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## **LONGINES MASTERS PARIS - Masters Riders Cup (USA - EUROPE) starting in 2017**

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- Each team will be composed of 5 riders (minimum 1 young rider 25 years old) :

- \* Chefs d' Equipe announced with the Launch of the New Masters Season in May
- \* Selection of the riders made by Chef d' Equipe
- \* Short List announced 3 months before the event or at event's Press Conference
- \* Final Team announced 2 week before the event

- The competition will be presented in two rounds :

- \* Round 1 : Table A against the Clock (1.55 m)
- \* Round 2 : Table C with 3 seconds per rail down (1.50 m)

Each round includes 5 battles in which each European rider competes against a rider from the USA. All riders will compete in both rounds. Before the start of the competition, the rider can decide to ride a different horse in both rounds. For each battle, penalties and time are compared.

- Point system :

- \* 1st Round : 1 point per battle won
- \* 2nd Round : 2 points per battle won

The result per team is the total points of all riders of the team. If both riders of the same battle are eliminated or if both riders retire, there will be no winner of that battle. Both teams will receive 0 points. The winning team is the team that won most points over both rounds. In case of equal points over both rounds, the team total time of the 2nd round determines the winner.

- Prize Giving Ceremony :

- \* Teams : Winning Team (150 K) and Runner Up Team (75 K)
- \* Chefs : Winning Chef (17,5 K) and Runner Up Chef (7,5 K)
- \* Total Prize Money = 250 K

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