

THE UNDERWRITING EXCHANGE LIMITED JUMPING IN THE CITY SERIES



'1 Friday, 1 City, 1 Night of Entertainment' **Show Schedule**

Shelbourne Park, Dublin Friday 5th August 2016

Featured events:

**The Underwriting Exchange Grand Prix, The Devenish Puissance
&
The Westwood/Ifor Williams Amateur Open Speed**



I. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. ORGANISER:

Name: Horse Sport Ireland

Series Director: Elaine Hatton, Director of International Marketing, Horse Sport Ireland

Organising Committee: Chairman of OC - James Kennedy, Chairman HSI Finance, Elaine Hatton, Director of International Marketing, HSI, Ray Buchanan, SJI Chairman, Eamonn Rice, Chairman SJI National Competitions Committee, Sally Anne Tobin, SJI Amateur Committee

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<http://www.shelbourneparkgreyhoundstadium.ie/jumpinginthecity>

2. VENUE DETAILS – DUBLIN:

Address: Shelbourne Park Greyhound Stadium, South Lotts Road, Dublin 4

Telephone: **1890 269 969 – FOR TICKET AND TABLE BOOKINGS ONLY**

Website: www.igb.ie/igb-stadiums/jumpinginthecity/

GPS Coordinates: 53.340867, -6.231018

SJI Coordinator: Gerry Gorman (087 – 2558191)

Type of Footing: Grass

Dimensions: 100m x 80m Main Arena
80m x 70m Warm-up Arena

Stabling: No stabling on-site

Parking: Designated Lorry/Horsebox parking on site, no other parking onsite.

NOTE: The arenas are deemed to be of a good standard for grass-based arenas. However, athletes are welcome to visit the arenas to inspect the ground in advance of definite entries. Please contact the SJ Coordinator at the venue for further details.

3. TIMETABLE

	Time
Venue opening for athletes	3.30pm
Athlete Briefing & Entry Ticket Declarations - Amateur	4.00pm
Venue opened to public	5.00pm
Athlete Briefing & Entry Ticket Declarations - Grand Prix/Puissance	5.00pm
The Westwood/Ifor Williams Amateur 'Table C Speed' Competition	5.30pm
Grand Prix Competition	6.45pm
Puissance Competition	8.00pm
Prize-Giving Ceremony – on foot	9.30pm

NOTE: All ATHLETES ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND THE ATHLETE BRIEFINGS

II. NUMBER OF ATHLETES

Total number of athletes:

Grand Prix	16 (max)
Amateur	20 (max)
Puissance	6 (max)
Number of horses per athlete:	1 per competition

III. THE UNDERWRITING EXCHANGE LIMITED GRAND PRIX



Venue	Entry fee*	Prize value	Definite Entries
Shelbourne Park	€405	€15,000	Tuesday 26 th July @4pm

* Entry fees include a 4 person table in the restaurant with a view of the arena, admission, dinner and a programme.

1. ENTRIES

- Entries must be submitted to the SJI office. Entries to James Maher, Showjumping Ireland. james.maher@sjai.ie/045-852230
- All entries must be accompanied by full payment.
- Entries and the hospitality table are non-refundable except where an entrant is not allocated a place or is subsequently replaced by a reserve.

2. SPECIFIC ENTRY CONDITIONS – GRAND PRIX

- Both athlete and horse must be registered with Show Jumping Ireland in order to be eligible to compete.
- Athletes and Horses must meet the minimum eligibility requirement as set out below.
- Athletes are reminded to ensure that all details are correct when submitting the entry form, especially details pertaining to owners.

3. ATHLETE/HORSE MINIMUM ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT

- Athletes and Horses (but not necessarily as a combination) that have completed the first round of a FEI CSI 1.40m class in 2015 or 2016 with a score of not more than four penalties are qualified to compete OR;
- Athletes and Horses (but not necessarily as a combination) that have completed the first round of a National Grand Prix or Premier Series in 2015 or 2016 with a score of not more than four penalties are eligible to compete;
- The above stated MER must be achieved by Definite Entry Stage (26th July 2016).

4. ALLOCATION OF PLACES – GRAND PRIX

16 places will be allocated from the athletes who have entered at the definite entry stage.

