

## Rule Changes

## **Equestrian Australia Vaulting Committee**

# The following are proposed Vaulting rule changes to become effective 1<sup>st</sup> January 2018

Rule	Heading	Justification	Revised Rule
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Rule	Heading	Justification	Revised Rule
1.5	Ground Jury	We now have judges rotating during rounds.	Current Rule  1.5 Ground Jury  The Ground Jury is appointed by the Organising Committee and consists of a President and the Judges Officiating at the event. The President should be Judge at A whilst judging Open, Advanced, and Intermediate Classes. The period of jurisdiction of the Ground Jury begins one hour before the commencement of Official proceedings at the competition and terminates
			half an hour after the final presentations. The Ground Jury is responsible for the judging of all classes and the judicious application of the Rules during the period of its jurisdiction pertaining to the EA and FEI Rules for Vaulting.

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			New Rule
			1.5 Ground Jury
			The Ground Jury is appointed by the Organising Committee and consists of a President and the Judges Officiating at the event. The President should be Judge at A whilst judging Open, Advanced, and Intermediate Classes. The period of jurisdiction of the Ground Jury begins one hour before the commencement of Official proceedings at the competition and terminates half an hour after the final presentations. The Ground Jury is responsible for the judging of all classes and the judicious application of the Rules during the period of its jurisdiction pertaining to the EA and FEI Rules for Vaulting.

Rule	Heading	Justification	Revised Rule
3	Judges	FEI no longer refers to 1* judges and changes to the FEI judge allocation in reference to Level 2 judges.	Current Rule 3. JUDGES  Australian Vaulting Judges are accredited as Level 3, Level 2 and Level 1 Vaulting Judges.  Level 3 judges are accredited to judge all classes and are considered equivalent to FEI 1* for the purpose of CVI's.  Level 2 judges are accredited to judge all classes up to and including Novice.  Level 1 judges are accredited to judge all Preliminary, recreational and barrel classes.  Details of current Criteria for Accreditation and current accredited Judges are available from the National Judge Assessors and the National EA Office.

Rule	Heading	Justification	Revised Rule
			New Rule 3. JUDGES
			Australian Vaulting Judges are accredited as Level 3, Level 2 and Level 1 Vaulting Judges.
			Level 3 judges are accredited to judge all classes and are considered equivalent to FEI 1* for the purpose of CVI's.
			Level 2 judges are accredited to judge, Horse score (walk and canter), Performance and Artistic components in all classes.
			Level 1 judges are accredited to judge all Preliminary, recreational and barrel classes.
			Details of current Criteria for Accreditation and current accredited Judges are available from the National Judge Assessors and the National EA Office.

Rule	Heading	Justification	Revised Rule
2.1	Minimum Judge requirement for Championship Events	Heading not required: Re-number remaining paragraphs	Current Rule 2.1 Minimum Judge requirement for Championship Events  Organising Committees are welcome to invite people from other countries to officiate, but their credentials must be reviewed by the organising committee.  New Rule  2.1 Minimum Judge requirement for Championship Events  Organising Committees are welcome to invite people from other countries to officiate, but their credentials must be reviewed by the organising committee.

Rule	Heading	Justification	Revised Rule
2	Australian Judges Allocation System	To Keep all conditions together	Current Rule  Australian Judges Allocation System  4 Judge System (Required for Nationals Open, Advanced & Intermediate Classes, all judges must be level 3)  New Rule  Australian Judges Allocation System  4 Judge System (Required for Nationals Open, Advanced & Intermediate Classes, all judges must be level 3)  (tables)  National Championships must have 4 judges for Open, Advanced and Intermediate classes. All judges must be Level 3.  State Championships must have a minimum of 2 Level 3 Judges for Open-Intermediate classes. There must be 2 judges for all other classes, one
			must be level 3.

