



Veterinary Guidance

Reference:	VGn 3/2010	Date:25th March 2010
Subject:	Treatment areas at FEI events	
Related Regulations	FEI Veterinary Regulations 2010, FEI Equine Anti-Doping and Controlled Medication Regulations 2010 (commencing 5th April 2009) FEI Equine Prohibited Substances	
Background : Visit www.feicleansport.org and www.fei.org	At the 2009 FEI General Assembly, measures were agreed by National Federations as part of the Clean Sport initiative. These measures are to increase the clarity in many areas of equestrian sport in order to ensure that the integrity of the sport is maintained now and in the future. Clean Sport measures have a focus on, but are not restricted to, the reduction of positive doping and medication cases, whether deliberate or non-intentional. This Veterinary Guidance note explains the purpose behind the introduction of treatment areas at FEI events, and their use.	
Purpose and Use:	Treatment areas at FEI events Medication in horses is only permitted whilst under FEI competition rules when controlled and authorized by FEI Veterinary Delegates. The latter must complete an ETUE (formerly an MF 1 or 2) as a record of authorization. Examples can be found at Annex 2 of the Veterinary Regulations 2010 (see VGn2/2010). Unless by special permission of the FEI veterinary delegate, such treatments must take place only in designated treatment areas. The purpose of this measure is to ensure as much as possible that inappropriate treatments are not being applied which are contrary to the spirit of clean sport and the welfare of the horse. Treatment areas are to be used to achieve this purpose wherever possible, unless by prior arrangement with an FEI Veterinary Delegate (i.e. required fluid therapy). The Person Responsible for the treatments must be able to provide a copy of the ETUE authorization required to allow such treatments when requested by either an FEI veterinary official or steward.	
The FEI Veterinary Committee has produced the following further guidance for veterinarians, Persons Responsible and officials for the further processing of ETUES.	The provision of treatment areas must to be arranged in advance of an event. Criteria for treatment areas includes <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Conveniently arranged for stewarding and with safe access- Have access to a water supply- Must be easily cleaned after use- Be adequately administered by stewards and/or FEI veterinary officials- At least 4 available, but with an adequate number for the discipline type and the number of horses at an event	

<p>Notes to Organizing Committees</p>	<p>FEI Veterinary delegates are to work with Organizing Committees in advance to ensure that treatment areas are available and fit for purpose.</p> <p>Organizing committees are to also ensure that there is adequate stewarding to assist with veterinary delegate supervision of treatment areas and the above criteria have been met.</p>
<p>Further Queries on this Information Note</p>	<p>If you have any further questions please feel free to contact dominique.rochat@fei.org or veterinary@fei.org for further information. Tel 0041213104747</p>