



March 12, 2025

Rob Burk, CEO
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Sent via email: rburk@useventing.com; hseagle@useventing.com;

Dear Mr. Burk:

Thank you for submitting your request for a Presidential Modification to the application of GR1040.3.c and GR1211.4.e. A Presidential Modification is granted in cases of extraordinary, special circumstances. When measured against that criterion, it has been determined that your request meets the standard for a Presidential Modification and therefore is approved.

As a result, these two rules will be modified as outlined below effective for the remainder of the 2025 competition year, through November 30, 2025. As a condition of this approval, Eventing representatives and USEF staff must hold further discussions and promulgate a rule change(s) to cover all aspects of the need for safety and efficiency regarding licensed officials at USEF licensed Eventing competitions, FEI Eventing competitions, and Endorsed Competitions. I look forward to seeing this work being done and a resolution coming forth as soon as possible.

GR1040 Conflicts of Interest and Restrictions - Stewards and Technical Delegates

3. Stewards and Technical Delegates are not to be used as Competition Staff, a Competition Official (Directors, Officers, Chairman of the Show Committee, Manager, Secretary, Judge, Veterinarian, and Course Designer), FEI Official, or in any other paid position not related to their proper duties at Licensed Competitions where they are officiating with the following exceptions:
 - c. Federation **licensed** Combined Driving **and Eventing** Technical Delegates, **FEI Eventing Technical Delegates**, and FEI Driving Stewards holding both **Federation and FEI** licenses may serve in both roles at dually licensed FEI/Federation Driving **and Eventing** Competitions, **as permitted by and in accordance with FEI rules.**

GR1211 Appointment of Officials and Employees

4. Stewards/Technical Delegates.
 - e. Competitions are required to obtain the necessary Stewards or Technical Delegates in accordance with the restrictions below:
 - ii. For any competitions holding **an** the eventing division, when the cross-country phase is running, it will count as one competition ring, regardless of the number of levels offered. ~~In addition, all dressage arenas will be counted as one ring.~~ **When the show jumping phase is**



running, each ring will count as one ring, regardless of the number of levels offered within that ring. For purposes of this rule, all dressage rings being run concurrently will be counted as one ring so long as all the rings are observable from the same vantage point. Additional Eventing TD requirements contained in EV153 are intended to be in addition to the minimum TD requirements contained in the above chart.

Please feel free to contact the Federation office if you need further assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Thomas F. X. O'Mara', written in a cursive style.

Thomas F. X. O'Mara
President

cc: William J. Moroney, CEO
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