PERMITTED TREATING VETERINARIAN CODEX

- 1. The Permitted Treating Veterinarian must be a licensed Veterinarian in the country of their National Federation.
- Permitted Treating Veterinarians must ensure that at all times the Horse's welfare and health are prioritised according to the FEI Code of Conduct for the Welfare of the Horse, the FEI Veterinary Regulations, the FEI General Regulations, the FEI Equine Anti-Doping and Controlled Medication Regulations and any other applicable rules or regulations.
- 3. Permitted Treating Veterinarians must make themselves known and present their FEI Veterinarian ID card, on arrival, to the Veterinary Commission/ Delegate when attending FEI Events. The Permitted Treating Veterinarian's contact information, including mobile telephone number, and a list of the Horses they are responsible for must be provided to the Veterinary Commission/ Delegate.
- 4. Permitted Treating Veterinarians must ensure they are familiar and understand to the best of their ability, both the FEI Veterinary and FEI Equine Anti-Doping and Controlled Medication Regulations, in addition to an awareness of the FEI General Regulations including any updates to the above-mentioned regulations; it is critical for all Permitted Treating Veterinarians to firmly commit themselves to Clean Sport.
- 5. Permitted Treating Veterinarians must continually be concerned about and use their best efforts to protect the safety of both the human and equine athlete.
- 6. Permitted Treating Veterinarians must accept and acknowledge their responsibility to act in compliance with all applicable local and national laws.
- 7. Disciplinary actions will be taken against Permitted Treating Veterinarians who do not follow the Codex and/or FEI Regulations. Such disciplinary actions may consist of a warning, a temporary suspension and/ or removal from the FEI Permitted Treating Veterinarian list as set forth in the FEI Veterinary Regulations.
- 8. FEI Permitted Treating Veterinarians are not considered FEI Officials or FEI Official Veterinarians.

OFFICIAL VETERINARIAN CODEX

- 1. The FEI Official Veterinarian must be a licensed Veterinarian in the country of their National Federation and be experienced as an equine practitioner. During any official role, he/she is always a representative of FEI.
- 2. Veterinarians must ensure that the horses' welfare is maintained according to the FEI Code of Conduct and the FEI Veterinary Regulations at all times.
- 3. An FEI Official Veterinarian must pro-actively manage any actual or perceived conflict of interest when attending FEI Events in an Official Veterinarian role. An Official Veterinarian must have a consistent, neutral, independent and fair position towards Athletes, owners, trainers, organisers and other officials and integrate well into the single team of officials. Financial and/or personal interest must never influence, or be perceived to influence, his/her judgment.

Activities which will lead to or may lead to a "conflict of interest" when officiating may include, but are not limited to:

- To be owner/part-owner of horses competing at the Event
- To compete at the Event oneself
- Having a close personal relationship with an Athlete
- Working privately with the horse or Athlete

In the interest of transparency, an FEI Official Veterinarian has the responsibility to notify the Ground Jury at the Event and the FEI Veterinary Department of any of the above or any other possible conflicts of interest, or situations that may be perceived as such. The Ground Jury shall then decide whether or not it is permissible for the FEI Official Veterinarian to continue in that capacity at the Event.

- 4. FEI Officials Veterinarians must ensure that they are familiar and understand both the FEI Veterinary and FEI Equine Anti-Doping and Controlled Medication Regulations, in addition to an awareness of the FEI General Regulations. They must ensure that they are aware of any annual changes, regularly reviewing the Regulations and support a Clean Sport.
- 5. Veterinarians must continually be aware of both human and equine athlete safety.
- 6. FEI Official Veterinarians must accept and acknowledge their responsibility to act in compliance with all applicable local and National laws; if requested they should advise Permitted Treating Veterinarians of relevant local National laws.
- 7. During FEI events Official Veterinarians must be punctual and correct in their way of behaviour, ensuring the integrity of FEI Veterinarians.
- 8. The FEI and the FEI Veterinary Committee have the right to undertake disciplinary actions against officials who do not follow the Codex and FEI rules, to the detriment of the sport. Such disciplinary actions may consist of a warning letter, a temporary suspension and/ or removal from the FEI Official Veterinarian list as set forth in the FEI Veterinary Regulations.
- 9. FEI Official Veterinarians may work as Permitted Treating Veterinarians, providing they are not working in an Official capacity at that Event or a related Event taking place at the same venue during the same time period.