FEGENTRI

SPORTING REGULATIONS

The general conditions contained in these Sporting Regulations will be applied by the National Amateur Clubs, who will ensure that they are equally applied by their respective local racing authorities, in order to have unified rules in all countries. For the purpose of these Sporting Regulations, the concept of "Amateur Riders" means both Gentlemen-Riders and Lady Riders. The notion of National Amateur Clubs also includes other organizations being members of Fegentri.

1. General conditions

The purpose of Fegentri is to establish among the Gentlemen-Riders and Lady Riders from different countries, long lasting friendships based on respect and solidarity, thus perpetuating the traditions of morality, courtesy and courage that characterize the equestrian sport.

In order to achieve this goal, the Fegentri will organize three distinct Championships :

• A World Championship, on the flat. Gentlemen Riders and Lady Riders compete in two separate Championships, some races can be mixed.

• An Amateur Riders Champion Cup, on the flat, reserved to the best & most experienced riders. Gentlemen Riders and Lady Riders compete in a mixed Championship. This Championship is momentarily suspended.

• A Jump World Championship. Gentlemen Riders and Lady Riders compete in a mixed Championship, **which shall be contested between nations.**

1.1. Race conditions

a) World Championship

In order to qualify as a Fegentri World Championship race, at starter declaration, a race must comprise nominated representatives of at least three countries whose National Amateur Clubs are full members of Fegentri.

In races comprising nominated representatives of only two National Amateur Clubs after starter declaration, foreign Amateur Riders shall qualify for points but local Amateur Riders shall not.

Fegentri World Championship races will be chosen from among each country's most important races for Amateur Riders. The prize money allocated to these races varies in accordance with each country's financial means. However, the National Amateur Clubs will endeavor to increase the prize money allocated to these races. Moreover, in order to give equal chances to the riders, priority will be given to handicap races. In World Championship races, 3% of the winner's purse is owed to Fegentri.

All nations members of Fegentri having riders participating in the World Championship must organize at least one race on their own soil. This race must correspond to the category the riders are participating in, and can be mixed. A country nominating both ladies and gentlemen riders shall organize at least two races, regular or mixed.

b) Amateur Riders Champion Cup

In order to qualify as a Fegentri Amateur Riders Champion Cup race, at starter declaration, a race must comprise nominated representatives of at least three countries whose National Amateur Clubs are full members of Fegentri.

In races comprising nominated representatives of only two National Amateur Clubs after starter declaration, foreign Amateur Riders shall qualify for points but local Amateur Riders shall not.

Those races are scheduled on major racecourses and during special racing days. They are chosen by decision of the Fegentri Board, upon National Amateur Clubs' proposal.

c) Jump Championship

In order to qualify as a Fegentri Gentlemen's League Jump race, at starter declaration, a race must comprise representatives from at least three different countries, holding a valid Amateur riding license, delivered by their own national racing authority.

All jump races, which are part of the Fegentri Gentlemen's League Jump Championship, bear the title: Fegentri Gentlemen's League World Amateur Jump Championship.

Fegentri Gentlemen's League Jump Championship's races will be chosen from among each country's most important races for Amateur Riders. The prize money allocated to these races varies in accordance with each country´s financial means. However, the National Amateur Clubs will endeavor to increase the prize money allocated to these races.

All nations members of FEGENTRI having riders participating in the Fegentri Gentlemen's League Championship must organize at least one race on their own soil. Exceptions will be decided by the Board.

1.2. Rides Assignment

a) World Championship

Whenever possible, the rides are to be assigned through a random draw, organized by each host country's local racing authorities.

However, if a rider totally or partially owns a horse entered in a race, he/she will be allowed to ride this horse, as an exception to the above rule.

In the World Championship, nations are allowed to organize mixed races. Those races have the main purpose to increase the number of races open for Gentlemen-Riders ; if a nation can organize at least one Lady Riders and one Gentlemen-Riders race, this second option will be preferred. The mixed races follow the rules of the nation hosting the race in terms of weight allowance ; the attribution of points stays unchanged, and the ranking remains separate per gender. **Races will be listed in the FEGENTRI calendar according to the category of FEGENTRI riders invited; if both FEGENTRI Ladies and Gentlemen-Riders are invited, the race will be announced as a mixed race.**

b) Amateur Riders Champion Cup

The rides will systematically be assigned through a random draw, organized by each host country's local racing authorities. However, if a rider totally or partially owns a horse entered in a race, he/she will be allowed to ride this horse as an exception to the above rule.

c) Jump Championship

There will be no draw for jump races.

d) General

There will be no allowance for any rider in Fegentri races or races run under Fegentri rules. Amateur riders must abide by the rules of the countries where they ride.

