

Rule Changes

Equestrian Australia Eventing Committee

The following Eventing rule changes become effective 1 July 2020

Rule	Heading	Justification	Revised Rule
505.3.5	CCN Prize Money	Change to allow OCs flexibility in organization of events due to financial pressures	 EA 505.3.5 CCN Prize Money In all Official Events, including those confined to Juniors, prizes will be awarded to horses according to their placings and the number of starters in the class. A minimum of one prize shall be awarded for every 4 competitors. A minimum of three prizes must be offered in every class. Third prize must not be less than the entry fee. EvA80, EvA95 and CCN* prize money is optional. Organisers may award additional prizes lower than the scale. Application to vary this rule must be made to the respective State Eventing Committee and approved by the State Branch. NB: A starter is one which competed (i.e. started) in the dressage test
524.3.1.2	EA Portable Yards	- 0 0 1 0 1 1 1	Stable, yards and portable yards (if used) must be a minimum of 3 metres x 3 metres and be of safe and solid construction. (of solid construction) and consist of no less than two horizontal rails. These yards must be adequately secured to the ground and no electrical tape of any sort is permitted. (Refer General Regulations Art. 109.3).

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527.1 a1)	Recorded Warning, Yellow Warning Cards and	Provides TD with discretion in one are only where a Technical Elimination may not be able to be determined on the field of play and only after video review	a1) At National events (1* and below) the athlete continues after 4 clear refusals, a fall or any form of elimination during the Cross Country a Warning Card will be issued for 4 clear refusals, a fall or elimination, except for a "Technical Elimination" (i.e. missing a Fence or other technical elimination) where a Warning Card may be issued at the discretion of the TD.
EA 547.2.6.1		Amended on the basis of safety and horse welfare	EA 547.2.6.1 Front Shoulders of Spread Fences In 2*/3*/4*/5* courses whether for national or FEI competition in Australia, Spread fences must not have an upright or vertical leading edge. The top of the front of the fence must be sloped at approximately 45 degrees to a point approximately 20cms or more below the top of the leading edge or rounded to similar dimensions. The requirement for this 45 degree slope is not required on ascending spread fences (eg. house / flower box) where there is a minimum of 25cm difference in height between the Front Leading Edge and the solid top of the obstacle. Brush fences are excluded provided there is at least 20cms of brush above the solid part of the fence as are open spread fences fitted with frangible devices as required by rule EA 547.2.4. All other fences, including gates and fences using square or sawn materials, must not have any sharp or square edges.
Annex A 1.3 h)	Permitted Snaffles		Annex A of the National Eventing Rules 1.3 Permitted Snaffles (see diagrams) h) French link bits are permitted in EA National Eventing Competitions.