

RULE CHANGES EFFECTIVE FROM 1ST JULY 2020

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<p>RULES ALLOWING RIDERS TO COMPETE AT THE LEVEL LOWER IN JUMPING DISCIPLINES</p> <p>To provide competition opportunities for combinations which have pointed up to a new level but not yet ready to compete at new level.</p>																										
New Event rule 5.5	<p>In jumping disciplines, a Competitor may enter the level below their Assessed Level by accepting penalty points as set out in the rules for the discipline. Competitors are required to notify organisers of their decision to compete at the lower level at the time of entry. Organisers are required to accept and treat equally entries from riders wishing to compete at the lower level in jumping. Competitors competing at the lower level will not be awarded performance points but will be eligible for all other prizes.</p>																									
New Event rule 24.3	<p>Competitors opting to compete at a lower level with penalties in Jumping disciplines are not eligible for performance points. Should such competitors displace an eligible competitor in the placings, the eligible competitor shall receive performance points in line with their placing.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>MEMBER NO.</th> <th>COMPETITOR NAME</th> <th>HORSE'S COMPETITION NAME</th> <th>PLACE</th> <th>PTS AWARDED</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>0658</td> <td>John Smith</td> <td>Bailey Boy</td> <td>1st</td> <td>4</td> </tr> <tr> <td>68956</td> <td>Rose Flanagan (with penalties)</td> <td>Treasure</td> <td>2nd</td> <td>—</td> </tr> <tr> <td>33321</td> <td>Norma Richards</td> <td>My Red Mare</td> <td>=3rd</td> <td>1.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1121</td> <td>Sue Miller</td> <td>Greenvally Poser</td> <td>=3rd</td> <td>1.5</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	MEMBER NO.	COMPETITOR NAME	HORSE'S COMPETITION NAME	PLACE	PTS AWARDED	0658	John Smith	Bailey Boy	1st	4	68956	Rose Flanagan (with penalties)	Treasure	2nd	—	33321	Norma Richards	My Red Mare	=3rd	1.5	1121	Sue Miller	Greenvally Poser	=3rd	1.5
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Amend Event rule Example page 22	<p>Note: In the above example, the Competitor passed the 25 points required to move to the next Level at the Wandin after their first class. Even though upon placing in the AM5 the Competitor was above 25 points, he is permitted to compete at Level 4 in all Competitions entered at the Event. However, his next Event must be entered at Level 3 unless he opts to compete at his previous level with penalty points as per Event rule 5.5.</p>																									
New Event rule 40.2.3	<p>Riders are not permitted to compete at a lower level with penalties. (Re TTT events)</p>																									
New CT/HT rule 4.3.1	<p>4.3.1 An additional 10 penalties shall be added to the score of competitors riding at a lower level in accordance with Event Rule 5.5.</p>																									

**New SJ
Rule 37.3**

37.3 Competitors opting to compete at a lower level in accordance with rule 5.5 shall have the following penalties applied to their score:

Penalties applied to combinations jumping at a lower level	
Note: Riders competing at the lower level will not be awarded performance points but will be eligible for all other prizes. Refer Event rules 5.5 and 24.3	
Class	Penalty
Table A classes	
One round stakes	3 faults
A1 (1 round)	3 faults
A2 (1 round)	3 faults
AM3	3 faults in jump off
AM4	3 faults in first jump off
AM5	3 faults in jump off
AM6	3 faults in first jump off
AM7	3 faults in jump off
Table C classes	
(1 round)	2 seconds
Other competitions	
Fault & Out	1 penalty point
Hit & Hurry	1 penalty point
Top Score	10 penalty points
TYOL (Table C based)	3 seconds
Comp. over 2 rounds (Table A based)	
51.3.1	3 faults if no jump off, otherwise 3 faults in jump off
51.3.2	3 faults if no jump off, otherwise 3 faults in jump off

