

Pony Measuring

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CHAPTER IX PONY MEASURING

Article 1082 Regulatory Height

1. Ponies' regulatory height at the withers must not exceed 148.0cm without shoes.
2. During the Transition Period (1 January 2020 – 31 December 2022), Ponies being measured at FEI Events, in accordance with the provisions of Annex IX, are given a height allowance; their height at the withers must not exceed 150.0cm without shoes or 151.0cm with shoes. Ponies must be presented for measuring in good training condition as they would compete and, if shod, in competition shoeing. The maximum height at the withers must not exceed:
 - 148.0cm without shoes (any measurement between 148.1cm and 148.9cm will be rounded down to 148.0cm); and
 - 149.0cm with shoes (any measurement between 149.1cm and 149.9cm will be rounded down to 149.0cm).

The measuring veterinarians will put a remark in the passport: with shoes /without shoes, on the identification page.

Article 1083 Pony Measuring at FEI Measuring Sessions

1. Pony Measuring is administered by the FEI Veterinary Department which determines and maintains a calendar of FEI Measuring Sessions in conjunction with NFs, appoints the Measuring Veterinarians and provides FEI approved Measuring Equipment.
2. Pony Measuring Sessions are announced via a measuring calendar published on the FEI website.
3. Pony Measuring is carried out at a Measuring Station. The Measuring Station is selected by the NF in accordance with the FEI Regulations and requirements.
4. Pony Measuring is carried out using FEI approved Measuring Sticks that are calibrated and certified by the designated Weights and Measures approving body on an annual basis, or using any other FEI approved Measuring Equipment.
5. Pony Measuring is carried out by 2 Measuring Veterinarians, selected and appointed by the FEI. The names of the measuring veterinarians at each Measuring Session are kept confidential. A sanction will be imposed on any NF or person who reveals the Measuring Veterinarians names before the Measuring Session.
6. The Measuring Veterinarians are not allowed to measure in their own country, ponies belonging to owners with the same nationality as the Measuring Veterinarian and ponies registered in the same country as the Measuring Veterinarian.
7. Where possible, an FEI representative will attend the entire Pony Measuring Session. However, the non-attendance of an FEI representative for the entire Pony Measuring Session will not invalidate the measurements taken

8. An FEI Testing Veterinarian may be appointed to take EADCM samples.
9. Horses attending Pony Measurements are subject to testing under the EADCM Regulations. For the purpose of the application of the EADCM Regulations to a Horse attending a Pony Measurement, a Horse shall be considered as being "In-Competition" from the time of its arrival at the Pony Measurement Station until its departure from the Pony Measurement Station following completion of the Pony Measurement process (including all related paperwork) and EADCMP testing (where applicable) (the "Pony Measurement Period"). In addition to the consequences foreseen for violation of the EAD Rules and/or the ECM Rules under the EADCM Regulations, a violation of the EAD Rules and/or ECM Rules in connection with a test taken at a Pony Measurement may, at the discretion of the FEI, lead to the invalidation of the results of the relevant Pony Measurement.
10. A minimum of 3 Stewards must be appointed by the NF to facilitate the Pony Measuring procedure and ensure the safety of all participants. This includes and is not limited to: ensuring the efficient movement of Ponies into and out of the Measuring Area, assisting with identification, ensuring the Measuring Area does not become unnecessarily crowded and observing the Ponies in the lungeing / riding area.
11. NFs must ensure that any Ponies having Measured Out at an FEI measuring sessions are not entered in any FEI Pony Events.
12. NFs are responsible for providing a Measuring Station that meets the following requirements. The Measuring Station must have :
 - a. a place to walk the ponies in hand;
 - b. boxes available for ponies to urinate after the travel;
 - c. testing boxes for EADCMP testing, 1 box for every 15 ponies;
 - d. a hard surface trot up area; and
 - e. a suitable area for lungeing and riding before the Measurement.
13. NFs must ensure that suitable conditions for Pony Measurement are provided. The Measuring Area must have:
 - a) a total area of at least 3m by 3m;
 - b) a measuring "pad" of at least 3m by 3m that is flat , even and level which must be certified by laser measurement within 12 months of the measuring session. The floor must be non-slippery (a concrete slab or other paved surface is most desirable; plywood, dirt, gravel or other uneven surfaces are not permitted);
 - c) freedom from unnecessary disturbances and distractions;
 - d) adequate lighting to facilitate the process;
 - e) ideally a separate entrance and exit to allow safe movement of Ponies into and out of the area; and
 - f) must be sheltered.
14. NFs must provide the Measuring Veterinarians with a measuring schedule containing, the name of the PRs or the representative, the name and nationality of the Pony owner, the name of the Pony, the country of registration and FEI ID/Passport number of all Ponies attending the Measuring Session.
15. NFs must provide at least 3 stewards that are present for the entire Measuring Session.
16. Measurements from national Pony measuring systems in countries outside Europe may be approved should they meet criteria established by the FEI Veterinary Department. These Ponies must be re-measured in Europe should they wish to compete in FEI Pony Events held in FEI Groups I and II.

