

Rule Change Type	Effective Date	Draft Received	Board Action
Extraordinary	4/1/2025	8/28/2024	

Extraordinary Change Reason

There are no legitimate reasons for trainer, owners, riders, and grooms to have these substances on the grounds of a Federation Licensed Competition, and horse welfare is at risk.

Rule Change Intent

There are some substances that non-veterinarians should not have in their possession or use on the grounds of a Federation Licensed Competition, due to the potential threat of abuse for competitive advantage.

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Linked Rules Comments

Committee Actions

GR 414 Prohibited Practices

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6. It is a prohibited practice to administer bisphosphonates, except in horses four years of age or older and when using bisphosphonates that are FDA approved for use in horses. GR 411 must be followed.

7. It is a prohibited practice to compete in Federation competitions with a tracheotomy/tracheostomy (i.e. surgical opening through the skin into the trachea).

8. *It is a prohibited practice to use and/or possess any of the following substances on competition grounds:*

- a. *Injectable ACTH*
- b. *Injectable Adenosine*
- c. *Injectable Formaldehyde*
- d. *Injectable Magnesium Sulfate*
- e. *Injectable Melatonin*
- f. *Injectable Oxytocin*
- g. *Injectable Pentobarbital, except by a veterinarian for the purpose of euthanasia*
- h. *Injectable Thiamine*
- i. *Injectable Tryptophan*
- j. *Liquid Nitrogen*
- k. *Any prescription medication in any formulation without a label identifying the horse for whom it is prescribed, pharmacy, prescription date, and prescribing veterinarian, unless it is in the possession of a veterinarian and not yet prescribed or otherwise prohibited under these rules.*