



## Virtual Jumping Senior Rider & Owner Meeting – 11/30/21

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### Key Points – 2022 Senior Jumping Plans

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Before outlining the 2022 plans, Robert briefly re-capped the 2021 season highlights including the great performance and team effort of the Olympic Team securing the Team Silver Medal. He also noted the impressive wins at CSIO Wellington and CHIO Aachen with our next generation athletes producing outstanding results to stand atop the podium. Looking ahead to 2022 and onto Paris 2024, Robert looks to continue the successful formula that has been in place over the past two quads.

#### FEI Jumping World Championship – Herning, Denmark, August 10-14, 2022

1st Qualifier – top 5 Teams qualify for Paris 2024

Format – same as WEG with 5 rounds of Jumping – Speed, Team competition followed by Individual US Selection Methodology\*

**Short List** - 10 athletes and their horses

- Rolex/USEF “**Average Ranking List**” – December 24 – Top 4 athletes;
- Rolex/USEF “**Horse List**” – April 8 – Top 3 athletes who have not already been named;
- 2022 **World Cup Final** – highest place US athlete in the Final Overall Standings provided that the athlete finishes in the top 10;
- **Discretionary Selection** – 2 athletes

The team of 5 (4 plus Traveling Reserve) will be named by no later than the Definite Entry date, approximately mid July 2022.

#### Observation Events

It is anticipated that approximately 4-5 European CSIO/CSIs will be utilized for World Championship Observation Events for the Short List. The following events are under consideration:

CSIO5\* La Baule – May 5 - 8

CSIO5\* Rome – May 26-29

CSIO5\* St. Gallen – June 2-5

CSIO5\* Sopot – June 9-12

CSIO5\* Rotterdam – June 23-26

CSIO5\* Aachen – June 28-July 3

CSIO5\* Knokke – July 7-10

\*This is a brief synopsis and does not include the detail in the Selection Procedure. You must read the Selection Procedure for the complete requirements.

#### FEI Nations Cup Final - Barcelona (ESP), September 29-October 2 (pending qualification)

2nd Qualifier for Paris 2024 – top Team not already qualified

North American Qualifiers

**CSIO5\* Mexico** (Xalapa), March 17-20

**CSIO5\* USA** (San Juan Capistrano, CA), May 12-15

*At least 10 US individual athletes will earn a spot based on their Rolex/USEF Ranking*

**CSIO5\* Canada** (Langley, BC), June 2-5

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### Other CSIOs

- CSIO4\* Wellington (WEF), March 3-6 – same concept of utilizing up and coming athletes and/or combinations
- CSIO5\* Hickstead (GBR) July 27-31 – pending invitation
- CSIO5\* Dublin (IRL) August 17-21 – pending invitation
- CSIO5\* Calgary (Masters), September 7-11

Selection is based upon applicants ranking on applicable Rolex/USEF Ranking List in addition to two discretionary choices by the Chef d'Equipe.

### FEI World Cup Final, Leipzig (GER), April 6-10, 2022

This is the first year where there is one League (no Sub-Leagues) comprised of eight (8) qualifying events. An athlete's best four (4) results will count for qualification. The number of U.S. athletes to qualify will remain unchanged: seven (7) East Coast athletes and three (3) West Coast athletes. The change is in the Substitution language, where there is no limit to the substitution. Substitution will continue down the list to get 14 North American Athletes including Extra Athletes.

North American League (CAN, USA, MEX)
<i>Thunderbird Show Park   Vancouver-Langley, BC (CAN)   Sept. 22-26, 2021</i>
<i>Sacramento Int'l Horse Show   Sacramento-Rancho Murieta, CA   Oct. 6-10, 2021</i>
<i>Washington Int'l Horse Show   Tryon, NC   Oct. 26-31, 2021</i>
<i>National Horse Show   Lexington, KY   Nov. 2-7, 2021</i>
<i>Las Vegas National   Las Vegas, NV   Nov. 16-21, 2021</i>
<b>Fort Worth International   Fort Worth, TX   Dec. 15-19, 2021</b>
<b>Puebla (MEX)   Feb. 23-27, 2022</b>
<b>Live Oak Int'l   Ocala, FL   Mar. 3-6, 2022</b>
<b>World Cup Finals - Leipzig (GER)   Apr. 6-10, 2022</b>

Click [HERE](#) for the League Standings List.

In January, Lizzy will begin reaching out to athletes to gauge their interest in participating at the Finals given the new rules regarding unlimited substitution.

### FEI Rules Changes – effective January 1, 2022

The FEI Jumping Rules went through a full revision for 2022 which happens every 4 years. Below are some of the key changes effective January 2022. You are encouraged to read through the Rules – the changes are red-lined and can be found [HERE](#).

- **Time Faults** – 1 penalty for every commenced second;
- **Starting Order for GP's** – straight draw, no longer done by groupings;
- **Boot Rule** – additional language added & pastern straps are allowed again;
- **5\* Grand Prix minimum eligibility requirement** if there is no Grand Prix qualification;
- **Splitting Class** at 100 starters;
- **Minimum Eligibility Requirements** strengthen for Championships.

**FEI Horse App – Global implementation in 2022**

The FEI will be implementing the use of the FEI Horse App globally in 2022. This requires that athletes/grooms input the following on the app for each horse for each FEI competition:

- Complete a Horse Health Self Certification
- Monitor temperatures twice a day three days prior to an event as well as during the event;
- Check in each horse for each event.

More information to come...but be prepared for this new requirement!

UPDATE – it will be effective 1 January 2022 globally. Click [HERE](#) for more information.

**Wrap Up from FEI General Assembly**

Will gave an update on the discussions and voting that took place at the General Assembly regarding 2024 Olympic qualifications and format. He stressed that the U.S. voted in favor of Teams of 4 as was agreed with US stakeholders; despite a significant increase in the number of NFs supporting 4, the majority voted in favor of Teams of 3 athletes and therefore the proposed qualification for 2024 will remain unchanged. The reality was that no viable Qualification Process was presented that would allow Teams of 4.

There were some positive developments in these discussions. Firstly, there is still the ability to re-work the format i.e. if the Team Competition should be held before the Individual as well as adjust the Minimum Eligibility Requirements for 2024. These discussions will take place during the Sports Forum in 2022. Lizzy stated that she would work with Beezie to ensure that there was US feedback. It was agreed that for LA2028 the qualification discussion will start in 2023 which will give stakeholders time to develop proposals for qualifications which directly impacts the Team of 4 vs. 3