

Minutes

Board meeting

Date: 26 February 2019, 21:00 CET

Skype

Present:

Willem Luiten (WL)	Enrique Rey (ER)	Alfred Boll (AB)
Eric Straus (ES)	Anna Lindqvist (AL)	Teodor Sheytanov (TS)
Kate Horgan (KH)		

Apologies:

Jon Doney	Carsten Soerlie (CS)
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1. Opening by the president

2. Approval of proposals of Rule Changes

The board discussed the received proposals from the IJOC Rules Working Group.

The board decided to send the following proposal for Jumping rules changes 2020.

2.1 Clipping of Limbs. (Vet Regs; (Art 1004)

Argumentation: Whilst this is a well-meant rule, the practicalities are not. Horses on tours need to be clipped for cleanliness, cooling and tidiness. If away from home stables for more than a few weeks an alternative rule is required.

Proposal: application should be made to the Chief Steward and VD, so that the monitoring of the clipping can be carried out at a venue.

2.3 Pony Draw Reins.

Argumentation: Pony riders do not have enough riding skill to use drawing reins.

Proposal:

2.3.1. to reinforce Art 21, 1.1 Reins must be attached to the bit or the connecting piece, or directly to the bridle. Only running unrestricted martingales are allowed. Double bridles are not allowed....

2.3.2. to delete Art 21, 2.3 Draw reins (running reins) are forbidden in the Competition arena except during prize giving ceremonies and march-past parades.

2.3.3. Not allowed draw reins for ponies on every arena on every time

2.4. Nebulizers.

Argumentation: The current rules are not clear and they allow different interpretation .

Proposal: Need clarification in the Veterinary rules. The proposal to come from FEI VET department

2.5. Hind Boots for Ponies, Children, Veterans and Amateurs.

Argumentation: The current wording in the rule book prevents a double shell boot with a simple Velcro strap being used. - One of the kindest boots available.

Proposal: to revisit the definition of hind boots for the category of rider to further allow: double shell boot with one elastic strap, single shell boot with two elastic straps.

2.5. Art.204.3. Jumping between / outside the flags

Argumentation: In the Jumping Rules there are different cases how we have to judge jumping between the flags – the athlete/the horse/the combination. We need to be consistent

At the obstacles, the starting and finishing lines and at the compulsory turning points, the **Athlete** must pass between the flags (red on his right and white on his left). Flag poles defining the limits of the landing side of the water jump must be made of material that cannot shatter or splinter and must bend when hit; flags must have no sharp points or corners.

Article 211.7 WATER JUMP, WATER JUMP WITH VERTICAL AND LIVERPOOL

If one of the four flags is knocked down or displaced it is for the water jump Judge to decide whether or not there has been a Run-out depending on which side of the flag the **Horse** has passed. If the decision is a Run-out the bell will be rung and the clock stopped while the flag, which has been knocked down or displaced is put back and six seconds will be added in accordance with JRs Art. 232.

Article 222 Run-Out

When a **Horse** jumps an obstacle between two red flags or between two white flags the obstacle has not been jumped correctly, the Athlete is penalised as for a Run-out and he must jump the obstacle again correctly.

Proposal: The Combination athlete/horse should be between the flags to consider the fence is jumped clear

2.6. Art.204.3.

Argumentation:

ARTICLE 245 JUMP-OFFS – GENERAL

2. In principle a jump-off must take place under the same rules and Table as the original Competition and the rules for jump-offs in that type of Competition.

Proposal: To change “the original Competition” with “the preliminary ROUND(S)” – The Jump off is part of the competition

2.6 ARTICLE 251 ENTRIES (see also GRs Art. 116)

Argumentation: NFs are responsible for selecting and entering qualified Horses and Athletes. This includes the fitness and capability of the Horses and the Athletes to participate in **the Competitions** for which they are entered. It is the NF’s responsibility to ensure that Horses and Athletes are of the required age for the Event in which they are entered.

