification according to Olympic Games eligibility and qualification procedure may enter a team composed of three (3) or four (4) Athlete/Horse combinations with three (3) best results from Grand Prix and three (3) best results from Grand Prix Special to count for the team classification for the six (6) best teams, and from the Grand Prix for teams ranked seven to ten (7-10).

##### **2.2. Individuals instead of Teams**

NFs/NOCs having obtained eligibility and qualification according to Olympic Games eligibility and qualification procedure to enter one or two individuals may enter such individuals with one Horse each.

##### **2.3. Reserve Athletes/Horses**

One (1) reserve Athlete will be permitted per directly qualified NF/NOC Team, see Article 609 above. No reserve Athlete/Horse will be permitted for composite teams.

#### **3. Competitions**

##### **3.1. Grand Prix - Team and First Individual Qualifier**

The FEI Grand Prix Test, in which all Athletes must participate, is the First Team Qualifying Competition and the First Individual Qualifying Competition.

In case of a Team Athlete/Horse combination not being able to start in the Grand Prix Team Competition (certified illness, injury, of Athlete and/or Horse combination) it is possible up to two (2) hours before the scheduled starting time of the Grand Prix to activate the reserve Athlete/Horse combination of an NF/NOC as a team member instead (obligatory participation in Horse inspection). This Athlete/Horse combination will fill the space of the retired combination (see Article. 609.3.2 above)

##### **3.2. Grand Prix Special – Team Final and Second Individual Qualifier**

The FEI Grand Prix Special is the final Team Competition and the Second Individual Qualifying Competition. The FEI Grand Prix Special is limited to and compulsory for the best six (6) placed teams of the Grand Prix, including those tied for sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) place, as well as the eight (8) highest placed Athletes of the Grand Prix not otherwise participating as qualified team members, including those tied for eighth (8<sup>th</sup>) place.

If all four (4) Athletes of a team qualify, they may all participate.

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In case of a Team Athlete/Horse combination not being able to start in the Grand Prix Special Team Competition (illness, injury, etc.) it is not possible to activate the "P" Alternate Athlete/Reserve Horse combination as a new Team member.

In case of a qualified Athlete/Horse combination not being able to start (in case of certified illness or injury, of Athlete and/or Horse combination), the next Individual Athlete/Horse combination ~~in the respective classification~~ will move up to fill the number of combinations allowed in the Grand Prix Special up to one (1) hour before the start of the Grand Prix Special (See Article 609.3.2 above).

### 3.3. Grand Prix Freestyle test - Individual Final Competition

The FEI Grand Prix Freestyle test is the Final Individual Competition which is limited to and compulsory for the 18 best placed Athletes of the FEI Grand Prix Special Competition, including those who tie for eighteenth (18<sup>th</sup>) place.

As per the International Olympic Committee Charter a maximum of three (3) Athletes per country may participate in the Grand Prix Freestyle. In case four (4) Athletes from one country are within the top thirty two (32) Athletes, the three (3) best placed in the Grand Prix Special will participate in the Grand Prix Freestyle test. If two (2) Athletes tie for the third place, the Chef d'Equipe decides which of the two Athletes will participate in this Competition

In case of a qualified Athlete/Horses combination not being able to start (in case of certified illness or injury of Athlete and/or Horse combination), the next Athlete /Horse combination in the respective classification will move up to fill the number of combinations allowed in the Grand Prix Freestyle up to one (1) hour before the start of the Grand Prix Freestyle (See Article 609.3.2 above).

## 4. Draw and starting order

### 4.1 FEI Grand Prix (First Team and First Individual Qualifier)

The draw for the order of starting in the Grand Prix Competition which includes both teams and individual Athletes will be computerised (manually controlled).

The draw of the Grand Prix Competition takes place after the Horse Inspection, preferably two (2) days but not later than one (1) day before the start of the Team Competition.

First a draw for the starting positions of the individual Athletes will take place, followed by a draw to decide the starting positions of each team. The individual starters shall be drawn in the reverse order of the World Dressage Ranking list in two (2) groups, the highest placed Athletes drawn on the second day. The starting order of the teams will be drawn in groups of five (5), based on the ~~FEI World Team Ranking list or, if not existing, by adding up the average of the~~ points of the participating team Athletes on the FEI Individual World Ranking list. The Chef d'Equipes will determine the order to go of the team members within his team. They must declare the order to go within their team at the latest one (1) hour before the draw in a sealed envelope.

The starting list is made up with the individual Athletes placed in the positions which they have drawn. The team Athletes are then inserted in sequence in the remaining positions according to the order of go one to four (1-4) as declared by the Chef d'Equipes.



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### 4.2 FEI Grand Prix Special (Team Final & Second (2<sup>nd</sup>) Individual qualifier

The starting order for the Grand Prix Special will be drawn in the following groups during the Chef d'Equipe meeting on the day after the Grand Prix:

- (i) 1st group: individual Athletes placed five to eight (5-8) in the Grand Prix;
- (ii) 2<sup>nd</sup> group: Athletes of the teams placed four to six (4-6) in the Grand Prix;
- (iii) 3rd group: individual Athletes placed one to four (1-4) in the Grand Prix;
- (iv) 4<sup>th</sup> group: Athletes of the teams placed one to three (1-3) in the Grand Prix.

The starting order of the Athletes within a team will remain the same as in the Grand Prix.

### 4.3 FEI Grand Prix Freestyle (Individual Final)

The order of starting in the Grand Prix Freestyle test will be determined by a draw within three (3) groups of six (6), with the group of Athletes placed thirteenth (13<sup>th</sup>) to eighteenth (18<sup>th</sup>) in the Grand Prix Special (including those tied for eighteenth (18<sup>th</sup>) place) starting first and finishing with the group of Athletes placed one to six (1-6).

## 5 Classification of the Competitions

### 5.1 Teams

Both the Grand Prix and the Grand Prix Special Competitions, which are valued at an equal level, count towards the final Team classification.

The winning team is the one having the highest total percentage of their three (3) best Athletes after their results of the Grand Prix and Grand Prix Special, the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) the one with the next highest total and so on. The final result for each team should be given in the form of a percentage score with numbers to three (3) places after the decimal point. In the case of equality of percentages the winning team is the one whose lowest classified team Athlete in the Grand Prix Special has the best result in the Grand Prix Special. If still tied the same rule will be applied to the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) lowest classified Athlete in the Grand Prix Special and so on. For teams placed seventh (7<sup>th</sup>) to tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) the same rules are applied for the Grand Prix.

### 5.2 Individuals

Only the FEI Grand Prix Freestyle Competition counts towards the final Individual classification.

The winning individual Athlete is the one (1) with the highest total percentage in the Grand Prix Freestyle Competition. The second placed individual Athlete is the one (1) with the next highest total percentage in the Grand Prix Freestyle, and so on. Percentage scores are given with numbers to three (3) places after the decimal points.

If two (2) Athletes have the same final score, the higher artistic marks in the FEI Grand Prix Freestyle will decide for the better placing. If still tied the higher marks for harmony shall decide. If still tied the higher marks for choreography shall decide.

