

## **RULE CHANGES EFFECTIVE 1<sup>st</sup> SEPTEMBER 2021**

### **USE OF VEHICLES AT EVENTS**

#### **EVENT RULES**

Add New Event Rule 72

#### **72. USE OF VEHICLES AT EVENTS**

- 72.1 Where the use of quad bikes, ATVs, tractors or similar vehicles is essential for operational purposes at HRC AV events, the following requirements apply:
- a. The maximum permitted speed of the vehicle is 6km per hour (walking pace).
  - b. The driver shall be experienced in the operation of the vehicle.
  - c. The driver shall wear an ASA approved helmet (equestrian helmet accepted) and hi viz vest.
  - d. The vehicle shall be properly maintained, in good mechanical repair, and used according to the manufacturer's instructions.
  - e. Every effort must be made to maintain a distance of 50m from horses when operating the vehicle.
  - f. Where practicable, the driver is required to stop the vehicle and switch the motor off to address immediate concerns that a horse is reacting negatively to the vehicle.
  - g. The driver must give way to horses and pedestrians at all times.
  - h. Only the driver is permitted on the vehicle. Passengers are not allowed.
  - i. The onus is on the driver to assess the suitability of the terrain at each event prior to driving the vehicle and to avoid operating the vehicle on unsuitable terrain.
  - j. Owners are to ensure that third party liability cover is valid for use of the vehicle at HRC AV events.
2. The use of trail bikes is not permitted at HRC AV events.

#### **HORSE TRIALS RULES**

Add new HT & CT rule 43

43.1 Only first aid vehicles or vehicles deemed necessary by the Technical Delegate or Course Controller may be driven on the cross country course during the cross country phase.

#### **NAVIGATION RIDE RULES**

Add new Navigation Ride rule 1.10

1.10 Organisers must be able to access all parts of the course with a 4 wheel drive vehicle. The use of quad bikes or trails bikes is not permitted on course while riders are competing.

### **PROTECTIVE SKIN COVERING**

Add the following rule to Show Jumping, Navigation Ride, Showing and 3Phase Equitation rules as the rule number indicated:

Show Jumping rule 3.7

Navigation Ride rule 4.16

Showing rule 10.8

3 Phase Equitation rule 3.6

Any form of protective skin covering on the horse such as plaster/tape/belly band covering or towel, whether the skin is broken or not, is strictly forbidden at an event when the horse is under saddle during training, warm-up and competition and will entail elimination

## PORTABLE YARDS

### EVENT RULES

Amend rule 22.2 to read

22.2 Yards intended for loose horses must be a minimum of 3m x 3m (9 sqm) per horse and up to a maximum of 50sqm.No more than 3 horses may be contained in one yard.

## CASUAL USE OF CLUB GROUNDS

### GENERAL RULES

Add underlined to General Rule 17.3

17.3 Use of locked grounds by HRC AV members outside of organized Club activities or events (ie: casual use) must be authorized by the Club Committee and appropriate arrangements formalized. The Club is required to have in place rules relating to use of the grounds which mitigate risk to the Club/venue owners and riders. Where grounds are open to the public, Club equipment must be stored in a locked facility and signage clearly displayed to address identified risks related to use of the grounds.

17.3.1 Clubs which are based at individual's private properties, places of residence or business premises are not covered by HRC AV Management Liability or Public Liability cover for casual use of the facilities.