

Stables Access for Media at FEI Events

For safety, biosecurity and the general integrity of competition, the stables at FEI Events are restricted to necessary personnel/persons only and require specific accreditation at control access points.

In principle, the FEI does not allow/permit media and marketing individuals access to the stables. The only exception applies to National Federation Media Liaison personnel at major events/championships/Games as they are deemed essential for team operations requiring constant access to athletes, grooms, and other support staff during for tasks such as relaying requests and coordinating media interactions.

On a case-by-case basis, the FEI may grant exceptions for unique access at agreed/set times and under the supervision of an FEI Steward and member of the OC/FEI Media Operations team. Such permission shall only be granted by the FEI Veterinary Delegate/FEI Veterinary Directorate who shall have the right to refuse any such request. Requests will only be considered from the following:

- Media engaged by National Federations (for national promotional content of their teams/athletes)
- Organising Committee media team (for event promotional content)
- FEI digital/media team (for event/sport promotional content)
- Other media engaged by Organising Committee and/or FEI (for event/sport promotional content)
- Exceptional television/broadcast requests

Access will be subject to the following conditions:

- The number of people per group should be limited to maximum five people
- Any person/people permitted such access must remain with the accompanying FEI Steward/Media Operations staff at all times
- No photos shall be taken of any horse/athlete/team without their prior permission
- Strictly no flash photography
- Time windows and duration for any visit must be agreed with the FEI Chief Steward and must consider avoiding compromising times when grooms and athletes are likely to be most focussed on horse care and/or competition preparation

Any individuals found in the stables acting in the role of media/marketing/comms without the above pre-approved access and FEI Steward supervision will see their accreditation revoked.

All requests under the terms of this policy shall be made to the event's Press Officer/Media Operations team who will seek permission from the FEI Veterinary Delegate/FEI Veterinary Directorate prior to liaising with the FEI Chief Steward to agree an appropriate time for the visit.

In exceptional circumstances (eg. Games, major championships etc) the Organising Committee and /or FEI may organise a general media tour of the stables. Such opportunities will be published by the event Press Officer/Media Operations team.