

FEI International Classification website

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Para Dressage Rules

Temporary rule modifications may apply during the Covid-19 pandemic. Please consult the [FEI Covid-19 Hub Resolutions & Decisions](#) for further information.

PAST EDITIONS



FEI Para Dressage Rules 2022

3rd Edition, updates effective 01 January 2022 - Clean version



Preview



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Overall FEI Para Dressage Qualification Criteria for 2023



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All rules are found here; this link will redirect you to another area of the FEI website.

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The FEI Classification Request Form clearly explains the application process, timelines and what needs to be submitted.

FEI Classification Request Form



FEI CLASSIFICATION REQUEST FORM

Who can request FEI Classification?

A National Federation can lodge a request for an athlete with impairment to undergo a Classification Evaluation for the purpose of the competing in FEI Para Equestrian competition.

Eligibility Requirements

All Athletes with a disability who intend to be classified must produce an FEI Medical Diagnostic Form stating their full medical diagnosis. Each Athlete must have an **Eligible Impairment** that leads to permanent and verifiable activity limitation which can be measured objectively through the classification process. Those Athletes with a minimal impairment must meet the Para Equestrian **Minimal Impairment Criteria** to compete in Para Equestrian Events. Eligible impairments include:

Hypertonia; ataxia; athetosis; impaired passive range of movement; impaired muscle power; limb deficiency; leg length difference; short stature; vision impairment.

The Classification Process

All Athletes with impairment who intend to enter FEI Para Equestrian competitions must proceed through the Classification procedure as below:

Step 1.	Athlete applies through their NF to the FEI requesting a Classification evaluation for PE Competition, at least 6 weeks before the Classification event. The application <u>must</u> include: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The FEI Classification Request Form• Completed and signed FEI Consent for Classification• FEI/IBSA Medical Diagnostic Form and any additional supporting medical documentation All documentation provided must be in English
Step 2.	All documentation is forwarded by the FEI HQ to the Classification Working Group to determine if the athlete meets the Eligibility Criteria described above.
Step 3.	The FEI Classification Working Group will make a decision a, b, or c. <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Request further information through the athlete's NF in regards to support the diagnosis and impairment. This request may include additional medical documentation such as reports or copies of medical investigations. FEI will request the additional information from the NF and forward to the CWG for a decision (b or c) to be made.b. Approve the request (Eligible for Classification)c. Not approve the request (Not Eligible for Classification)
Step 4.	The FEI will inform the NF of the final decision in writing and if the Request for Classification has not been approved the reason.
Step 5.	The FEI will inform the Chief Classifier of the event and ensure the classifiers have access to the medical documentation for the athlete
Step 6.	Athlete attends competition and undergoes evaluation by a Classification Panel and has the right to have a member of the Athlete's NF present
Step 7.	The Athlete's classification is sent to the FEI Classification Working Group for approval. Once approved the Athlete's details are added to the FEI Classification Master List

The Classification request must be received by the FEI **at least 6 weeks before** the next international competition where the athlete intends to compete. If documents are not received within a reasonable time frame the athlete may not be approved to be classified at the requested event.

The Organising Committee for the international competition where the athlete will be evaluated will charge a non-refundable fee of 40 EUR or equivalent at the time of entry.

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Visual Impairment Classifications

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Once confirmed, the date and location are clearly stated on the Main Menu.

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The FEI Database is useful to find out the dates of the CPEDI competitions.

FEI Database: Calendar/Results

FEI Database 2.104 Login

Calendar/Results Horses Persons National Federations Rankings / Standings

FEI WORLD CUP FINALS OMAHA, NE JUMPING • DRESSAGE • VAULTING APRIL 4-8, 2023
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CALENDAR SEARCH

Between dates By month
Date from: 01/01/2023 To: 31/12/2023 dd/MM/yyyy

Venue:
Continent: Europa

NF:
FEI Group: -

Show Type: World Cup: All Official Team: All

Discipline: Para Dressage
World Cup Season: -
Type: -

Category:
World Cup League: -

Level:
World Cup Qualifier: All
Event Code:

Indoor Outdoor Both
 Only cancelled shows

Include cancelled events
 Only Covid cancellations
 Only Covid additions

Result Status: All
 Only EHV-1 cancellations

Please note that the FEI Calendar 2023 has been approved, with the exception of the events marked "pending FEI approval".

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On the 'Calendar/Results' page, fill in the information on the following fields:

- Dates
- Continent - Europa
- Discipline – Para dressage.

This search will generate a list of CPEDI competitions where you could have your appointment.

FEI Classification: FEI Classification Master List

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The FEI Master List is an international list of all the Classified riders; if your name is on the list your international classification remains valid.

You will not receive a paper document of your classification; the details will be held on this list.