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### 6 Horse Inspection

Horse Inspections will be carried out in accordance with Veterinary Regulations (VRs) (see **Annex G**). Nations will present themselves in alphabetical order according to the IOC abbreviations, and by Horse numbers of each nation.

### **Article 628 – QUALIFICATION PROCEDURE - DRESSAGE (2016 Procedure approved by IOC)**

**Quota: sixty (60) Athletes and sixty (60) Horses (ten (10) reserve Horses / one (1) per “directly” qualified team)**

#### **1. FEI Olympic Groups as referred to are based on the following seven (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.

**Note:** The FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Dressage referenced herein will be released on **6 March 2016**.

#### **2. Dressage Teams – Qualification System**

Ten (10) NOCs will obtain “direct” qualification; nine (9) team quota places will be allocated through team championships or a special qualification event and one (1) as a Host Country place, as per the table below. A team consists of minimum three (3) Athletes/Horses and maximum of four (4) Athletes/Horses.

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	QUALIFICATION EVENTS	TEAM PLACE
1.	The Host Country (BRA)	1.BRA
2.	The three (3) best ranked teams from the 2014 World Equestrian Games (WEG) excluding the Host Country team.	
3.	The three (3) best ranked teams from the 2015 European Championship from FEI Olympic Groups A, B and/or C (except Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan), excluding the teams qualified above.	
4.	The best ranked team from FEI Olympic Groups D or E of the 2015 Pan-American Games, excluding the teams qualified above.	
5.	<p>Only if FEI Olympic Groups F and/or G have not qualified a team at the 2014 World Equestrian Games, the best ranked team from Olympic Group F or G at the 2014 World Equestrian Games (WEG) is directly qualified.</p> <p>If FEI Olympic Groups F and/or G have already qualified a team at the 2014 World Equestrian Games, this team quota place will be added to the 2014 World Equestrian Games so that the four (4) best ranked teams from the 2014 World Equestrian Games are directly qualified.</p>	
6	<p>The best ranked team from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- FEI Olympic Group F or</li> <li>- FEI Olympic Group G or</li> <li>- FEI Olympic Group C countries Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan</li> </ul> <p>at the FEI approved special qualification event, excluding the teams qualified above.</p>	
<b>Total: Forty (40) Athletes</b>		<b>10 Teams</b>
	<p>"Composite" qualified Teams</p> <p>NOCs will also have the possibility to participate in the Team Competition with "composite" qualified teams.</p> <p>"Composite" qualified teams are made up of minimum three (3) to maximum of four (4) Athletes from the same NOC who qualified as individuals as per the individual qualification process detailed below. The total number of teams participating in the Team Competition, including the "composite teams", may exceed ten (10).</p>	(+)

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### 3. Dressage Individual Qualification

Only NOCs which have not obtained "direct" team qualification are eligible to qualify for individual quota places.

Each Athlete can qualify a maximum of one (1) quota place for his NOC.

	QUALIFICATION	INDIVIDUAL QUOTA
1.	<p><b>FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Dressage (allocation through FEI Olympic Groups)</b></p> <p>The point system, including the list of Events, to be used for establishing the FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Dressage, will be published by 1 January 2015 and distributed to NOCs/NFs.</p> <p>The FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Dressage is limited to the best four (4) results per Athlete/Horse combination in these Events, within the period from 9 March 2015 to 6 March 2016 included.</p> <p>For FEI Olympic Groups A, B, C (six (6) quota places):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The NOCs of the Athletes placed first and second in each of the Groups A, B and C on the FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Dressage (by group) will each obtain one (1) individual quota place.</li> </ul> <p>For FEI Olympic Groups D, E (4 quota places):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The NOCs of the Athletes placed first in each Group D and E on the FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Dressage (by group) will each obtain one (1) individual quota place.</li> <li>- The NOCs of the highest ranked Athletes in each of the Groups D and E in the Grand Prix at the 2015 Pan-American Games will each obtain one (1) individual quota place.</li> </ul> <p>For FEI Olympic Groups F, G (4 quota places):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The NOCs of the Athletes placed first in each Group F and G on the FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Dressage (by group) will each obtain one (1) individual quota place.</li> <li>- The NOCs of the highest ranked Athletes in each of the Groups F and G at the Grand Prix at the FEI approved special qualification event will obtain each one (1) individual quota place.</li> </ul>	(14)
2.	<p><b>FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Dressage (allocation through overall ranking)</b></p> <p>Six (6) quota places will be allocated to the NOCs of the best ranked Athletes in the FEI Olympic Ranking Athletes - Dressage. The ranking will not include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- the Athletes from NOCs which have qualified a team</li> <li>- the Athletes that qualified an individual quota place for their FEI Olympic Group at the 2015 Pan-American Games Individual Championships or the special qualification event</li> </ul>	(6)

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- the Athletes that qualified an individual quota place for their FEI Olympic Group through the FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Dressage (allocation through FEI Olympic Groups)

An NOC may qualify a maximum of four (4) Athletes/Horses.

**TOTAL: twenty (20) Athletes**

### 4. FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Dressage

The point system to be used for establishing the FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Dressage, will be published by **1 January 2015** and distributed to NFs/NOCs. The list is limited to the four (4) best results per Athlete/Horse combination in Events within the identified period from **9 March 2015 to 6 March 2016**.

### 5. Reallocation of Unused Quota Positions

#### 5.1. Unused team quota places (excluding Host Country places)

If the members of a qualified team do not reach the minimum eligibility requirements or if a team quota place is declined by an NOC, the team quota place will be reallocated as individual quota places as follows:

- The NOC in question may then compete with a maximum of two (2) Athletes in the Individual Competition.
- Any remaining unused quota place(s) will go to the NOC of the next best ranked Athlete on the FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Dressage (allocation through overall ranking).

Should an NOC send three (3) Athletes as part of their team instead of the maximum four (4) entitled, the unused Athlete quota place will be reallocated to the NOC of the next best ranked Athlete from the FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Dressage (allocation through overall ranking).

#### 5.2. Unused individual quota places

If an allocated individual quota place 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 as follows:

- If a quota place was obtained through the Individual Championships or the FEI special qualification event, it will be reallocated to the NOC of the next best ranked Athlete in the respective event. If none of the NOCs with Athletes ranked in the respective qualification Events are able to use the quota place, it will be reallocated to the next best ranked Athlete on the FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Dressage (allocation through overall ranking).
- If the quota place was obtained through the FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Dressage (allocation through FEI Olympic Groups) it will be reallocated to the NOC of the next best ranked Athlete from that group. Only if none of the NOCs with Athletes ranked in the respective group are able to use the quota place, it will be reallocated to the next best ranked Athlete on the FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Dressage (allocation through overall ranking).

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If the quota place was obtained through the FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Dressage (allocation through overall ranking) it will be reallocated to the NOC of the next best ranked Athlete on the said ranking.

By **15 April 2016** FEI will reallocate all available places.

