



## Rule Changes

### EA Eventing Committee

The following are proposed Eventing rule changes to become effective immediately (safety) or 1 January 2018 for clarifications and FEI Changes. National changes are in **red** and FEI changes are in **purple**.



#### FOLLOWING RULE IMPLEMENTATION FOR 2018

Rule	Heading	Justification	Revised Rule
549.2	<b>Run out – Missing a Flag</b>	Clarification of current rule	<p><b>549.2 Run out – missing a flag</b></p> <p>A Horse is considered to have run out if, having been presented at an element or obstacle on the course, it avoids it in such a way that either the head, neck either shoulder of the Horse fail to pass between the extremities of the element or obstacle as flagged.</p> <p>In case the Horse has clearly attempted to jump the element or obstacle and may have missed a flag, the athlete can choose:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) To represent (accepting automatically 20 penalties), or</li> <li>b) To continue on course incurring 50 penalties (no elimination) in case the element or obstacle was not correctly cleared.</li> </ul> <p>Note: <b>If the Athlete represents and was clear in his first attempt, the Athlete will not be penalized with 20 penalties but no time will be removed.</b></p> <p>A Horse will be considered to have cleared the fence when head, neck and both shoulders of the Horse pass between the extremities of the element or obstacles as flagged.</p>

Rule	Heading	Justification	Revised Rule
547.2.4	Frangible/Deformable Obstacles	Safety	<p><b>547.2.4 Frangible/Deformable Obstacles</b></p> <p>Obstacles can be provided with frangible/deformable technology only if such technology has been approved by the FEI according to the FEI Standard for the minimum strength of frangible/deformable cross country fences. A list of approved technologies is published on the FEI website.</p> <p><i>In 1*/2*/3*/4* courses whether for national or FEI competition in Australia, all fences that can be fitted with frangible devices MUST be fitted with frangible devices. These include all open corners, open oxers, verticals or near verticals with open rails, top rail on triple bars and gates where the rail dimensions and weight fits the acceptable parameters of an approved frangible</i></p>

Rule	Heading	Justification	Revised Rule
503.2.1	CNC/CCN Age of Athletes	Clarification	<p><b>Two Star (CNC**/CCN**) Classes:</b> With the express permission of <del>his</del>their National Federation, an Athlete may compete in a two star competition from the beginning of the calendar year in which the rider turns 16.</p> <p><b>One Star (CNC*/CCN*) Classes:</b> With the express permission of <del>his</del>their National Federation, an Athlete may compete in a one star competition from the beginning of the calendar year in which the rider turns 14.</p> <p><b>Young Rider Classes:</b> <i>With express permission from their National Federation, an athlete may compete in a Young Rider Classes</i> from the beginning of the calendar year in which the rider reaches age of 16 until the end of the calendar year in which the rider reaches the age of 21.</p> <p><b>Junior One Star (CNCJ*/CCNJ*) Classes:</b> <i>With express permission from their National Federation, an athlete may compete in Junior One Star classes</i> from the beginning of the calendar year in which the rider reaches the age of 14 until the end of the calendar year in which the rider reaches the age of 18.</p> <p><b>CNC/CCN EvA95:</b> From the beginning of the calendar year in which the rider turns 10. Riders under the age of 13 must have completed an EvA80</p>

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503.2.1	CNC/CCN Age of Athletes	Safety	<p><b>503.1.2 Junior Competitions</b>  An Athlete may compete as a Junior from the beginning of the calendar year in which <del>he</del> they reach the age of 14 until the end of the calendar year in which <del>he</del> they reach the age of 18.</p> <p><b>503.1.3 Young Rider Competitions</b>  An Athlete may compete as a Young Rider from the beginning of the calendar year in which <del>he</del> they reach the age of 16 until the end of the calendar year in which <del>he</del> they reach the age of 21.</p> <p><b>503.2 Age of Athletes</b>  An Athlete is considered a Senior from the beginning of the calendar year in which they reach the age of 18. International Competitions, Championships and Games are limited to senior Athletes unless specifically organised for Juniors, Young Riders or Pony Riders with the following exceptions</p> <p>a) With the express permission of <del>his</del> their National Federation, an Athlete may compete in a two star Competition from the beginning of the calendar year in which the reache the age of 16.</p> <p>b) With the express permission of their National Federation, an Athlete may compete in a one star level Competition from the beginning of the calendar year in which he reaches the age of 14.</p>

