

Press release

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At the request of the Investigation and Prosecution Service and the parties the Competition College of the Belgian Competition Authority clarified on November 24, 2015 the provisional measures imposed on July 27 on the Fédération Equestre Internationale

The Competition College has decided that the "Fédération Equestre Internationale" should put before November 30 the following text on the pages 'http://www.fei.org/news' and 'https://www.fei.org/fei/about-fei/fei-update/2015' of its website:

« Publication following a decision of the Belgian Competition Authority

Pursuant to the decision of the Belgian Competition Authority of 27 July 2015, the articles 113(4)-(6) of the FEI General Regulations are suspended with regard to the participation of athletes and horses in the Global Champions League. No athlete or horse can be suspended or sanctioned because of their participation in a competition organised by the Global Champions League. This suspension shall apply until the first of the following decisions: (1) a decision of the Belgian Competition Authority closing the case by a decision not to proceed with the case, by a settlement decision or by a decision of the Competition College; (2) a decision of the Competition College terminating the suspension by application of the review procedure organised in point (5) of the dictum of the decision of 27 July 2015, or (3) the annulment of that decision of 27 July 2015 by a decision of the Court of Appeal of Brussels. »

This text should also be sent to the national federations, the International Jumping Riders Club and the Alliance of Jumping Organisers.

In case of non-compliance with this measure, the Competition College may declare a penalty due.

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