# RULES FOR DRESSAGE EVENTS 2006 effective 1 January 2008

## Article 418.3 Delete/add

3. Riding with both hands is obligatory in tests at FEI Dressage Events.

However, in Freestyle tests riding with reins in one hand up to four movements is allowed (see Guidelines for Judges) See also Annex VI, point 3. When leaving the arena at a walk on a long rein, after having finished his performance, the rider may, at his own discretion, ride with only one hand.

#### Article 422.13 Add:

13. **Number of horses per rider per competition**. At CDI 1\*, CDI 2\* and CDI 3\* and above the number of horses each competitor may ride in each competition, except for Freestyle tests and the Grand Prix Special, in which each competitor may ride only one horse, is left to the discretion of the Organising Committee. This rule is applicable also for CDIOs, with the exception of the Grand Prix, in which each competitor may ride only one horse (see also Article 448).

# Article 422.17

17. **Schooling of horses**. On no account, and under penalty of disqualification, may any horse take part in a CDI/CDIO which has been schooled by anyone other than the competitor <del>concerned, or any other competitor belonging to the same team,</del> mounted in the saddle<del>, in or outside the town where the event takes place, during the four days preceding the first competition of this event as well as for the duration of the whole event.</del> 24 hours before the planned Veterinary Inspection as well as for the duration of the whole event.

#### Article 422.18 Add:

.....at CDI 3\*/CDI4\*/CDI5\* and CDIOs.

#### Article 422.19 Add:

#### **Consolation competition**

Intermediate II, Grand Prix or Grand Prix Freestyle. (See Art 422.16)

Preliminary Dressage Test for 5-year old horses - Dressage Test for 5-year old horses - Final

Preliminary Dressage Test for 6-year old horses - Dressage Test for 6-year old horses - Final

# Article 423 INVITATIONS AND ENTRIES Add:

......Invitations must be extended through the respective NFs. For CDI3\*/CDI4\*/CDI5\* in Europe at least six countries plus three reserve countries, with a minimum of two riders each must be invited and accepted. .....

# Personal Invitations / Wild Cards for CDI3\*CDI4\* CDI5\*/CDI-Ws only

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1. For all CDI3\*/CDI4\*/CDI5\*/CDI-Ws the Organiser has a right to personally invite two (2) extra riders through their respective NF in addition to what is stated above.

2. For all CDI3\*/CDI4\*/CDI5\*/CDI-Ws the FEI has the right to extend one (1) Wild Card entry in addition to invited NFs and riders......

**OC Invitations and Wild Cards**. These invitations (foreign and/or home riders) must be under the same conditions as for other participants and must in no way be directly or indirectly in connection with financial contribution. Pay Cards and Appearance fees are strictly prohibited.

## Article 428 SADDLERY

.... The diameter of the mouthpiece of the bridoon and/or curb must be such so as not to hurt the horse. Minimum diameter of mouthpiece to be 14 mm for curb bit and 10mm for bridoon bit. Snaffles used in Young Horse classes must have a minimum diameter of 14mm. The diameter of the mouthpiece is measured adjacent to the rings or the cheeks of the mouthpiece.

## Article 429.7 Add:

During extreme weather conditions or other extreme situations the President of the Ground jury class may ring the bell for interruption of the test. The affecter rider should return to complete his test when conditions so permits again.

## Article 429.10 Add:

**10-minute Arena.** This is the last practice arena before entering the competition arena. A 10-minute Arena is obligatory for Olympic Games and Championships and recommended for all other CDIs/CDIOs.

1. The fully equipped arena must have the same footing as the main arena.

2. The rider may enter the arena following the departure of the rider who enters the main arena. There may never be more than one rider in the 10-minute arena.

- 3. It is not obligatory for a rider to use the 10-minute arena.
- 4. A steward must be present at all times to supervise.
- 5. Adjusting of saddlery is allowed and normal caring for the horse is allowed.

#### Article 429.11 Add:

In the case of a rider's music failing during a Freestyle Test and in cases where there is no back-up system, the rider can, with the permission of the President of the Ground Jury class, leave the arena.

#### Article 430 EXECUTION OF THE TESTS Delete/Add:

9. **Sound of bell**. After the sound of the bell, the competitor should enter the arena at A as soon as possible. Exceeding 45 seconds before entering the arena after the bell has sounded will entail elimination. A penalty of 2 points per judge or 0.5% in Freestyle tests.

#### Article 434 CLASSIFICATION Add:

5. **Complaints/protest.** In the case of a protest/complaint being made about formal mistakes only the accredited official video (if official video recordings are contracted), can be used in witness.

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#### Article 436 PRIZE-GIVING Add:

1. Participation in the Prize-Giving Ceremony of placed rider/horse combinations is compulsory. Failure to do so entails losing the classification (rosette, plaque, prize in kind,

prize money). Exception to this rule can only be granted by the President of the Ground Jury/ /Foreign Technical Delegate and/or the Judge at C for the particular class. Dress and saddlery have to be the same as in the competition, however black or white bandages are allowed. For safety reasons riders are not allowed to carry flags or other items during prizegivings.

#### Article 437 GROUND JURY Add:

9. **For CDIs 3\***, the President and the other members of the Jury are appointed by the NF or the Organising Committee, in agreement with the FEI, from the FEI lists of Official International Judges, International Judges and/or International Candidate Judges (compare Article 437.15). **1** Candidate judge should be invited to judge in the big tour.

#### ANNEX III Add:

4.5. To have passed an Exam. The exam shall consist of a Grand Prix test for National judges taking the Candidate Judge exam. The Grand Prix or the Grand Prix Special test shall be used for Candidate judges taking the International Judge's exam. Exams can only be held on the occasion of a FEI Judges' Course held by two FEI Course Directors, after having fulfilled all other requirements.

16. The President of the Ground Jury and/or the class/Foreign Judge has to invite judges for evaluation when the total result differ more than 5 % during a test. The meeting must take place within 24 hours after the class and if possible with video of the concerned horse/rider combinations.

#### **ANNEX VI** Delete:

3. - Execution of difficult exercises and transitions with the reins in one hand, but restricted to a maximum of four exercises. Exaggeration will be punished in harmony and choreography.

#### ANNEX VI: 5

- Double pirouettes (triple more than double pirouettes in canter are not allowed; see Guidelines for Judges, Annex VII).

#### ANNEX VII: 5

If a competitor performs below the requirements according to the test sheet (e.g. too few changes in sequence, half instead of full pirouette) without having shown the movement demanded correctly at least once, or if he had left out a compulsory movement completely, there will be a significant reduction with a mark not higher than 5 for the degree of difficulty/ choreography.

#### ANNEX IX:

.. The whip must be dropped before entering the space around the competition arena or the rider will entail a penalty of 0.1 points <del>per judge</del> from the total score in Young Horses classes.

#### ANNEX IV Add:

1. Minimum 5 years as I-Judge and should have proven well as I-Judge.

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2. Should have judged a minimum of 30 CDI3\* and above /CDIOs (GP,GPS,GPFS) as an "I" Judge.

# YR 10/ J Schooling of horses Delete/Add:

Under penalty of disqualification, it is not permitted for a competitor's horse to be schooled by anyone else other than the competitor himself mounted in the saddle.in or outside the town where an Event/Championship is held, as from four days preceding the commencement of the first competition of an Event/Championship until the conclusion of the whole Event/Championship 24 hours before the planned Veterinary Inspection as well as for the duration of the whole event.