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515.6.2	<b>CNC/CCN Objections</b>	No longer have steeplechase	Protests concerning the <del>steeplechase or</del> cross-country obstacles or courses in Eventing not later than 6pm on the day before the relevant competition;

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517	<b>Minimum Eligibility Requirements</b>	Safety	A Minimum Eligibility Requirement is achieved by completing a Competition within minimum parameters of all round performance as follows: a) Dressage Test: not more than <b>47</b> (or 55%) penalty points. b) Cross Country Test: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a clear round at obstacles (See Art. 520 for exception).</li> <li>• not more than 75 seconds exceeding the optimum time in the Cross Country Test for one, two and three star level Competitions and 100 seconds in the case of four star level Competitions</li> </ul> c) Jumping Test: not more than 16 penalties at obstacles.

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520	<b>Minimum Eligibility Requirements</b>	Safety	<b>Minimum Eligibility Requirements for CIs and CIOs</b>  The following table details the requirements needed to be entered in the different formats, categories and levels of international Competitions.  <b>Exceptions for MERs:</b>  a) The 1st activation of a frangible/deformable device (11 penalties) will allow a MER.  b) When multiple Minimum Eligibility Requirements are required (for CIs and CIOs), one of the Minimum Eligibility Requirements can be achieved incurring 20 penalties at the obstacles of the Cross Country Test (See below for Minimum Eligibility Requirements for Championships & Games)  c) For 1*/2*/3* if a rider has 15 MER's at the level over a rolling 8 year period (one being a CCI and none with XC penalties) then this deems the rider established. This only applies if the rider has met the FEI requirements but not the NF requirements.

Class	Category of Rider	MER Requirements
CCI4*	A	1x CCI3* (as a combination) + 2x CIC/CNC3*
	B	1x CCI3* + 3x CIC3* + 1xCIC/CNC3*
	C	2x CCI3* + 2x CIC3* + 1x CIC/CNC3*