### 6. Host Country places

The Host Country is guaranteed one (1) team with a maximum of four (4) Athletes. Each Athlete and Horse must obtain the minimum eligibility requirements to compete as listed in Article 629 below. In case the Host Country is unable to field a team, it may send one (1) or two (2) eligible individual Athletes instead.

#### 6.1. Reallocation of Host Country places:

In case the Host Country is unable to field a team, the team quota place will be reallocated to the highest ranked team on the Team Ranking of the 2015 Pan-American Games not already qualified.

If the Host Country then decides to send one (1) or two (2) eligible Athletes instead of a team, the total number of Athletes that can qualify through the FEI Olympic Ranking List - Dressage (allocation through overall ranking) will be reduced by the number of individual Athletes sent by the Host Country, one (1) or two (2).

## **Article 629 – ATHLETES & HORSES MINIMUM ELIGIBILITY STANDARD – DRESSAGE**

To be eligible to participate in the Rio 2016 Olympic Games, all Athletes/Horses must achieve the following minimum eligibility requirement as a combination:

- (i) A minimum sixty four percent (64%) must be attributed twice to the Athlete/Horse combination by both a 5\* judge and as an average from all judges in the Competition, and the score must be achieved in a Grand Prix test at two (2) different CDI3\*/CDI4\*/CDI5\*/CDI-W/CDIO Events. The two (2) 5\* judges must be of a nationality other than of the Athlete. Scores achieved in Preliminary or Consolation Grand Prix classes judged by three (3) Judges do not count towards the minimum eligibility requirement.
- (ii) Athletes and Horses must obtain the minimum eligibility requirement at Events which take place from **1 January 2015** until **19 June 2016** included.
- (iii) The list of approved selected Events for achieving qualification / the minimum eligibility requirements will be published on the FEI website: [www.fei.org](http://www.fei.org) The list of 2015 Events will be published in December 2014 and the 2016 Events will be published in December 2015.

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### Article 630 – RULES FOR THE JUMPING COMPETITIONS

#### 1. General

The Jumping Competitions are conducted in accordance with the FEI Jumping Rules, with the addition to specific regulations listed below.

#### 2. Jumping Training Session

The OCOG, in agreement with the Jumping Technical Delegate must organise a training session for the Athletes of the Jumping Competitions in the main Competition arena under the following conditions:

- (i) It must take place before the First Qualifying Competition.
- (ii) None of the obstacle material, water jumps or ditches to be used for the Olympic Competitions may be used.
- (iii) A course consisting of maximum 10 obstacles, including a combination; maximum height 1.50 metres height.
- (iv) Each Athlete is permitted a maximum of 90 seconds per Horse. One (1) Athlete at any time allowed in the arena.
- (v) Dress is informal; boots, breeches, shirt and protective headgear must be worn.
- (vi) The training session is open to maximum four Athletes (plus possible reserve Athletes) and five Horses per team.
- (vii) The public may not be charged to enter and prizes of any kind may not be offered.
- (viii) A draw will take place thirty (30) minutes after the First Horse Inspection of the training session to determine the starting order of the nations in the training session. The starting order will be determined in sequence of Horse ID numbers of the Athletes within the teams. The draw will be conducted by the President of the Ground Jury (manually controlled computerised).
- (ix) Start lists will be produced however no results will be issued.

#### 3. Official Jumping Competitions

3.1. The official programme of Olympic Games will comprise the following Competitions:

- (i) The First Individual Qualifying Competition;
- (ii) The Team Jumping Competition, on two (2) days with a possible jump-off. First and Second Rounds also counting as Second and Third Individual Qualifying Competitions;
- (iii) The Final Individual Jumping Competition, consisting of one Final Competition run over two rounds (Round A & B) with a possible jump-off.

#### 3.2 Obstacles in the Official Jumping Competitions

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**3.2.1** The design and construction of obstacles with regard to safety and technical suitability must be approved by the Technical Delegate and Course Designer. Should a dispute arise relating to these obstacles, the Technical Delegate has the final decision. The minimum diameter of poles used in all Official Competitions must be at least nine centimetres.

**3.2.2** The water jump must be used three times in the official Competitions of the Olympic Games. It is compulsory in the first round of the Team Competition and in the first round of the Individual Final. The Course Designer will, at his discretion, decide on which other occasion the water jump will be used.

### **4. Declaration of Starters (Teams & Individuals)**

**4.1.** Chefs d'Equipe can exchange Horses and Athletes at will, however Athletes and Horses must be qualified as combinations.

**4.2.** Chefs d'Equipe must declare in writing to the competition office, after the conclusion of the First Horse Inspection and not later than 18.00 hrs on the day before the start of the First official Competition, the names of Athletes and Horses which will actually take part, from among those formally entered on the final entries of **18 July 2016**.

**4.3.** After the First official Olympic Jumping Competition has started, no further change may be permitted.

### **5. First Competition Day: First Individual Qualifying Competition**

#### **5.1 Conduct, Table and Speed**

The first Individual Qualifying Competition is conducted over one round under Table A not against the clock, without a jump-off, at a speed of 400 metres per minute (Article 238.1.1 of Jumping Rules). At the discretion of the Technical Delegate, depending on the size of the arena, the speed may be reduced to 375 metres per minute. Athletes with equality of penalties will be placed equal.

This Competition counts as a qualification for the Final Individual Competition and establishes the starting order for the Team Competition. The score of the best three Athletes in each team will be added together. Teams start in the first round of the Team Competition in the reverse order of penalties obtained in this Competition.

If an Athlete is eliminated or does not complete his round for any reason, he will be awarded the same number of penalties as that incurred by the Athlete who has been the most severely penalised, plus twenty (20) penalties. If the Athlete concerned has himself received the highest number of penalties before being eliminated or retiring, twenty (20) penalties will be added to his score.

#### **5.2 Obstacles, Length of the Course**

Twelve (12) obstacles including one (1) double and one (1) treble or three (3) doubles. The obstacles may vary from 1.40 metres to 1.60 metres in height. There must be two (2) vertical obstacles of 1.60 metres. Sloping walls do not count as compulsory vertical obstacles. It is not compulsory to have a water jump (refer to Article 630.3.2.2 of Chapter IV).

A maximum of two spread obstacles with a width of one metre or less may be used. If the water jump is used, it must have a spread of water between 4.30 metres and 4.50 metres (including the take-off element).

Length: 500 metres minimum, 600 metres maximum



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### 5.3 Participation

A maximum of four (4) Athletes/Horses per nation, selected from among those entered, may start in this Competition.

### 5.4 Starting Order

The starting order in this Competition will be determined by a slow computerised draw in the presence of the Ground Jury, Foreign Technical Delegate and Chefs d'Equipe, at a time fixed by the President of the Ground Jury in agreement with the OCOG.

First a draw for the individual starting places takes place, followed by a draw to decide the starting position of each team. The starting order of team members is established by the Chefs d'Equipe.

## 6. Second & Third Competition Day: Team Competition (also Second and Third Individual Qualifying Competitions)

### 6.1 Conduct, Table and Speed

This Competition is conducted in accordance with the Rules for the "Nations Cup" (Article 264 of the FEI Jumping Rules) except where modified as follows.

