

2. HSBC FEI World Cup™ Eventing Final 2008

2.1 Invitations of riders to the Final

The deadline for riders and horses to qualify for the Final will be set to one month (30 days) before the Final.

Completion of the HSBC FEI World Cup™ Eventing Final with a Qualifying Result will allow the rider and horse to obtain a comparable result to a CCI3*.

Riders will be qualified to participate in the final according to their final ranking and subject to the following quota per nation:

Group 1	Australia, Great Britain, USA, New Zealand, France, Germany	Max 6 riders from each Nation
Group 2	Ireland, Sweden	Max 5 riders from each Nation
Group 3	Belgium, Brazil, Italy	Max 4 riders from each Nation
Group 4	All other nations	Max 3 riders from each Nation

If a national quota cannot be filled, the best riders according to classification from the overall ranking will then be invited regardless of national quota limitations.

A maximum number of **40 riders** will be invited to the Final (wild cards included). 1 wild card per nation will only be allocated by the Eventing Committee to nations of Group 1 (see above).

The winner of the FEI World Cup™ Eventing (defending Champion) will be invited to the next final as an extra competitor not counting for the national quota, providing that he has participated in a qualifier leading up to the final in question.

2.2 Number of horses per competitor and qualification of horses

- In the Final, a competitor may only ride one horse.
- Horses competing in the Final do not necessarily have to have participated in a qualifier; however they must have obtained a qualifying result at 3 star levels, during the normal qualification period.

2.3 Technical conditions

- The Final will be run over 2 days and the Show Jumping test held last.
- **Dressage Test:** either one of the 3* CCI/CIC 2005 Dressage Tests. According to Art. 524. *Note: A free-style Dressage test may be considered in the future.*
- **Cross Country:** distance will be 4000 to 4400 metres.
- **Horse Inspection:** a formal Inspection (**with Ground Jury**) will be held before the Jumping Test.
- **Jumping Test:** maximum height of obstacles will be 130 cm.
- The starting order must be done by draw.
- **Prize-giving:** the ceremony will include the horses; however, the lap of honour will have to be removed.

2.4 Officials

- The Ground Jury will consist of three members appointed by the FEI Eventing Committee.
- The Technical Delegate and Veterinary Delegate will be appointed by the FEI Eventing Committee from FEI International List.
- The Course Designer must be from the FEI list of International Course Designers.

2.5 Financial Conditions

- **Prize-money: CHF 197,000 (approx € 120'000).**
- **Franchise Fee** FEI Eventing World Cup™: CHF 3,900 (approx € 2'400).