Heading	Justification	Revised Rule			
Australian	To Keep all conditions together	<b>Current Rule</b>			
Judges		Judge			
System					
		D	Technique	25%	
		3 Judge S	system		
		Judge			
		Α			
		С	Artistic	25%	
		Judge		d Artistic 25%	
		В			
		1 Judge S	system		
		Judge			
		A	all componer current Australian system)	its of score (as per the	
		Australian To Keep all conditions together Judges Allocation	Australian Judges Allocation System  To Keep all conditions together  Judge A B C D  3 Judge S Judge A B C  C D  1 Judge S Judge A B C Judge A B B  1 Judge S Judge	Australian Judges Allocation System  To Keep all conditions together Judge A Horse B Technique C Artistic D Technique  3 Judge System Judge A Horse B Technique C Artistic  2 Judge System Judge A Horse B Technique C Artistic  1 Judge System Judge A Horse 25% and B Technique 50%  1 Judge System Judge A Horse 25% and B Technique 50%  1 Judge System Judge A Horse 25% and B Technique 50%  1 Judge System Judge A Horse 25% and B Technique 50%  1 Judge System Judge A all componer A current Australian	Australian Judges Allocation System  To Keep all conditions together Judge A Horse 25% B Technique 25% C Artistic 25% D Technique 25%  3 Judge System Judge A Horse 25% B Technique 25% C Artistic 25% D Technique 25%  3 Judge System Judge A Horse 25% B Technique 50% C Artistic 25%  1 Judge System Judge A Horse 25% and Artistic 25% B Technique 50%  1 Judge System Judge A Horse 25% and Artistic 25% B Technique 50%  1 Judge System Judge A Horse 25% and Artistic 25% B Technique 50%  1 Judge System Judge A Horse 25% and Artistic 25% B Technique 50%  1 Judge System Judge A Horse 25% and Artistic 25% B Technique 50%  1 Judge System Judge A Horse 25% and Artistic 25% B Technique 50%

Rule	Heading	Justification	Revised Rule			
Rule	Heading	Justification  To give a clearer understanding of what components judges are judging for OC's.		Horse Exercise Exercise Exercise	25% 25% 25% 25% 25% 25% 37.5%	
			2 Freestlye system Compulsories A B	m	6 and exercise 37.5%	37.5%

Rule	Heading	Justification	Revised Rule				
4	Horses	Consistency of wording with	Current Rule				
		page 14 and the intermediate squad freestyle can be run as	Categories	Class	Compulsories/ Technical test Points	Freestyle Points	Total per round Points
		separate class.	Individual	Open	1	2	4
		Separate class.		Advanced	1	2	3
				Intermediate	1	2	3
				Novice	1	1	2
				Pre-Novice	1	1	2
				Preliminary	0.5	0.5	1
			Squads	Open	6	-	6
				Advanced	6	6	12
				Intermediate	6	-	6
				Novice	6	3	9
				Pre-Novice	6	-	6
				Preliminary	2	2	4
			Pas De Deux	Open		4	4
				Intermediate		3	3
				Preliminary		2	2

Rule	Heading	Justification	Revised Rule	Revised Rule  New Rule						
			New Rule							
			Categories	Class	Compulsories/ Technical test Points	Freestyle Points	Total per round Points			
			Individual	Open	1	2	4			
				Advanced	1	2	3			
				Intermediate	1	2	3			
				Novice	1	1	2			
				Pre-Novice	1	1	2			
				Preliminary	0.5	0.5	1			
			Squads	Open	6	-	6			
				Advanced	6	6	12			
				Intermediate	6	<mark>6</mark>	6			
				Novice	6	<mark>2</mark>	8			
				Pre-Novice	6	-	6			
				Preliminary	2	2	4			
			Pas De Deux	Open		4	4			
				Intermediate		3	3			
				Preliminary		2	2			

