



Rule Changes

Equestrian Australia Carriage Driving Committee

The following are proposed Carriage Driving rule changes to become effective 1 July 2018

| Rule | Heading | Justification | Revised Rule |
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| 1.2.7 | Age | This would allow extra competitors and eventually increase the EA membership base along with club membership. The ACDS already allow this. | <p>Current Rule</p> <p>Age: Age is determined from the beginning of the calendar year in which the Athlete and grooms reach the designated age.</p> <p>Children from the age at 8 can participate in club/training/participation days to gain experience in the sport prior to competing at the age of 12 as long as they are accompanied by an experienced carriage driver 18 years or older</p> <p>Junior and children drivers must wear approved protective headgear whenever mounted on a carriage.</p> <p>New Rule</p> <p>Age: Age is determined from the beginning of the calendar year in which the Athlete and grooms reach the designated age.</p> <p>Children from the age at 8 can participate in club/training/participation days to gain experience in the sport prior to competing at the age of 12 as long as they are accompanied by an experienced carriage driver 18 years or older</p> <p>A competitor driving a single Horse or Pony can compete at 12 years of age. Pony multiples at 14 years of age.</p> <p>Junior and children drivers must wear approved protective headgear whenever mounted on a carriage.</p> |

***TABLE IN RULES TO ALSO BE UPDATED**

Junior Classes

| Class | Athlete Age Class |
|------------------|-------------------|
| Horse Pairs | 16 -18 years |
| Horse Single | 12 – 18 years |
| All Pony Classes | 14 – 18 years |