



**The following changes to the Equestrian Australia General Regulations become effective
1 January 2022**

Rule	Heading	Justification	Revised Rule
Article 122	Dress and Salute	Updates to various Sport Rules to be consolidated into General Regulations	<p>Effective Date 1 January 2022</p> <p>Insertion of the following into Article 122 – Dress and Salute</p> <p>5. All Athletes must wear properly fastened Protective Headgear whenever mounted at an EA or FEI event in Australia. “Protective Headgear” is a helmet that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. meets one of the current approved safety standards set out at in Art. 122.4 of these General Regulations; and ii. is tagged with a current visible EA ‘helmet tag’ <p>Failure to wear such Protective Headgear where and when required after being notified to do so by an Official, shall result in a Recorded Warning or Yellow Warning card being issued to the athlete unless exceptional circumstances apply. Helmet tagging is currently mandatory for the following disciplines as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Eventing – mandatory from January 1st 2020 b) Jumping – mandatory from January 1st 2022 c) Dressage – mandatory from July 1st 2022 d) Driving – mandatory from July 1st 2022 e) Endurance – mandatory from July 1st 2022 <p>5- 6. Unless stated above, all other dress requirements are contained within the Rules of the relevant Sport.</p>

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Article 100	EA Activity Classification	Eventing: Update of to bring EA GRs in line with FEI GRs.	See details below

Article 100 – EA Activity Classification

- Official and Closed Equestrian activity conducted under the relevant sport rules may be classified as either Competitive activity; Participation activity or Restricted activity and must abide by the respective conditions as stated below;

Event/ Activity type	Discipline Specific Activity							Conditions	
	Dressage	Jumping	Eventing	Show Horse	Vaulting	Driving	Interschools		
Official events	Competitive	Grand Prix Intermediate II Intermediate I Prix St George Advanced Medium Elementary Novice Prelim FEI Para-Equestrian	1.05m and above	5 Star 4 Star 3 Star 2 Star 1 Star EvA105 EvA95	National Championship State HOY Championship	Open Advanced Intermediate Novice	FEI Level competition	National Championship State Championship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Must be an EA Competitor member Horse must hold EA Full Horse Registration Must meet state competition licence requirements
	Participation	Novice Prelim Prep EA National Para-Dressage	1.04m and below	EvA80	Affiliated events*	Pre-novice Preliminary Barrel	Non-FEI levels and training events	Regional Events**	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Must be minimum EA Participant member EA Horse Registration (Full or Base) is encouraged and may be enforced (<i>for bio-security purposes</i>) Competition licence not required
Closed events	Restricted	Definition- Club activities for club members against other club members of the same club. Classes or training activities may be of any discipline level but must abide by the conditions of a closed event; AND/OR club activities for club members against invited EA members to a maximum level of class as defined as participation activity				Conditions - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Entries open to members of the host club only Horses do not have to be registered Can only be conducted by EA Club Affiliates – not Sport Affiliates or Commercial groups Classes may be of any discipline level 			

*In the discipline of Show Horse only, EA affiliated Ag Shows are exempt from Show Horse entrants requiring EA membership. Entrants into all other official Club or affiliated events require EA Participant membership at a minimum.

**In the State of QLD only, Regional Events are classified as Interschool events from Rockhampton and north with EA Participant membership the minimum requirement unless wishing to qualify for QLD State Championships (EA Competitor membership then required). All other Interschool events in QLD (all events south of Rockhampton) are classified as Competitive activities and EA Competitor membership is required for entry.

2. An EA Competitor member may compete/participate at any level per discipline. An EA Participant member may only compete/participate at levels of each discipline classified as participation activities (i.e. below the line only). For specific requirements for the allocation of grading points refer to the respective discipline rules – where a competition licence is required, the member must be an EA Competitor Member.
3. Refer to the EA Membership and Committee By-laws for membership, affiliation and registration category definitions.

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Article 104	Local Activities/Events/Competitions	To bring GRs in line with current practice	<p>Article 104 - Local Activities/Events/Competitions</p> <p>Official Events for the same Sport cannot be organised on the same day if they are to take place within 75km by road of each other. The State Sport Authority is responsible for the scheduling and approval of all requested dates.</p>