

ANNEX XI RULES FOR PONY RIDERS

CHAPTER I INTRODUCTION

ARTICLE 1 GENERAL

1. Pony Riders Competitions are an important element in the development of equestrian sport around the world.
2. The objective of the following set of rules is to standardise Pony Events, taking into account specific considerations applicable to Pony Riding.

ARTICLE 2 PRIORITY OF THE RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. In all matters not covered by the present Annex, the GRs, the VRs and the JRs shall apply.

CHAPTER II DEFINITION OF A PONY RIDER AND OF A PONY

ARTICLE 3 PONY COMPETITOR

1. An Athlete may compete as a Pony Rider from the beginning of the calendar year in which they reach the age of 12 until the end of the year in which they reach the age of 16.
2. No Pony Rider may be classified as a professional.

ARTICLE 4 DEFINITION OF A PONY

1. A Pony is a small Horse whose height at the withers, having been measured on a smooth level surface, does not exceed 1.48 m without shoes. Refer to VRs Chapter IX, Art. 1082-1088 and VRs Annex IX for complete details relating to the regulatory height of a Pony and Pony Measurement.
 - 1.1. In order to participate in international Events and Championships for Ponies, a Pony must be registered with the FEI as a Pony. ~~Ponies-A Pony that is registered with the FEI as a Pony may not participate in CSI(O)s or Championships for any other Category for Children (Refer to Annex XII, Art. 3.2). Ponies may participate, at the discretion of the Organising Committee, in certain competitions at CSIs, providing the maximum height of obstacles in the initial round does not exceed 1.35 m. A Pony (that is registered with the FEI as a Pony) entered in a CSI of any Category must be ridden by an Athlete whose age is in compliance with the age range established for Pony Riders (from the beginning of the calendar year in which he/she reaches the age of 12 until the end of the year in which he/she reaches the age of 16).~~
2. In any international Events and Championships, Ponies must be at least six years old.

CHAPTER III INTERNATIONAL EVENTS AND CHAMPIONSHIPS

ARTICLE 5 INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

1. The following types of Jumping Events for Pony Riders competing on Ponies are established: International Event (CSIP), Official International Events (CSIOP) and Championships.
2. A CSIP is an international Event open to individual Athletes from the host NF and from an unrestricted number of foreign NFs.
 - 2.1. CSIP Events may be categorised as Events on borrowed Ponies in which case they must be clearly identified as such i.e. CSIP (on borrowed Ponies).
 - 2.2. Strictly unofficial team Competitions, which may not be described as a "Nations Cup", may be organised in these Events.
 - 2.3. At least three Jumping Competitions must be open to foreign Athletes and must be held under the FEI Rules.
3. A CSIOP is an international Event open to three or more NFs represented by teams.
 - 3.1. It must include the official Competitions for teams and individuals as specified in the rules of the appropriate disciplines.
 - 3.2. Not more than two CSIOPs may be run during one calendar year in the same country, one indoor and one outdoor.
 - 3.3. A CSIOP may, at the discretion of the Secretary General of the FEI, be allowed into the calendar during the year, provided it does not interfere with any international Event for Ponies already inserted in the calendar.
 - 3.4. The Event is open to one team from the host nation and one from each of the foreign NFs.
 - 3.5. A Pony team of any Discipline consists of four Athletes and Ponies of which the results of the best three count. A team of three is acceptable.
 - 3.6. A CSIOP and a CSIP may be held together.
4. International Team ~~Events~~Competitions