SUMMARY PATHWAY FOR CEI/FEI PARTICIPATION – RIDERS/TRAINERS & HORSES

For all enquires – Equestrian Australia 02 8762 7777   Email info@equestrian.org.au;
or contact your State Equestrian Australia office eg Equestrian NSW 02 9620 2660

For initial registration & passport applications - allow at least 3-4 weeks to complete the process.

Please be aware, that the first step is to be a current member of your Equestrian state body, eg Equestrian NSW which is obtained through https://equestrianaustralia.justgo.com. If you are a new member, you will need to Sign Up. This membership number then becomes your login for the Justgo Platform.

New or renewal of all FEI registrations or passport applications can be completed by logging on to the Equestrian Australia Justgo Platform at https://equestrianaustralia.justgo.com.

For the time being, you can also go to https://www.rideahorse.com.au/fei-forms/ for your FEI new and renewal registrations and passport applications.

It is the responsibility of the Rider/Trainer to ensure the horse & rider meet all qualifications for both AERA & FEI for the event they wish to enter.

The following are the 2025 FEI Novice Qualifications for a horse and/or rider to enter their first One Star Event - https://inside.fei.org/sites/default/files/FEI%20Endurance%20Rules%20-%201%20January%202025%20-%20Clean.pdf –

832. NOVICE QUALIFICATIONS
832.1 Subject to Article 832.4, all Horses and Athletes must have successfully completed their novice qualifications to be eligible to advance through the CEI star level qualification process.
832.2 Novice qualifications must be administered by each National Federation. The novice qualification eligibility form must be filled in on the FEI online platform prior to the relevant National Federation making the first FEI entry for the Athlete or Horse.
832.3 Novice qualification procedure: Horses and Athletes must have successfully completed (not necessarily as a Combination) two novice rides of 40-79 km (in one day) and two novice rides of 80-100 km each restricted to a speed of no more than 16 km/hour (calculated in accordance with Article 838.2). The required 80-100 km rides may be completed either as (i) two single-day events, or (ii) one single-day event and one multi-day event (for the multi-day event,40-50km must be completed per day for two consecutive days at the same Competition). All qualifying novice rides must be completed within a three-year period.
832.4 Exemptions from novice qualification requirements:
832.4.1 A National Federation may ask the FEI to exempt an Athlete or Horse
from the novice qualifications if they meet the conditions in Articles
832.4.2 (Horse) or 832.4.3 (Athlete).
832.4.2 The Horse will be granted an exemption from the novice qualifications
if (i) it is eight years or older at the time of the request, and (ii) in the three years prior to the request it has successfully completed a cumulative minimum of 480 km in Competitions over distances of 80 km, including at least one competition of 80km or more at the age of eight or older.
832.4.3 The Athlete will be granted an exemption from the novice qualifications if the Athlete has successfully completed a cumulative minimum of 480 km in Competitions over 80 km or more in the three years prior to the request.

REQUIREMENTS FOR RIDER/ATHLETE/TRAINER – See information in Box on Page 1

1. Ensure the rider has a current ordinary AERA membership.

2. Apply for or renew membership with your state Equestrian Australia division, eg. Equestrian NSW via https://equestrianaustralia.justgo.com or contact your State Equestrian Australia office.

3. Apply for or renew membership with the FEI.

4. **Before entering a CEI/FEI Event, ensure that the rider meets the FEI Novice Rider rules.** See **https://inside.fei.org/sites/default/files/FEI%20Endurance%20Rules%20-%201%20January%202025%20-%20Clean.pdf – Chapter V Section 832.**
   Note – AERA Novice rules for both rider & horse must be met.
   www.aera.asn.au/index.php/administration/rules-and-policies
   Note - FEI Mandatory Out of Competition Rules apply to all FEI horses in all AERA & FEI events.

REQUIREMENTS FOR HORSE – See information in Box on Page 1

1. Ensure the horse has an AERA Endurance or Novice logbook.

2. The horse must be microchipped to be registered with Equestrian Australia State Branch and to continue with the FEI Registration and Passport Application.

3. Apply for horse BASE registration with your Equestrian Australia State Branch eg. Equestrian NSW, via the Equestrian Australia Justgo platform https://equestrianaustralia.justgo.com/ or contact your State Equestrian Australia office.

4. Apply or renew FEI Horse Registration via https://equestrianaustralia.justgo.com/

5. Passport Application –
   ▪ Trainer/Owner can apply for an EA National Passport to participate in domestic CEI 1star or 2star competition; *OR*
   ▪ Trainer/Owner can apply for an FEI Passport. This is a requirement for Three Star Competitions.
   Note – owner/trainer may apply for an FEI Recognition Card if the horse already has an EA National Passport.
   Note – if the owner/trainer intends to qualify the horse for three star competition in the future, it may be appropriate to initially apply for an FEI passport, rather than a National Passport.

6. **Before entering a CEI/FEI event, ensure the horse meets the FEI Novice Horse requirements. These requirements can be found at https://inside.fei.org/sites/default/files/FEI%20Endurance%20Rules%20-%201%20January%202025%20-%20Clean.pdf – Chapter V Section 832.**
   Note – AERA Novice Horse rules, including the 13 Month Novice Horse Rule, must be met.
   Note - FEI Mandatory Out of Competition Rules apply for all FEI horses in all AERA & FEI competitions.

https://www.equestrian.org.au/news/fei-endurance-novice-qualifications
www.aera.asn.au/index.php/administration/rules-and-policies

7. FEI Horse App Requirement -
   - Prior to the first competition, the Rider/Owner/Trainer must download the FEI Horse App to their smart phone https://inside.fei.org/hub/it-services/mobile-apps/%20fei_horseapp
   - Each horse is to be entered prior to competition in the FEI Horse App.
   - The FEI HorseApp is to be completed and temperature log maintained prior to, during and after each event for each horse.
   - Note – Helpful Hints are available - *https://howto.fei.org/content/20/245/en/how-to-check_in-a-horse-using-the-fei-horseapp.html*

8. **Ensure that both AERA logbook and FEI Passport documentation are taken to the FEI/CEI events being attended.**

9. **AERAONLINE – www.aeraonline.com.au**
   Before proceeding with your nomination into your chosen event/s, and after the rider and horse have completed the FEI and EA registration process and received an FEI passport number, go into your AERAOnline account at www.aeraonline.com.au to add rider EA and FEI numbers and the horse FEI and EA Numbers.

   For assistance, click on Help then Entering FEI Rides https://aeraonline.com.au/EnteringFEIRides