	51.3.3	3 faults in 2nd round	
	Accumulator	3 penalty points	
	2 Phase		
	55.2.1	3 faults in 2nd phase	
	55.2.2	3 faults in 2nd phase	
	55.2.3	3 faults in 2nd phase	
	55.2.4	2 seconds in 2nd phase	
	55.5.5	2 seconds in 2nd phase	
	55.5.6	3 faults in 2nd phase	
Amend Level Assessment rule 11.7	Combinations ineligible for assessment under these rules may be assessed to ride Hors Concours at a lower level. In Jumping disciplines only, the combination may be assessed to compete at a lower level with penalties in line with conditions covered in Event Rule 5.5. The combination's performance card must be noted accordingly and assessment details recorded on the Level Assessment record.		
RULES TO SLOW PROGRESSION THROUGH THE LEVELS UNTIL CONSISTENT COMPETENCY IS DEMONSTRATED			
Event rule 24.6	<p>Amend to read</p> <p>24.6.1. In Showjumping Events which have preliminary rounds/phases, competitors who fail to jump clear in the preliminary rounds/phases will be ineligible for performance points.</p> <p>24.6.2 Delete (refer proposed new rule re reverting to base points in all disciplines – new event rule 23.4)</p> <p>24.6.3. Performance points are only awarded for one class at an Event. The points earning class must be noted on the Program.</p> <p>24.6.4 The points earning class must have a first round which is not against the clock and a jump-off against the clock where at least 50% of the fences are at maximum height for the level. The first round must have a time allowed and a time limit (eg: AM5, 2-phase, AM7). If 2-phase is used, the 2nd phase must comprise 6 obstacles, one of which may be a combination, and be judged according to SJ rule 55.5.2, 55.5.4 or 55.5.6.</p>		
Event Rule 24.7.1	Amend to read: All placing competitors must score less than 60 20 cross country penalties to be eligible for points.		
Event Rule 24.10.1	Amend to read: All placing riders must score over 60% in the Dressage phase and less than 6 penalties in the show jumping phase to be eligible for performance points		
Event rule 23.3	Add new 23.4 and renumber subsequent rules. Delete rule 24.6.2.		

