

REGIONAL EQUESTRIAN LEAGUE (REL) GUIDELINES

Introduction

Unlike other sports, equestrian field does not have Distt / State level championship due to lack of infrastructure, as a result of which many a time naïve horse-rider combinations have participated in National championships thereby diluting the sanctity of the National Level competition. REL concept has been developed to offer more opportunities to riders to participate in various competition within the region and qualify themselves to compete at National level.

Objective

2. (a) Promote Equestrian sports at Regional Level by empowering Regional Members.
- (b) Promote more civilian organizing committee & civil venues to hold equestrian events.
- (c) Popularize the sports throughout the country.
- (d) Offer more competitions to horse-rider combinations in their own region thereby reducing the burden of transportation cost.
- (e) Select horse rider combination worthy of participation at National level.

Concept

3. To achieve the above objectives, holding of Equestrian competitions at regional level is proposed on the lines of World Challenge Jumping (WCJ) for which the country will be divided into following zones:-

- (a) North Zone (J&K, Himachal Pradesh, Punjab, Haryana and Union Territories of Chandigarh and Delhi).
 - (b) East Zone (West Bengal, Bihar, Jharkhand and Orissa).
 - (c) West Zone (Maharashtra, Goa, Gujarat, and Rajasthan).
 - (d) South Zone (Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Telengana and Puducherry).
 - (e) Central Zone (UP, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh and Uttarkhand).
 - (f) North East Zone (Assam, Manipur, Nagaland, Sikkim, Arunachal Pradesh, Tripura, Meghalaya and Mizoram).
4. Respective Zonal Members shall be responsible to organize regional championships.
 5. One EFI Rep (CD/Jury as per the request of OC) shall be detailed for each horse show to ensure that the desired levels are not diluted.
 6. Course plan will be provided by EFI to be followed at all venues so as to have uniformity in level of competition for all.

7. Horse-rider combinations must participate at minimum of two venues and should not incur more than 12 jumping faults over two rounds competitions to achieve Minimum Eligibility Requirement (MER) to be eligible to participate in National Championships.

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8. To qualify for the Nationals, horse-rider combination may participate in any number of competitions being held at various venues all over the country to achieve the desired MER.

9. Grade I & II horse-rider combinations will have direct access to National Championship.

10. No corpus money shall be required from the organizer.

11. Entry fees/sponsorship money shall be used by the organizers to organize the events.

12. Expenditure on transportation, accommodation & hospitalities of officials shall be borne by the organizers.

13. Organizers to use their own infrastructure.

Incentive

14. Incentive being given by EFI to be given only once to club in a calendar year. Rs 50,000/- to be given if participation of over 12 riders and Rs 25,000/- to be given for less than 12 riders.

Procedures

15. Interested organizers may forward their bids to EFI after due consultation with Regional Member regarding the exact dates of event. The recommendation of Member Region is mandatory. On receipt of the bids the same will be evaluated by the Bid Evaluation Committee for allotment of events. On allotment of the event the same will be included in the EFI Calendar for 2017-18 which will facilitate all horse-rider combinations to plan their move to various venues and participate to achieve MER to qualify for NEC.

16. Organizers will have to deposit a refundable security of Rs 50,000/- alongwith bid which will be refunded with incentive mentioned in Para 14 on successful completion of event. In case of non completion of event as per EFI guidelines security deposit will not be returned.