	D or uncategorised	<b>2x CCI3* + 2x CIC3* + 1x CIC/CNC3*</b>
CCI3*	<b>A</b>	<b>1x CCI2* + 2x CIC/CNC2* (any time frame) or 1xCIC/CNC2* in previous 12 months + 1x CIC/CNC3* or 1x CCI/CCN2*</b>
	<b>B</b>	<b>1x CCI2* + 2x CIC/CNC2* (any time frame) or 1xCIC/CNC2* in previous 12 months + 1x CIC/CNC3* or 1x CCI/CCN2*</b>
	<b>C</b>	<b>1x CCI2* + 1x CIC3* + 1x (CIC/CNC3* or 1x CCI/CCN2*)</b>
	D or uncategorised	<b>1x CCI2* + 1x CIC3* + 1x (CIC/CNC3* or 1x CCI/CCN2*)</b>
CIC3*	<b>A</b>	<b>1x CCI/CIC2* + 1x (CNC3* or 1x CIC2*) <i>Horse Only</i></b>
	<b>B</b>	<b>1x CCI/CIC2* + 1x CIC/CNC2* + 1x (CNC3* or 1x CIC2*) <i>Horse Only</i></b>
	<b>C</b>	<b>2x CCI/CIC2* + 1x (CNC3* or 1x CIC2*)</b>
	D or uncategorised	<b>2x CCI/CIC2* + 1x (CNC3* or 1x CIC2*)</b>
CCI2*	<b>A</b>	<b>1x CCI1* or 1x CIC2* + 1x CNC/CIC2* In prev 12 mths</b>
	<b>B</b>	<b>1x CCI1* or 1x CIC2* + 1x CNC/CIC2* In prev 12 mths</b>
	<b>C</b>	<b>1x CCI1* or 1x CIC2* + 1x CNC/CIC2* In prev 12 mths</b>
	D or uncategorised	<b>1x (CCI1* or CIC2*) + 1 x CIC2* + 1 x (CCI1* or CCN1* or CIC2* or CNC2*)</b> <i>~Juniors &amp; uncategorised riders must have a CCI1* as a combination.</i>
CIC2*	<b>A</b>	<b>1x CIC/CNC1* + 1x (CIC1* or CNC2*)</b>
	<b>B</b>	<b>1x CIC/CNC1* + 1x (CIC1* or CNC2*)</b>
	<b>C</b>	<b>1x CIC/CNC1* + 2x CIC/CNC1*</b>
	<b>D</b>	<b>1 x CIC/CNC* + 2 x CIC/CNC1*</b>
	uncategorised	<b>• 1 x CIC* + 2 x CIC/CNC1* Juniors need Express Permission as a combination, refer to rule 503.2</b>
CCI1*	<b>A</b>	<i>None</i>
	<b>B</b>	<i>None</i>
	<b>C</b>	<b>2x CNC1* or CIC1* (Completed) or 1x CCN105 MER + 1x CNC 1* MER</b> <i>Junior &amp; YR MERs to be as a combination</i>
	<b>D</b>	<b>3 x CNC1* or CIC1* MERs</b> <i>Junior &amp; YR MERs to be achieved as a combination</i>
	<b>Uncategorised</b>	<b>3 x CNC1* or CIC1* MERs to be achieved as a combination</b> <i>Junior &amp; YR MERs to be achieved as a combination</i>
CIC1*	<b>A</b>	<i>None</i>
	<b>B</b>	<i>None</i>
	<b>C</b>	<b>3x EvA105 or PC grade 1 or Championship level(2 clear XC_J plus 1 with 0 or 20 XC_J) Note*</b>
	<b>D</b>	<b>3x EvA105 MERs, or 2 x EvA105 plus 1 x PC grade 1 or Championship level (2 clear XC_J plus 1 with 0 or 20 XC_J)</b>

		<i>Junior &amp; YR MERs to be achieved as a combination</i>
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>3x EvA105 MER as a combination, or 2 x EvA105 plus 1 x PC grade 1 or Championship level (2 clear XC_J plus 1 with 0 or 20 XC_J), Juniors need Express Permission as a combination, refer to rule 503.2</i></li> </ul>
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520.3	<b>Exemption from minimum eligibility requirements for CNC/CCN's &amp; CIC/CCI's 1*</b>	Safety	<p>A horse and rider may be exempted from the performance qualifications only, on the authority of the <b>Equestrian Australia Eventing Committee concerned</b>. There shall be no exemption from FEI requirements such as riders' age and horse age.</p> <p><i>And table as below</i></p>

**520.4 EA Minimum Eligibility Requirements (applies to National Events)**

- National MER's **must be achieved in accordance to performances over a rolling 8 year period.**

**Short Format CNC**

- For a horse and rider to start at 105 they must have 3 qualifying results in official EVA 95 (or grade 2 Pony Club competition). One of these results may not have more than 20 Cross Country jumping faults. The other 2 must be clear of Cross Country faults.
- For a horse and rider to start in CNC\* or CIC\*, they must have three (3) qualifying results in official EvA105 classes **or** 2 x EvA105 plus one Grade 1 (or Championship) Pony Club Competition. One of these results may have not more than 20 cross country jumping faults; the other two must be clear of cross country jumping faults. A rider who is established to ride at CNC\*\*\* level, may enter a horse at CNC/CIC\* level competitions without the horse having any previous qualifying results. **Juniors need Express Permission as a combination, refer to rule 503.2**
- For a horse and rider to start in CNC\*\*, they must have three (3) qualifying results in any of the following: CNC\*, CIC\*, CCN\* or CCI \*. One of these may not have more than 20 cross country jumping faults. The other two must be clear of cross country jumping faults. **Juniors need Express Permission as a combination, refer to rule 503.2**