	<p>When a Combination progresses to a higher level through accumulation of performance points in any discipline (Navigation Rides excepted), any additional points earned over the minimum points for the level are removed from their card. The rider must write on the performance card 'Base points applied as per Event rule 23.4' and enter the minimum points for the new level as per the tables below.</p>																																																																								
<p>Event rule 23.8 & all other points tables appearing in Manual</p>	<p>Amend points per Level for HRC AV disciplines to read.</p> <p>Table 1 – points per level for Combined Training & Horse Trials</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="376 465 1326 943"> <thead> <tr> <th>Level</th> <th>Base points per level (points assumed at Assessment)</th> <th>Half points per level may be allocated at Assessment</th> <th>Points required to reach the next level</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>LEVEL 5</td> <td>Minus 10 25</td> <td>0 Minus 12.5</td> <td>20 or 10 25 or 12.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>LEVEL 4</td> <td>10 0</td> <td>17.5 12.5</td> <td>15 or 7.5 25 or 12.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>LEVEL 3</td> <td>25</td> <td>35</td> <td>20 or 10</td> </tr> <tr> <td>LEVEL 2</td> <td>45</td> <td>60</td> <td>30 or 15</td> </tr> <tr> <td>LEVEL 1</td> <td>75</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Table 2 – points per level for Dressage</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="376 1010 1326 1525"> <thead> <tr> <th>Level</th> <th>Base points per level (points assumed at Assessment)</th> <th>Half points per level may be allocated at Assessment</th> <th>Points required to reach the next level</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>LEVEL 5</td> <td>Minus 10 25</td> <td>0 Minus 12.5</td> <td>20 or 10 25 or 12.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>LEVEL 4</td> <td>10 0</td> <td>17.5 12.5</td> <td>15 or 7.5 25 or 12.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>LEVEL 3</td> <td>25</td> <td>35</td> <td>20 or 10</td> </tr> <tr> <td>LEVEL 2</td> <td>45</td> <td>60</td> <td>30 or 15</td> </tr> <tr> <td>LEVEL 1</td> <td>75</td> <td>112.5</td> <td>75 or 37.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>ADV</td> <td>150</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Table 4 – points per level for Show Jumping</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="376 1592 1326 1995"> <thead> <tr> <th>Level</th> <th>Base points per level (points assumed at Assessment)</th> <th>Half points per level may be allocated at Assessment</th> <th>Points required to reach the next level</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>LEVEL 5</td> <td>Minus 10 25</td> <td>0 Minus 12.5</td> <td>20 or 10 25 or 12.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>LEVEL 4</td> <td>10 0</td> <td>17.5 12.5</td> <td>15 or 7.5 25 or 12.5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>LEVEL 3</td> <td>25</td> <td>35</td> <td>20 or 10</td> </tr> <tr> <td>LEVEL 2</td> <td>45</td> <td>60</td> <td>30 or 15</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Level	Base points per level (points assumed at Assessment)	Half points per level may be allocated at Assessment	Points required to reach the next level	LEVEL 5	Minus 10 25	0 Minus 12.5	20 or 10 25 or 12.5	LEVEL 4	10 0	17.5 12.5	15 or 7.5 25 or 12.5	LEVEL 3	25	35	20 or 10	LEVEL 2	45	60	30 or 15	LEVEL 1	75			Level	Base points per level (points assumed at Assessment)	Half points per level may be allocated at Assessment	Points required to reach the next level	LEVEL 5	Minus 10 25	0 Minus 12.5	20 or 10 25 or 12.5	LEVEL 4	10 0	17.5 12.5	15 or 7.5 25 or 12.5	LEVEL 3	25	35	20 or 10	LEVEL 2	45	60	30 or 15	LEVEL 1	75	112.5	75 or 37.5	ADV	150			Level	Base points per level (points assumed at Assessment)	Half points per level may be allocated at Assessment	Points required to reach the next level	LEVEL 5	Minus 10 25	0 Minus 12.5	20 or 10 25 or 12.5	LEVEL 4	10 0	17.5 12.5	15 or 7.5 25 or 12.5	LEVEL 3	25	35	20 or 10	LEVEL 2	45	60	30 or 15
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MISCELLANEOUS RULE CHANGES				
Event Rule 30.1	Amend to read...current rate is 80c per kilometre, with a minimum of \$80 \$100 and a maximum of \$180 \$225 per day.....			
Dressage rule 4.1	Amend to read: Only official HRCVA judges may be used to judge at official HRCVA events unless there are extenuating circumstances and prior written approval is given by the HRCVA office. Failure to abide by this requirement may result in loss of official status.			
Event rules 6.4 & 6.5	Amend 6.4 to read: Tests may be commanded (called) at official Combined Training and Horse Trials events. 6.5 Deleted			

UPDATED INSURANCE INFORMATION

NOTE: THE INSURANCE DETAILS HAVE BEEN IN PLACE FOR SOME YEARS AND HAVE BEEN REFORMATTED FOR CLARIFICATION PURPOSES. THE ONLY CHANGE TO RULES IN THIS DOCUMENT ARE THE CHANGES TO THE HELMET STANDARDS.

4. INSURANCE POLICY

- 4.1. A compulsory insurance scheme has been adopted to provide low cost public liability and sports injury cover for all Clubs and members. Insurance summaries indicating the scope and level of cover are posted on the Association website. A copy of the Association's policy will be provided to each Club Secretary by the Broker on request.
- 4.2. Review of the insurance arrangements will be carried out by the Executive Committee of the Association before the end of each financial year.
- 4.3. The period of cover of the Association's insurance scheme is from 1st November to 31st October in the following year.
- 4.4. The HRCVA insurance scheme provides personal accident and public liability insurance for Clubs and members. The policies are tailored to address the particular needs of our Association and its members and supporters. An annual fee is levied to cover the cost of the program.
- 4.5. While the HRCVA insurance provides a certain level of cover, individuals should consider their personal needs and seek advice if additional cover may be warranted.
- 4.6. The policy applies to activities directly related to the sports covered by the HRCVA manual and additional activities which have been endorsed by the HRCVA. Clubs wishing to conduct activities which may not be covered under the scope of this rule must obtain approval from the HRCVA.

