



GLOBAL EADCMP
A guide to the new global EADCMP



Introduction

The Equine Anti-doping and Controlled Medication Programme (EADCMP) will be run on a global scale under a new harmonised system from 2016.

A new administrative process was required following the adoption of the new financial model for funding EADCMP at the 2014 General Assembly. During 2015 a working group was established to assist the FEI Veterinary Department with developing the new process. This gave the FEI the opportunity to harmonise and improve the programme.

Increased testing is to be carried out at FEI events on a worldwide scale. Testing will take place throughout all FEI disciplines in a harmonised way and the number of horses tested will be evenly distributed across all levels of FEI events. Following changes to the Veterinary Regulations, there will no longer be an emphasis on testing at events of 3* level and above.

Testing Veterinarians, assisted by Testing Technicians, will attend events to collect samples. Veterinary Delegates will still be expected to take samples in certain situations and if requested to do so by the FEI Veterinary Department. Horses can still be tested at any FEI event and at any time. The process will not change testing with respect to the sample collection procedure or sanctions for positive test results.

The FEI Veterinary Department will be responsible for the administration of the EADCMP and National Head Veterinarians (NHV) will be requested to assist with local coordination. The EADCMP will be fully funded by the FEI under the new financial model.

1. Event Selection and number of horses tested

National Federations (NFs) and/or Organising Committees will no longer be responsible for the organisation of EADCMP at events.

The FEI Veterinary Department will, on a global basis, select at which events testing will take place and the number of horses to be sampled. A change has been made to the Veterinary Regulations where testing at 3* level events and above is no longer mandatory, and there is no longer a minimum number or percentage of horses that must be sampled at each FEI event. This will allow the FEI Veterinary Department to carry out testing evenly across the disciplines and across the different levels of FEI events.

The FEI Veterinary Department will send information concerning at which events testing is to take place and the number of horses to be tested, to the National Head Veterinarian of the relevant NF.

2. The Role of the National Head Veterinarian (NHV)

The FEI Veterinary Department will request the assistance of the NHV with the coordination of testing in their NFs. The NHV will be requested to:

- identify Testing Veterinarians in their NF who will carry out sampling at FEI events. Testing Veterinarians must be registered as FEI Veterinary Delegates;
- assist with recruiting Testing Technicians;
- appoint Testing Veterinarians to events selected by the FEI Veterinary Department and inform them of the number of horses to be tested and to where the samples must be sent for analysis;



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- inform the FEI Veterinary Department of the Testing Veterinarian appointments; and
- assist with the distribution of sampling equipment to Veterinary Delegates in case testing is required in the absence of a Testing Veterinarian.

Detailed information will be given to NHVs to assist them with the coordination of testing.

3. Testing Personnel

Testing at FEI events will be carried out by **Testing Veterinarians (TVs)** and not normally by the event's Veterinary Delegate, for exceptions see para. 3.3 below.

TVs must be registered as FEI Official Veterinarians. They may wish to work alone or with assistance from a **Testing Technician (TT)**. There are a number of online educational resources available to support TVs. A Testing Manual can be found in the OV Zone of the FEI website. A video explaining the testing process can be found on the Clean Sport website. Education concerning sample collection is also included in the General Veterinarians' course.

TTs must complete an online educational programme, pass an online examination and pass a practical evaluation carried out by the TV. Successful TT candidates will be provided with an FEI identification card which they must wear when assisting TVs.

TVs and TTs will be paid a daily fee and expenses will be reimbursed. Further information can be found in section 6, 'Financial Matters', of the guide.

3.1 The Role of the Testing Veterinarian

Testing Veterinarians will be appointed by the NHV of the NF responsible for the relevant FEI event to test at the event.

Before attending the event, TVs:

- may select one TT to assist them at the event each day. Should more than one TT be required on any day of the event, permission must be requested from the FEI Veterinary Department in advance of the event.
- must ensure they have obtained enough approved FEI sampling kits, FEI EADCMP Sampling Forms and other sampling equipment. All equipment must be obtained from the supplier, who will invoice the FEI directly.
- must download the online Testing Veterinarians' Report. A link will be sent to them via email before the event.

After the event, TVs:

- must send the samples directly to the FEI approved laboratory selected by the FEI Veterinary Department.
- scan and email the white top sheet of the FEI EADCMP Sampling Form to the FEI Veterinary Department within 72 hours of the end of the event.
- must complete the online Testing Veterinarians' Report within 72 hours of the end of the event.

An information pack will be provided to TVs as soon as they have been appointed to an event.



3.2 The Role of the Testing Technician

Testing Technicians will be introduced in 2016 as a new category of FEI Official. The role of the TT is to assist the TV with duties such as urine collection, sample packing and associated paperwork.

3.3 Veterinary Delegates

Veterinary Delegates will still be expected to take EADCMP samples from horses in cases of suspicious circumstances, in the unfortunate event of a fatality or if requested by the FEI Veterinary Department.

4. Distribution of sampling kits

Sampling kits will be distributed to TVs and VDs. The FEI will provide further details concerning the distribution of the kits in further communications.

5. Sample Analysis and Results

Once sample analysis has been carried out by the laboratory, the results will be sent directly to the FEI Veterinary Department.

6. Financial Matters

6.1 EADCMP funding

The EADCMP will be funded by a new financial model which was adopted at the 2014 General Assembly. The revenue for the programme will be generated from taxation, based upon participation of horses at events. For each horse participating at a lower level FEI event, a fee of CHF18.00 will be charged, and CHF25.00 will be charged for those participating in higher level FEI events.

The new model will enable the FEI to increase the number of horses tested worldwide, as well as funding the following costs:

- TVs and TTs
- sampling kits
- sample transport to the FEI approved laboratories
- sample analysis

The new EADCMP will therefore result in no cost to NFs or Organising Committees.

6.2 Payment of Testing Equipment

Testing Veterinarians will be requested to obtain sampling kits directly from the supplier who will invoice the FEI.



6.3 Payment of sample shipment to FEI laboratories

The costs of shipping samples will be invoiced by the transport company, directly to the FEI. The Testing Veterinarian will receive shipping details as soon as they have been appointed to an event.

6.4 TV and TT payment and reimbursement

TVs and TTs will be paid a daily rate by the FEI. The rate will be equivalent to that of a veterinarian or assistant in their NF. TVs and TTs must individually send their expense forms with supporting documents e.g. receipts, to the FEI Veterinary Department for reimbursement within 30 days after the event. Submitted expenses must be in accordance with the FEI's Travel and Expenses policy which can be found [here](#). Expense claim forms will be available on the Veterinary Download section of the FEI website.

TVs will be expected to request reimbursement for the following:

- daily fee
- expenses associated with testing e.g. travel, accommodation

Unexpected additional costs must be approved by the FEI Veterinary Department in advance of submitting an expense form.

6.5 Sample analysis costs

After sample analysis, the FEI approved laboratories will invoice the FEI directly. This will eliminate any administration for National Federations and/or Organising Committees.

7. Insurance

The FEI provides insurance for its officials. FEI Veterinary Delegates, Testing Veterinarians and Testing Technicians are all insured for activities relating to the sampling of horses for EADCMP. FEI Veterinarians are **not** insured for activities relating to the veterinary treatment of horses and must take out their own insurance for this purpose. Further details relating to the insurance policy can be found [here](#).

8. Rollout

The new global EADCMP system will be implemented during 2016 in accordance with a progressive rollout plan across the NFs. National Federations and Organising Committees are requested **not** to make any plans, organise or implement the testing of horses at FEI events during 2016 and thereafter unless specifically instructed to do so by the FEI Veterinary Department.