- For a horse and rider to start in CNC\*\*\* they must have three (3) qualifying results in any of the following: CNC\*\*, CIC\*\*, CCN\*\* or CCI\*\*. One of these may not have more than 20 cross country jumping faults. The other two must be clear of cross country jumping faults.
- ~~A rider, who is established at a level, by achieving one MER at the level, allows a rider to compete at that level on any horse that is qualified to compete at that level.~~
- A rider, who is established at a level, by achieving fifteen MER's at the level, over a rolling eight-year period allows a rider to competed at that level on any horse that is qualified with MER's at that level.
- All qualifying results must have a dressage score of not less than 55% of dressage good marks.
- All qualifying results may not have more than 75 seconds (30 penalties) exceeding the optimum cross country time.
- All qualifying results may not have more than 16 jumping faults.

Rule	Heading	Justification	Revised Rule
538.3	<b>Cross-Country Test</b>	Clarification of current rule	Body protectors are compulsory for this Test, including when schooling over Cross-Country fences, at any time. <del>A body protector of Beta 3 standard manufactured after 2009 to the EN13158:2009 standard F1937 or equivalent is recommended.</del>

Rule	Heading	Justification	Revised Rule
539.2.2	Permitted	Safety	<p>a) A double bridle with cavesson noseband i.e. bridoon and curb with curb chain (made of metal or leather or a combination). (Cover for curb “chain” can be made of leather, rubber or sheep skin) is permitted, as authorized by the Dressage Rules. Double bridle is not allowed for one star level CCI and CICs.</p> <p>b) A snaffle bridle of which the bit is made of metal, rubber or plastic material is also permitted as authorised by the Dressage Rules. The bridle must be made entirely of leather, except for a small disc of sheepskin, which may be used under the intersection of the two leather straps of a crossed noseband.</p> <p>c) A breast plate may be used.</p> <p>d) Ear hoods are permitted for all Events and may also provide noise reduction. However, ear hoods must not cover the Horse’s eyes and ear plugs are not permitted (with the exception of Dressage Rules Art. 428.7.2). The ear hoods should be discreet in colour and design.</p> <p>e) Neck straps are permitted in test at levels Eva95 and below, and at EvA105 and above in warm-up only.</p> <p>Note: For Ear hoods sponsor logo national identification - see General Regulations art. 135.</p>

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539.2.3	Forbidden	Clarification of current rule	Martingales, bit guards, any kind of gadgets (such as bearing, side, running or balancing reins, etc.), neck straps at levels EvA105 and above in the Dressage competition arena, any form of blinkers, earplugs, nose covers and saddle covers, are under penalty of elimination, strictly forbidden, see Dressage Rules and Art. 538.2.1 above.
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539.3.1	Permitted (Cross Country and Jumping Tests)	Safety	The type of saddlery is optional. Gags or “bitless bridles” are allowed as are unrestricted running martingales or Irish martingales. Reins must be attached to the bit(s) or directly to the bridle. The stirrup iron and stirrup leathers must hang free from the bar of the saddle and outside of the flap. Neck straps are permitted.