This Competition takes place over two (2) rounds (qualifying round and final round) during two (2) days, over different courses.

It is judged under Table A not against the clock with a time allowed at a speed of 400 metres per minute. At the discretion of the Technical Delegate, depending on the size of the arena, the speed may be reduced to 375 metres per minute.

### 6.2 Obstacles, Length of the Course

Twelve (12) to thirteen (13) obstacles, including one (1) double and one (1) treble or three (3) doubles. The height of obstacles may vary between 1.40 metres minimum and 1.60 metres maximum, with a spread in proportion to the height. A maximum of two (2) spread obstacles with a width of 1 metre or less may be used; all other spread obstacles must have a width of between 1.50 metres and 2 metres (2.20 metres for the triple bar) with a height in proportion to their spread. There must be two vertical obstacles of 1.60 metres. Sloping walls do not count as compulsory vertical obstacles. A water jump with a spread of water of a least 4.30 metres and 4.50 metres maximum (including the take-off element) must be included in the first round of the team Competition; it is optional in the second round (refer to Article 630 3.2.2 of Chapter IV).

Length: 500 metres minimum, 600 metres maximum.

### 6.3 Team Placing

The team classification for the eight best teams and those with equality of penalties for eighth (8<sup>th</sup>) place is decided by adding the penalties of the three (3) best placed Athletes of each team in Rounds one (1) and two (2) (qualifying round and final round) of the Team Competition. Teams not qualified for Round two (2) of the Team Competition receive their placing by adding the penalties incurred by the three (3) best Athletes in each team in Round one (1) of the Team Competition.

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### 6.4 Jump-off

In the case of equality of penalties for first (1<sup>st</sup>), second (2<sup>nd</sup>) or (3<sup>rd</sup>) third place, there will be a jump-off against the clock, in which all team Athletes may take part.

If more than one (1) jump-off is required to decide medal placing, the jump-off for the third place will take place before the jump-off for the first (1<sup>st</sup>) and the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) place.

The course of the jump-off consists of at least six (6) obstacles, including a combination.

The height of the obstacles must vary between 1.40 metres minimum and 1.60 metres maximum, with a proportionate spread between 1.50 metres minimum and 2 metres maximum (2.20 metres for the triple bar). A maximum of two (2) spread obstacles with a width of 1 metre or less may be used.

If the teams have completed the previous rounds without penalties, the obstacles may be raised and/or increased in spread.

If the teams have completed the previous rounds with penalties, the Ground Jury may decide whether to raise the obstacles and/or increase them in spread.

The score in this jump-off is obtained by adding the penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in each team, but in the event of further equality of penalties, the times of these three Athletes in the jump-off added together will decide the winning team as well as those placed second (2<sup>nd</sup>) or third (3<sup>rd</sup>). The score of this jump-off is only to determine the placing of the teams and will not count towards the qualification for the Final Individual Competition. In case of equality of Team score after the jump-off, the teams will be placed equal.

## 7. Second Competition Day: Round One

Round one (qualifying round) of the Team Competition takes place on the Second Competition day and counts as the Second Individual Qualifying Competition for the Individual Final Competition.

All teams start in Round one (qualifying round) with zero (0) penalties.

### 7.1 Participation

Round one (qualifying round) of the Team Competition is open to all team Athletes and Horses from the first individual qualifying Competition. Non-team members and Horses classified sixtieth (60<sup>th</sup>) and better (including those with equality of penalties for sixtieth (60<sup>th</sup>) place in the First Individual Qualifying Competition) are also entitled to participate in Round one of the Team Competition. If for any reason one or more of these sixty (60) best placed Athletes are unable to start in Round One of the Team Competition, they will not be replaced. Team Athletes classified beyond sixtieth (60<sup>th</sup>) place may participate in Round One; however their score will only count for the team classification.

### 7.2 Starting order

#### 7.2.1 Individuals

First to start in Round one (qualifying round) of the Team Competition are all individuals. The starting order of individual Athletes in Round one (qualifying round) of the Team Competition is according to the reverse order of individual classification in the first Competition. The individual Athletes having placed within the best sixty (60) (including those with equality of penalties for sixtieth (60<sup>th</sup>) place) in the first Competition take part

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over the course of Round One (qualifying round) for the Team Competition in the morning of the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) Competition day. In case of equality of penalties for any place Athletes retain the same starting order as in the first Competition.

### 7.2.2 Teams

The starting order in Round one (qualifying round) of the Team Competition for teams classified ninth to fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) in the first (1<sup>st</sup>) Competition is according to the reverse order of team classification in the first Competition. These teams take part over the course of Round one (qualifying round) on the second Competition day. The starting order of team members is established by the Chefs d'Equipe. In case of equality of penalties for any place teams retain the same starting order as in the first Competition.

Teams classified first to eighth and those equal on penalties for eighth place in the first Competition start in Round one of the team Competition on the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) Competition day in the reverse order of classification in the first Competition. The starting order of team members is established by the Chefs d'Equipe. In case of equality of penalties for any place teams retain the same starting order as in the first (1<sup>st</sup>) Competition.

In case one (1) member of a team does not participate in Round One of the Team Competition for any reason, the remaining team members must retain the same order of starting as established by the Chef d'Equipe.

The Chefs d'Equipe of teams with only three (3) Athletes may choose in which three (3) places out of four (4) they start their Athletes.

## 8. Third Competition Day: Round Two

Round Two (final round) of the Team Competition takes place on the Third Competition day and counts as the Third Individual Qualifying Competition.

### 8.1 Participation

#### 8.1.1 Individuals

- (i) The forty five (45) Athletes (such number to be increased if there is equality for the forty fifth (45<sup>th</sup>) place) having the best score deriving from the addition of the score obtained in the First Individual Qualifying Competition and of the score obtained in Round one (qualifying round) of Team Competition (Second Individual Qualification Competition) are allowed to participate in the Third Individual Qualification Competition which is the Round two (final round) of the Team Competition. If for any reason one or more of these forty five (45) best placed Athletes are unable to start in Round Two of the Team Competition, they will not be replaced.
- (ii) If the Athletes qualified as described in paragraph above are not members of a team which has been qualified to participate in Round Two (final round) of the Team Competition, said Athletes will compete in the morning of the Third Competition Day.

#### 8.1.2 Teams

- (i) Round Two (final round) of the Team Competition is open only to the eighth best placed teams and those teams equal on penalties for eighth place in Round One (qualifying round) of the Team Competition. Teams withdrawing from Round Two of the Team Competition will not be replaced.

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- (ii) All teams allowed to compete in Round two (final round) of the Team Competition carry their penalties forward from Round One (qualifying round) of the Team Competition. The score obtained in Round Two (final round) by members of Teams who are not among the Athletes eligible to compete in the Third Individual Qualifying Competition as mentioned above, count only for the classification of their respective teams.