Article 1084

Ponies' Presentation

1. Ponies should normally be presented by the PR, or their representative (GRs Article 118.3). Stewards must ensure that no more than 2 people accompany the Pony during measuring, this must be the PR and/or their representative and 1 other person.
2. The Pony must be in a good physical condition (e.g. appropriate length of hooves and not foot sore), as determined by the Measuring Veterinarians, and free of any substances included on the EPSL. In the event of the Pony not being in good physical condition or if any of the provisions listed in Article 1086 apply, the Measuring Veterinarians can refuse to measure the Pony. In principal all ponies will be trotted up before being measured.
3. An FEI Official Veterinarians appointed to the Measuring Session may take DNA samples of any or all ponies, such samples will not be used for purposes other than identification of the Pony.
4. Ponies must be presented in a controlled and safe manner; this normally requires a bridle or head collar. Ponies presented must stand for measuring on a loose rein. Any equipment used for Ponies' presentation must be in accordance with the FEI Code of Conduct for the Welfare of the Horse and is at the discretion of the Measuring Veterinarians.
5. Ponies must be allowed to hold their head and body in a natural position, with their cannon bones vertical and in a normal stance. They must be standing squarely, weight-bearing on all four limbs and be allowed to relax before measuring is attempted.
6. The maximum presentation time for the measurement is 10 minutes per Pony. In the event of a Pony failing to relax sufficiently to be measured, the PR may request a 20 minute presentation time at the next measurement subject to approval by the FEI Veterinary Department.
7. Ponies may be accompanied by a companion horse or Pony during measuring.

Article 1085

Pony Measuring Procedure

1. The NF must provide the Measuring Veterinarians with a measuring schedule containing the name of the owner(s) and the PR or representative; their country of registration; and the name and FEI ID/Passport number of all Ponies attending the Measuring Session.
2. The Measuring Veterinarians verify the Ponies' identification against their Passport and microchip number where possible.
3. The Measuring Veterinarians assess the appearance of the withers for abnormalities. Ponies with abnormal withers will not be accepted for measuring.
4. Each Measuring Veterinarian successively measures the Ponies at the highest point of the withers, that is immediately above the spinous process (usually) of the 5th thoracic vertebra, which should be identified by palpation if necessary before any measurements are taken. Should the two measurements differ, the lower height is used.

5. Following measuring, Ponies are declared as either having:
 - a) "Measured In" and permitted to compete; or
 - b) "Measured Out".
6. If a Pony measures in and is 8 years old or older it will receive an FEI Lifetime Measuring Certificate, be registered as Pony in the FEI database, and allowed to compete at FEI Pony Events
7. If a Pony measures in and is between 6 and 8 years it will receive an FEI Interim Measuring Certificate, which will last for 15 months. The Pony may be re-measured annually until the age of 8 years old.
8. If a Pony measures out the NF is notified and it is blocked from entering in any FEI Pony Competition; and registered as a horse if required. It can be re-measured once the same year at another Measuring Session, and once a year in the two following consecutive years. In total it may be measured 4 times in 3 consecutive years.
9. The Measuring Veterinarians must notify the PR of their Pony having Measured Out.