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544.2.4	<b>Penalty Points</b>	Clarification	<p><b>544.2.4 Penalty Points</b></p> <p>In order to convert Athletes percentage into penalty points, this must be subtracted from 100 <del>and multiplied by one point five</del> with the resulting figure being rounded to one decimal digit. The result is the score in penalty points for the test. Rounding the result to one decimal includes any score of "x.x5" and above is round up and any score less than "x.x5" is rounded down.</p>

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501.2.1	<b>Nations Cup</b>	FEI Change	<p><b>501.2.1 Nations Cup</b></p> <p>The Nations' Cup (also referred as "NC") is the official international team Competition. Its object is to compare the merit of Athletes and Horses from different NFs and may only be organised on the occasion of a CIO.</p>

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Chapter 4	<b>Officials</b>	FEI Change	<b>All Officials are now referred to as Level 1, 2 or 3 replacing 1,2,3,&amp; 4*</b>

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Chapter 4, 513.3	<b>Introductory Level</b>	FEI Introduction	See below:

<b>Introductory Level</b>	
	2 or 3 Judges
<b>Ground Jury</b>	All Judges can be host country national Judges if FEI TD appointed
<b>Technical Delegate</b>	TD from FEI list (or national TD if one FEI Judge appointed) Foreign requirements not compulsory
<b>Course Designer</b>	Can be national CD
<b>Jumping Course Designer</b>	Jumping CD from National list recommended
<b>Veterinary Services Manager (VSM)</b>	From FEI list of Permitted Treating Veterinarians Treating Veterinarian(s), Veterinary Control Officer and/ or Course Veterinarian(s), as required
<b>Veterinary Delegate</b>	FEI Official Veterinarian from FEI list of Eventing Veterinarians
<b>Chief Steward</b>	Level 1, 2 or 3 Eventing Steward

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Entire Rulebook	<b>Introductory Level</b>	FEI Introduction	References throughout

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517	<b>Minimum Eligibility Requirement</b>	FEI Introduction	A Minimum Eligibility Requirement is achieved by completing a Competition within minimum parameters of all round performance as follows: a) Dressage Test: not more than 45 penalty points (or 55%).

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520	<b>Minimum Eligibility Requirement</b>	FEI Introduction	<b>520 Minimum Eligibility Requirements for CIs and CIOs</b> The following table details the requirements needed to be entered in the different formats, categories and levels of international Competitions. <i>NFs are required to set national participation requirements as per Art 516 to apply for all categorisations.</i>

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520	<b>Minimum Eligibility Requirement</b>	FEI Introduction	All Intro requirements refer to all athletes and they need only NF requirements

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521	<b>Minimum Eligibility Requirements for Championships &amp; Games</b>	FEI Introduction	<i>This includes MER obtained as per NF Requirements</i>
			CH 1* <i>NF requirements + 1 CCI 1* (Long)</i>
			CH 2* <i>NF requirements + 1 CCI 2* (Long)</i>
			CH 3* <i>NF requirements + 1 CCI 3* (Long)</i>
			CH 4* <i>NF requirements + (1 CCI 4* (Long)) or (1 CCI 3* (Long) + 1 CI 3* (Long or Short))</i>

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526.4	<b>Blood on Horses</b>	FEI Introduction	Blood on Horses <i>may be an indication of abuse of Horse and</i> must be reviewed case by case by the Ground Jury. <i>Not all cases of blood will lead to elimination.</i> In minor cases of blood in the mouth, such as where a Horse appears to have bitten its tongue or lip, or minor bleeding <i>on limbs</i> , after investigation <i>in conjunction with the Veterinarian</i> , the Ground Jury may authorise the Athlete to continue. <i>The cases indicating Abuse of Horse will be dealt with according to the provisions of Art 526.2 (Abuse of Horse – Warnings and Penalties)</i>

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541.5	<b>Athletes National Identification</b>	FEI Introduction	<p>For Championship and Official team competitions Cross Country test, members of the national teams are required to use national identification colours for equipment, dress and saddle pads to clearly identify and differentiate visually the competing countries. Colours and pattern are to be registered in advance with the FEI.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> NFs may submit their colors/flags as from 1st January 2018, for all team competitions.</p> <p>These items may be used during 2018.</p> <p>By the end of September 2018, colors and patterns must be sent to FEI. Full implementation as from <b>1<sup>st</sup> January 2019</b>.</p>