1.3. Invitations

A hosting Club should send the invitation questionnaire and other important information to the Secretary General at least four weeks prior to the race. The invitations are issued by the Secretary General at least three weeks prior to the race, the only exception being the final race; the Secretary General will wait for the rankings to be up to date to send the last invitation. Invitations should be replied to as soon as possible and not later than within a week.

In the World Championship, the Secretary General will ensure that each nation with a nominated rider receives an equivalent number of invitations.

In the World Championship, **for the last 3 races of the season and according to the number of horses and FEGENTRI riders invited in each race,** only the main representative of each nation (cf. point 2.a.) in the top of the FEGENTRI rankings will be invited.

In the Amateur Riders Champion Cup and according to the number of horses in the race, only nations in the top of the Fegentri ranking will be invited to the final race.

In case of multiple riders nominated per nation, the Secretary General will extend the invitations directly to the National Amateur Club, who in turn will forward it to the rider of their choice.

A nation's decline without serious reason will be considered as a valid invitation.

1.4. Travelling

Each National Amateur Club is responsible for the travelling costs of its own Amateur Rider invited to compete in a Fegentri race.

The Amateur Club hosting a race is responsible for the accommodation and reasonable internal transportation costs of each invited rider, as well as the official Fegentri representant, inside the country where the Fegentri races are held; this does not include transportation from and to the airport.

1.5. Sponsoring

Until 2023, Longines is the exclusive partner of the Fegentri World Championship. All races, which are part of the Fegentri World Championship (Flat), bear the title: Longines Fegentri World Championship. After this date, all races which are part of the Fegentri World Championships bear the title: *Sponsor* Fegentri World Championship.

All races which are part of the Fegentri Amateur Riders Champion Cup bear the title: *Sponsor* Fegentri Amateur Riders Champion Cup".

1.6. Exceptional issues

Any matter which is not mentioned in these Sporting Regulations will be treated according to the host country's Racing Authorities rules. Exceptions from the Sporting Regulations could be decided by the President and the General Secretary in urgent cases. The Board should be informed of such decisions as soon as possible.

2. Qualifications applicable to Gentlemen Riders and Lady Riders

a) General

Each National Amateur Club must select its representatives before the 15th January, and designate its main one who will be competing for the title of World Champion in each category. To be nominated as a rider in the three FEGENTRI Championships the rider must be between 18 and 40 years old to participate, and must have ridden at least ten races in the twelve months prior. Any request of an exception will be decided by the FEGENTRI Board.

Changes during any given calendar year will only be allowed with the consent of the Board and for valid reasons. In case of a change of representatives during a calendar year, the points of the

representative will not be allocated to his/her replacement and the new representative will start with no points.

The nominated riders shall respect and promote the values of the Fegentri: elegance, friendship and sporting excellence.

b) World Championship

A National Amateur Club can be represented by a maximum of three riders, and only one rider per race. If a National Amateur Club presents more than one nominated rider in a race, the Club shall decide who will be its first rider, before starters declaration.

A rider can be nominated to ride both flat and jump Championships. In order to participate in a Fegentri World Championship race, each nominated rider must have ridden at least five winners either on the flat or over jumps including Points-to-Points. The nominated riders must be members of their National Amateur Club, which in turns must be a member of Fegentri. The number of winners of local participating amateur riders shall be set at a minimum of five, but can be decided at the discretion of the host country.

c) Amateur Riders Champion Cup

Each National Amateur Club must select its representatives among its most experienced riders. A National Amateur Club can be yearly represented by a maximum of two riders (one lady, one gentleman, or both). They are free to send either one rider, or both of them to compete in the same race.

In order to participate in a Fegentri Amateur Riders Champion Cup race, amateur riders must be approved by the Board of Fegentri, upon request from their National Amateur Clubs. The Board of Fegentri will take decision within a month. They must have been a Fegentri champion or a national champion in the five past years or present an exceptional experience and race record. The nominated riders must be members of their National Amateur Club which in turn must be a member of Fegentri.

d) Jump Championship

Besides National Amateur Clubs, the Gentlemen´s League can also nominate participants. A rider can be nominated to ride both flat and jump Championships.