### **8.2 Starting Order**

#### **8.2.1 Individuals**

The starting order of the Individuals qualified to compete as mentioned hereinabove is set according to the reverse order of the aggregate penalties incurred in the First and the Second Individual Qualifying Competitions. In case of a tie on penalties Athletes retain the same starting order as in the Second Individual Qualifying Competition (round one of the team Competition).

#### **8.2.2 Teams**

The starting order of the Teams qualified to compete as mentioned hereinabove is set according to the reverse order of penalties incurred in the Round one (qualifying round) of the Team Competition. Teams with equality of the penalties retain the starting order of Round one (qualifying round) of the Team Competition. In case one member of a team does not participate in the second round, the remaining team members must retain the same order of starting within their team as in the first round.

Score of individuals who are members of any team eligible to participate in Round Two (final round) as provided herein above will count for the classification of their team in the Team Competition but also as their personal result in the Third Qualifying Competition if they are among the Athletes mentioned in paragraph above.

## **9. FOURTH COMPETITION DAY: Final Individual Competition**

### **9.1 Conduct, Tables and Speed**

This Competition is conducted over two (2) rounds (A) and (B) each judged under Table A not against the clock with a jump-off, with a time allowed at a speed of 400 metres per minute (see FEI Jumping Rules). At the discretion of the Technical Delegate, depending on the size of the arena, the speed may be reduced to 375 metres per minute.

### **9.2 Obstacles, Length of the Course**

#### **9.2.1 Round A**

Ten (10) to twelve (12) obstacles including one (1) double and one (1) treble or three (3) doubles. Height 1.40 metres to 1.60 metres maximum with a spread in proportion to the height. A maximum of two spread obstacles with a width of one metre or less may be used; all other spread obstacles must have a width between 1.50 metres and 2.00 metres (2.20 metres for the triple bar). There must be two vertical obstacles of 1.60 metres (sloping walls do not count as compulsory vertical obstacles). A water jump with a width of water not less than 4.30 metres and not greater than 4.50 metres (including the take-off element) must be included.

Length: 500 metres minimum, 600 metres maximum.

#### **9.2.2 Round B**

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Round B is over a different course of ten (10) obstacles including a double and a treble. The height of the obstacles may be from 1.40 metres to 1.60 metres with their spread proportionate to their height but not exceeding 2 metres (2.20 metres for the triple bar). A maximum of two (2) spread obstacles with a width of 1 metre or less may be used. There must be one (1) vertical obstacle and one spread obstacle of 1.60 metres in height. If the spread obstacle of 1.60 metres in height comprises parallel top elements, its spread may not exceed 1.70 metres. The water jump as described under round A is optional. (Refer to Article 630. 3.2.2 of Chapter IV).

Length: 450 metres minimum, 500 metres maximum.

The jump-off is over a shortened course of at least six (6) obstacles taken from both rounds.

### **9.3 Participation**

#### **9.3.1 Round A**

Round A of this Competition is compulsory for the thirty five (35) best placed Athletes and Horses (including those with equality of penalties for thirty fifth (35<sup>th</sup>) place) according to the cumulative penalties over the first (1<sup>st</sup>) and second (2<sup>nd</sup>) Competition. For those individuals and members of teams not qualified for the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) round of the Team Competition their score in the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) round qualifier will count.

Participants must have taken part in the First Qualifying Competition (completed or not) and have completed both rounds of the Team Competition (without having been eliminated or having retired).

If for any reason one or more of these thirty five (35) best placed Athletes are unable to start, they are replaced by Athletes from the reserve list of Athletes.

Not more than three (3) Athletes from any one nation may take part in this Competition. In case four Athletes from one nation are within the top thirty five (35) Athletes, the three best placed Athletes from the nation(s) in question will participate in the Individual Final (the fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) Athlete from the same NOC cannot be included on the reserve list of Athletes for the Final Individual Competitions). If two (2) Athletes tie for third place the Chef d'Equipe decides which of the two (2) Athletes will participate in this Competition.

Participants start in Round A of the Individual Final competition with zero (0) penalties.

#### **9.3.2 Round B**

Round B of this Competition is open to the twenty (20) best placed Athletes from Round A, including those with equality of penalties for twentieth (20<sup>th</sup>) place.

#### **9.3.3 Inspecting the Course B**

Athletes will be invited to inspect the course for Round B at the conclusion of Round A.

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### 9.4 Starting Order

#### 9.4.1 Round A

The starting order for Round A follows the reverse order of penalties incurred in the first, second and third qualifying Competitions of the Games. In the event of equality of penalties, the same starting order as in the second round of the Team Competition (third Individual Qualifying Competition) is used to decide the order of go for those Athletes. The thirty fifth (35<sup>th</sup>) qualified Athlete will, therefore, start as number one (1).

#### 9.4.2 Round B

The starting order for Round B follows the reverse order of the penalties incurred in Round A. The Athlete with the most penalties starts first (1<sup>st</sup>), the Athlete with the least penalties starts last. Athletes with equality of penalties retain the same starting order as in Round A.

#### 9.4.3 Jump-off

The starting order in the jump-off is according to the same order as Round B.

If more than one (1) jump-off is required to decide medal placing, the jump-off for the third place takes place before the jump-off for the first and the second place.

In case of equality of penalties and time for any of the medal placing after the first (1<sup>st</sup>) jump-off, there is a second jump-off over the same course. In case of equality of penalties and time after the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) jump-off, the Athletes concerned are placed equal.

### 9.5 Individual Placing

The individual placing is determined by adding together for each Athlete the penalties incurred in Rounds A and B and, if necessary, the penalties and time incurred in the jump-off.

## 10 Horse Inspections

Horse Inspections will be carried out in accordance with Veterinary Regulations. Nations will present themselves in alphabetical order according to the IOC abbreviations, and by Horse number within each team.

The First Horse Inspection will take place the day before the training session. The re-inspection will take place on the following morning prior to the training session.

The Second Horse Inspection will take place the day prior to the Final Individual Competition

## Article 631 – QUALIFICATION PROCEDURE – Jumping (2016 procedure approved by IOC)

**Quota: Seventy five (75) Athletes and seventy five (75) Horses (fifteen (15) reserve Horses / one (1) per team)**

### 1. FEI Olympic Groups as referred to are based on the following seven (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.

### 2. Jumping Team – Qualification System

Fifteen (15) NOCs will be qualified to take part with a team of minimum three (3) Athletes/Horses and maximum of four (4) Athletes/Horses, as follows:

	QUALIFICATION EVENTS	TEAM QUOTA
1.	The Host Country	1 BRA
2.	The five (5) best ranked teams from the 2014 World Equestrian Games (WEG), excluding the Host Country team.	5
3.	The three (3) best ranked teams from Groups A and/or B at the 2015 European Jumping Championship, excluding the teams qualified above.	3
4.	The two (2) best ranked teams from the 2015 Pan-American Games, excluding the teams qualified above	2
5.	The best ranked team from Group F at the Group F FEI selected Olympic Qualification event, excluding the teams qualified above.	1
6.	The best ranked team from Group C at the 2015 Group C FEI selected Olympic Qualification event, excluding the teams qualified above	1
7.	The two (2) best ranked teams from Group G at the 2015 Group G FEI selected Olympic Qualification event, excluding the teams qualified above.	2
<b>TOTAL fifteen (15) Teams / maximum sixty (60) Athletes</b>		

### 3. Jumping Individual - Qualification System

Only NOCs which have not obtained a team quota place are eligible to qualify for individual quota places.