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541.10	<b>As per General Regulations</b>	FEI Introduction	<p><b>541.10 ( as per General Regulations 135.8)</b></p> <p>The Chief Steward is responsible for ensuring that the above provisions are respected by Athletes before entering the arena. Athletes not complying with the above will not be permitted to enter the arena during competition. An official clothing approved by a NF not complying with the requirements of this Article will not be authorised by the FEI.</p>

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Annex A	<b>Dressage Tests for Eventing</b>	FEI Introduction	Intro tests now included in this entire section

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Annex B	<b>Cross Country</b>	FEI Introduction	<p>Intro Level</p> <p>1.05m</p> <p>1.25m</p> <p>1.20m</p> <p>1.80m</p> <p>2.40m</p> <p>140m</p>

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Annex B	<b>Cross Country</b>	FEI Introduction	See below:

<b>Introductory Level</b>		
<b>Distance</b>	Min	2000
	Max	3000
<b>Efforts</b>	Min	20
	Max	25
<b>Speed</b>		500
<b>Time</b>	Min	4'00"
	Max	6'00"

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Annex C	<b>Jumping</b>	FEI Introduction	Intro Level 1.10 1.25 1.45 600m 250m 10-11/12

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Annex E	<b>Organising Requirements for Eventing 4 star Level Events</b>	FEI Introduction	o) It is strongly encouraged that the OC appoints a Course Advisor, in consultation with the FEI and the event Course designer.  <b>NOTE:</b> 2012 Annex 9 "Directives For One & Two Star CCI/CIC with Several Sections for the Same level in Regard to Ground Juries" included in text under appointment of Officials

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Annex I	<b>Indoor/Arena Cross Country Rules</b>	FEI Introduction	<p><b>1 Rules for National and International competitions</b></p> <p>FEI Rules <del>to</del> apply to all Eventing classes held within or in direct relation with, or taking place shortly before or after an FEI International Jumping/Dressage <del>Indoor</del> Event. The following minimum requirements are to be implemented by ALL OCs organising this type of competition to manage and limit risk at these events.</p> <p>NFs/OCs have two (2) options for the organisation of Indoor/Arena Eventing competitions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Apply to the FEI to organise this class as an International competition with inclusion in the FEI Calendar using the competition code CIX-Arena. The competition schedule to be submitted to the FEI for approval (specific form available)</li> </ol> <p>Or</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Organise the competition under National rules under the responsibility of the National Federation to enforce the below compulsory minimum requirements. The following minimum requirements are mandatory: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Qualification of Athletes:</b> Competition open only to A, B and C FEI categorised Athletes (to ensure all Athletes have adequate experience)</li> <li><b>2. Level of competition:</b> maximum (current) 2* star level obstacles with speed related to the size of the arena.</li> <li><b>3. Competition Format:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Optimum time if competition runs over fixed obstacles</li> <li>• Against the clock: <b>ONLY</b> with knockable fences or hedges (min. 1/3 of the height of the obstacle)</li> </ul> </li> <li>4. FEI Officials: One experienced FEI Eventing Course Designer or FEI Eventing Technical Delegate</li> </ol> </li> </ol> <p>FEI Rules in regard to Dangerous riding, sanctions etc apply</p> <p><b>Commentators:</b> it is recommended that commentators with experience in Eventing are involved during the competition to explain Eventing, video clips are available for big screen to show the “real sport” (outdoor, 3 disciplines etc)</p>

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504.2.4	<b>CNC/CCN Riding Down</b>	Safety	<b>Rider Down Grade</b> Riders who have had time off and do not intend to ride at their established level in the near future may apply for loss of establishment after having been away from riding for three (3) or more years. After downgrading should they wish to ride again at the higher level they would need to complete required MER's.

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527.1	<b>Yellow Cards</b>	Safety	<del>The receipt of a Yellow Warning Card suspends any penalty until new offences take place.</del>