Rule	Heading	Justification	Revised Rule
4.2	Equipment of the Vaulting Horse	Consistent with FEI	Current Rule  4.2 Equipment of the Vaulting Horse  The equipment of the Horse in the Competition Arena will be as follows:  Bridle with smooth snaffle bit, with no more than 2 joints. Rubber bit guards are permitted. If unjointed rubber snaffle is used, the bit must be flexible.  Two side reins.  Auxiliary reins are permitted in Pre Novice Classes and below.  Vaulting surcingle with under pad and girth. The surcingle has two solid handles (grips) with two loops, one on each side. One short extra strap made of leather may be fixed between the inner edges of the right and left grip.  New Rule  4.2 Equipment of the Vaulting Horse  The equipment of the Horse in the Competition Arena will be as follows:  Bridle with noseband and smooth snaffle bit, with no more than 2 joints. Rubber bit guards are permitted. If unjointed rubber snaffle is used, the bit must be flexible.  Minimum diameter of mouth piece to be 14 mm for Horses and 10 mm for Ponies. The diameter of the mouthpiece is measured adjacent to the rings or cheeks of the mouthpiece at the widest point  Two side reins.  Auxiliary reins are permitted in Pre Novice Classes and below.  Vaulting surcingle with under pad and girth. The surcingle has two solid handles (grips) with two loops, one on each side. One short extra strap made of leather may be fixed between the inner edges of the right and left grip.

Rule	Heading	Justification	Revised Rule
5.1	Class Descriptions	Consistency with page 10 and to provide a Clearer statement of what can be offered at local events.	Current Rule: see below

#### 5.1 CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

Class name			R	lound 2	
	Test 1	Test 2	Test 3	Test 1	Test 2
		Individua	İ		
Open	3* compulsories	Technical Test	Freestyle	No second	round
Advanced	2* compulsories	Freestyle	NA	2* comp (Optiona I)	Freestyle
Intermediate	1* compulsories	Freestyle	NA	No second	round
Novice	1* compulsories	Freestyle Walk	NA	No second	round
Pre-Novice	Preliminary compulsories	Freestyle Walk	NA	No second	round
Preliminary	Preliminary compulsories	Freestyle Walk	NA	No second	round
		Squad			
Advanced	2* compulsories	Freestyle	NA	No second	round
Novice	1* compulsories	Freestyle Walk	NA	No second	round
Preliminary	Preliminary compulsories	Freestyle Walk	NA	No second	round
		Pas de D	eux		
Advanced	Freestyle	NA	NA	No second	round
Intermediate	Freestyle	NA	NA	No second	round
Preliminary	Freestyle Walk	NA	NA	No second	round

## Please note:

1. At State and National championships, the Open Individual class must include all three Open Tests and the tests must be run separately.

- 2. At National Championships the Organising Committee may limit the number of competitors eligible to compete in the second round (of the Advanced class) on the basis of ranking.
- 3. At Nationals Championships the Advanced Class must be divided into Senior and Junior. Senior is defined as being 18 years and older on the first day of competition.
- 4. At State Championships and National Championships, the Advanced class may be run over two rounds.
- 5. At State and National Championships, the Advanced class second round may consist only of freestyle.
- 6. Organising Committees, who choose to host one day events, may select any 2 tests for Open Class.
- 7. Description of compulsories may be found in the "compulsories" section

### New Rule:

#### 5.1 CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

Class name		Round 1		R	lound 2
	Test 1	Test 2	Test 3	Test 1	Test 2
		Individua			
Open	3* compulsories	Test	Freestyle	No second	
Advanced	2* compulsories	Freestyle	NA	2* comp (Optiona I)	Freestyle
Intermediate	1* compulsories		NA	No second	
Novice	1* compulsories	Freestyle Walk	NA	No second	round
Pre-Novice	Preliminary compulsories	Freestyle Walk	NA	No second	round
Preliminary	Preliminary compulsories	Freestyle Walk	NA	No second	round
Squad					
Advanced	2* compulsories	Freestyle	NA	No second	round
Novice	1* compulsories	Freestyle Walk	NA	No second	round
Preliminary	Preliminary compulsories	Freestyle Walk	NA	No second	round
Pas de Deux					
Open	Freestyle	NA	NA	No second	round
Intermediate	Freestyle	NA	NA	No second	round
Preliminary	Freestyle Walk	NA	NA	No second	round