In order to be allowed to participate in a Fegentri Gentlemen´s League World Jump Championship race, Amateur Riders must have ridden at least three winners either on the flat or over jumps including Point-to-Points.

The nominated riders must be members of their National Amateur Club.

3. Silks & caps

a) World Championship

In the Fegentri World Championship, whenever possible, nominated riders will wear silks representing the national flag of their countries, as well as the armband provided by the sponsor. When not possible, nominated riders shall wear an armband representing the national flag of their countries, as well as the armband provided by the sponsor. In the case of a nominated rider forgetting the nation silks, the fine resulting should be at the charge of the national amateur club which the rider is member of.

b) Amateur Riders Champion Cup

In the Fegentri World Amateur Riders Champion Cup, nominated riders will wear silks representing the national flag of their countries, as well as the armband provided by the sponsor.

c) Jump Championship

In the Fegentri Gentlemen's League World Amateur Jump Championship, nominated riders shall wear an armband representing the national flag of their countries.

4. Minimum weight

According to each Championship, riders are advised to fit the following minimum weight requirements:

a) World Championship

Lady-Riders: 59kg

Gentlemen Riders: 63kg

b) Amateur Riders Champion Cup

Lady-Riders & Gentlemen Riders: 62kg

c) Jump Championship:

Lady-Riders & Gentlemen Riders: 65kg

5. Prizes

The following prizes will be attributed at the end of each year:

a) World Championship

• Gold Spur - *Sponsor* Fegentri World Champion (Lady-Riders)

• Silver Spur - *Sponsor* Fegentri World Champion (Lady-Riders)

• Vermeil Spur - *Sponsor* Fegentri World Champion (Lady-Riders)

• Golden Spur - *Sponsor* Fegentri World Champion (Lady- Riders winning Nation)

• Gold Spur - *Sponsor* Fegentri World Champion (Gentlemen-Riders)

• Silver Spur - *Sponsor* Fegentri World Champion (Gentlemen-Riders)

• Vermeil Spur - *Sponsor* Fegentri World Champion (Gentlemen-Riders)

• Golden Spur - *Sponsor* Fegentri World Champion (Gentlemen-Riders winning Nation)

b) Amateur Riders Champion Cup

• Gold Spur- *Sponsor* Fegentri Amateur Riders Champion Cup (winning Lady or Gentleman)

• Silver Spur- *Sponsor* Fegentri Amateur Riders Champion Cup (second Lady or Gentleman)

• Vermeil Spur- *Sponsor* Fegentri Amateur Riders Champion Cup (third Lady or Gentleman)

• Gold Spur - *Sponsor* Fegentri Amateur Riders Champion Cup (winning Nation)

c) Jump Championship

• Gold Spur- Fegentri Jump Championship (winning nation)

6. Rankings

In order to obtain a ranking in the Fegentri World Championship in each category (flat or over jumps), Amateur Riders must have participated in races in the same category in at least three (flat) or two (over jumps) different countries including their country of origin. The above rule does not apply to the Fegentri Amateur Rider Champion Cup.

If, at the end of the championships, two or more Amateur Riders/nations in a Championship category have the same amount of points the winner shall be the one who (in the following order): has had the most winners, has had the most second places, has had the most third places, and so on.

7. Point system

a) Allocation of points

No point will be allocated to Amateur Riders participating in a race which is not validated as Fegentri.

In the individual Championships, each rider will cumulate his own points. In nations Championships, each nation will cumulate its nominated riders' cumulated points.

In the Fegentri Amateur Riders Champion Cup, in case of both representant per nation in a given race, only the first of the two riders will score points for the nation Championship, but both rider will score points for the individual Championship.

Amateur Riders are allocated points according to the place where they finished:

Position	Points allocated
First	10
Second	7
Third	5
Fourth	3
Fifth	2
Six to last	1

In case of a fall after the start of the race, the rider will receive a point. In case of a non-runner, no point will be allocated.

8. Calendar

Each National Club will submit the dates of the races as soon as possible.

When the situation arises where two or more country-members wish to organise a race on the same date, the following rules will be applied:

1. Priority will be given to the country hosting the less number of races per racing season.

2. Priority will be given to the race offering the biggest prize money

3. The importance of the racing day, in term of numbers of visitors expected on the racecourse, will then be considered.

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