The Measuring Veterinarians must mark, stamp and sign the Ponies' Passport, on the Identification Page, stating the date, Event and the words "*Measured Out*". A red pen must be used for that purpose.
10. The Measuring Veterinarians must inform the FEI Veterinary Department of any Ponies having Measured Out in the Pony Measuring Report.
11. The FEI Veterinary Department will notify the respective NF of any Ponies having Measured Out. It is the responsibility of the NF to ensure that Ponies having Measured Out are not entered in any future FEI Pony Events until they have obtained an FEI Height Certificate.
12. Any person obstructing or interfering with the Pony Measuring procedure, which may include but is not restricted to photography or videography, will be instructed to leave the Measuring Area.

Article 1086

Refusal to Measure

1. The Measuring Veterinarians may refuse to measure a Pony in the event of any of the following:
 - a) the PR or other representative or additional handler interferes with or obstructs the Measuring Veterinarians' work (e.g. by influencing the natural stance and posture of the Pony);
 - b) the PR or other representative exerts unnecessary force or uses a method perceived to affect the Pony's measurement, impact its welfare or be injurious; or
 - c) the Pony is deemed not measurable (e.g. unrestful or trained to lower its natural height),
3. The Measuring Veterinarians must refuse to measure a Pony in the event of any of the following:

- a) there is doubt or evidence that the Pony's withers, or any part in that anatomical region, may have been interfered with so as to artificially lower the Pony's height; or
 - b) the Pony is sweating or breathing abnormally due to too intense exercise; or
 - c) the Pony has sore feet; or
 - d) the Pony is lame; or
 - e) the Pony is in poor condition; or
 - f) the Pony shows signs of being sedated, in such cases the pony should always be sampled for EADCM.
2. In the event of the Measuring Veterinarians refusing to measure a Pony, the NF is notified specifying the reason for refusal to measure and it is blocked from entering in any FEI Pony Competition; and registered as a horse if required. It can be re-measured once the same year at another Measuring Session, and once a year in the two following consecutive years. In total it may be measured 4 times in 3 consecutive years.
 3. The FEI Measuring Veterinarians must mark and sign the Pony's Passport, on the Identification Page, stating the date, Event and the words "*Refusal to Measure*" and reason for the refusal. A red pen must be used for that purpose.
 4. The Measuring Veterinarians must inform the FEI Veterinary Department of any Ponies they refused to measure in the Pony Measuring Report.

Article 1087

Transition Period

1. The FEI will issue a FEI Lifetime Measuring Certificate to all Ponies that have been measured in at an FEI Pony Event in 2017 or 2018 or 2019 where the measuring was conducted by 2 FEI measuring Veterinarians (including those that have been Measured In at an Appeal Measurement during 2017, 2018 or 2019).
2. As of 1 January 2020, all newly registered FEI Ponies must be measured in at an FEI Measuring Session and be issued with an FEI Height Certificate in order to be allowed to take part in FEI Pony Competitions.
3. Ponies that have been registered with the FEI before 1 January 2020 and have not received a FEI Lifetime Measuring Certificate as per Article 1087.1 above may continue to participate in Pony Competitions under the rules set forth in Annex IX.
4. During the Transition Period the FEI will carry out measuring in competition according to the procedure set out in Annex IX and only at the following FEI Events:
 - FEI European Pony Championships;
 - FEI Jumping Nations Cup Youth (Ponies) Final; and
 - FEI Jumping Ponies Trophy Final

(the "Specified Events")

If a Pony measures out after the second measurement at a Specified Event it must be re-measured at an Extraordinary Appeal Measurement (as per Article 1088) or at an FEI Measuring Session (as per Articles 1082 – 1086 (inclusive)) in order to be eligible to compete at future FEI Pony Events. Appeal measurements will no longer take place.

Article 1088

Extraordinary Measuring Session

1. The PR or their representative may request, in writing, an Extraordinary Measuring Session.
2. The NF must apply to the FEI to host the Extraordinary Measuring Session.
3. In the event of an Extraordinary Measuring Session being cancelled or postponed by the PR or their representative, for any reason, a minimum fee of CHF 500 will be charged.
4. The Extraordinary Measuring Session is carried out in accordance with Articles 1082 to 1087.
5. A suitable Measuring Station must be provided by the NF as described in Article 1083.
6. The PR is responsible for all costs related to the Extraordinary Measuring Session. These include the transport, accommodation, meals and fees for two Measuring Veterinarians, an FEI representative, where applicable Stewards and testing Officials, the costs of sample analysis by an FEI Approved Laboratory if applicable, the use of a suitable measuring pad and all other associated costs.
7. As per Annex IX, during the Transition Period "Out-of-Competition Measurements" will be conducted at an Extraordinary Measurement Session (in accordance with the provisions of this Article 1088) or, at the discretion of the FEI, at a regular FEI Measurement Session (in accordance with Articles 1082 – 1086 (inclusive)). If a Pony measures out at a Specified Event during the Transition Period, the Pony must be re-measured either in accordance with the provisions of this Article 1088 or at a regular FEI Measurement Session (in accordance with Articles 1082 – 1086 (inclusive)).

