

RULE CORRECTIONS and ADDITIONS

to

FEI Rules for Reining Events 2005

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Subject to NF comments

Chapter II Reining Events

Article 301 Categories of International Reining Events

2. CRIOS

2.2. At a CRIO, there must be an individual and team classification. Each Nation may enter only one team. A minimum of three teams is necessary for a team competition to be considered an official team competition. Each team must be composed of a maximum of four competitors of the same nationality. **1 reserve rider/horse combination in addition to the Team is allowed.** The three best results will be considered for the final classification. A team of three competitors may be admitted. In this case, the marks of all three are taken into consideration for the final classification providing all three finish the competition.

A NF that cannot send a team may send a maximum of two (2) Individual rider/horse combinations.

3. Championships

They must comply with the requirements of the FEI General Regulations and the FEI Rules for Reining. Championships must always be run over two go-rounds.

First go-round

1. The first go-round is the team competition and the first individual qualifying competition.

Second go-round

2. The second go-round is the final Individual competition **and is open to a maximum of 20 starters from the first go-round, including ties for the 20th place.**

Entries: See Art: 301.2.2

Qualification/CoC See Art: 302.3

Substitutions: See Art: 305.4.1

Replacements: See Art: 307.2

Draw/Starting Order: See Art: 308

Officials: See Art: 309.1.1

Scoring: See Art: 311

Medals: **FEI Medals will be awarded for the first three teams in the Team Championships and for the first three individuals in the Individual Championship.**

4. Regional Games

If applicable for Reining, they must comply with the requirements of the FEI General Regulations and the FEI Rules for Reining and the requirements laid down by the various IOC affiliated Regional Games Associations.

Article 302 Qualification

1. Any person from the year in which they reach their 18th birthday is allowed to take part in all Senior Reining events (CRIs, CRIOS and Championships) either as an individual or as a member of team.

1.1 The World and Continental Reining Championships are open to all competitors eligible according to published established qualification criteria - Certificate of Capability.

1.2. Certificate of Capability (CoC). For World and Continental Championships, a confirmation of capability for each rider/horse combination is required from NFs for all entered riders based on results at CRIs and CRIOS. Minimum qualification standards will be established by the FEI from case to case for all FEI World and Continental Championships.

Article 304 Equipment

Article 305 Invitations

1. CRIs

The number of officials and competitors, ~~whether competing as individuals or as members of an unofficial team,~~ to whom hospitality will be extended is at the discretion of the Organizing Committee. The number of individuals, which can be accepted, will be stated in the official invitation to foreign National Federations.

4.1. Substitutions

~~Refer to General Regulations, Art. 126.~~ **For Championships, the Organising Committee and FEI will decide on the last date and time for substitutions at Championships. This date and time has to be before the Horse Inspection and substitutions for definitely entered riders and horses including reserve combinations can only be made with rider/horse combinations as entered in the Nominated entries. Following the Horse Inspection no further substitutions can be made but only reserve rider/horse combinations replace any combination as formally entered for the Team.**

Article 307 Declaration of Starters

2. Replacements. In the event of an accident or illness of a competitor and/or horse declared as starter, this competitor and/or horse may, up to one hour before the start of the competition and on production of a certificate from a doctor and/or FEI Veterinary Delegate, after approval of the Ground Jury, be replaced by a reserve rider/horse combination (Team competition) ~~or another competitor and/or another horse formally entered (Individual competition).~~ ~~The competitor or horse withdrawn may not then start either as a member of a team or as an individual.~~

For substitutions of riders and horse combinations before the Horse Inspection **see above (Art 305.4.1).**

Article 308 Draw for the order of Starting

CRIs

1. There must be a separate draw for each competition. It shall be made in the presence of the President or a member of the Ground Jury, the Technical Delegate and the Chefs d' Equipe.

CRIO / Championships

1. The draw for the order of starting in competitions including both team and individual competitors will be conducted in the following manner:

2. The Chef d'Equipe of each team will determine the starting order of team members within his team. The Chef d'Equipe must deliver to the Event Director, at the latest one hour before the draw, a sealed envelope containing the order of go of the riders within his team.

3. Numbers equivalent to the total number of starters are placed in a bag or receptacle and a draw is made, regardless of nationality, for the starting position of each of the individual competitors.

4. Then the numbers equivalent to the total number of starting teams are placed in a bag, etc. and a draw is made for the starting order for each of the teams.

5. The starting list is made out with the individual riders placed in the positions they have drawn. The team competitors are then inserted in sequence in the remaining places.

6. The Starting order for the individual competition at CRIOS and Championships shall be as follows:

Individual Final: In reverse order of result from the Team Competition and first Individual qualifying competition. Ties will be broken by a draw to be conducted by the OC.

7. Each horse keeps the same identification number received on arrival throughout the competition. It is compulsory that this number be worn by the horse or the competitor while actively competing and at any time while working in the exercise and schooling areas (from the time of their arrival until the end of the Event) so that they can be identified by all Officials including the Stewards. Failure to display this number incurs a first warning and, in the case of a repeated offence, a fine imposed on the competitor by the Ground Jury or Appeals Committee.

Chapter III Officials for Reining Events (Annex II)

Article 309 Duties of Officials

1.1. At Championships, Masters Finals and Regional Games the Ground Jury must consist of five members, the President included **plus one Equipment Judge** and all Judges must be appointed by the FEI Reining Committee.

1.4. For **CRIOs**, the President and the other members of the Jury are appointed by the NF and the Organizing Committee, in agreement with the FEI, from the FEI list of Judges, two of whom must be foreign.