NF do not enter athletes/horses for Competitions, they enter athletes/horses for Event by Category CSI5*, CSI1*... For example: If NF enters a child to take part at CSI1* (he can jump up to 135), and the coach enters the child at 145 class how NF is responsible?

Proposal: to change **the Competitions** with **the Event**

2.7 ARTICLE 259 OFFICIALS

1.3. Age of retirement for all Judges is 70 years.

Proposal: This Paragraph has to be changed according the board decision for remove of the age limit.

2.8 ARTICLE 259 OFFICIALS

5.2.3. A Technical Delegate (Foreign or National),

The reason: National means he is national official, but not FEI

Proposal: The text to be **(Foreign or from the hosting country),**

2.9 ARTICLE 267 HIT-AND-HURRY COMPETITION

5. If an Athlete has a Disobedience and displaces or knocks down an obstacle, the fixed time must be decreased by six seconds and the bell must be rung accordingly.

If this happens when you have less than 6 sec before the end of the fixed time?

Proposal: to add the text: The bell has to be ringed immediately.

2.10 ARTICLE 268 RELAY COMPETITIONS

5. If an Athlete has a Disobedience and displaces or knocks down an obstacle, the fixed time must be decreased by six seconds and the bell must be rung accordingly.

If this happens when you have less than 6 sec before the end of the fixed time?

Proposal: to add the text: The bell has to be ringed immediately.

2.11 ANNEX IV REQUIREMENTS FOR TIMING EQUIPMENT AND SCOREBOARDS

For all Jumping events in the FEI Calendar, electronic timers, photocells and wireless transmission systems homologated by the FEI must be used. A list of these approved devices is published on the FEI website. Events using timing equipment other than those on the homologated FEI list will not be

considered for FEI evaluation unless an exception has been authorised by the FEI Jumping Director (see JRs Art. 229.1). Specifications and procedures for timing are more fully described in the Memorandum for International Jumping Events, published on the FEI website.

2.2.1. Electronic Timing

See the Memorandum for International Jumping Events published on the FEI website for diagrams and start and finish line installations.

Proposal: Memorandum do not exist. Needs clarification

2.12 ARTICLE 211 WATER JUMP, WATER JUMP WITH VERTICAL AND LIVERPOOL

Argumentation:

1. For an obstacle to be called a water jump, there must be no obstacle in front, in the middle or behind the water. The water must have a minimum **spread** in excess of 2.00 m and must be dug into the ground. For details of how the water jump should be constructed refer to Annex VII.

If the water jump does not meet the specifications as described in Annex VII, a vertical obstacle must be placed over the water as described in JRs Art. 211.10.

2. A take-off element (brush, small wall), with a minimum height of 40 cm and a maximum height of 50 cm, must be erected on the take-off side. The width of the front of the water jump must be at least 30% greater than the **length**.

Two paragraphs – we have two different words, explaining the same: **spread and length**.

Proposal: to replace the word **length** with spread.

The reason: we have to be consistent in the wording. Note that the annex VII uses Spread throughout.

2.13 ARTICLE 239 TABLE C

At 239.2 and 239.4 to use the wording **The second phase of a two-phase Competition**.

The reason: we have to be consistent in the wording.

2.14 Art. 262 Power and skill competitions

1.6 Actual: There cannot be a fourth jump-off if Athletes have not had a faultless round in the third jump-off

Suggested: There cannot be a **following** jump-off if Athletes have not had a faultless round in the **previous** jump-off

2.1.5 Art. 273 Competition over two rounds

2.2 **Actual:** a limited number of Athletes (either ...

Suggested: 2.2. a limited number of Athletes (either a percentage or a set number of Athletes, in any case at least 25%) return for the second round in accordance with their placing in the first round (Penalties and time or Penalties only, according to the conditions of the Schedule); the exact percentage or number of Athletes to return for the second round is to be mentioned in the Schedule, **and is calculated according at the Athletes that have started in the preliminary round:**

The proposed rules changes have to be sent to FEI not later than 28th of February 2019

Closing of the meeting by President

26/2/2019

Teodor Sheytanov