Article 1093
Pony Measuring

1. NFs must ensure that any Pony having Measured Out at an FEI Event, FEI Measuring Session or Out-of-Competition Measurement prior to 1 January 2020 or that measures out during the Transition Period is not entered in any FEI Pony Events until it has been Measured In either at (I) an FEI Measuring Session conducted in accordance with Articles 1082 – 1086 (Inclusive); or (II) an Extraordinary Measuring Session conducted in accordance with Article 1088.

ANNEX IX PONY MEASURING REGULATIONS – TRANSITION PERIOD

FEI Pony Measurement will be conducted in the manner described in this Annex IX at the following FEI Events during the period from 1 January 2020 until 31 December 2022 (the “**Transition Period**”):

- FEI European Pony Championships,
- FEI Jumping Nations Cup Youth (Ponies) Final; and
- FEI Jumping Ponies Trophy Final
(collectively the “**Specified Events**”).

As of 1 January 2020, any other Pony measurement, i.e. any FEI Pony Measurement that is not carried out at a Specified Event, must be carried out in accordance with the provisions of Articles 1082 to 1089 (inclusive).

Only registered ponies can compete at FEI Pony Competitions. For the avoidance of doubt, a pony whose status was “measured out” as of 1 Jan 2020 cannot compete again in an FEI Pony Competition unless and until it is measured in accordance with the provisions of Articles 1082 to 1089 (inclusive).

Pony Measurement Process at the Specified Events during the Transition Period:

I: Pony Measuring Facilities

1. The allocated time for Pony Measuring should be specified in the Schedule and the measuring must be carried out prior to the Horse Inspection. If there is no mention of Pony Measuring taking place in the Schedule, the FEI still reserves the right to carry out Pony Measuring at that Event.
2. The OC must ensure that suitable conditions for Pony Measurement are provided. The Measuring Area must have:
 - a) a total area of at least 3m by 3m;
 - b) a measuring “pad” of at least 3m by 1.5m that is flat, even and level which must be checked using a spirit level or laser and the floor must be non-slippery (a concrete slab or other paved surface is most desirable; plywood, dirt, gravel or other uneven surfaces are not permitted);
 - c) freedom from unnecessary disturbances and distractions;
 - d) adequate lighting to facilitate the process;
 - e) ideally a separate entrance and exit to allow safe movement of Ponies into and out of the area;
 - f) must be sheltered; and
 - g) a Waiting Area for those Ponies awaiting Second Measurement.
3. A designated shoeing area must be available for any International Pony Competition.
4. The OC must provide the Measuring Veterinarians with the start list containing the name and FEI ID/Passport number of all Ponies entered in the Event.
5. Additional administrative support may be required at larger Events to facilitate the

procedure, this must be organised by the OC and VSM on the advice of the FEI Veterinary Department or Measuring Veterinarians.

II: Stewarding

1. Suitable Stewarding must be provided for Pony Measuring, as required in these VRs.
2. A minimum of three Stewards must be appointed to facilitate the Pony Measuring procedure and ensure the safety of all participants. This includes and is not limited to: ensuring the efficient movement of Ponies into and out of the Measuring Area, assisting with identification, ensuring the Measuring Area does not become unnecessarily crowded and observe the Ponies awaiting Second Measurement
3. Stewards must ensure that no more than two people present the Ponies.
4. Ponies awaiting Second Measurement must be observed by Stewards.

III: Regulatory Height

1. Ponies' regulatory height at the withers must not exceed 148.0cm without shoes.
2. Ponies being measured at FEI Events are given a height allowance; their height at the withers must not exceed 150.0cm without shoes or 151.0cm with shoes.
3. If a Pony measures in and is between 6 and 8 years it will receive an FEI Interim Measuring Certificate, which will last for 15 months. The Pony may be re-measured annually until the age of 8 years old.
4. If a Pony measures in and is 8 years old (or older) it will receive a FEI Lifetime Measuring Certificate.

