



NATIONAL FEDERATION APPLICATION FOR FEI PERMITTED EQUINE THERAPIST (PET)

What is a Permitted Equine Therapist?

A Permitted Equine Therapist (PET) is a new category of equine treating professional introduced in 2018. PETs will be able to carry out Restricted Supportive Therapies at FEI events.

Who can be a Permitted Equine Therapist?

In order to become a PET, the applicant must have undergone specific training to carry out any of the therapies listed under 'Restricted Supportive Therapies' as described in the Veterinary Regulations, Article 1065. PETs must work within their areas of competency and not carry out 'Restricted Supportive Therapies' in which they are not trained.

What are Restricted Supportive Therapies?

Restricted Supportive Therapies include:

- a) electrical current devices (e.g. TENS machines, NMES and H-wave);
- b) therapeutic ultrasound therapy;
- c) vacuum therapy; and
- d) physical therapies (e.g. physiotherapy, acupressure, trigger point massage, myofascial release, osteopathy, chiropractic and spinal manipulation).

Veterinarians wishing to carry out Restricted Supportive Therapies

- a. Veterinarians are not permitted to register as PETs.
- b. Applicants who are already registered as PTVs are already able to carry out Restricted Supportive Therapies at FEI events.
- c. Applicants who are veterinarians and not registered with the FEI must register as a PTV even if they only wish to carry out Restricted Supportive Therapies at FEI events.

Permitted Equine Therapists & Acupuncture

- a. PETs are not permitted to carry out acupuncture at FEI events, regardless of any national legislation that may otherwise allow them to do so.
- b. Only PTVs can carry out acupuncture at FEI events, therefore a PET cannot list acupuncture as one of the therapies they wish to carry out.

Application Process

PET applications are only accepted electronically by filling in the 'Permitted Equine Therapist Application Form' found on http://inside.fei.org/fei/your-role/veterinarians/pet_sign-up. Once the applicant has filled in the form and clicked on 'Submit', the form will be sent directly to the NF. The NF is to evaluate the application and either accept or not accept the applicant. Applicants that are considered suitable candidates to be PETs must then take an online examination based on their obligations as PETs when attending FEI events. On passing the examination, the applicant will receive PET status and an FEI PET identification card valid for 4 years.

NFs may receive applications in two ways, by email or via the FEI database.

FEI listings of Permitted Equine Therapists

PETs will be listed on the FEI database. Each PET will have a personal in which the therapies they are permitted to carry out at FEI events will be listed.



FEI # _____

NAME _____

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LIST PRIOR EXPERIENCE AT FEI COMPETITIONS THAT YOU HAVE FUNCTIONED AS AN EQUINE THERAPIST

PROVIDE TWO FEI COMPETING ATHLETE REFERENCES (Must be U.S. Athletes)

NAME _____ EMAIL _____

CONTACT INFORMATION _____ DURATION OF RELATIONSHIP _____

FEI ID NUMBER _____

NAME _____ EMAIL _____

CONTACT INFORMATION _____ DURATION OF RELATIONSHIP _____

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PROVIDE TWO FEI PERMITTED TREATING VETERINARIANS (PTV) AS REFERENCES (Must be U.S. Veterinarians)

NAME _____ EMAIL _____

CONTACT INFORMATION _____ DURATION OF RELATIONSHIP _____

NAME _____ EMAIL _____

CONTACT INFORMATION _____ DURATION OF RELATIONSHIP _____

PROVIDE SPECIFIC TRAINING FOR THE REQUESTED MODALITIES FOR APPROVAL (have already identified on FEI application)

CERTIFICATE VERIFICATION DATES

DOCUMENTED TRAINING _____ DURATION _____

CONTACT INFORMATION _____

DOCUMENTED TRAINING _____ DURATION _____

SAME AS ABOVE

ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION THAT MIGHT PROVE TO DOCUMENT EXPERIENCE AND CAPABILITY

Ex. Peer-reviewed publications, additional certifications in physical therapy outside of the equine industry, etc.)