#### Please note:

- 1. At State and National championships, the Open Individual class must include all three Open Tests and the tests must be run separately.
  - 2. At National Championships the Organising Committee may limit the number of competitors eligible to compete in the second round (of the Advanced class) on the basis of ranking.
  - 3. At Nationals Championships the Advanced Class must be divided into Senior and Junior. Senior is defined as being 18 years and older on the first day of competition.
  - 4. At State Championships and National Championships, the Advanced class may be run over two rounds.
  - 5. At State and National Championships, the Advanced class second round may consist only of freestyle.
  - 6. At any other event the Organising Committee may select any 2 tests for the Open class
  - 7. Description of compulsories may be found in the "compulsories" section

Rule	Heading	Justification	Revised Rule
8.1	Open Pas De Deux	Туро	Current Rule: 8.1 Open Pas De Deux
			The Open Pas De Deux Freestyle will be assessed on the following criteria:  Horse Technique (difficulty and performance) Artistic Single exercises on the horse are not scored in the Technique score. The time for the Intermediate Pas de Deux is 2 minutes  New Rule  8.1 Open Pas De Deux The Open Pas De Deux Freestyle will be assessed on the following criteria: Horse Technique (difficulty and performance) Artistic Single exercises on the horse are not scored in the Technique score. The time for the Open Pas de Deux is 2 minutes

Rule	Heading	Justification	Revised Rule
8.3	Preliminary Pas De Deux	Туро	Current Rule:  8.3 Pelimimary Pas De Deux  The Preliminary Pas De Deux Freestyle will be assessed on the following criteria:  • Performance  • Artistic  • Horse Walk Score  • The time for the Intermediate Pas de Deux is 2 minutes  • May be divided on age or ability but the event schedule must be explicit about the eligibility of each vaulter in the partnership  New Rule  8.3 Preliminary Pas De Deux  The Preliminary Pas De Deux Freestyle will be assessed on the following criteria:  • Performance  • Artistic  • Horse Walk Score  • The time for the Preliminary Pas de Deux is 2 minutes  • May be divided on age or ability but the event schedule must be explicit about the eligibility of each vaulter in the partnership

Rule	Heading	Justification	Revised Rule
10.15	Scoring – Technique – Squad	We no longer have Open squads.	Current Rule: 10.15 Scoring – Technique – Squad In Open and Advanced classes the technique score is divided into Performance Score (70%) and the Difficulty Score (30%). In all other classes the Exercise Score represents only the performance of the Freestyle exercises.
			New Rule 10.15 Scoring – Technique – Squad
			In the Advanced squad class the technique score is divided into Performance Score (70%) and the Difficulty Score (30%). In all other classes the Exercise Score represents only the performance of the Freestyle exercises.

Rule	Heading	Justification	Revised Rule
10.21	Scoring Technique – Pas de Deux Canter	Consistency with pages 10 and 14	Current Rule:  10.21 Scoring Technique – Pas de Deux Canter  The maximum score is 10. Decimals are allowed.  The exercises will be scored as follows:  New Rule  10.21 Scoring Technique – Open Pas De Deux  The maximum score is 10. Decimals are allowed.  The exercises will be scored as follows:

Rule	Heading	Justification	Revised Rule
10.21	Scoring Technique – Pas de Deux Canter	Туро	Current Rule: 10.22 Scoring – Horse – Pas de Deux Canter  The score for the horse at canter in the Freestyle will be awarded in accordance with the FEI Guidelines for Judges. The score for horse at walk in the freestyle will be determined in accordance with Rule 4.6
			New Rule  10.22 Scoring – Horse – Pas de Deux  The score for the horse at canter in the Freestyle will be awarded in accordance with the FEI Guidelines for Judges. The score for horse at walk in the freestyle will be determined in accordance with Rule 4.6