Each Athlete can qualify a maximum of one (1) individual quota place for his NOC.

The point system, including the list of Events, to be used for establishing the FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking - Jumping will be published by **1 January 2015** and distributed to NOCs/NFs.

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The FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking - Jumping is limited to the best fifteen (15) results per Athlete/Horse combination in these Events within the period from **1 January 2015 to 6 March 2016 included**.

Fifteen (15) individual quota places of one (1) Athlete and one (1) Horse will be reserved for NOCs with a maximum of two (2) Athletes with one (1) Horse each per NOC, as follows:

	QUALIFICATION EVENTS	INDIVIDUAL PLACES
1.	The best ranked Athlete in the FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Jumping from each of the four (4) below-mentioned groups will qualify one (1) individual quota place for their NOC: A - North Western Europe B - South Western Europe C - Central & Eastern Europe; Central Asia F - Africa & Middle East	(4)
2.	The NOCs of the six (6) best ranked Athletes from Groups D and/or E at the 2015 Pan-American Games, excluding the Host Country.	(6)
3.	The NOC of the best ranked Athlete from the Group G individuals at the Group G FEI selected Olympic Qualification event.	( 1)
4.	The NOCs of the four (4) best ranked Athletes from the overall FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Jumping.	(4)
<b>TOTAL Fifteen (15) Athletes</b>		

### 4. Reallocation of Unused Quota places

#### 4.1. Unused team quota places

If the members of a qualified team do not reach the minimum eligibility requirements or if a team quota place is declined by an NOC, the team quota place will be reallocated to the next best ranked team not yet qualified from the respective event as follows:

- (i) A team qualified from the 2014 WEG will be replaced by the next best ranked team not yet qualified from the 2014 WEG final team classification.
- (ii) A team qualified from the 2015 European Jumping Championship will be replaced by the next best ranked team not yet qualified from the reserve list of the next three (3) best ranked teams from this championship excluding those already qualified. Once these three (3) reserve teams have been included, replacements will be made from the next best ranked team not yet qualified from the 2014 WEG final team classification.
- (iii) A team qualified from the 2015 Pan-American Games will be replaced by the next best ranked team not yet qualified from the reserve list of the next two (2) best ranked teams from these Games excluding those already qualified. Once these two (2) reserve teams have been included, replacements will be made from the next best ranked team not yet qualified from the 2014 WEG final team classification.
- (iv) A team qualified from the 2015 FEI selected Olympic Qualification event for Olympic Groups C, F & G, will be replaced by the next best ranked team not yet qualified from the 2014 WEG final team classification.

Should an NOC send three (3) Athletes as part of their team instead of the maximum four (4) entitled, the unused Athlete quota place will be reallocated to the NOC of the next best ranked Athlete from the overall FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Jumping.



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### 4.2. Unused individual quota places

If an allocated individual quota place 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 as follows:

- (i) If the quota place was obtained through the FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Jumping (allocation to FEI Olympic Groups A, B, C and F), it will be reallocated to the NOC of the next best ranked Athlete from the same group.  
If the individual quota place cannot be filled by any of the above Groups, it will be reallocated to the NOC of next best ranked Athlete on the overall FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Jumping.
- (ii) If the quota place was obtained by an NOC of Groups D or E through the 2015 Pan-American Games, it will be reallocated to the NOC of the next best ranked Athlete from Group D or E at the 2015 Pan-American Games.
- (iii) If the quota place was obtained through the Group G FEI selected Olympic Qualification event it will be reallocated to the NOC of the next best ranked Athlete at the Group G FEI selected Olympic Qualification event .
- (iv) If the quota place was obtained through the overall FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Jumping, it will be reallocated to the NOC of the next best ranked Athlete on the overall FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Jumping.

By **15 April 2016** FEI will reallocate all available places.

### 5. Host Country

The Host Country is guaranteed one (1) team with a maximum of four (4) Athletes. Each Athlete and Horse must obtain the minimum eligibility requirements to compete see Article 632 below: Horse and **Athlete Eligibility**. In case the Host Country is unable to field a team, it may send one (1) or two (2) eligible individual Athletes instead.

#### 5.1. Reallocation of Unused Host Country Places

In case the Host Country is unable to field a team or decides to send one (1) or two (2) eligible Athletes instead of a team, the unused Athletes quota places will be reallocated to the NOCs of the best ranked Athletes, not already qualified, on the overall FEI Olympic Athletes Ranking – Jumping.

## Article 632 – HORSE AND ATHLETE MINIMUM ELIGIBILITY STANDARD – JUMPING

### 1. Period for obtaining Minimum Eligibility Standard

All Horses and Athletes who take part in the 2016 Olympic Games must achieve the minimum eligibility standard required. Athletes and Horses must obtain the minimum requirements at selected Events which take place from the **1 January 2015** until **19 June 2016**.

For the Olympic Games Athletes and Horses are required to reach the minimum eligibility standards as combinations by achieving the following *results* (\*) between **1 January 2015** and **19 June 2016**:

*(\*) Note: the conditions as listed in paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4 or 8 below*

1. Athletes and Horses that have had not more than eight (8) penalties in the Team Competition (1st or 2nd round) at the 2015 European Championships or Pan-American Games or other FEI Continental Championships for Seniors in 2015.

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2. Those Athletes and Horses that have completed the Individual Final Competition at the 2015 European Championship or Pan-American Games or other FEI 2015 Continental Championships for Seniors.
3. Athletes and Horses that have completed the first (1<sup>st</sup>) round of two (2) FEI World Cup™ Competitions at selected outdoor CSI1\*-W, CSI2\*-W and CSI3\*-W Events with not more than a total score of zero (0) penalties. Athletes and Horses that have completed the first (1<sup>st</sup>) round of an FEI World Cup™ Competition at a selected outdoor CSI4\*-W Event with not more than a total score of four (4) penalties. Athletes and Horses that have completed the first (1<sup>st</sup>) round of an FEI World Cup™ Competition at a selected outdoor CSI5\*-W Event with not more than a total score of eight (8) penalties.
4. Athletes and Horses can become eligible according to any one (1) of the following paragraphs:
  - 4.1 Athletes and Horses must have completed the first (1<sup>st</sup>) round of two (2) Grand Prix Competitions at selected CSI3\* outdoor Events with a score of zero (0) penalties.
  - 4.2 Athletes and Horses must have completed the first (1<sup>st</sup>) round of a Grand Prix Competition at a CSI4\* outdoor Event with a score of not more than four (4) penalties.
  - 4.3 Athletes and Horses must have completed the first round of a Grand Prix Competition at a CSI5\* outdoor Event with a score of not more than eight (8) penalties.
  - 4.4 Athletes and Horses must have completed the first (1<sup>st</sup>) or second (2<sup>nd</sup>) round of a Nations Cup Competition at a selected CSIO 3\* or 4\* outdoor Event with a score of not more than four (4) penalties in the first (1<sup>st</sup>) round or zero (0) penalties in the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) round, or must have completed the first (1<sup>st</sup>) round of the Grand Prix Competition\* with a score of not more than four (4) penalties, provided the courses of these Competitions are built according to the dimensions laid down in paragraph 6 below.
  - 4.5 Athletes and Horses must have completed the first (1<sup>st</sup>) or second (2<sup>nd</sup>) round of a Nations Cup Competition at a CSIO5\* outdoor Event with a score of not more than eight (8) penalties, or must have completed the first (1<sup>st</sup>) round of the **Grand Prix Competition\*** with a score of not more than eight (8) penalties.