IV: Pony Measuring at the Specified Events

1. Pony Measuring is administered by the FEI Veterinary Department who appoints the Measuring Veterinarians and provides FEI approved Measuring Sticks.
2. Pony Measuring is carried out in the Measuring Area, usually before the Horse Inspection unless otherwise approved by the FEI Veterinary Department. Notwithstanding anything contrary regulated in the GRs, if Pony Measuring is carried out before the Horse Inspection, the Period of the Event shall commence when Pony Measuring starts.
3. Pony Measuring is carried out using FEI approved Measuring Sticks that are calibrated and certified by the designated Weights and Measures approving body on an annual basis.
4. Pony Measuring is carried out by 2 Measuring Veterinarians, who may include the VD in exceptional circumstances.
5. A member of the GJ should attend the Pony Measuring procedure where possible.
6. A minimum of 3 Stewards must be appointed to facilitate the Pony Measuring procedure and ensure the safety of all participants. This includes and is not limited to:

ensuring the efficient movement of Ponies into and out of the Measuring Area, assisting with identification, ensuring the Measuring Area does not become unnecessarily crowded and observe the Ponies awaiting Second Measurement.

7. Additional administrative support may be required at larger Events to facilitate the procedure, this must be organised by the OC and VSM on the advice of the FEI Veterinary Department or Measuring Veterinarians.

V. Ponies' Presentation

1. Ponies should normally be presented by the PR, or their representative (GRs Article 118.3); however exceptionally the GJ may allow a third person to present the Pony on request by the PR or representative. Stewards must ensure that no more than 2 people accompany the Pony, this must be the PR and/or their representative and 1 other person (which may include the Owner, Chef d'Equipe, Team Veterinarian or groom).

2. Ponies presenting for Pony Measuring must be free of any substances included on the EPSL.

3. Ponies must be presented in a controlled and safe manner; this normally requires a bridle or head collar. Ponies presented in bridles must stand for measuring on a loose rein. Any equipment used for Ponies' presentation must be in accordance with the FEI Code of Conduct for the Welfare of the Horse and is at the discretion of the GJ.

4. Ponies must be allowed to hold their head and body in a natural position, with their cannon bones vertical and in a normal stance. They must be standing squarely, weight-bearing on all four limbs and be allowed to relax before measuring is attempted.

5. Ponies must be presented in the shoes in which they will compete. No change of shoes or visits to the farrier are normally permitted once Ponies have presented for Pony Measuring.

The replacement of shoes prior to the Competition may be exceptionally requested by the PR or their representative who must obtain prior written notification for Authorised Farriery, which must be signed by both the GJ and VD. Any such Authorised Farriery must take place in the Designated Shoeing Area. Failure to obtain prior written notification for Authorised Farriery or any farriery taking place outside the Designated Shoeing Area will result in the Disqualification of the Pony by the GJ.

Any shoe(s) changed after Pony Measuring may, at the discretion of the GJ, result in the re-measurement of the Pony. When the re-measurement differs from the Initial Measurement, the higher result is considered final.

6. For any International Pony Competition, all Pony farriery may only take place within a Designated Shoeing Area; failure to comply with this regulation will result in Disqualification from that Event.

VI: Pony Measuring Procedure

1. The OC must provide the Measuring Veterinarians with the start list containing the name and FEI ID/Passport number of all Ponies entered in the Event.

2. The Measuring Veterinarians verify the Ponies' identification against their Passport

and microchip number where possible.

