

Equestrian Australia Dressage Committee - UPDATE

Meeting held: 8 October 2022 Below is a summary of proceedings at the recent EADC/SDA meeting

MEETING DISCUSSION

Events/Calendar

Discussion regarding timing of calling for events and setting of National Calendar, with consideration of ENZ HOTY Event.

Agreed events to be called in November, 13 months prior to the respective year. (ie Nov '22 for 2024)

Pony Registration/Measuring

Discussion concerning confusion with athletes regarding measuring as there is conflicting information between States.

Confirmed:

- It <u>is NOT necessary</u> under the EA Dressage Rules, to have a registered measurement in order to purchase a Pony Dressage License.
- Ponies may compete in Club competitions including official classes without a measure.
- Measuring is required at State, National, YP and CDI events only see section 4.8.3.3 of the <u>EA Dressage Rules.</u>

State SDA chairs to work with State Branches to ensure all information on websites and being conveyed to members is correct.

Discussion regarding Pony Identification at events- and possible ways this can be achieved.

EADC to discuss further

EA Database

Discussion regarding descriptions of classes to enter and therefore results listed on the EA database being devised ad hoc by the OC of each event, leading to inconsistencies in database searches.

Work being done on suggested codes to use and be a drop-down selection box.

<u>AOR</u>

Discussion and sharing of how AOR is run in the different states and which events AOR divisions are held.

Exemption Approval

Suggestion to make what is an exemption clearer to athletes & officials. Provide greater understanding of when an exemption should be applied for.

EADC to discuss further.

Specified Events for Upgrading A & B level exams

Discussion around the need for flexibility with opportunities being limited to upgrade due to unforeseen circumstances. Rule currently outdated and has been reviewed for 2023.

<u>Rules</u>

Summary of 2023 rule changes had been distributed 3 weeks prior to the meeting. Rules changes were reviewed and discussed as necessary.

Reports Tabled

Dressage Chief Steward EADOC State Reports

Next EADC/SDA Meeting

Saturday 6 May 2023 (1/2 day)