



INVITATION

13th FEIF YOUTH CUP

Axevalla Travbana,
532 92 Axvall, Sweden

28 July – 4th August

To:
National Youth Leaders
National Offices
FEIF Youth Committee
FEIF Board

REGISTRATION & GENERAL INFORMATION

Dear all,

On behalf of FEIF and SIF we would like to invite you to Sweden for the 13th FEIF YouthCup (FYCup).

Eligible riders are young riders who will TURN 14, 15, 16 or 17 years of age in the year of the FYCup. All participating horses have to be registered in WorldFengur.

Please find included information and forms needed for riders, and helpers in the FYCup 2018 in Axvall. The FYCup will be organized in accordance with the FEIF Rule Book edition 2018. The description of the tests of the FYCup are presented in the sport rules and can be downloaded from the website <https://www.feif.org/Service/Documents/Sport.aspx>. The level 1 Tölt in Harmony test, (TiH), can be found here <https://toltinharmony.wordpress.com>.

The **deadlines** for the entries must be taken seriously. Countries not sending their forms at the right date, risk that their places will be given to other countries (more specific information about the forms are found below).

Pre-entry: form 1	latest:	9th of April 2018
Entries: form 2, 3, 4	latest:	25th of June 2018

We look forward to seeing you in Axevalla!

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1. Forms and entries

Please note the following important deadlines for the following forms:

DEADLINES:

Form 1: Pre-entries: number of participants, riders on waiting list, CL to accompany participants. Countries are also invited to propose Team Leader.

9th April 2018

Country	Number of riders per country
SE	10 (8 +2 as host country)
DE, DK, IS	8 participants
AT, CH, NL, NO	5 participants
B, CAN, FR, FAR, FIN, GB	3 participants
IT, LUX, SLO, USA	3 participants

Form 2: application of participant, letter, photo and short biography

25th June 2018

Form 3: registration country leader (CL), team leader (TL)

25th June 2018

Liability form: scanned copy to the office (paper original to the Cup)

Deadline for payments for participation on the FYCup 2018

27th June 2018

Attention:

*Please note that the applications for the participants (form 2) and for the horses (form 3) shall be signed by **parents and participant**. By signing the forms the participants and parents agree to follow the rules as stated in this invitation or documents referred to in this invitation.*

All forms (typed and signed) have to be sent to **the following address** in Austria: FEIF Office, Susanne Fröhlich, Kurzbauergasse 5/10, AT-1020 Vienna, Austria, E-mail: office@feif.org. The pre-entry forms are necessary to find out the approximate total of participants. Countries with more than the given number of participants should also send in their "waiting list" together with the pre-entry form. Free places will be given out by the FEIF Youth Committee.

2. Eligible riders

Eligible riders are all youngsters who will TURN 14, 15, 16 or 17 years of age in the year of the FYCup. A proof of age is required; a copy of valid ID, such as a passport or similar, is to be sent in with form 2. The national youth leaders are responsible for sending eligible riders. All participants must be part of a group cared for by a nominated CL. It is possible for a CL to look after participants from more than one nation. Arrangements of this kind must be confirmed to the FEIF office in writing.

3. Horses

The FYCup is an international competition. All participating horses (including rented horses for participants from the US, Canada, Faroe Islands and Iceland) need to provide a valid passport, and have to be registered in WorldFengur. The data on the horses' registration paper will be checked against the data in WorldFengur.

All horses have to be shod according to FEIF Sport Rules.



4. FEIF and FEI vaccination rules - Important!

The complete information on the required vaccination is available on [https://www.feif.org/files/documents/Vaccination rules 2016.pdf](https://www.feif.org/files/documents/Vaccination%20rules%202016.pdf)

Proper documentation of the vaccination history must be provided when the horse arrives at the venue. Any horses arriving without a complete vaccination history shall be denied entry. Supplementary documentation supplied after the arrival will not be accepted.

