

## **NEWS**



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# **U.S. Endurance Team Confirmed for 2024 FEI Endurance World Championship for Seniors**



**Lexington, Ky.** – Definite entries for the 2024 FEI Endurance World Championship for Seniors have been confirmed, and US Equestrian is pleased to announce the athlete-and-horse combinations that will represent the U.S. The competition will take place on Sept. 7, 2024, in Monpazier, France. The team will be led by Chef d'Equipe Lisanne Dorion, team veterinarian Dr. Olivia Rudolphi, and team leader Nicole Zerbee.

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## 2025 U.S. Endurance Team Selection Procedures

US Equestrian has published the team selection procedures for the FEI Endurance World Championship for Junior and Young Riders and the FEI Pan American

Championships.

- 2025 FEI Pan American Championship Senior Rider Division
- 2025 FEI Pan American Championship Junior/Young Rider Division
- 2025 FEI Endurance World Championship for Juniors and Young Riders

## 2026 FEI Endurance World Championship

## FEI Announces Location and Date for the 2026 FEI Endurance World Championship

The FEI has announced the following information for the 2026 FEI Endurance World Championship. More information will be posted on the USEF Endurance page as received.

Location: Al Ula, KSA Date: October 17, 2026

Read the USEF 2026 FEI Endurance World Championship Memorandum here.

### **USEF Endurance Awards**

USEF Endurance Carer Mileage Awards Submission Deadline is Sept. 1

Athletes and horse owners can request recognition of their or their horse's career mileage from American Endurance Ride Conference (AERC) or Equine Distance Riding Association (EDRA) competitions held before December 1, 2023 to count toward the USEF Career Mileage awards. To be eligible, requests must be submitted via email to the USEF Director of Endurance by September 1, 2024. Verification of requests will be conducted through AERC or EDRA competition records.

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## **USEF 2025 Approved Rule Changes**

At the USEF Mid-Year Board Meeting numerous Rule Change Proposals were voted on. Below is a collection of approved Rule Changes that are applicable to Endurance and/or all USEF Breeds/Disciplines. The rule changes will go into effect on December 1st, 2024. Click here to view all of the rule changes approved at the Mid-Year Board Meeting.

Rule Reference	Description
GR201.2	Removal of all references in the rulebook to paper application for horse and membership forms and the post competition report.
GR870	Requirement for competitors to comply with disease prevention bio-security measures and equine health requirements imposed by the Federation, competition management, and state or federal animal health officials.
GR871	Requirement for competition management to comply with applicable state and federal animal health requirements.
GR845.1	Creation of a separate rule for the requirements of the Isolation Plan.
GR302.1	Membership requirements for individuals conducting business with the Federation, either as a licensee or as a signatory of Farms.
GR111	Clean-up of Chapter 3 language for consistency.
GR702.1	Strengthening of the cruelty and abuse rules.
GR411.1	Removal of all references to paper applications for drug and medication administration. The forms are available electronically.
GR838	Expansion of rules on the unethical treatment of horses and expansion of the scope of USEF's jurisdiction to include horse abuse that occurs outside of competition.
EN106.1	Re-alignment of the FEI Novice Qualification rules within the USEF Endurance Chapter with the FEI Endurance rules.
EN107.1	Allowance of the Endurance Treatment Veterinarian to assist with veterinary inspections on the vet lanes under certain circumstances.
EN109.2	Additional language for Endurance Prize List requirements.

### **USEF Reminders**

### New Free Voluntary Training Courses Offered by the U.S. Center for SafeSport

US Equestrian encourages all parents/guardians and our minor athletes to take the free training courses that are offered by the U.S. Center for SafeSport. These courses are tailored for each group. The Parent's Guide to Misconduct in Sport is a 30-minute training video that educates parents on recognizing, responding to, and preventing abuse and misconduct in your child's sport setting. You will come away equipped with information and tactics to minimize risks of harm. You will also learn what helps create a safe sport environment for your children and what resources are available for reporting.

In addition to the training module for parents/guardians, we encourage viewing The

Center's webpage for Parents and Guardians. This webpage includes important topics and resources, including the Parent and Guardian's Handbook for SafeSport. This handbook provides information and resources to help parents understand the different types of abuse and misconduct, as well as provides tools and tips for talking to their child about sexual and emotional abuse.

The U.S. Center for SafeSport also provides training modules for minor athletes.

If you are between the ages of 13-17, the Center provides a 15-minute course that is focused on bullying prevention, supporting friends who have experienced abuse or misconduct, and resources for reporting.

For those athletes between the ages of 5-12, the Center provides a 15-minute course that helps minors know the difference between discipline and abuse and encourages them to reach out to a trusted adult when something is not right. It also stresses the importance of positive sportsmanship and having a healthy sport environment focused on fun and safety.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Parental consent is required for junior competitors to register for the course.

Click here to view the available training courses.

#### **FEI Novice Qualifications Reminder**

For an athlete and horse seeking to compete at their first FEI CEI1\*, you are highly encouraged to submit your FEI Novice Qualification information to Nicole Zerbee, Director of Endurance, prior to submitting your entry. For questions regarding the FEI Novice Qualification process, please contact Nicole Zerbee.

Click here for a FEI Endurance Novice Qualification Quick Guide.

### **Did You Know?**

USEF has numerous quick guides and resources to aid members, exhibitors, competition managers, licensed officials, and more. Every newsletter will feature one resource.

This month's feature: How to Host a U.S.-Based FEI Endurance Competition

**Description:** This guide provides information on the steps of hosting a U.S based FEI Endurance Competition. BONUS: this guide also includes a link to the <u>FEI</u> Endurance Event Materials Checklist!

**Location:** The guide is located on the <u>Endurance page of the USEF website</u> in the Additional Resources section.

Questions? Contact Nicole Zerbee, Director of Endurance.

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