

FEI World Cup™ Rules 2012

2012 Season - FEI WORLD CUP™ EVENTING – Rules

The FEI World Cup™ for Eventing was developed by the Eventing committee in 2002 and has been running since based on the following **principle** - the FEI World Cup™ Eventing is the showcase of the Eventing sport for the future and is aimed to promote the emblematic values of Eventing to the public at large as well as sponsors through constant review of sport, with the participation of the world's best riders and horse

This series has been created to present the sport at its best advantage to the general public and stands as a concept with its own special rules and regulations, annually reviewed by the Eventing Committee. Unless otherwise stated in the FEI World Cup™ Eventing rules, the current Rules for Eventing will apply.

The Eventing Committee with the approval of the FEI Bureau have decided to continue this series according to the following :

The FEI World Cup™ Eventing is a series for individual riders organized through Three Star (3*) level Events with a classification based on the accumulation of ranking points of the riders at the end of the World Cup Season.

1. FEI World Cup™ Eventing - Events

1.1. CALENDAR

For the FEI World Cup™ Eventing 2012 Series, Events will be organized from **1 January 2012 to end 2012**.

Calendar will be published as separate document on FEI Web-site.

A review of each event will be made at the end of 2012 to review the technical and commercial issues. The FEI reserves the right not to accredit the event with the World Cup™ label for the following year.

1.2 NUMBER OF COMPETITORS AND NUMBER OF HORSES PER COMPETITOR

For the FEI World Cup™ Events – Eventing, the Organising Committees will set the limitation of riders' entries, the number of horses a competitor may ride, but a FEI World Cup™ Eventing Event cannot be divided in sections.

Where an event has more entries than it can accommodate, the following applies:

- competitors may ride only one horse;
- priority must be given to riders not already ranked in the series.

1.3 FEI WORLD CUP™ EVENTING - POINT SYSTEM

World Cup™ points will be awarded to riders (not combination of horse/riders) for each FEI World Cup™ Event – Eventing.

Points will be awarded to all riders having completed and obtained a Minimum Eligibility Result at a FEI World Cup™ Eventing Event and according to the following table for the Special FEI World Cup™ Eventing Standings:

The number of points awarded take into account if the rider has finished in the top 25% of the classification of the event as for the World Event Rider ranking:

World Cup Classification (to include 25% of starters)	World Cup POINTS (= CIC3*)
Placed 1 st	41
Placed 2 nd	38
Placed 3 rd	36
Placed 4 th	34
Placed 5 th	32
Placed 6 th	30
Placed 7 th	28
Placed 8 th	26
Placed 9 th	24
Placed 10 th	22
Etc up to 25% of starters	2 etc
3 rd last rider completed with MER	2
2 nd last rider completed with MER	2
Last completed with MER	2

A rider riding more than one horse in a FEI World Cup™ Event will be awarded points for each Minimum Eligibility Result.

A rider can participate in as many FEI World Cup™ Events as he wishes, but only the best **3** results will count. These three individual results may be from one or more 2012 FEI World Cup™ Event.

Should two or more riders have equal points in the final ranking, the following tie breaker system will be applied to determine the priority of riders' in the final Classification:

1. rider with highest placing in a FEI World Cup™ Event;
2. in case of equal placing in a FEI World Cup™ Event, lower total of penalties points, based on the lower sum of the totals of penalties points from the relevant competitions.

1.4 FEI WORLD CUP™ EVENTS PER NATION

Each NF will be allocated one FEI World Cup™ Event per country. Additional events in NFs can be agreed to for countries organising more than five 3 star events. Such requests will be reviewed by the Eventing Committee.

1.5 TECHNICAL CONDITIONS

Following conditions will apply to all FEI World Cup™ Events:

- The Qualifier to be the highest level class of the overall event (national events or CCI 1*/2* or CIC 1*/2*/3* level can be included).
- **Competition format:** Compulsory order of tests: Dressage – Cross Country and Jumping. The Show Jumping test must take place last. Additionally, 2 hours break minimum will be compulsory if the Cross Country and the Show Jumping tests are held on the same day
- **Cross Country Distance:** 4000m (including 10% variation) for the Cross Country test.
- **Horse Inspection:** Compulsory Formal Horse Inspection to be organised with Ground Jury before Jumping for all FEI World Cup™ Events, according to Rules for Eventing
- **Number of participation:** Minimum of 15 riders to participate.
- **FEI Ranking points and qualification status of riders:** will be according to **CIC3*** for FEI World Cup™ Events

- **Dressage:** Olympic 4 star short test
- **Show Jumping:** at least 4 of the obstacles in the Show Jumping test must be 130 cm.
- **Prize-giving:** the ceremony will include the horses.

1.6 OFFICIALS

Following conditions will apply to all FEI World Cup™ Events:

- **Course Designer:** Experienced Course Designer from the FEI 3&4star List of Course Designers to be approved by the FEI.
- **Ground Jury:** The President must be a FEI 3&4star Judge.
- **Technical Delegate:** must be a FEI 3&4star TD.
- Either the President or the Technical Delegate must be of a foreign nationality.

1.7 FINANCIAL CONDITIONS

- **Prize-Money: minimum 9'000 €, maximum 20'000 €** (related to the number of starters - €600.- per starter = min €9000)
- **OC Contribution to final prize money: € 4'000/event**

1.8 CONTRACT

- **An individual contract for each OC will be established to for each event.**

2. FEI World Cup™ 2012 CLASSIFICATION

2.1 FINAL RIDER CLASSIFICATION - PRIZE MONEY

- Prize-money: awarded to 3 best placed riders according to the following distribution, if based on 7 events **(to be updated once calendar is definite):**

1st place: 15'000 €
2nd place: 9'000 €
3rd place: 4'000 €