All horses that are not correctly vaccinated will not be allowed to participate. **Be sure to check the vaccination papers in due time.**

5. Insurance

All participants MUST have a valid accident and third-party insurance for the event. A personal and horse insurance covering all risks is required. All riders and helpers take part in the FYCup totally at their own risk.

The type of insurance policy taken up must be carefully considered by each participant, and reflect particular circumstances such as medical condition, whether the participant comes with their own horse and equipment, or is renting a horse and equipment, etc. CL may also want to take out a suitable insurance policy, particularly covering their third party responsibilities.

FEIF and the host organizers do not accept any responsibility for injuries and accidents to any participant or helper.

Riders having to use a rental horse must make sure that the horse is adequately insured, either by existing insurance arrangements of the owner, or a particular insurance policy for the event, arranged in agreement with the owner in advance of the FYCup. All arrangements are strictly between the owner of the horses and those renting the horse. FEIF and the OC will not get involved in any of the arrangements.

6. Liabilities

Rider: The rider declares that participation in this event, and accommodation and keep of the horses, occur at your own risk.

All participants are required to fill out and sign a liability form. This also needs to be signed by the parents or a responsible person. A scanned copy of the form should be sent to office@feif.org, and CL need to bring the hardcopy paper original to the FYCup. **Failure to submit the original paper form will mean that the participant is not allowed to ride his/her horse until the paper copy has been received.**

Horse: For the duration of the event, each participating horse must have a valid liability insurance. As an owner / rider you remain responsible for any damages. Neither FEIF, nor the event organization and SIF accept any liability, as is permitted in Swedish law. Neither the organisers nor SIF nor the land-owner may be made responsible for damage to humans, animals and / or equipment. The rider declares that the horse is healthy, comes from a healthy stock and is vaccinated according to FEI rules.

7. Note for parents

Parents, friends and relatives are most welcome to attend the competition part of FYCup as spectators. However, parents, trainers and other supporters are asked to respect the rule that they are not allowed on FYCup grounds during the training part of the event.



During the competition parents are kindly requested to remain within the area designated to spectators. Parents are not allowed to assist the riders during the competition.

8. FEIF Youth Cup tests 2018

The tests ridden on this event are:

- **T7** (tölt class) oval track
- **T3** (easy T1) oval track
- **T6** (easy T2) oval track
- **PP2** (basic pace test) pace track
- **P2** SpeedPass pace track
- **V2** (4-gait) oval track
- **F2** (5-gait) oval track
- **V5** (special 4-gait) oval track
- **FR1** (flag race) oval track
- **TR1** (trail) dressage arena
- **CR1** (countryside riding)
- **TiH Level 1** (arena 20x60m) for details see <https://toltinharmony.wordpress.com/tihininternational/>
- **FS3** (in-hand showing) dressage arena
- **Team test**

Rules: Valid rules are FEIF General and Sport Rules 2018, plus camp rules that will be explained when arriving at the venue. Additional information, especially for CL and TL can be found on feif.org.

Participants of the FYCup are not allowed AT ANY TIME to smoke or consume alcohol or use any other recreational drugs. Breaches of this rule may result in the participant being sent home at their own cost.

9. Information for Country Leaders (CL)

It is very important that CLs speaks English, are able to work in a team, and have the ability to assert themselves. The CL should inform, and if necessary remind their group in advance about the ideals and the rationale of the FYCup, and the importance of the international spirit of co-operation. All CLs must participate in daily CL meetings. The main task for CLs is to be responsible for the youths and the horses from their own country. This refers to the national preparation of the FYCup, all communication with parents or legal guardians, communication with the OC (Organising Committee) and FEIF.

The CL is responsible for the travelling arrangements to and from the FYCup; is expected to know the riding abilities of participants and the horses, carry overall responsibility for the riding equipment (is the equipment safe? it is allowed under FEIF competition Rules?); CLs sleep together with their group and are responsible for the general behaviour and co-operation of the youngsters in their charge. The CL will liaise with the parents of their participants.

The CL is also expected to do some work regarding the programme (e.g. help prepare the international evening, take on certain responsibilities at the outing, etc.), and CLs can conceivably be asked to work as helpers during the competition.