They will be awarded as follows:

- **Top two** athletes from the Limerick, Munster Stadium Showjumping Grand Prix;
- **Top two** athletes from the Cork, Munster Stadium Showjumping Grand Prix;
- **Top two** athletes from the Showjumping Ireland Premier Series league standings after South County Dublin, 31st July 2016;
- **Six** athletes based on FEI Rankings (must be an IRL athlete in the top 500 of the FEI show jumping rankings as of 30th June 2016);
- **Four** athletes to be nominated by the Organising Committee;
- After the definite entry stage and the places have been allocated, the reserve list will be established by the Organising Committee;
- It is the athlete that secures the place from Limerick, Munster Stadium Showjumping Grand Prix and Cork, Munster Stadium Showjumping Grand Prix. Therefore, a qualified athlete is permitted to enter any horse, subject to naming the horse at definite entry stage and meeting the minimum eligibility requirement;
- An athlete can only jump one horse in the Grand Prix. Where an athlete earns more than one qualifying place, the next athlete down the order from the relevant qualified event or ranking will be offered the place after definite entries;

5. HORSE SUBSTITUTIONS

- The OC intend to publish a detailed programme with athlete biography, horse breeding and notable results to date. As such, the OC wish to discourage horse substitutions after the definite entry date. In the event a horse substitution is necessary, Tuesday 2nd August (midday). Horse substitutions before these cut off dates must be accompanied with a fee of €100.00 and a veterinary certificate to the SJI office.
- Thereafter, any horse substitution requests will only be considered in exceptional circumstances with the express approval of the Organising Committee.

6. CALLING UP RESERVES

- After midday on August 2nd, the programme for the event will be finalised. The starting combinations will be listed with three reserve combinations in order. Only reserves on this list will be in contention for the event after this date.
- Should an athlete be withdrawn before 12pm on the day of the event, the entry may be taken up by a reserve combination, provided they are listed in the programme;
- In cases where an athlete is replaced by a reserve their 4 person table will be allocated to the reserve athlete and their entry fee will be returned.

7. ENTRY RIGHT TO SHOWGROUNDS FOR ACCREDITED PERSONS:

- Entry for athlete with wristband;
- One groom's wristband;
- Two owner's wristbands;

8. RULES

- Grand Prix will be run under Article 238.2.2 of the SJI Rules; 'starting order of the second round being run in same order as first round';
- The seeding for the first round will be (1) athletes qualified from Limerick, Munster Stadium Showjumping and Cork, Muster Stadium Showjumping in order of finish with the lowest finishing qualifier from Limerick going first, then lowest finishing qualifier from Cork, then highest finishing qualifier from Limerick followed by highest finishing qualifier from Cork (2) athletes qualified from the Premier series, (3) Athletes from the FEI rankings, in descending order of rank (4) OC nominated athletes
- If a rider ranked in the top 500 in the FEI rankings secures a place through their finishing position in Limerick or Cork their seeding for the purposes of their starting position will be determined by their FEI ranking;
- Athletes in Jump off will retain original starting order;
- Athletes must adhere to the dress code as per Article 256N 1.6 of the SJI rules – FEI Dress unless Athletes/Horses are requested to wear JITC number clothes for public identification purposes.

9. PRIZE MONEY – THE UNDERWRITING EXCHANGE GRAND PRIX

There will be a total of €15,000 on offer for the Grand Prix:

Breakdown of prize money after deduction of the SJI sport levy will be as follows:

- 1st place €5,605
 - 2nd place €3,740
 - 3rd place €2,490
 - 4th place €1,664
- All prize-money will be distributed in accordance with Article 248.7.2N of the SJI Rules 'Prize money goes to the owner of the horse and mementoes to the athlete, unless specifically allocated to the owner of the horse. The value of the memento must not exceed the value of the prize with which it is associated'. Please note that the prize money will be paid within 7 days of the event.

10. PRIZE GIVING CEREMONY

- The top three prize-winners must take part in the prize giving ceremony (Article 248.5 of the SJI Rules).
- Two Owners of the winning horse as per the entry form will be invited to participate in the prize giving ceremony.
- The prize giving ceremony for all events will commence after the Puissance and will be on foot and FEI Dress is required.
- Athletes are expected to wear JITC competitions sponsors caps etc. if requested during the Prize giving ceremony.

The prize giving party will consist of a Representative of the Government, The Chairman of Horse Sport Ireland or his nominee, The Chairman of Show Jumping Ireland or his nominee, a representative of the overall sponsor and a representative of the class sponsor.

