



Proposed Rule Changes

Saddle Seat Equitation

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Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule: GR1072.5
Rule Change Type Standard

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Proposed Change:

GR1072 Saddle Seat Equitation Judges. [Chapter 10 Licensed Officials, Subchapter 10-I, License Applications, Enrollment, Promotion, and Maintenance] **delete and renumber:**

[...]

- ~~5. Saddle Seat Equitation judges must officiate at a Federation Licensed Competition at least once every five years.~~
- ~~a. If also licensed in a Federation breed division, officiating experience for the Saddle Seat Equitation license may be fulfilled by adjudicating the Saddle Seat Equitation section at an "A" rated breed competition.~~
- ~~b. If a judge does not officiate in any division (in the Hackney, Roadster, Saddlebred or Saddle Seat Equitation divisions) in which he/she is licensed within a five year period, he/she must re-apply for all licenses.~~
- ~~c. If a judge maintains at least one division license within this section (5b above) but fails to meet the minimum judging requirements of other divisions within this section, he/she may maintain the Saddle Seat Equitation license by learner judging a minimum of five classes in the Saddle Seat Equitation division, provided he/she has officiated within five years at least one competition in this section.~~

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Intent of Proposal:

Eliminate the requirement of judging division once every five years in order to maintain license.

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Proposed Change:

17. UPHA CHALLENGE CUP QUALIFYING CLASSES. [Chapter EQ - Equitation Division, Subchapter EQ-3 Saddle Seat Equitation] **change to read:**

[...]

b. CHAMPIONSHIP ELIGIBILITY. Residency requirements pertain only to UPHA Challenge Cup Chapter Championships. Rider must compete within the Chapter in which they reside (residence to be determined by the legal voting residence of the rider's parent or guardian). The first four places in qualifying classes are eligible to compete in the Chapter Championships. Chapter Championships are optional. All UPHA Challenge Cup winners, and the first and second place winners in the Chapter Championships, are eligible for the UPHA National or Junior Challenge Cup Championships (specific qualifying procedures for the Walk/Trot, Adult, Morgan, National Show Horse and Pleasure Challenge Cup Championships are contained under their respective headings). The qualifying season for all National and Junior Championships closes ~~two (2) weeks~~ **seven (7) days** prior to the beginning of the competition at which the Championship will be held. At that time, the qualifying season for the following year will begin. All UPHA National Challenge Cup Championship winners are ineligible for further competition in UPHA Challenge Cup classes. The Junior Challenge Cup Championship winner may compete for the National Championship in a succeeding year, but is ineligible for further competition in Junior Challenge Cup classes. When entering Chapter, National or Junior Challenge Cup Championships, riders must indicate on the entry form the competition and location at which they qualified. With the inception of the 13 & Under Junior Challenge Cup Championships, the National, Morgan, Arabian Breeds, and Pleasure Challenge Cup Championships will remain 17 & under classes (as opposed to Senior, or 14-17 championships) in order to accommodate under age winners of the Junior Challenge Cup Championship in a succeeding year. Any rider regardless of age, who is qualified has the option of showing in the National Championship but a 13 & under rider may not show in both the Junior and National.

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Intent of Proposal:

Reducing the close of the qualifying season from two weeks to seven days prior to the start of the competition holding the championships in order to encourage participation and growth by allowing riders more time to qualify prior to the UPHA Challenge Cup championships.

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Proposed Change:

EQ118 Requirements for Specific Classes. [Chapter EQ - Equitation Division, Subchapter EQ-3 Saddle Seat Equitation] **change to read:**

[...]
14. USEF SADDLE SEAT MEDAL CLASS (17 & Under and Adult/Amateur).

[...]
c. USEF SADDLE SEAT ADULT AMATEUR MEDAL CLASS. Open to Senior Active Amateur Members of the Federation. Application for membership can be made directly to the Federation or the exhibitor can join prior to the class through the competition office. ~~All ribbon winners~~ **A rider must have shown and been judged in order to** qualify for the USEF Adult Amateur Medal Final. A win does not eliminate the rider from further competition in this class for the remainder of the qualifying season. The winner will receive a Silver Medal. Two or more individual tests of the top four competitors are required. Tests 1-13 and 15-16. Judging is based 50% on railwork and 50% on individual workout. If there are more than 15 entries at the beginning of this class, it must be split and run as two separate classes. The same workout is required for both classes.

d. USEF SADDLE SEAT ADULT AMATEUR MEDAL FINAL. To be eligible, the rider must have **shown and been judged placed** in an official USEF Saddle Seat Adult Amateur Medal Class. Entries must be worked on the rail ~~in groups of 15 or less~~ and all contestants are required to perform a posted individual workout. ~~If the class consists of 12 entries or less it shall be held in a single phase. If there are 13 or more entries~~ The class ~~(if necessary) shall~~ **may** be run in two phases, a preliminary and a final. If only a single phase is held, final judging is based on 50% railwork and 50% individual workout. The number of riders to be selected for a final phase (if necessary) shall be at the judges' discretion and shall be based on preliminary railwork 50% and preliminary workout 50%. The final phase will be conducted in the same manner as the preliminary, except a different individual workout must be used. Each rider in the final phase must execute a posted individual workout. A rider's performance in the preliminary has equal consideration as the performance in the final phase. If a rider is called back for the final phase, the judge's opinion rests on a 25-25-25-25 analysis of the preliminary railwork, preliminary workout, final railwork, and final workout. The preliminary shall also serve as an elimination for the final phase. Winners of the Saddle Seat Adult Amateur Medal Final will be eliminated from further competition in Saddle Seat Adult Amateur Medal classes after two (2) consecutive or non-consecutive wins of the Final.

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Intent of Proposal:

To change the requirement to compete in the Final to having shown and been judged in a qualifying class in accordance to GR145. To eliminate the requirement to hold two phases of the Final if there are 13 or more entries, yet the framework remains on how it would run as two phases if the number of entries makes it is necessary to do so.

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