4.7. The policy does not provide cover for bodily injury or property damage caused by or arising from:

- a) involvement in non-permitted activities. These include but are not limited to harness, racing, hunting, polo, polocrosse, rodeo, camp drafting, endurance riding or any other non-permitted activities determined by the HRCav from time to time,
- b) incidents occurring when involved in income-earning activities,
- c) involvement in an activity which is not related to the preparation and training for and / or participation in Member Clubs' or HRCav endorsed, events and activities and
- d) all other exclusions detailed in the current Policy Wording.

The policy does not provide cover for bodily injury caused by or arising from:

- e) incident/s occurring whilst competing in non HRCav jumping events at a level higher than that indicated by the combination's current assessed level.

4.8. Insurance cover is voided if an accident occurs whilst mounted and the rider is not wearing an approved equestrian helmet with a fixed harness. Approved equestrian helmets must comply with the following standards:

- Current Australian standard AS/NZS 3838 (2006 onwards) provided they are SAI Global marked.
- New Australian standard ARB HS 2012 provided they are SAI Global marked.
- Current American standard ASTM F1163 (2004a or 04a onwards) provided they are SEI marked.
- Current American standard SNELL E2001.
- Current British standard PAS 015 (1998 or 2011) provided they are BSI Kitemarked.
- Interim European Standard VG1 (01.040: 2014-12) with or without BSI Kitemark.
- The EN 1384 (Europe) standard for helmets manufactured prior to 2016 – not valid from 1st January 2021.

4.9. Instructors engaged by a Club or the HRCav for organised Club or Association activities, are covered under the Association's public liability policy. Instructors are not covered whilst riding a member's horse.

4.10. Voluntary workers are covered under the Association's public liability policy whilst engaged in voluntary work at an HRCav or HRCav Affiliated Club's approved event or activity.

4.11. The policy extends to cover any landowner whose land is used, hired, or passed over by the Member Club providing the use of the land is for the purposes of running a sanctioned Member Club or HRCav event or activity only, subject to policy terms and conditions.

5. QUALIFICATION FOR INSURANCE

5.1. To qualify for the purposes of insurance, Clubs shall be a bona fide, non-profit sports organisation; Clubs shall not be a registered business or company. Individual members of affiliated HRCav Clubs shall qualify for insurance upon receipt of the relevant annual levy and a signed Annual Membership Disclaimer Statement by their Club. The Club is required to forward the member's registration details and levies to the HRCav within 7 days.

6. DISCLAIMERS

6.1. The HRCav has 3 different types of disclaimers, as described below. Appendices number 18 and 19 cater for non-member participation in particular HRCav events/activities (see

Rules 14 & 15 for further information regarding non-member participation). Appendix Number 20 is for members of HRCVA affiliated Clubs and covers all activities as laid down in our insurance policy from 1st November to 31st October of the following year.

Signed disclaimers are to be kept by the club for up to seven (7) years for adults and ten (10) years for persons under 18 years of age.

6.2. Non-Member Disclaimer Statement Appendix 18

This is to be used when an individual may need to sign a disclaimer statement. They may be a visitor or volunteer at your Club or a competitor at an open competition.

6.3. Non-Member Disclaimer Statement for participants under 18 years of age
Appendix 19

As above. For individuals under the age of 18 years. To be signed by parent or guardian.

6.4. Annual Membership Disclaimer Statement Appendix 20

All members of HRCVA affiliated Clubs are required to sign this document when fees are due as part of the Club membership requirements. If a member does not sign the Annual Membership Disclaimer Statement they shall be deemed ineligible for membership and may not participate in HRCVA or affiliated Club/s activities or events.

7. INSURANCE CLAIMS

7.1. Claims against the insurance policy may be made by members or Member Clubs direct to the Broker. Members must not admit liability for any claim made against them. Claim Forms are obtained from the Broker.

7.2. Future premiums depend on claims experience. It is in the interest of all Clubs to keep claims to a minimum by the adoption of safe practices and the safe design of equipment for all activities including the wearing of an approved equestrian helmet with a fixed harness and riding boots.

7.3. Clubs are required to complete an incident report (see Appendix 22) in the event of an accident at any organised Club activity or event. The report is to be retained by the Club for a period of seven years and a copy forwarded to the HRCVA.