



FEGENTRI

1955 – 2025
70 years of World Championships



INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF GENTLEMEN AND LADY RIDERS

The present statutes of the International Federation of Gentlemen-Riders cancel and replace the statutes filed in 1986 with the Paris Police Prefecture. They result, in particular, from the votes of the General Assemblies of December 7, 1996, February 12, 2005, February 4, 2006, February 3, 2007, February 6, 2010, April 11, 2011 and April 12, 2025.

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ARTICLE 1 - DENOMINATION

The Associations or Clubs of Gentlemen-Riders (Officers, Lady Riders, Amateurs) from the following countries: Germany, France, Italy, Sweden, and Switzerland, founded the „INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF GENTLEMEN-RIDERS“ (FEGENTRI) on Saturday, February 5, 1955, in St. Moritz (Switzerland), for an unlimited period. These countries are the Founding Members.

Following the vote of the General Assembly on December 7, 1996, the **Association became the INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF GENTLEMEN AND LADY RIDERS (FEGENTRI).**

ARTICLE 2 - MEMBERS

a) Nations

National Associations of Gentlemen-Riders, Officers, and Amateur Lady Riders from all countries may become Members of FEGENTRI.

The National Association wishing to join as a Member of FEGENTRI must submit a written request to its President. This request must be accompanied by the necessary supporting documents, including the association's statutes, the list of its members, and the people belonging to its governing bodies.

Countries without an Amateur Racing Association may become „Associate Members“ of FEGENTRI. This status allows them to organize FEGENTRI races in their country but does not grant the right to send their own amateur riders to participate in FEGENTRI races abroad. They will be invited to the General Assembly and will have the right to vote.

By joining as a Member or Associate Member, each National Association agrees to abide by the present statutes, as well as the regulations and decisions made by FEGENTRI.

In exceptional cases, the Board of Directors may appoint Honorary Members upon the proposal of a National Club.

b) Individual Members

Individuals from all countries, whether they are or not members of National Amateur Riding Associations, may become Members of FEGENTRI.

The individual wishing to join as an Individual Member of FEGENTRI must submit a written request to its President. This request must be accompanied by the necessary supporting documents.

Individual members will be invited to the Annual Awards Ceremony Gala. They will not have the right to vote.

By joining as an Individual Member, each member agrees to abide by the present statutes, as well as the regulations and decisions made by FEGENTRI.

The International Federation of Gentlemen and Lady Riders (FEGENTRI) offers Individual Membership to persons interested in supporting the objectives of the Federation and participating in its activities.

1) Eligibility: Individuals from any country may apply for Individual Membership. The applicant must be recommended by a current member of FEGENTRI, either an Individual Member or a Member of a National Club. All applications are subject to approval by the FEGENTRI Board.

2) Membership Fee: The fee for Individual

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Membership is €120 per year. To participate in the full season, individuals must register before December 31st of the year prior to the upcoming season.

- 3) Payment Option: The membership fee can be paid yearly; automatic transfers being implemented for renewal.
- 4) Automatic Renewal: Membership is automatically renewed each year unless the individual decides to cancel (see 6. Withdrawal).
- 5) Rights of Individual Members: Individual Members have the right to participate in up to two FEGENTRI steps and related activities (upon request to the Secretary General at least ten days prior), provided their annual membership fee is paid. Additional participation is optional and can be agreed prior to steps under conditions.
- 6) Withdrawal: An individual member may withdraw from FEGENTRI at the end of the administrative year by informing the Secretariat before September 30th. Membership cancellation is only effective once all financial obligations to the Federation have been settled.
- 7) Obligations: By joining, individuals agree to abide by the statutes, regulations, and decisions made by FEGENTRI. The individual member also agrees to support the goals of FEGENTRI and participate actively in its activities. The Individual Member has no right to vote.

ARTICLE 3 - PURPOSE AND ACTIVITIES

The purpose of FEGENTRI is to establish ties of camaraderie and solidarity among Gentlemen-Riders and Amateur Lady

Riders from different countries, thereby perpetuating the traditions of morality, courtesy, and courage that characterize equestrian sport.

In light of the Racing Codes of different countries, FEGENTRI must:

- a) Encourage international sporting races for Gentlemen-Riders, Officers, and Amateur Lady Riders (flat races, hurdle races, steeplechases, and cross-country races),
- b) Coordinate official international races for Gentlemen-Riders, Officers, and Amateur Lady Riders by establishing schedules and striving to unify the general conditions for these races,
- c) Maintain close relationships with the official representatives of all countries.

ARTICLE 4 - HEADQUARTERS

The headquarters of FEGENTRI are located at 2, Route d'Auteuil aux Lacs - 75016 PARIS (FRANCE).

ARTICLE 5 - FINANCIAL YEAR

The financial year begins on January 1 of each year and ends on December 31 of the same year.

ARTICLE 6 - ANNUAL REPORT

At the end of each year, National Associations must submit a report to FEGENTRI on their sports activities, along with a list of their members and governing bodies.

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ARTICLE 7 - COTISATIONS

National Associations must pay an annual membership fee to FEGENTRI. The Board of Directors will propose the amount of this fee annually, and it must be paid before March 31.

Associate Members will also be required to pay an annual membership fee.

ARTICLE 8 - REVOKATION OF MEMBERSHIP STATUS

The dissolution of a National Association results in the loss of its status as a Member of FEGENTRI.

Any National Association may withdraw from FEGENTRI at the end of each financial year, provided it announces its intention to withdraw before September 30 and has fulfilled all its obligations to FEGENTRI.

The General Assembly may revoke any National Association that fails to meet its obligations or has harmed FEGENTRI's interests.

