

**SUBJECT: Modification to Regulation for Judging Conflicts (USEF/EC)**

**Amendment 1**

*(EXTRAORDINARY)*

Refer to Chapter 9, RULE 101 for submission requirements

Committee Action:

Committees required to review: *(This section to be completed by the Agenda & Resolutions Committee)*      Approve      Disapprove

Canadian National Show Commission			
Competition Advisory Committee			
Education/Evaluation Commission			
Judges & Stewards Selection Committee			
Judges & Stewards Steering Committee			
Professional Horsemen Committee			
Sport Horse Show Commission			
USEF Arabian Division			
U.S. National Show Commission			
Youth National Show Commission			

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**CONVENTION ACTION:**

Approved                       **Approved with Modification**                       Disapproved  
 Withdrawn                       Referred to Committee \_\_\_\_\_

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**PROPOSED CHANGE: (Check one)**     Add new rule     Delete existing rule     Change existing text  
 Indicate affected Article/Rule number (AHA/USEF/EC)    USEF GR1037.1 and GR1304.2 & .3

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**RESOLUTION:** Use *bold/italic* for new wording, ~~strike through~~ to indicate deletion

- 19 Whereas,            The Arabian breed has evolved into competing in many different divisions at one competition; and
- 21 Whereas,            Many shows use multiple judging panels at one competition, which increases the potential for prohibiting  
22 an exhibitor for competing at that show under the current rule; and
- 24 Whereas,            In the opinion of the proponent, rather than unnecessarily decreasing participation, it is in the best interest  
25 of the breed to increase participation; and
- 27 Whereas,            Other breeds are regulated by Division; the Arabian breed is listed as an exception to the division rule and  
28 instead uses the entire Competition; Therefore, Be It

Resolved,            That USEF GR1037.1 be amended by inserting the following:

- 32 1. A judge may not be an owner of any interest in a horse (including but not limited to syndicate and partnership shares),  
33 nor may he/she be an exhibitor, trainer, coach, lessor, lessee, rider, driver, halter handler, steward, technical delegate, or  
34 manager, nor may he/she be a family member of a competition licensee, steward, technical delegate or manager at any  
35 Federation Licensed Competition at which he/she is officiating, including unrated classes. Exceptions: In the Eventing  
36 division and in the Dressage division, except for Dressage Sport Horse Breeding classes, horses may be shown Hors de  
37 Concours in classes where the owner is not officiating. See also GR1304.17-.20. For Hunter and Hunter/Jumping Seat  
38 Equitation Judges, please see GR1304.21-26. BOD 1/14/17 Effective 2/1/17. **Exception: See 1304.2 - 1304.3 for**  
39 **Arabians.**

Resolved,            That USEF GR1304.2 and GR 1304.3 be amended by striking out “Arabian” from the following:

- 42 2. No member of a judge’s family, nor any cohabitant, companion, domestic partner, housemate, or member of a judge’s  
43 household nor any of the judge’s clients, employers or employees or employers of a member of the judge’s family may  
44 compete as trainer, coach, exhibitor, rider, driver, handler, owner, lessor or lessee in any division, or Dressage class  
45 (~~Arabian, Morgan, and Western Dressage divisions in any competition~~) unless the relationship is terminated 30 days  
46 prior to the competition. For purposes of this rule included as employers are any individuals, corporations, partnerships,

47 foundations, trusts or non-pro organizations and shareholders owning five or more percent of the stock of any  
48 corporation which employs the judge or a member of the judge’s family, and any officers, directors and partners of any  
49 corporation or partnership and officers, directors or trustees of any trust or foundation or non-pro t organization which  
50 employs the judge or a member of the judge’s family. The hiring of a judge to officiate at Licensed Competitions shall  
51 not constitute employment for purposes of this rule. Exceptions as follows:

- 52 a. Morgan, and Western Dressage divisions in any competition.
- 53 b. For the Arabian division, the aforementioned may compete in sections which the judge is not officiating.

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55 3. No judge’s trainer nor any of the judge’s trainer’s clients may compete as trainer, coach, exhibitor, rider, driver, handler,  
56 owner, lessor or lessee in any Division or Dressage class (~~Arabian, Morgan, and Western Dressage divisions in any~~  
57 ~~competition~~) unless the relationship is terminated 30 days prior to the competition. Exceptions as follows:

- 58 a. Morgan, and Western Dressage divisions in any competition.
- 59 b. For the Arabian division, the aforementioned may compete in sections which the judge is not officiating.

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61 Effective: December 31, 2017 or when approved by USEF/EC

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63 (If a Standard resolution, the effective date will be December 31 of the year after the Convention)

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65 RESOLUTION TYPE (REQUIRED): Standard \_\_\_\_\_ Extraordinary X “If indicated as  
66 “Extraordinary”, the proponent must list reasons which establish Chapter 9, RULE 101.2 has been met)

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68 There is a financial impact and a loss of revenue for several shows due to this current restriction.

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70 PROPONENTS FINANCIAL IMPACT (REQUIRED): Refer to Chapter 9, RULE 101.3.e. for financial requirements

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74 AHA IMPACT STATEMENT: None

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76 Contact Person:

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78 SUBMITTED BY: Arabian Professional & Amateur Horse Association Region Number: 8

79  Member Organization  Committee  Commission  Board  Region (check one )

80 Who voted:  Members  Board  Delegates (check voting body)

81 Total Number Eligible to Vote: 20 Number of Yes votes: 20 Number of No votes: 0

82 How vote was taken:  mail  email  phone  meeting (check one) (Must have Quorum with majority of yes votes)

83 Where documentation of this vote is recorded: Secretary Minutes (Must have printed documentation on file)

84 Date vote taken: June 12, 2017

85 Contact Person: Johnny Ryan – APAHA President (Has authority to amend, combine or withdraw)

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