

## FEI General Assembly approves restructured FEI Jumping Rules

The FEI General Assembly has approved, with 96% approval, the restructured FEI Jumping Rules, which will take effect on 1 January 2026.

The proposed Article 259 on Jumping Recorded Warnings was also approved. In doing so National Federations acknowledged the Rule as a meaningful advancement, enhancing horse welfare through added measures and safeguards, as follows:

New mandatory fitness-to-compete checks by the Ground Jury, in consultation with the Veterinary Delegate, in all cases of blood.

Horses now only permitted to continue competing if passed fit-to-compete following the above Veterinary check.

Clearer rules for FEI Officials, removing the "minor" distinction and ensuring greater consistency and objectivity.

Increased transparency and accountability for athletes, with all Jumping Recorded Warnings published by the FEI.

Automatic notification to National Federations of all Jumping Recorded Warnings concerning their athletes, enabling them to better monitor cases and decide whether to impose additional welfare checks or measures.

The rules that are still in place and remain unchanged are:

- mandatory disqualification for excessive use of spurs;
- the Abuse of Horse provisions;
- and the possibility of opening separate disciplinary proceedings to impose additional sanctions.