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- **Open European Endurance Championship 2003, Punchestown, IRL: Timetable News**

News from the official web site: [www.spoorthorseshow.com](http://www.spoorthorseshow.com)

Since the last newsletter has been published the timetable of the Open European Endurance Championship has been changed:  
Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September:

05.00 Start of the Open European Endurance Championship  
(instead of 04.00)

The further programme of Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September stays the same:

16.30 expected finish of the race

17.00 Prize giving ceremony

➤ Start at 05.00, expected finish at 16.30, prize giving at 17.00....

With an overall holding time of approximately 2 hours 30 minutes and approximately 30 minutes to present the horse for the final control and change in "prize giving dress" – this leaves us at 9.00 hours possible riding time. If you want to participate (on the podium or as spectator) at the prize giving ceremony you will have to finish the race in 17.8 km/ h...

**Schedule:** Has not yet been published...

- **Young Riders – Juniors World Championships, 120 km  
ITA – Pratoni del Vivaro 27<sup>th</sup> September 2003**

No information yet available – neither in form of an official schedule nor on any web site.

▪ **Long Term Calendar 2004 & 2005**

according to FEI Bulletin 2/ 2003

- 2004 Endurance World Championship, UAE TBC (to be confirmed)  
 ➤ February or December ???
- 2005 Endurance European Championship, GBR, Goodwood Application

▪ **Categories of Endurance Events - update**

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	<b>CEI****, CEI***, CEIO</b>	<b>CEI**, CEI*</b>
Participation	No restriction on the number of NF's	No restriction on the number of NF's Riders living abroad may compete at CEI**/* events for the host country at events held in the host country.
Horse Passports	FEI Passport (see also GR Art 139)	<b>FEI passport not required if competing in their country of residence, these horses must be registered with their NF, be identifiable by diagram and have a valid vaccination certificate.</b>
Stable Security	Minimum FEI stable security requirements to be met.	Minimum FEI stable security requirements to be met.
Prize Money	No restrictions	No restrictions
Officials	Judges: At least 1 President and 1 Foreign Judge from FEI list. Other members, if any, may be National Judges Vet. Commission: 1 President and 1 Member from FEI list. One of them must be foreign. Overall, 1 Vet. per 15 competing horses. Technical Delegate: 1 TD from FEI list of Endurance Judges, Vets and Stewards Steward: 1 Chief Steward from FEI list <i>Officials for CEI**** appointed by the FEI in consultation with the O.C.</i>	CEI**: Judges: min 1 President from FEI list. Vet. Commission: 1 President and 1 Member from FEI list. One of them must be foreign. Overall, 1 Vet. per 15 competing horses. Technical Delegate: 1 TD from FEI list of Endurance Judges, Vets and Stewards Steward: 1 Chief Steward from FEI list  CEI*: Just a TD and a Vet from FEI list
Appeal Committee	Not compulsory (see GR Appendix E)	Not compulsory (see GR Appendix E)

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Vet. Exam/ Inspection	Vet. Examination and 1 <sup>st</sup> and final inspection required.	Vet. Examination and 1 <sup>st</sup> and final inspection required.
Competitions/ Technical	CEI****: Senior Championships of a minimum of 160 km and more per day, or 100 km and more per day over two days; World Cup Finals and finals of series or major rides approved by the FEI Endurance Committee. CEI***: All rides of 140 km and more in one day, or 80 km and more per day over 2 or more days.	CEI**: All rides between 80 km and 139 km in one day or between 40 km and 79 km per day over two or more days. CEI*: All rides between 40 km and 79 km in one day.

Calendar	Applications to be sent to the FEI by 1 Oct. the year preceding the event – GR Art 117.	Subject to initial registration fee. Calendar dates may be added at any time without additional charge but not later than 16 weeks prior to the event.
Draft Schedule approval	To be sent to FEI for approval 8 weeks before the event takes place. Definite schedule to be sent to the FEI 4 weeks before the event.	To be sent to the FEI for approval 8 weeks before the event takes place.
Programme & Results	Master list of participants, programme and results to be sent to the FEI immediately following the event.	Master list of participants, programme and results to be sent to the FEI immediately following the event.

▪ **Vet-Gate Procedure – two scenarios and possible outcomes**

**First Scenario:**

The horse is presented in the vet-gate. It is stiff, slightly lame. The Vet asks for a re-trot in front of three Vets and a member of the Ground Jury. Vote 2 – 1 for lameness. The horse is eliminated.

Possible outcomes:

- The rider/ grooms/ owner are disappointed. Heartbreaking atmosphere. The horse is cared for but not cheered.
- The rider/ grooms/ owner are angry. Lots of discussion. The horse stands a little bit forgotten in the vet-gate area.
- The rider/ grooms/ owner are very angry. Lots of discussion with officials and vets. Nobody really looks after the horse for a long time.

**Second Scenario:**

The horse is presented in the vet-gate. It is stiff, slightly lame. The Vet asks for a recheck ten minutes before the next possible departure. Rider/ grooms/ owner care very much for the horse during the compulsory halt. The horse is fed, massaged, walked, controlled etc.

Possible outcomes:

- The horse passes the re-check because the stiffness disappeared due to the rest time and the care of rider/ grooms/ owner.
- The horse is eliminated at the re-check because it is really lame.  
The rider/ grooms/ owner are probably still disappointed or angry or very angry and do perhaps not care for the horse as they should.  
But at least the horse was carefully managed during half an hour...