

Amendments to the 2023-24 CIEF National Jumping Series and Championship Rules

The following are amendments to the CIEF NATIONAL JUMPING SERIES and CHAMPIONSHIP RULES (the "Rules") (July 2018 Revision) for the 2023-24 Show Season. The rules below supersede those contained in the Rules.

- 1. For the 2023-24 show season, the Horse and Pony categories will be combined. A .50m Championship category will be added.
- 4. Does not apply. Courses will be supplied by Equi-Rider
- 5. Does not apply. Times will be supplied by Equi-Rider
- 6. The following replaces paragraphs 6, 7, 8 & 9

The 2023-2024 Equi-Rider Riding Cup (Stage 1) will be scored as a Power & Speed Class. This means the course is divided into two phases. In the first phase, the course is not timed but the second phase is timed.

Riders are separated by the penalties of the two phases, and by the time of the second phase. The riders with the fewest penalties will be placed highest, and ties among riders with the same penalties will be broken using the time taken in the second phase of the course, with faster rides placing higher.

The following actions result in a 4-point penalty:

- Fallen bar (top bar, on each plane of the jump). Example: An oxer has two planes, so if the bar of the 1st or 2nd plane falls, it results in 4 penalties. The penalties from fallen bars are not cumulative on the same jump (except for combinations where the penalties can accrue on each element of the combination).
- Stop or run-out: If the horse stops in front of a jump or "runs out", 4 penalties accrue.
- Re-crossing of the traces: If the rider decides to make a turn or any other figure (such as a circle) in front of a jump which causes an unforeseen retracement or crossing of his or her path to that jump, it results in 4 penalties and is considered a 'run-out' or refusal.

Timing of the Phases: In Equi-rider competitions, the timing is different and done by hand. For a better video judgement, Equi-Rider starts the timed phase of the course at the moment of the landing of one or more forelegs of the horse after the first jump in the timed phase. For example, if the second phase starts at fence N°6, the stopwatch will start at the moment one of the forelegs of the horse lands on the ground after jumping fence N°6.

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The timing of the second phase is stopped at the moment one or more of the horse's front legs touches the ground after the last fence of the timed phase (generally the last fence of the course).

The following replaces paragraph 28 of the Rules:

28. If a rider accumulates 3 refusals or run-outs, he or she is eliminated. Such rider may jump a single "simple" jump (avoid a combination or a demanding jump profile) after elimination and prior to leaving the arena.

If a rider falls or puts his hand on a bar, he or she is also considered eliminated. In this case, the rider must leave the arena on foot without being allowed to re-mount or jump again.

The following is an additional note regarding the Poles on the Ground class:

The Poles on the Ground class is Not timed, and will be scored either Clear Round or Participant. A clear round is achieved by a rider if he or she passes over each bar in the order prescribed in the course, without incurring a penalty. Penalties are incurred for

- skipping a pole
- crossing over the poles in the incorrect order
- stopping in front of a pole or running out the side of the pole
- stopping on the course
- circling on the course
- re-crossing: If the rider decides to make a turn or any other figure on the way to a pole which causes an unforeseen retracement or re-crossing of his or her path to that pole.

For the Poles on the Ground and 50cm courses, an instructor is allowed to stand in the arena and verbally help the rider complete the course.

The Poles on the Ground is an introductory class and does not qualify for Year-End Awards.