



Veterinary Guidance

Reference:	VGn 6/2010	Date:30th April 2010
Subject:	Supplementary guidance for Treatment areas at FEI events (supplement to VGn3/2010)	
Related Regulations:	FEI Veterinary Regulations 2010, FEI Equine Anti-Doping and Controlled Medication Regulations 2010 (commencing 5th April 2010), 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 around 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 is supplementary to the previous VGn3/2010 and further explains what types of treatment must be allocated to agreed designated treatment areas at FEI events.	
Purpose and Use:	Treatments and treatment areas at FEI events Medication in horses is only permitted whilst under FEI competition rules when controlled and authorized by FEI Veterinary Delegates. Forms must be completed by the treating vet and signed by a Veterinary Delegate or a Member of the Veterinary Commission. An ETUE(formerly a MF 1 or 2) or a Medication Form 3 (MF 3) is the record of authorization. Examples can be found at Annex 2 of the Veterinary Regulations 2010 (see also VGn2/2010). Treatments must take place only in designated treatment areas, unless by prior arrangement with the FEI Veterinary Delegate or Commission (i.e. fluid therapy in stalls). This is to ensure that all treatments are applied in the spirit of clean sport and the welfare of the horse. At all times the Person Responsible for administering the treatments must be able to provide a copy of the ETUE/MF authorization required when requested by an FEI veterinary official or steward. The purpose of VGn6/2010 is to meet a need to provide further guidance on which treatments require such monitoring and which do not.	
The FEI Veterinary Committee has produced the following further guidance for veterinarians, Persons Responsible and officials for the processing of ETUEs and the selection of designated treating areas.	ETUEs must be completed and a treatment area agreed: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- for the use of a substance from the Controlled Medication section of the FEI Equine Prohibited Substances List (the "List").- The only exception to this is a clear emergency, when a retrospective ETUE may be considered, but may not be authorized in all cases.	

	<p>Agreed treatment areas are required for the supervised activities of physical therapists, but such agreed areas for this activity may be the horses own stable.</p> <p>An agreed treatment area and supervision is not required for simple treatments such as ice, water, cold laser, magnetic therapies and heated blankets.</p> <p>Medication Form 3 must be completed and a treatment area agreed for the use of injectable medications not on the FEI Equine Prohibited Substances List. The use of such medications (not "Listed" or permitted in oral formulations) does not require either a Medication Form 3 or an agreed treatment area.</p>
<p>Notes to Organising 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. They are also to ensure that stewards are aware of the simple guidance above with regard to when treatment areas and permission forms are required, and when are not.</p> <p>Organizing Committees are to also ensure that there are adequately trained stewards who liaise fully with FEI Veterinary Officials to assist with the supervision of treatment areas in order to meet the above criteria. If such stewards are not available the FEI veterinary officials are to designate individuals that can fulfill such a role. The organizing committee is also responsible for making sure the veterinary officials have an office space with a copy machine close to the FEI stables available to them so as to facilitate the required paperwork process. The Veterinary Delegate is required to make only ETUE 1 available to the Ground Jury. ETUE 1, ETUE 2 and MF 3 are required to be kept by the Veterinary Delegate and referenced in their report to the FEI.</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. +41 21 310 47 47</p>