**Note:** \*FEI clarification: or the FEI World Cup™ Competition if it is the Grand Prix Competition at this Event.

5. The list of selected 2015 Events will be published in December 2014 and the 2016 selected Events will be published in December 2015.
6. Selected Nations Cup, Grand Prix and FEI World Cup™ Competition must meet the following specifications: consist of at least twelve (12) obstacles which may vary in height between 1.40 metres and 1.60 metres. The spread obstacles must have spreads of between 1.50 metres to 2.00 metres (2.20 metres for the triple bar). At least two (2) vertical obstacles must be provided with a minimum height of 1.60 metres .
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. Foreign Assessing Delegate: If an NF finds it impossible for its Athletes to reach the Minimum Eligibility Requirements as above, the FEI will upon request of the NF, send

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a Foreign Delegate at the expense of the NF to assess the level of performance, at a special qualifying Competition conducted in accordance with the protocol established in FEI Jumping Rules Annex VIII, paragraph 8. This Competition will consist of one (1) round with the dimensions as laid down on a course plan provided by the FEI. Athletes/Horses scoring eight (8) penalties or less in this round will be considered to be eligible. The FEI Foreign Delegate will advise the NF and the FEI on the granting of eligibility (Minimum Eligibility Requirements). If an Athlete/Horse combination has more than eight (8) penalties but shows a very good performance otherwise over the course, the Foreign Delegate can let the combination repeat a similar course. But in no case can an Athlete become eligible if he has scored more than eight (8) penalties in the second round. The NFs of the eligible Horses and Athletes will be informed by the FEI immediately.

9. At Nations Cup and Grand Prix Competition at selected CSIOs, at FEI World Cup™ Competition and at CSI3\*/4\*/5\* Grand Prix Competition, the Foreign Judge is responsible for ensuring that the course is built to the required dimensions and will confirm to the FEI that the Minimum Eligibility Requirements have been achieved.
10. Certificates of Capability must be received by the FEI for Athletes and Horses not later than **20 June 2016**. Athletes and Horses for whom Certificates of Capability have not been received will not be allowed to participate in the Olympic Games.

## **ANNEX A – IOC OLYMPIC CHARTER (EXTRACTS)**

(To be updated in case of changes)

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

To be eligible for participation in the Olympic Games, a competitor, coach, trainer or other team official must comply with the Olympic Charter, including the conditions of eligibility established by the IOC, as well as with the rules of the International Federation ("IF") concerned as approved by the IOC, and competitor, coach, trainer or other team official must be entered by his NOC. The above-noted persons must:

- respect the spirit of fair play and non-violence, and behave accordingly; and
- respect and comply in all aspects with the World Anti-Doping Code.

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

1. Each IF establishes its sport's own eligibility criteria in accordance with the Olympic Charter. Such criteria must be submitted to the IOC Executive Board for approval.
2. The application of the eligibility 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, coach, trainer or official 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 Olympic Games shall not be conditional on any financial consideration.

### **Olympic Charter - Nationality of Athletes - Rule 41 Bye-Law 2**

A competitor who has represented one country in the Olympic Games, in continental or regional games or in world or regional championships recognized 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 the IF concerned, by the IOC Executive Board, which takes into account the circumstances of each case.

### **IOC Entries - Olympic Charter - Rule 44 - Bye-Law 4**

As a condition precedent to participation in the Olympic Games, every competitor shall comply with all provisions contained in the Olympic Charter and the rules of the IF governing his sport. The NOC which enters the competitor ensures that such competitor is fully aware of and complies with the Olympic Charter and the World Anti-Doping Code.

## **ANNEX B – IOC ADVERTISING**

The Guidelines regarding Advertising during the Olympic Games and the Authorised Identifications are published in a separate document available on [FEI website](#). Updated by IOC in November 2015.

## ANNEX C – FEI CERTIFICATE OF CAPABILITY FOR THE 2016 OLYMPIC GAMES

To be returned to FEI accompanied by a Record of Results by **20 June 2016**.

The undersigned, acting as President of the National Federation of: \_\_\_\_\_

hereby declares that the hereunder mentioned Athlete/Horse combinations have the required experience and qualifications to take part in the equestrian Events at the Olympic Games for which they have been nominated and that their performances entirely satisfy the minimum eligibility standards as laid down in the appropriate FEI Rules and Regulations.

Each nation may nominate maximum three (3) times the number of Athletes and Horses as are allowed to be entered according to the present Regulations.

<b>ATHLETES</b>  - Last and first name - Athlete registration number
<b>HORSES</b>  - Name of Horse, - Passport no, Horse registration number - Year of birth, colour, sex, breed, - Name of sire, name of dam - Names of two (2) owners
<b>LIST OF EVENTS</b>  which have allowed for Athletes and Horses (for Jumping, Dressage & Eventing) as combination to achieve minimum eligibility standards for participation in the 2016 Olympic Games

Date: .....

Name of the President of the NF:  
.....  
(Name in capital letters)

Signature of the President of the NF: .....

Seal of the NF: .....

*Note: Information on the Official FEI forms for Certificate of Capability will be available on FEI Web-site and sent out to all NFs Qualified for the 2016 Olympic Games, after 6 March 2016.*

## ANNEX D - FEI List of HORSE BREEDS, COLOURS & SEX CODES

**Note:** To be used with the OCOG entry system

### Abbreviations - to be used for all Entry forms

#### COLORS

BL	Black
BA	Bay
CH	Chestnut
GR	Grey

#### SEX

G	Gelding
M	Mare
S	Stallion

#### Other:

DB	Dark Bay
LB	Light Bay
DC	Dark Chestnut
LC	Light Chestnut
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
APH	Studbook Austrian Performance Horses
AWHA	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	Pferdezuchtverband Brandenburg-Anhalt
BH	Associação Brasileira de Criadores do Cavallo de Hipismo
Bri. WS	British Warmblood Society
BWP	Belgisch Warmbloedpaard v.z.w.
CCDM	Criadores de Caballos Deportivos Mexicacos
CDE	Caballo de Deporte Espanol
CH	Zuchtverband CH-Sportpferde ZVCH 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	Hannoveraner Verband e. V.