1.8. All Judges of a Jury must speak at least one of the official languages (**English**) of the FEI and if possible understand the other (**French**).

1.10. Foreign Judge

At CRIOs and CRIs 3*/4* the President or a member of the Ground Jury will act as Foreign Judge and will be required to complete a Foreign Judge's Report. The Foreign Judge must be identified in the schedule.

1.11 Technical Delegate

The FEI will appoint a Technical Delegate in addition to the Ground Jury for Championships.

~~4.1. To inspect the Horse and Equipment following each run.~~ **To inspect the Horse and Equipment prior to, or following each run.**

2. Veterinary Delegate:

2.2 Veterinary Commission. At CRIOs a Veterinary Commission is required as per FEI Veterinary Regulations. The Veterinary Commission must consist of a minimum of 2 FEI Veterinarians one of whom must be foreign. For Championships the FEI will appoint the Foreign Veterinary Delegate.

Article 311 Scoring add:

2. Ties. ~~Any~~ **All** ties for 1st place will be worked off **in CRIs3* and CRIs4***, using the same pattern and order of go as was used during the event, however, there will not be more than one run off. **Working off ties is optional for CRIs1* and CRIs2***. Any ties for 1st place will be worked off, except in the instance where added money is less than CHF 2'000.- and where both entrants have agreed to satisfactorily break the tie without the use of a run-off.

4. **Closed reins are not allowed except as standard romal reins.** Excess rein may be straightened at any place that a horse is allowed to be completely stopped during a pattern. When using a romal, no fingers between the reins are allowed. The free hand may be used to hold the romal, provided it is held at least 16" from the reining hand and in a relaxed position. Use of the free hand while holding the romal, to alter the tension or length of the reins from the bridle to the reining hand, is considered to be use of two hands, and a score of 0 will be applied, **with the exception of any place a horse is allowed to be completely stopped during the pattern.**

5.8. Balking or refusal of command where ~~pattern~~ **performance** is delayed;

14. The Ground Jury may not confer as to any penalty or manoeuvre score prior to submitting a score. If a major penalty (a penalty which results in a no score, a 0, or a 5 point penalty) is unclear, Ground Jury members will submit his/her score and ask that the score be held, pending a conference and/or review of the official video ~~at the earliest appropriate time~~ **at the next drag or as soon as practical.** Should the Ground Jury determine via conference or official video replay that a penalty was incurred, it should be applied. If, however, no penalty occurred, the score will be announced as originally submitted. No Ground Jury member shall be required to change his/her score following a conference or official video replay. Each Ground Jury member's decision is an individual call and based on individual decision from a conference or official video replay. The use of official video equipment by the Ground Jury is only permissible if the Ground Jury has reason to believe that all entries have been videotaped.

16. **Pre-check or Post-check. Organising committees have the option of using a pre-check or a post-check. When a pre-check is used, there shall be no routine post-check. A pre-check system should not be used in a single judged event. When a pre-check is used, it is strongly recommended that there be a designated area in close proximity to the pre-check judge for the checked horses to remain until they enter the arena. When a pre-check is used, the presence of fresh blood or any other evidence that any act of abuse has occurred prior to the check will result in a no score. If illegal equipment is presented at the pre-check, the competitor will not receive a no-score, if he/she is able to correct the problem without delaying the class. If a checked horse leaves the field of vision of the pre-check judge prior to showing, the pre-check judge is to recheck the horse before allowing it to enter the arena. In this system the first two horses should be pre-checked 8-10 minutes before the class begins, with all remaining horses checked when they are in-the-hole. It is suggested that the pre-check judge, as soon as the first three horses have been checked, develop the routine of checking each horse as it becomes the in-the-hole horse. This requires the judge to keep track of only two horses at any one time, the already examined on-deck and in-the hole horses. In addition, this allows each competitor time to regain composure and focus following the check, and it gives a competitor time to correct an equipment problem should one occur. Before entering the arena each horse will have a final walk around inspection. When a pre-check system is used, all officiating judges, including the pre-check judge, are compelled to call any acts of abuse to a horse while in the arena. If the situation arises where a chair judge calls a no score, the judge making the call should request that the competitor present his/her horse to the pre-check judge for inspection. If a no score is called, the competitor can accept or contest the call. If contested, the other judge(s) shall be called as soon as is practical to examine.**

At post check, all Competitors must dismount and drop the bridle immediately after the performance. The bridle must be dropped by the Competitor or a designated representative. The bridle must be checked by the designated judge in the arena or in close proximity to the arena. Failure to comply will result in a no score.

Chapter V Patterns

Article 315 Patterns

2. Markers will be placed on the wall or fence of the arena as follows:
 - a. At the centre of the arena
 - b. At least 50' (**15 metres**) from each end wall

Pattern 1

3. Run past the centre marker and do a sliding stop. Back up to centre of the arena or at least ten feet (**3 metres**). Hesitate.
8. Begin a large fast circle to the left but do not close this circle. Run straight up the side of the arena past the centre marker and do a sliding stop at least twenty feet (**6 metres**) from wall or fence. Hesitate to demonstrate the completion of the pattern.

~~Competitors must dismount and drop the bridle to the designated judge.~~ **Equipment check according to Art. 311.16.**

Idem for all patterns:

10 feet = 3 metres

20 feet = 6 metres

50 feet = 15 metres

Equipment check according to Art. 311.16.

Article 316 Freestyle Reining

8. The time limit is a maximum of 4 **3½** minutes including any introductions. The time limit will be from the beginning of the music or from the beginning of the introduction (whichever is first) and will end with the music.