11. COMPETITION DETAILS



- Type of Competition: Grand Prix
- Kindly sponsored by The Underwriting Exchange Limited
- Acc. to Article: Article 238.2.2
- **Start time:** 6.45pm
- Competition description: Competition over two rounds
- Obstacles height: max 1.50m
- Number of horses per athlete 1
- Number of Starters: 16
- Total prize money: €15,000

IV. THE DEVENISH PUISSANCE



Puissance class details

Venue	Entry fee*	Prize value	Definite Entries
Shelbourne Park	€150.00	€6,000	Tuesday 26 th July @4pm

* Puissance entrants can purchase a 4 person table in the restaurant with a view of the arena at the preferential rate of €240.00 provided they purchase at the time of entry. This includes admission, dinner and a programme.

1. ENTRIES

- At Definite entry stage, athletes must specify the horse they intend to ride.
- Entries must be submitted to the SJI office. Entries to James Maher, Showjumping Ireland james.maher@sjai.ie/045-852230
- All entries must be accompanied by full payment
- Entries including the hospitality table are non-refundable except where an entrant is not allocated a place or is replaced by a reserve.

2. SPECIFIC ENTRY CONDITIONS

- Entries will only be considered upon receipt of full payment of entry fee stated above together with completed entry form;
- Both athlete and horse must be registered with Show jumping Ireland in order to be eligible to compete;
- Athletes are reminded to ensure that all details are correct when submitting the entry form, especially details pertaining to owners;

3. ALLOCATION OF PLACES– PUISSANCE

- 6 places will be allocated from the combinations that have entered at definite entry stage.
- These 6 places will be allocated by the Jumping in the City Organising Committee.
- No horse substitutions allowed after the definite entry stage.

4. RESERVES

- After midday on August 2nd the programme for the event will be finalised. The starting combinations will be listed with 3 reserve combinations in order. Only reserves on the programme will be in contention for the event after this date.
- Should an athlete be withdrawn before 12pm on the day of the event the entry may be taken up by the reserve combination, provided they are listed in the programme;

5. ENTRY RIGHT TO SHOWGROUNDS FOR ACCREDITED PERSONS:

- Entry for athlete with wristband;
- One groom's wristband;
- Two owner's wristband;

6. IMPORTANT NOTE

- Puissance will be run under Article 262.2 of the SJI Rules Article 262.2 Under this article Round 1 will have 4 fences (including the wall) and Round 2,3,4 and 5 will have only 2 fences (triple bar and wall).
- If all competitors finish a round on equal penalties they may be permitted to jump again
- If required a 5th round will be permissible at the discretion of the series director in consultation with the riders and ground jury
- Athletes must go in 'order of go' as dictated by the start list in the programme.
- Athletes must adhere to the dress code as per Article 256N 1.6 of the SJI rules – FEI Dress unless athletes/ horses are requested to wear JITC number clothes for public identification purposes.

7. PRIZE MONEY – DEVENISH PUISSANCE

There will be a total of €6,000 on offer for the Puissance;

- The breakdown of prize money after the deduction of the SJI sport levy will be as follows:
 - 1st place - €2,560
 - 2nd place - €1,705
 - 3rd place - €1,135
- All prize-money will be distributed in accordance with Article 248.7.2N of the SJI Rules 'Prize money goes to the owner of the horse and mementoes to the athlete, unless specifically allocated to the owner of the horse. The value of the memento must not exceed the value of the prize with which it is associated'. Please note that the prize money will be paid within 7 days of the event.

8. PRIZE GIVING CEREMONY

- The top three prize-winners must take part in the prize giving ceremony (Article 248.5 of the SJI Rules).
- Two Owners of the winning horse as per the entry form will be invited to participate in

- the prize giving ceremony.
- The prize giving ceremony for all events will commence after the Puissance and will be on foot and FEI Dress is required.
- Athletes are expected to wear JITC competition sponsors caps etc if requested during the Prize giving ceremony.
- The Prize giving party will consist of a Representative of the Government, The Chairman of Horse Sport Ireland or his nominee, The Chairman of Show Jumping Ireland or his nominee, a representative of the overall sponsor and a representative of the class sponsor.