3. The Measuring Veterinarians assess the appearance of the withers for abnormalities.
4. Each Measuring Veterinarian successively measures the Ponies at the highest point of the withers, that is immediately above the spinous process (usually) of the 5th thoracic vertebra, which should be identified by palpation if necessary before any measurements are taken. Should the two measurements differ, the lower height is used.
5. Following measuring, Ponies are declared as either having:
 - a) "Measured In" and permitted to compete; or
 - b) "Measured Out".
6. The Measuring Veterinarians must notify the PR or their representative of the Ponies having Measured Out using a Second Measurement Notification Form. These Ponies must be presented for Second Measurement within a maximum of 1 hour following the Initial Measurement.
7. The Measuring Veterinarians must keep a record of the Ponies having Measured Out and their respective height.
8. Ponies awaiting Second Measurement must be observed by Stewards. Farriery must not be carried out between the Initial Measurement and Second Measurement however gentle exercise is permitted.
9. The Second Measurement is carried out by the same Measuring Veterinarians following the procedure described above. The Pony can be presented for the Second Measurement only once and no further measurements can be carried out at the Event.
10. The Measuring Veterinarians must notify the PR or their representative, the GJ and the VD of any Ponies having Measured Out after the Second Measurement.
11. The Measuring Veterinarians must mark, stamp and sign the Ponies' Passport, on the Identification Page, stating the date, Event and the words "Measured Out - Pending an Appeal". A red pen must be used for that purpose. A copy of the Identification Pages must be sent to the FEI Veterinary Department within 72 hours of the conclusion of the Event.
12. Ponies having Measured Out after the Second Measurement are not permitted to compete in the Event and any future FEI Pony Events until an Appeal Measurement has been carried out and the Pony has Measured In.
13. The Measuring Veterinarians must inform the FEI Veterinary Department of any Ponies having Measured Out in the Pony Measuring Report.
14. The FEI Veterinary Department will inform the respective NF of any Ponies having Measured Out. It is the responsibility of the NF to ensure that Ponies having Measured Out are not entered in any future FEI Pony Events until an Appeal Measurement has been carried out and the Pony has Measured In.
15. Any person obstructing or interfering with the Pony Measuring procedure, which may include photography or videography, will be instructed to leave the Measuring Area.

16. In the event of wither abnormalities, the FEI Veterinary Department may issue a statement to confirm a Pony's eligibility for measuring. The full clinical history and evidence explaining the presence of any wounds, scars or damage in the region of the withers (including radiographs or other appropriate diagnostic images) must be presented to the FEI Veterinary Department for evaluation at least 6 weeks prior to the Event. The Pony will only be eligible for measuring if the statement from the FEI Veterinary Department is presented to the Measuring Veterinarians before any measurement takes place.

VII: Refusal to Measure

1. If a PR refuses to submit their Pony for the Initial Measurement or Second Measurement, the Pony will not be permitted to compete in the Event and any future FEI Pony Events until the Pony has Measured In.

2. In the event of a PR refusing to submit their Pony for the Initial Measurement or Second Measurement, the Measuring Veterinarians must inform the GJ who will mark and sign the Pony's Passport, on the Identification Page, stating the date, Event and the words "Refusal to present for Pony Measuring – Pony ineligible for FEI Pony Events". A red pen must be used for that purpose. The Measuring Veterinarians, or GJ in their absence, must send a copy of the marked Identification Page to the FEI Veterinary Department within 72 hours of the conclusion of the Event.

3. The Measuring Veterinarians must inform the FEI Veterinary Department of any refusal to present for Pony Measuring in the Pony Measuring Report.

4. The Measuring Veterinarians may refuse to measure a Pony in the event of any of the following:

- a) the PR or other representative or additional handler interferes with or obstructs the Measuring Veterinarians' work (e.g. by influencing the natural stance of the Pony);
- b) the PR or other representative exerts unnecessary force or uses a method perceived to affect the Pony's measurement, impact its welfare or be injurious;
- c) the Pony is deemed not measurable (e.g. unrestful or trained to lower its natural height); or
- d) there is doubt or evidence that the Pony's withers, or any part in that anatomical region, may have been interfered with so as to artificially lower the Pony's height.

5. In the event of the Measuring Veterinarians refusing to measure a Pony, the GJ must inform the PR or their representative that the Pony is not allowed to compete in the Event.

6. In the event of the Measuring Veterinarians refusing to measure a Pony, the GJ must mark and sign the Pony's Passport, on the Identification Page, stating the date, Event and the words "Refusal to Measure" and reason for the refusal. A red pen must be used for that purpose. The Measuring Veterinarians must send a copy of the marked Identification Page to the FEI Veterinary Department within 72 hours of the conclusion of the Event.

7. The Measuring Veterinarians must inform the FEI Veterinary Department of any Ponies they refused to measure in the Pony Measuring Report.

