

FIP - Federation of International Polo



Polo is probably one of the oldest sports in the world. More than 2,000 years ago, Asian nomadic peoples played ball games on horseback. In the Middle Ages, this sport spread also to South Asia. British tea farmers got to know polo at the beginning of the 19th century in India. In 1850, the British cavalry established the first rules and a few years later, the sport had established itself in England and especially in the United States.

In the 1920s and 1930s, Polo reached its first climax so far, was also an Olympic sport. After World War II, this sport disappeared from the international scene for many years.

Today's Federation of International Polo (FIP) was founded in 1982 in Buenos Aires. In 2019, the FIP has 55 national associations in full membership.

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