## Annex D – FEI list of Horse Breeds Colour & Sex Codes

HESS	Verband Hessischer Pferdezüchter e.V.
HOLST	Verband der Züchter des Holsteiner Pferdes e.V.
HSB	Hungarian Sporthorse studbook
ISH	Irish Sport Horse Studbook
ISREG	International Sporthorse Registry Oldenburg Registry North America
KWPN	Koninklijk Warmbloed Paardenstamboek Nederland
LUSIT	Associação Portuguesa De Criadores do Cavalo Puro Sangue Lusitano
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.
P.R.E.	Pura Raza Español
PZHK	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 (ANSF)
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 Freunde des Ostpreussischen Warmblutpferdes Trakehner Abstammung e.V.
ASSI	Italian Horse Department
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.
ABPSL	Associação Brasileira dos Criadores do Cavalo Puro Sangue Lusitano
AHHA	American Holsteiner Horse Association
ANAA	Stud-book Français du cheval Anglo-Arabe
APCRC	Associação Portuguesa De Criadores de Racas Selecta
ANCCE	Asociación Nacional De Criadores De Caballos de Pura Raza Española (P:R:E Pura Raza Español)
AWÖ	Arbeitsgemeinschaft für Warmblutzucht in Österreich
BWBS	Warmblood Breeders Studbook – UK
CABSH	Croatian Association of Breeders of Sport Horses
ESHB	Estonian Sport Horse Breeder Society
GHH	Graenseegnens Holstener Hesteavlforening
ISSA	International Sporthorse Studbook Australia
KWPN NA	KWPN of North America, Inc.
LBHA	Latvian Horse Breeding Association



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OS	Springpferdezuchtverband Oldenburg-International e.V
SATHU	Pferdezuchtverband Sachsen-Thüringen e.V
SBCMS	Studbook de cheval Marocain de Sport
SSH	Scottish Sport Horse
SSW	Studbook for Slovenian Warmblood Horses
TAF	Trakehner Avlsforbundet i Danmark
KISB / GIDR	Kisberi and Gidran Horse Breeders Association
HHSA	Hanoverian Horse Society of Australia

## ANNEX E – FEI OLYMPIC QUALIFYING GROUPS

OLYMPIC QUALIFYING GROUPS	NATIONAL FEDERATIONS		
Olympic Group A (North-Western Europe)	Denmark Finland Germany	Great Britain Iceland Ireland	Netherlands Norway Sweden
Olympic Group B (South-western Europe)	Andorra Austria Belgium <u>Bosnia Herzegovina</u> France Italy	Liechtenstein Luxemburg Malta Monaco	Portugal San Marino Spain Switzerland
Olympic Group C (Central & Eastern Europe, Central Asia)	Albania Armenia Azerbaijan Belarus Bulgaria Croatia Cyprus Czech Republic Estonia Georgia	Greece Hungary Israel Kazakhstan Kyrgyzstan Latvia Lithuania Macedonia Moldova Poland	Romania Russia Serbia Slovakia Slovenia Turkey Turkmenistan Ukraine Uzbekistan
Olympic Group D (North America)	Antigua Barbados Bermuda	Canada Cayman Islands Jamaica	Trinidad & Tobago USA Virgin Islands
Olympic Group E (South & Central America)	Argentina Bolivia Brazil Chile Colombia Costa Rica Cuba Dominican Republic	Ecuador El Salvador Guatemala Haiti Honduras Mexico Nicaragua	Panama <u>*Paraguay</u> Peru Puerto Rico Venezuela Uruguay
Olympic Group F (Africa/Middle East)	Algeria Angola Bahrain Botswana Congo Democratic Republic Egypt Ethiopia Iraq Iran Jordan Kenya <u>*Kuwait</u>	Lebanon Libya Madagascar Malawi Mauritius Morocco Namibia Oman Pakistan Palestine Qatar Kingdom Saudi Arabia	<u>*Senegal</u> Republic of South Africa Sudan Syria Swaziland Tunisia UAE Republic of Yemen Zambia Zimbabwe
Olympic Group G (South East Asia, Oceania)	Australia Brunei Cambodia China Chinese Taipei Hong Kong	India Indonesia Japan Korea Malaysia <u>*Mongolia</u>	Myanmar New Zealand Philippines Singapore Sri Lanka Thailand

## Annex E – FEI Olympic Qualifying Groups

- **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.

\*NFs suspended until further notice.

## Annex F – 2016 Olympic Competition Schedule

### ANNEX F – 2016 OLYMPIC COMPETITION SCHEDULE

**Note:** This schedule per session was approved by the IOC, Rio2016 & OBS.  
 Finishing times of competitions may be adapted.  
 All Medal Ceremonies will take place within 10mins of clearance of arena.

Day	Date	Competition	Times
0	5 Aug	<b>Opening Ceremony</b>	
		<i>Eventing - 1<sup>st</sup> Horse Inspection</i>	08:30 – 09:55
1	6 Aug	<b>Eventing – Dressage</b> (Team & Individual)	10:00 - 16:00
2	7 Aug	<b>Eventing – Dressage</b> (Team & Individual)	10:00 - 16:00
3	8 Aug	<b>Eventing – Cross Country</b> (Team & Individual)	10:00 - 15:30
		<i>Dressage – Horse Inspection</i>	15:45 – 16:55
4	9 Aug	<b>Eventing – Jumping</b> (Team Final & Individual qualifier)	10:00 - 15:30
		<i>Eventing - 2nd Horse Inspection</i>	8:00-9:00
5	10 Aug	<b>Dressage – Grand Prix</b> (1 <sup>st</sup> Team & Individual Qualifier)	10:00 - 16:30
6	11 Aug	<b>Dressage – Grand Prix</b> (1 <sup>st</sup> Team & Individual Qualifier)	10:00 - 16:30
7	12 Aug	<b>Dressage – Grand Prix Special</b> (Team Final & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Individual Qualifier)	10:00 – 16:30
		<i>Jumping – Horse Inspection</i>	7:30-9:00
8	13 Aug	<i>Jumping – Training Session</i>	10:00 – 14:50
9	14 Aug	<b>Jumping – 1<sup>st</sup> Qualifier</b> (Individual)	10:00 – 13:45
10	15 Aug	<b>Dressage – Grand Prix Freestyle</b> (Individual Final)	10:00 – 14:00
11	16 Aug	<b>Jumping – Team Round 1</b> (Individual 2 <sup>nd</sup> & Team Qualifier)	10:00 – 13:15* tbc
12	17 Aug	<b>Jumping – Team Round 2</b> (Team Final & Individual 3rd Qualifier)	10:00 – 13:00
13	18 Aug	<i>Jumping – Horse Inspection</i>	16:00 – 16:30
14	19 Aug	<b>Jumping – Individual Round A</b> <b>Jumping – Individual Round B - Final</b>	10:00 – 15:00
15	20 Aug	<i>Contingency day</i>	
16	21 Aug	<b>Closing Ceremony</b>	