VIII: Out-of-Competition Measurement

1. Any Pony that

a) appears to exceed the regulatory height at FEI Events where no Pony Measuring is carried out; or
b) appears to show doubt or evidence that the Pony's withers, or any part in that anatomical region, may have been interfered with so as to artificially lower the Pony's height
may be subject to an Out-of-Competition Measurement.

2. The GJ or VD request an Out-of-Competition Measurement, in writing, to the FEI Veterinary Department within 72 hours of the conclusion of the Event.

3. The FEI shall have the right at its discretion to request an Out-Of-Competition Measurement. If confirmed by the FEI Veterinary Department, the Out-of-Competition Measurement must be carried out as soon as possible and within a maximum of 6 weeks following receipt of the written request. The Pony must be available at any time during this time period.

4. The FEI Veterinary Department will inform the PR or their representative and the NF of the Out-of-Competition Measurement appointment. The Pony is not permitted to compete in any FEI Events until the Out-of-Competition Measurement has been carried out.

5. In the event of the Out-of-Competition Measurement appointment being cancelled or postponed by the PR or their representative, for any reason, a minimum fee of CHF 500 will be charged.

6. The Out-of-Competition Measurement is carried out by 2 Measuring Veterinarians following the procedure described in Article 1088 (*Extraordinary Measuring Session*) or, at the discretion of the FEI, at a regular FEI Measurement Session in accordance with Articles 1082 – 1086 (inclusive).

7. The PR or their representative must be present during the entire Out-of-Competition Measurement procedure.

8. A suitable measuring pad must be provided by the NF as described in Article 1014. In the event of the measuring pad being unsatisfactory, the Measuring Veterinarians can refuse to measure the Pony.

9. The FEI will cover costs related to the Out-of-Competition Measurement. These include the transport, accommodation, meals and fees for 2 Measuring Veterinarians, the costs of sample analysis by an FEI Approved Laboratory if applicable, the use of a suitable measuring pad and all other associated costs. In the event of an unsatisfactory measuring pad being provided by the NF, all costs mentioned above will be charged to the NF. The PR must cover their own costs.

10. The Pony must be in a good physical condition (e.g. appropriate length of hooves and not foot sore), as determined by the Measuring Veterinarians, and free of all substances listed on the EPSL. In the event of the Pony not being in good physical condition or if any of the provisions listed in Article 1086 apply, the Measuring Veterinarians can refuse to measure the Pony.

11. The Pony's height at the withers must not exceed 148.0cm without shoes.

12. Should the two measurements differ, the lower height is considered definitive, final

and binding; no further re-measurement will be permitted thereafter. Immediately after the Out-Of-Competition Measurement, the Pony may be sampled (blood only) in accordance with the EADCMP.

13. The Measuring Veterinarians must mark, stamp and sign the Pony's Passport, on the Identification Page, stating the date and place of the measurement and either the words:

- a) "Out-of-Competition Measurement – Pony Measured In"; or
- b) "Out-of-Competition Measurement - Pony Measured Out".

A red pen must be used for that purpose.

14. The Measuring Veterinarians must send a copy of the marked Identification Page to the FEI Veterinary Department along with the Out-of-Competition Measurement Report within 72 hours of the conclusion of the Out-of-Competition Measurement.

15. Ponies having Measured In at an Out-of-Competition Measurement are eligible to compete in future FEI Pony Events.

16. Ponies having Measured Out at an Out-of-Competition Measurement are not eligible to compete in future FEI Pony Events until an Appeal Measurement has been carried out and the Pony has Measured In.

17. The FEI Veterinary Department will inform the NF of the Out-of-Competition Measurement outcome.

18. No retrospective adjustment of the Event results is permitted following an Out-of-Competition Measurement.

19. NFs must ensure that any Ponies having Measured Out at an FEI Event or Out-of-Competition Measurement are not entered in any FEI Pony Events until an Appeal Measurement has been carried out and the Pony's status has been confirmed.

20. Where a Pony has Measured Out at an FEI Event, there is no appeal against that measurement. Instead, the Pony may be re-measured at an Extraordinary Measuring Session (as per Article 1088) or at a regular FEI Measurement Session (as per Articles 1082 – 1086 (inclusive)).