The CL is responsible for the welfare of the horses of their country (health, keeping, food, and tidiness in the stable area).



After consultation with a FYCup trainer and the rider in question, it is the responsibility of the CL to decide upon, whether and if so what kind of training or exercise the horse may need on the (non-riding) Wednesday.

The CL is responsible for bringing a new trophy, which the winner can keep (this is instead of the miniature of previous years. The new trophy needs to be robust and compact enough to fit into the (flight) luggage of the winner. (For more info, see point 15 below)

For the opening and closing ceremonies CL need to bring one national flag with them. Size 150x90 cm.

With their national team, the CL will prepare a presentation saying something about their country for the international evening (max!! 10 min. per country). The aim for this country evening is to help the participants to get to know each other and the different countries represented on the FYCup.

10. Information for Team Leaders (TL)

TL: The TL speaks English fluently, has experience in competitions, and has good organizing skills. The main task of the TL is to look after an international team of 6 riders, meaning that s/he is responsible for creating a positive team spirit, accompanying the team to all training sessions, sharing meals with the team, and oversee the team test. TLs will co-ordinate team entries for the competition, s/he must be familiar with FYCup rules, and the FEIF Rule Book; during the day, the TL is responsible for the team between training sessions.

TL are required to participate in the TL training event on Saturday at the beginning of the FYCup, and all TL must take part in daily TL meetings.

11. The Teams

On the first evening, the organisers allocate all riders to international teams of 6 participants; during the training sessions as well as the competition, participants will work together within their international teams.

Training: On Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, all participants will be trained by a range of qualified and experienced riding instructors. It is expected that all participants take part in the total programme of the event and it is the responsibility of the CL to make sure all participants follow this rule.

12. Accommodation

The lodging for all involved in the Cup is at Axevalla Folkhögskola, 53272 Axvall

<http://www.axevalla.fhsk.se/>

CL will sleep with their country participants. TL will share separate accommodation on the site.

All participants need to bring

- Signed liability form
- any personal medication

- Sheets (NOT sleeping bag!)
- towels
- riding and competition clothes, helmet, whip, etc
- swimming wear, sun lotion and insect repellent



- leisure clothes
- rain clothes
- small day bag
- **Valuables:** please do not bring valuable jewellery, too many expensive gadgets (camera / phone), too much cash. There is no secure place to keep any of these.
- **CL** – liability forms, trophies and 1 national flag 90x150

13. Horses and Stabling

The host country has big paddocks for the horses, so **you need to bring your own fencing material to build your own small paddock**. If your horse needs feed other than hay, please provide this yourself. There will be fencing, etc for countries flying in (CAN, FO, IS, US)

The trailers may be left in a public parking lot. Bring a trailer lock and make sure nothing is kept in the trailer.

There will be room for your tack in the stable block. Bring your own saddle stand.

During the whole event, each participating horse is accommodated in its own box. Do not forget to bring water buckets and feeding buckets as required by your horse.

14. Cost and payment details

Costs: the costs for the **participants** are **780 € CL** and others (CL and other officials) pay **390 €** this includes lodging and all meals.

There is a separate fee towards the travelling costs of judges and trainers. This fee is **65€** for each rider and should be paid in addition to the participant fee.

Payments have to be made by the countries and not by the participants directly!

Bank account:

Susanne Fröhlich, Kurzbauergasse 5/10 1020 Vienna Austria

Easy Bank

Account number: 20010 480 133

Bank code: 14200

BIC: EASYATW1

IBAN: AT581420020010480133

Reference: **FYCup2018 + country**

Note: When transferring the money, tell your bank to pay BOTH expenses, yours and also the "foreign" side!!

15. Trophies – NEW!

As of 2018 perpetual trophies will be withdrawn and sponsoring countries and kindly ask to provide a new trophy for each FYCup, which the winner is allowed to keep. The old trophies are to be returned to the FEIF Office.

