



FEI™

ENDURANCE

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

Qualification Criteria

Pisa, San Rossore (ITA)
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842.1.2 – Endurance rule – 1st July 2020

The qualification requirements for Championships set out in Article 836 will not apply to any Championships being held in 2020, and so will apply only to Championships held from 1 January 2021 onwards. The qualification procedure for Championships set out in the 2019 edition of the endurance rules (see article 816.3) will apply to Championships held in 2020 (the FEI will issue a guidance document to assist in explaining the qualification criteria for the remaining 2020 Championships).

- 1. Qualification period**
(Ref. Art. 816.3.3 and 816.3.6 of **2019 Endurance Rules**)

Nominated Entries: **TBA**
Definite Entries: **TBA**

2. Qualification criteria (ref. 2019 Endurance Rules)

Seniors

Horses:

- 816.3.9 Horses must have graduated through the qualifying processes outlined above for Novice and CEI-Star qualifying up to, and including, the distance of the event for which a Certificate of Capability is sought.
- 816.3.10 Horses must have successfully completed at least 3 CEI 2* events or higher.
- 816.3.11 Of these 3 CEI events, at least one must be at the minimum speed of 14 kph, and the same distance and time frame as the 4-Star Championship and achieved no earlier than 24 months prior to, no later than the close of nominated entries for Championship and/or 60 days prior to the event, whichever comes first. This one ride must be in combination with the nominated Athlete unless that Athlete is a Senior Elite Endurance Athlete. In such cases, the horse can be ridden by any other applicable Athlete.

Athletes:

- 816.3.12 To achieve Senior Elite Athlete status, Athletes must have successfully completed a minimum of ten CEI 3* 160km events or higher. To maintain Senior Elite Athlete status, Athletes must successfully complete at least one CEI3* 160 km within every successive 24 months.
- 816.3.13 Riders who receive any form of a suspension as defined under the FEI General Regulations (Penalties) or have committed an offense under the FEI Equine Anti Doping and Control Medication regulations, will automatically lose their Elite Status and will be required to re-qualify again by completing ten CEI3* events commencing either after the period of suspension or after the 'fast track' decision is finalised.
- 816.3.14 Athletes must have graduated through the qualifying processes outlined above for Novice and CEI-Star qualifying up to, and including, the distance of the event for which a Certificate of Capability is sought.
- 816.3.15 Athletes must have successfully completed at least 5 CEI 2* events or higher.
- 816.3.16 Of those 5 CEI events, one must be at the minimum speed of 14 kph and the same distance, weight and time frame as the 4* Championship, achieved no earlier than 24 months prior to, no later than the close of nominated entries for Championship and/or 60 days prior to the event, whichever comes first. This one ride must be in combination with the nominated horse unless that Athlete is a Senior Elite Endurance Athlete.

Recording and Proof of Qualification: Approved records must be provided for Rider/Horse results for eventual insertion into FEI Database/Passports as required. However, the ultimate responsibility for proof still remains with each NF.

Teams and Individuals

- 817.4.1 Teams: if an NF starts three or more combinations all results are available to establish their Team result and are also eligible for individual classification and placing/awards. Only the highest placed three members shall count for the Team classification. However other Athletes from that same Team who successfully complete the Competition will also receive a team medal. Should any combination whose result was available to count towards Team Classification, subsequently fail an FEI sampling procedure which results in the loss of that individual's result(s) within the event, the classification of that entire team will become null and void. Such loss of Team classification will not affect the individual classification of the other members of that team.
- 817.4.2 Individuals: if an NF starts fewer than 3 combinations they shall only be eligible for individual classification and placing/awards, but not as a Team.
- 817.4.3 With regard to the number of teams required for Championships, Article 104 of the FEI General Regulations applies.

3. Eligibility (ref. 2020 Endurance Rules)

827. MINIMUM AGE REQUIREMENTS FOR HORSES

827.1 The minimum age requirements for Horses are set out below:

Level of Event	Required minimum age
Novice	5 years old
CEI 1*	6 years old
CEI 2*	7 years old
CEI 3*	8 years old
CEIOs and Championships (other than Young Horse Championships, see Article 827.2)	Horse must be at least one year older than the minimum age requirement that applies to a CEI of the same star level as the Championship. (For example, to participate in a 2* Championship, the Horse must be 8 years old or older)

Reminder

All Riders & Horses participating in any International competition must be registered with the FEI.

See General Regulations, 24th Edition Art. 113.3:

"Any Athlete and/or any Horse who is not registered with the FEI shall be automatically disqualified".

Nominated Entries:

TBC

Definite Entries:

TBC