9. COMPETITION DETAILS



- Type of Competition: Puissance
- Kindly sponsored by Devenish
- **Start time: 8.00pm**
- Acc. to Article: Article 262.2 SJI Rules with amendments
- Number of horses per athlete: 1
- Number of Starters: 6
- Prize Money: €6,000

V. THE WESTWOOD /IFOR WILLIAMS AMATEUR SPEED



Venue	Entry fee*	Prize value	Definite Entries
Shelbourne Park	€375	€9,000	Tuesday 12 th July @4pm

* Entry fees include a 4 person table in the restaurant with a view of the arena, admission, dinner and a programme.

1. ENTRIES

Entries must be submitted to Show jumping Ireland. All Entries to Elodie McGoldrick, Showjumping Ireland only one entry per athlete per leg is permitted. elodie.mcgoldrick@sjai.ie / 045-852230

- Entries to be accompanied with €20 deposit, full payment to be made by 26th July at 12 noon.
- At definite entry stage, athletes can list more than one horse as part of their entry but must declare their starting horse by 26th July at 12 noon.
- Lottery Draw will take place before the 26th July.
- Entries including the hospitality table are non-refundable except where an entry is replaced by a reserve. Deposit is non-refundable except where an entry is not successful in the lottery draw.

2. ALLOCATION OF PLACES– AMATEUR ‘TABLE C SPEED’ COMPETITION

- **Top two** athletes from the Limerick, Munster Stadium Amateur class, It is the athlete and horse as a ‘combination’ that qualify;
- **Top two** athletes from the Cork Munster Stadium Amateur class, It is the athlete and horse as a ‘combination’ that qualify;
- **Ten** athletes from lottery draw, to take place before 26th July 2016;
- **Six** athletes to be nominated by the Organising Committee, based on whom the Organising Committee believe will attract crowds and new sponsors to Showjumping;

3. ATHLETE/HORSE MINIMUM ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT

- Athlete and Horse must be a registered Amateur with Show jumping Ireland. Horse must have completed a 1.00m class (or higher) at an SJI affiliated event in 2015 or 2016 with a score of not more than eight penalties before the definite entry date in order to be eligible to compete;
- The Organising Committee reserve the right in exceptional circumstances, to waive the minimum eligibility requirement in the best interest of the competition.

4. HORSE SUBSTITUTIONS

- The OC intend to publish a detailed programme with athlete biography, horse breeding and notable results to date. As such, the OC wish to discourage horse substitutions. In the event a substitution is necessary, Tuesday 2nd August (midday). Substitutions must be accompanied with a fee of €100.00 and a veterinary certificate which is to be lodged in the SJI office on the day of the substitution request;
- Thereafter, any substitutions requests will only be considered in **exceptional circumstances** with the express approval of the Organising Committee.

5. RESERVES

- After the definite entry stage a list of reserves will be published in ranked order. The reserves will be taken from the lottery draw.
- After midday on the 2nd August, the programme for the event will be finalised. The starting athletes will be listed with 3 reserves in ranked order. Further reserves will not be called up after this date.
- Should a horse be withdrawn or become a non-starter before **12pm** on the day of the event the entry will be offered to the reserve combination subject to there being remaining reserves on the programme.

6. ENTRY RIGHT TO SHOWGROUNDS FOR ACCREDITED PERSONS:

- Entry for athlete with wristband;
- One groom’s wristbands;
- Two owner’s wristbands;

7. RULES

- Will be run pursuant to Article 254N.C. ‘Special Rules pertaining to Amateur Athletes’ and Article 239.2 ‘Table C’ departures from these Articles are as stated in this schedule;
- Will be run as an ‘Open Amateur Table C Speed’, i.e. A & AA amateur athletes will compete in the one class, over the same course;

- Fence height as stated in Article 254N.C.1.14 of the SJI Rules, maximum height will be 1.10m;
- Athletes must adhere to the dress code as per Article 256N 1.6 of the SJI rules unless athletes/ horses are requested to wear JITC number clothes for public identification purposes.
- The seeding will be (1) athletes qualified from Limerick, Munster Stadium Showjumping and Cork Muster Stadium Showjumping in order of finish with the lowest finishing qualifier from Limerick going first, then lowest finishing qualifier from Cork, then highest finishing qualifier from Limerick followed by highest finishing qualifier from Cork (2) 10 athletes from seeded lottery draw, (3) Organising Committee nominated athletes

8. PRIZE MONEY – AMATEUR

- Prize fund (in kind) value up to €9,000; Kindly supplied by WestWood lfor Williams.

