

Guidelines for Horse Inspection

(The points below serve as a guideline only and should be read in conjunction with various applicable FEI and SANEF rules, regulation and veterinary regulations)

Before the Horse inspection

- Remember to bring the horses passport-be sure it conforms to all the inoculations etc
- Turn out horse –clean and tidy-preferably plaited. Check shoeing is correct. Do not dye any part of horse and do not blacken hooves.
- Bring horse in bridle-preferably a snaffle-stallions may be brought in special stallion halters. Remember the identification number on the left side.
- Responsible person usually presents horse for inspection, this can be delegated to groom, but rider should ideally be present
- Person presenting horse should be neat and well dressed. Riding gear may be worn, but is not compulsory. Sensible flat shoes for trotting horse out are needed
- No Whips are allowed unless special permission is granted by Ground Jury

The Inspection-(see diagram below)

- The horse to be lead out, no boots or blankets etc, passport in hand
- Chief steward will take passport from you and verify the correct horse by the ID marks etc
- Passport is checked for correct inoculations etc
- The horse is then to be walked in a straight line away from the inspectors(Vet and a member of Ground Jury)
- At the sign trot in a straight line away from the inspectors
- At the sign walk and turn right around the beacon at the walk
- At the sign trot in a straight line toward the inspectors and continue past the inspectors

After the inspection

- The inspectors will indicate whether horse has passed inspection
- If it is not a pass, they may ask you to go again and/or they might ask you to wait at the holding area where the vet does a closer inspection. They will then inform you if horse is not passed and/or qualifies for a reinspection. It should be noted that this process is dictated by different rules and protocols ie FEI or FEI Challenge rules.
- Remember to pick up the horses passport-you will be informed by the steward if your passport is in order or not. If your passport is not in order the steward will inform you of the sanction. Usually this is in the form of a fine.
- You cannot appeal the decision of the inspection panel

