



FEI AUTHORIZATION TO COMPETE GUIDE FOR ALL DISCIPLINES

Competing Abroad in FEI Competitions

ATHLETES

Athletes competing in foreign FEI Competitions must have:

1. A current Equestrian Canada **Platinum* Sport license**

- Athletes must be in good standing and have completed EC's Safe Sport requirements

** Note: Some FEI Vaulting and Endurance athletes may only require a Silver or Gold sport license depending on the level of competition. Please consult the [Equestrian Canada discipline rulebooks](#) or contact feiservices@equestrian.ca for more information.*

2. FEI Athlete Registration

- Upon selection of the Platinum sport license, the system will prompt purchase or renewal of an FEI Athlete Registration.
 - *Note:* If the Platinum membership has already been renewed for the current year, the FEI Registration can be purchased through the [FEI Registration portal](#)

3. If competing in National competitions abroad, email feiservices@equestrian.ca for a letter of authorization

- If the requesting NF requires results or performance history, please include this when requesting the letter.
- Please allow 5 business days to process the requested letter of authorization.



HORSES

Horses competing in FEI competitions must have:

1. A current EC Horse Activation (*for Canadian owned horses*)

- *Note:* All Canadian horse owners must hold a current EC Platinum Sport License or Corporate/Syndicate license

2. A current FEI Horse Registration

- FEI Horse Registrations for Canadian horses can be purchased through the owner's My EC Account

3. A valid **FEI Document**

- New FEI Documents and EC National Passports can be purchased through the horse owner's [My EC Account](#).
- For more information contact our FEI Services Department at FEIservices@equestrian.ca

4. Ensure your horse's vaccination history is up to date, and complete the Horse Health Requirements

- The horse must meet the [FEI Vaccination requirements](#). An incorrect vaccination history may result in a sanction and/or fines by the FEI.
- Download the [FEI Horse App](#) and ensure your horse's [Horse Health Requirements](#) are followed. Incorrect Horse Health Requirements may result in [sanctions and/or fines](#) from the FEI.
- For more information, please consult the [Horse Health Requirements Chart](#)

NOTE: Athletes competing with foreign owned horses are responsible for ensuring the ownership, vaccines, FEI Document, and FEI Horse Registration are up to date.

SUBMITTING AUTHORIZATIONS TO COMPETE

1. Submit an Authorization to Compete to Equestrian Canada

- Go to the Equestrian Canada website > High Performance > National Team Program > [Athletes](#) and select the correct Discipline Portal
- All information required to validate your Authorization to Compete must be submitted. Missing, incomplete, or inaccurate information may result in delay of your entry being submitted. Additional requirements will be outlined in Discipline specific [Criteria](#).
- **Authorization to Competes must be submitted a minimum of 2 weeks prior to the definite entry deadline of the event to allow sufficient time for processing before the deadline.** The closing date of each event can be found in their FEI schedule/prize list.



Note: Authorizations to Compete submitted within 7 days prior to the start of the event will be subject to a \$75 CAD “Late FEI Authorization to Compete Fee” by Equestrian Canada as of January 1st, 2026, in addition to any applicable late fees by the Competition Organizer.

2. Submit Entries to the Competition Organizer

- Entry information, payment, and stabling arrangements must be confirmed directly with the Competition Organizer.

INVITATION SYSTEM (*JUMPING ONLY*)

Show jumping events with limited entries can be added to an athlete’s wish list through the [FEI Sport Manager App](#) up to 8 weeks, and no less than 4 weeks ahead of the event.

Athletes will be allocated Invitations according to their position on the Longines Rankings.

CHANGES OR WITHDRAWALS

- For changes or withdrawals, contact the FEI Services Department as soon as possible at feiservices@equestrian.ca **AND** the Competition Organizer.
- **It is strongly recommended you allow 5 business days to process the request for changes or withdrawals in the case of high volumes of requests, staff absences, or holidays. Please read the event’s FEI Schedule for any applicable late entry or withdrawal charges.**
- Any Authorizations to Compete submitted to Equestrian Canada will be considered final if approved and will be submitted to the FEI Entry system unless otherwise communicated. Equestrian Canada will not be held responsible for any fees or fines associated with an athlete’s FEI entry including but not limited to late entry fees or late withdrawal fees.