1st Place will receive a ‘Westwood/lfor Williams’ 506 Horsebox’

2nd – 5th will receive prizes in kind

9. PRIZE GIVING CEREMONY

- The top three prize-winners must take part in the prize giving ceremony (Article 248.5 of the SJI Rules).
- Two Owners of the winning horse as per the entry form will be invited to participate in the prize giving ceremony.
- The prize giving ceremony will commence after the Puissance and will be on foot and FEI Dress is required.
- Athletes are expected to wear JITC competitions sponsor’s caps, if requested during the Prize giving ceremony.
- The Prize giving party will consist of a Representative of the Government, The Chairman of Horse Sport Ireland or his nominee, The Chairman of Show Jumping Ireland or his nominee, a representative of the overall sponsor and a representative of the class sponsor.

10. COMPETITION DETAILS

Kindly sponsored by:



- Type of Competition: Amateur Table C Speed
 - Acc. to Article: 239.2C SJI Rules
 - **Start time:** 5.30pm
 - Obstacles height: max 1.10 (Open Amateur Class)
 - Number of horses per athlete 1
 - Number of Starters: 20
 - Total prize money:
 - Prize fund (in kind) value up to €9,000 , Kindly supplied by WestWood lfor Williams.
- 1st Place will receive a ‘Westwood lfor Williams’ 506 Horsebox’**
 2nd – 5th will receive prizes in kind

OFFICIALS –Jumping In The City August 5th Shelbourne Park

Ref.	Panel	Function	Name
1	Judges		Ailish Mulholland
			Maureen Bagnall
			Gilly Beare
2	IT/Audio Event Coordinator	-	Blue Silk
3	SJ Coordinator	-	Gerry Gorman
4	Arena Manager	-	Taylor Vard Liz vard
5	Course Designer	Course Designer	Mossvale Ltd
6	Stewards	Chief Steward	Orla Griffin
		Assistant Steward	Mary Mahon
		Assistant Steward	Pearl Stevenson
7	Appeals Jury	-	Noleen Jones
		-	Christine Walsh
		-	Marie Wheeler
8	Official Starters	Official Starter	Mags Duncan
		Flag Starter	Henry Bateman
9	GP Liaison	-	James Maher
10	Veterinary	Vet	David McCann
11	Anti-Doping Liaison	-	Mary Mahon
12	Health & Safety Officer	-	Pat McCormack
13	Medical Doctor	Medical Doctor	Mary Roycroft
14	Farrier	Farrier	John Boyne
15	Grounds/Turf Coordinator	-	Bob O' Keeffe
16	Arena Party SJ		Mossvale Ltd

VETERINARY MATTERS

1. HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

In accordance with the SJI and FEI Code of Conduct, it is imperative that all Horses at SJI events are physically fit and free from infectious disease before being allowed to compete.

2. VENUE ARRIVAL INFORMATION & FITNESS TO COMPETE

Horses competing at Show jumping Ireland events must comply with the requirements for Equine Influenza vaccination in accordance with the national rules and as summarised below.

VACCINATION	PROTOCOL	ELIGIBILITY TO ENTER VENUE
Primary Course	1 st Vaccination: day 0 (e.g. 1 January) 2 nd Vaccination: day 21-92 (e.g. 1 February)	May compete 7 days after the 2 nd Vaccination
First Booster	Within 7 months of the 2 nd vaccination of the Primary Course (e.g. 1 August)	May compete for 6 months +21 days after the 2 nd vaccination of the Primary Course Must not compete in the 7 days after receiving a vaccination
Boosters	MINIMUM: within one year of previous booster vaccination	An annual booster less than 365 days after the third injection. Must not compete in the 7 days after receiving a vaccination

3. HORSE SPORT IRELAND EQUINE ANTI-DOPING AND CONTROLLED MEDICATION PROGRAMME (EADCMP)

All horses competing at SJI Events may be subject to sampling for the presence of Equine Prohibited Substances in accordance with the Horse Sport Ireland Equine Anti-Doping Rules and Equine Controlled Medication Rules, 'ECM and EAD Rules'. Horses may be selected for sampling in accordance with obligatory testing, targeted or random sampling procedures. Athletes are reminded of the procedures relating to Equine Therapeutic Use Exemption (ETUE). Please follow the link below for more information.