FEI Master List for Para Dressage Athletes

FEI Number	Family Name	Given Name	Nation	DOB	M/F	Profile	Grade	Status	Compensating Aids	Initial classification date	Most recent classification date	Review date	Compensating Aids Images
10179729	COKU	Denis	ALB	23.06.2005	M	12a	Grade I	Review	looped reins, 2 whips, hard hand hold, seat saver	18.09.2020		23.06.2023	
10037104	GUGLIAMELLI LYNCH	Patricio	ARG	19.12.1963	M	16, 23	Grade IV	Confirmed	Connecting rein bar, curved spur R.	14.07.2000			
10146822	ANGEL	Noella	AUS	04.08.1992	F	19b	Grade V	Confirmed	Separate elastic insert 23 cm length right side from stirrup leather to stirrup, elastic strap fastened by buckle	21.01.2015			
10260459	BARNES	Dianne	AUS	23.04.1958	F	26a	Grade IV	Review	Commander, two whips	06.04.2022		01.04.2025	
10150230	BARTON	Stella	AUS	30.05.1999	F	12a	Grade I	Confirmed	Looped reins or connecting rein bar, hard hand hold seat saver, commander	20.01.2016			
10162823	BATSON	Helen	AUS	13.12.1966	F	26a	Grade IV	Review	2 whips, loop reins, strap stirrup leather to girth	26.04.2019	06.04.2022	01.04.2025	
10229080	BLACKWOOD	Amy	AUS	29.04.1982	F	20	Grade V	Review	2 whips	06.05.2021		01.01.2022	
10082375	BLANKS	Nicole	AUS	29.11.1990	F	20	Grade V	Confirmed	Seat saver, 2 whips	09.05.2012			
10055179	BOOTH	Emma	AUS	08.06.1991	F	11b	Grade III	Confirmed	Seat saver, hard hand hold, 2 whips, velcro straps across thighs, strap stirrup lemons to girth, thigh blocks on saddle	29.11.2013			
10185978	BROOKES	Shannon	AUS	25.07.1972	F	20	Grade V	Review	Two whips	17.07.2019		01.01.2022	
10012108	CANNON	Melissa	AUS	03.04.1982	F	20	Grade V	Confirmed	2 whips	07.04.2022			
10114099	CARNEGIE	Matilda	AUS	01.12.1997	F	15	Grade IV	Review	Unable to hear judge's bell	20.01.2015	24.01.2020	01.01.2023	
10260208	CHRISTIAN	Kylie	AUS	25.07.1976	F	26a	Grade IV	Review	2 whips, strap, stirrup leather to girth, loop reins	06.04.2022		01.04.2025	
10203854	CLAPHAM	Marnie	AUS	10.07.1997	F	12a	Grade I	Confirmed	Commander, looped reins	14.11.2019	07.04.2022		
10237445	COATES	Lucy	AUS	22.02.2001	F	36	Grade IV	Confirmed	caller/s	23.04.2022			

The 'Review with Fixed Review Date' is listed as 'Review Date' on this list. A reminder, this is not an expiry date, your review will take place at the first CPEDI competition you compete at the that falls AFTER this date.

FEI Compensating Aids Summary: 3 Categories Summary

FEI MANUAL FOR CLASSIFIERS

APPENDIX V COMPENSATING AIDS

COMPENSATING AIDS FOR PARA DRESSAGE														Commander	
Profile	Grade	Raised pommel or cantle	Seat saver	Hard (firm) hand hold	2 whips	Foot reins	Looped or ladder rein	Connecting rein bar	Reins through leather to stirrup	Strap, stirrup leather to stirrup iron	No stirrups	Use of sign language	Callers		As determined through the Classification process and supporting medical documentation
1-6	I/II	•	•	•	•										<p>Standard Compensating Aids (Note to be listed on the FEI Classification Master List) Salute with head only Sitting or rising trot Gloves Spurs Saddle-any type Soft hand hold Deep saddle Elastic bands on stirrups Enclosed stirrups Magnetic stirrups 1 whip Breast plate and/or neck strap Joined rein on double bridle Elastic inserts in reins Safety vest (including inflatable) Knotted Reins/Rein Stops</p> <p>Non-Standard Compensating Aids. These are aids or equipment not described in the table on the left. The need for these aids must be supported through the Classification process and the aid approved by the FEI Compensating Aids Panel. See application form on FEI website. *Must be listed on the FEI Classification Master List once approved.</p>
7	I	•	•	•	•										
8	III	•	•	•	•										
9	II	•	•	•	•										
10a/b	II/III	•	•	•	•										
11a/b	II/III		•	•	•										
12a/b	I/II		•	•	•										
13	I	•	•	•	•										
14	III		•	•											
15	IV		•	•											
16	V														
17a	III		•		•										
17b	IV		•		•										
18a	III		•		•										
18b	IV		•		•										
19a	IV		•												
19b	V		•												
20	V				•										
21	IV					•	•		•						
22	V						•								
23	V						•								
24	V						•	•							
25	IV				•										
26a	IV				•					•					
26b	V				•										
27	III		•	•											
28	IV		•		•										
31a/b/32	II/III		•	•	•										
36/37a	IV/V														
38	N/A												•		
39	N/A														
On Master List		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	

Here is a brief explanation of each CA category:

- **Standard Compensating Aids** - These aids, other than approved saddlery or equipment as outlined in the British Dressage, RDA or British Carriagedriving rules, may be used by all graded para athletes in para competitions. They do not need to be listed on the athlete's record.
- **Profile-Specific Compensating Aids** - Other than approved saddlery, these aids may be used by athletes with the corresponding Profiles and Grades as outlined in the Compensating Aids document. These must be listed on the athlete's record.
- **Non-Standard Compensating Aids** - These aids are required by an individual athlete and are not listed or described specifically in the rules. These aids may include modifications to a Standard or Profile-Specific Compensating Aid, or a piece of non-standard equipment that's been custom-made for an athlete.