ARTICLE 9 - DIRECTIVE BODIES

The governing bodies of FEGENTRI are as follows:

- a) The General Assembly,
- b) The Board of Directors,
- c) The Secretariat,
- d) The Financial Control.

ARTICLE 10 - GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The General Assembly consists of up to three representatives per country.

Each National Association which is a full member and each Associate Member may cast one vote provided that they have paid its annual fee.

A country that is unable to attend the General Assembly may not be represented by another country or vote by proxy. However, it has the right to submit a report to express its views.

The Ordinary General Assembly meets once a year. Extraordinary General Assemblies may be convened by the Board of Directors, and when at least five Associations request it. Invitations must be sent by the Secretary General at least sixteen days before the meeting.

a) Powers of the Ordinary General Assembly

The Ordinary General Assembly is competent to rule on all matters concerning FEGENTRI and on all points listed on the agenda, in particular:

- 1) It appoints the Members of the Board of Directors and the Auditors for a renewable term of three years. These members can be re-elected.
- 2) It approves, modifies, or rejects the amendments adopted by the Board of Directors.
- 3) It approves or modifies the annual reports concerning the management and activities of FEGENTRI.
- 4) It hears the report of the Auditors and gives its approval of the accounts.
- 5) It appoints the President.

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Resolutions are adopted by a majority of votes, with the President's vote being decisive.

b) Powers of the Extraordinary General Assembly.

- 1) Major decisions concerning the future of FEGENTRI.
- 2) Amendments to the statutes.
- 3) Dissolution of FEGENTRI.

Resolutions are adopted by a two-thirds majority of the votes, provided that at least two-thirds of the members are present.

ARTICLE 11 - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

a) Composition

The Board of Directors consists of a minimum of five members and a maximum of eight members. The President, appointed by the General Assembly, is automatically a member of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors appoints one or more Vice Presidents from the people nominated to constitute the Board of Directors.

b) Powers of the Board of Directors

The Board of Directors has the same powers as a Board of Directors, including:

- a. The drafting of the Internal Regulations,
- b. The admission of new Members,
- c. The proposal of the amount of the annual membership fee,
- d. The appointment of Honorary Members.

The Board of Directors may decide to create new categories of members, provided that these members do not have voting rights but are allowed to attend

General Assemblies. These members may be individuals, associations, or companies. Any new member must be approved by the Board of Directors. The Board decides whether certain members will pay an annual fee, a perpetual fee, or be exempt. The conditions for becoming a member are established by the Board of Directors.

Honorary Members are appointed for life by the Board of Directors. Their title can only be revoked in the event of serious misconduct, which will be submitted for the General Assembly's consideration. Honorary Members constitute an Honorary Board that meets whenever one or more Honorary Members request the Honorary Presidents to call a meeting. Such a meeting must be convened within 60 days of the request. The Honorary Board may make non-binding recommendations to the General Assembly and the Board of Directors. Honorary Members are invited to the General Assembly but do not have voting rights.

Resolutions are adopted by a simple majority of votes. The President's vote is decisive.

The Board of Directors meets:

- 1) Mandatorily at the end of the year to establish the calendar for the following year.
- 2) As often as necessary, at the request of at least three of its members.

Invitations must be sent by the Secretary General or the President, sixteen days before the meeting.

ARTICLE 12 - SECRETARIAT

The General Assembly, on the proposal of the Board of Directors, appoints a Secretary General who will represent and act as a

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delegate for the Assembly. The Secretary General must:

- Maintain contact and improve relations with the authorities of all member countries and the organizers of FEGENTRI races,
- Establish permanent links with each national delegate or the correspondent for each Club,
- Attend all meetings to ensure that FEGENTRI's regulations are being respected,
- Study on-site the difficulties faced by each country,
- Facilitate the realization of FEGENTRI's goals.

Furthermore, he/she carries out the tasks entrusted to him by the General Assembly and the Board of Directors and, in particular, participates in the drafting of minutes, annual reports, accounts, etc. He/she will be compensated.

He/she assists in the smooth running of the meetings of the General Assembly and the Board of Directors and carries out the tasks assigned by the FEGENTRI leadership.

ARTICLE 13 - FINANCIAL CONTROL

The Financial Control is composed of two Auditors, appointed from among the delegates. They examine the accounts of FEGENTRI at the end of each financial year and present their report to the General Assembly.

ARTICLE 14 - AGENDA

The agenda is established by the President of FEGENTRI.

ARTICLE 15 - RESPONSABILITIES

The Social Fund of FEGENTRI is solely responsible for the Federation's obligations. The individual liability of the Associations is excluded.

ARTICLE 16 - COMMUNICATION

Communications with FEGENTRI will be conducted by simple letter. All correspondence for FEGENTRI must be addressed to the attention of the General Secretariat.

ARTICLE 17 - DISSOLUTION

In the event of FEGENTRI's dissolution, the Extraordinary General Assembly appoints the liquidators and decides how to use any remaining funds.

The assets will be distributed according to legal provisions.

ARTICLE 18 - LEGISLATION

For matters not covered by these statutes, the legislation of the country where FEGENTRI has its headquarters shall apply.

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ARTICLE 19 - INTERNATIONAL RACES FOR LADY RIDERS

FEGENTRI may organize international races for lady riders „under the auspices of FEGENTRI“ and oversee these races in accordance with the sporting and administrative regulations.

These races will be organized in agreement with the Secretariat of FEGENTRI and in consultation with the Jockey Clubs of each country.

ARTICLE 20 - SPORTING REGULATIONS

The sporting regulations necessary for achieving FEGENTRI's objectives are adopted by the Board of Directors. They must improve the conditions for the administration and development of FEGENTRI. They can be modified by a simple resolution of the Board of Directors. They bind all members in the same way as the present statutes.

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