<http://www.horsesportireland.ie/governance/anti-doping/>

The current FEI Equine Prohibited Substances List of Banned Substances and Controlled Medications (the EPSL) is available on the FEI Clean Sport website: www.FEICleanSport.org as a PDF document, database or smart phone app. Detection times are also provided for a limited number of Controlled Medication substances where available.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. INSURANCES

This event is a SJI affiliated event. As such, the event is covered by the standard SJI insurance policy.

2. MODIFICATION OF SCHEDULE

The Organising Committee reserves all rights to modify the schedule in order to clarify any matter or matters arising from an omission or due to unforeseen circumstances. The OC and the SJI

National Competitions Committee reserve all rights with regard to the event and the OC nominated athletes. As such, Organising Committee can amend this schedule at any time. The Organising Committee shall not be responsible or liable in any way to anyone as a result of any such amendment or decisions.

3. RULES

This event is organised in accordance with Show jumping Ireland National Rules and the FEI Code of Conduct for the Welfare of the Horse.

4. STEWARDING - BOOT AND BANDAGE CONTROL

Athletes are reminded of Appendix 12 of the SJI Rules:

Appendix 12: If an athlete is uncertain as to whether the boots he/she intends to use during an event are allowed, he/she or his/her representative should show the boots to the Chief Steward for his/her opinion before the boots are used in training or in competition. In addition, athletes are to be made aware that hind boots must be removed and placed again on the horse's legs in the presence of a Steward while in the warm-up arena prior to entering the competition arena for certain competitions. (If bandages are used in place of boots, athletes are not required to remove the bandages in the warm-up arena.) This procedure is compulsory for competitions for which boot and bandage control is mandatory and is at the discretion of the Chief Steward for other competitions. As an alternative to carrying out this procedure at the time designated by the Steward an athlete may ask his/her groom to take the boots to the in-gate and place them on the horse's legs in front of the Steward prior to the combination entering the arena.

The Steward has the authority to intervene if a boot is deemed excessively tight by instructing that the boot be removed and put on again correctly. [Stewards are to note that it is normal for a horse's gait to be somewhat affected immediately after boots have been removed and replaced.] If an athlete or his/her groom refuses to remove and re-place the boot(s) when instructed to do so by the Steward, a Warning may be issued to the athlete in question and result in possible elimination. If it is deemed impossible or unsafe to remove the hind boots in the warm-up arena prior to the combination entering the competition arena, due to an extremely excited or nervous horse, the boots of the horse in question are to be removed by the athlete/groom following the athlete's round upon leaving the arena and inspected by the Steward. This inspection may be carried out during the boot and bandage control if the boot and bandage control is carried out for the competition in question. This procedure does not replace boot and bandage control after completion of an athlete's round for competitions for which boot and bandage control is mandatory (refer to FEI JRs Art. 244.1).

THE FEI CODE OF CONDUCT

FOR THE WELFARE OF THE HORSE

The Fédération Equestre Internationale (FEI) expects all those involved in international equestrian sport to adhere to the FEI's Code of Conduct and to acknowledge and accept that at all times the welfare of the horse must be paramount and must never be subordinated to competitive or commercial influences.

1. At all stages during the preparation and training of competition horses, welfare must take precedence over all other demands. This includes good horse management, training methods, farriery and tack, and transportation.

2. Horses and Athletes must be fit, competent and in good health before they are allowed to compete. This encompasses medication use, surgical procedures that threaten welfare or safety, pregnancy in mares and the misuse of aids.
3. Events must not prejudice horse welfare. This involves paying careful attention to the competition areas, ground surfaces, weather conditions, stabling, site safety and fitness of the horse for onward travel after the event.
4. Every effort must be made to ensure that horses receive proper attention after they have competed and that they are treated humanely when their competition careers are over. This covers proper veterinary care, competition injuries, euthanasia and retirement.
5. The FEI urges all involved with the sport to attain the highest levels of education in their areas of expertise.

A full copy of this Code can be obtained from the Fédération Equestre Internationale, HM King Hussein I Building, Chemin de la Joliette 8, 1006 Lausanne, Switzerland. Telephone: +41 21 310 47 47. The Code is available in English & French. The Code is also available on the FEI's website: www.fei.org.