As of the FYCup 2018, the sponsoring country needs to provide a new trophy for the relevant class, and the winners will be able to keep the trophy. Please select a trophy that robust and small enough to easily fit into the rider's luggage! All trophies need to be in Axevalla no later than 28th July 2018. The Team trophy is sponsored by Norway, and in this instance seven small trophies are given out for each team member plus the TL to keep.

Countries who had participants winning trophies in the last FYCup in Exloo are kindly asked to make sure that all perpetual trophies are sent (a) either to The FEIF office, Susanne



Fröhlich, Kurzbauergasse 5/10 1020 Vienna Austria, or (b) taken to Axevalla, no later than 28 July 2018.

In case a sponsoring country (see table) does not participate in the current FYCup, the 2018 trophy shall be sent to:

Svenska Islandshastförbundet, Ridsportens Hus, 73494 Strömsholm

Note: If a country fails to deliver the trophies in due time, the country will have to pay a fine of 200€ plus any subsequent postage charges.

Test	donated by:	won in Exloo, NL, in 2016
T7 (tölt class)	IT	Lorien Swinnen, BE
T3 (T1)	IS	Franziska Hunz, DE
T6 (easy T2)	FI	Ann-Sophie Gebhard, DE
V2 (four-gait)	AT	Charlotte Seraina Hütter, DE
F2 (five-gait)	DE	Anton Hugi Kjartansson, CH
V5 (special four-gait)	DE	Lieke von Horne, NL, won V4, to be replaced with V5
TR1 (trail)	CH	Ylfa Gudrun Svafarsdóttir, IS
CR1 (countryside riding)	GB	Caroline Partej, AT
FR1 (flag race)	US	Sofie Steenvinkel, DK
TiH (level 1)	SE	Ann-Sophie Gebhard, DE, won FS2, to be replaced with TiH
FS3 (in hand showing)	CA	Lieke von Horne, NL
PP2 (basic pace test)	NL	Anton Hugi Kjartansson, IS
P2 (speedpass)	DK	Anja Lehner, DE
Best Team	NO	---

16. Arrival

The FYCup begins in the afternoon of Saturday, 28th of July and ends on Sunday morning, August 4th, 2018. In case you have to arrive on Friday already, please send an email to jannike.bergkvist@gmail.com as soon as possible – in any case BEFORE July 16. It is not possible to arrive before Friday July 27. There will be a small extra cost for accommodation from Friday to Saturday.

At the time of arrival, the horses' passport and vaccination record will be checked, and whether the horse is free from obvious respiratory infections. The full veterinary fit to compete check will be done on Saturday, and it is possible that horses will be rejected at that point. Rejected horses need to leave the premises on by Saturday evening.



17. Preliminary timetable

- Fri Early arrival is possible but only if the country leader is at the venue as well. The organising committee is not responsible for participants and/or horses. Meals and stay is possible without extra costs. Notify the organisers in advance.
Vaccination/passport check and brief check of horse
- Sat Arrival
Vet check: fit to compete (**Note: any horse which arrived on Fri, and is then deemed as unfit to compete, will need to be taken off the premises on Saturday!**)
TL training (afternoon)
Welcome and announcement of teams
- Sun Training
CL Training
Country evening - started by the hosts
- Mon Training
Workshop
- Tue Training,
Country evening part 2
- Wed Outing – rest day for the horses
- Thu Vet check, opening of the competition
- Fri Competition
- Sat Competition and prize giving.
Official end of Youth Cup 2018
- Sun Breakfast for participants and officials and departure.

18. Local information

If you come by public transport, suitable airports would be Gothenburg or Stockholm.

If you arrive in Stockholm Arlanda, then take the train to Stockholm C or fly buss to Stockholm C (about 30 minutes). From Stockholm C take the train to Skövde C (about 2-3 hours). From Skövde C there is a bus to Axvall (ca.30 minutes), but we can also pick your group up. Please get in touch with your arrival time no later than 2 weeks before the Cup.

Local tourist office: <http://www.skara.se/se--gora/turism.html>

