

SUBJECT: Dressage Seat Equitation – National’s Scoring/Placing (USEF/EC)

Amendment 1 (Blue)

(STANDARD)

Refer to Chapter 9, RULE 101 & 102 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	O		
Competition Advisory Committee	O		
Dressage/Western Dressage Committee	O		
Equitation/Showmanship Committee	O		
Sport Horse Committee	O		
Sport Horse National Show Commission	O		
USEF Arabian Division Committee	O		
Youth Committee			
Youth National Show Commission	O		

CONVENTION ACTION:

Approved Approved with Modification Disapproved
 Withdrawn Referred to Committee _____

PROPOSED CHANGE: (Check one) Add new rule Delete existing rule Change existing text
 Indicate affected Article/Rule number (AHA/USEF/EC) USEF AR172.1, AR254.3, AR254.4

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

- Whereas, The current Dressage Seat Equitation rules for Nationals state that the judges must consult to arrive at a final score together. This is quite a cumbersome process at the end of a large class, with as many as 10 – 25 exhibitors per class in the recent years, and
- Whereas, This process causes the exhibitors to wait on their horses for an extra 20+ minutes, often in the heat, and
- Whereas, The current process does follow the open dressage rules but in researching the USDF Regional shows, most of them had less than 10 riders in the class, often less than 5. With fewer riders the current process would be much easier. The only show where judges would get experience with using this format with a larger class, would be the select few ‘S’ judges that judge this class for the Dressage Seat Medal Finals at Festival of Champions where they typically have 10-18 riders, and
- Whereas, Clearly separately and reorganizing the scoring and tie breaking rules for Regionals vs Nationals for one judge vs the two-judge system at Nationals will bring clarity to the difference in the procedure: Therefore, Be It
- Resolved, That USEF AR172.1 be amended by adding a new (letter) point l. as follows:
- l. For Dressage Seat equitation, follow the directives in AR254 regarding judging and scoring procedures for the class, and, Be It Further***
- Resolved, That USEF AR254.3 be amended by striking out and inserting the following:
- 3. At AHA National Championships, two Federation Registered (R) or Senior (S) judges will officiate, each with their own scribe. together, using scribes and the same score sheet. Judges should evaluate riders separately from different positions in the ring and then all judges must consult together prior to arriving at final scores. judges will give a final percentage score to each rider. Scores from both judges will be added together to give the total score for that***

46 rider. The rider with the highest total score will be named Champion; the rider with the second highest total score
47 will be named Reserve Champion, etc., until all placings have been filled.

48 a. If a two-judge system is used in a qualifying or Regional Show, the two-judge scoring system will be used as
49 notated above and, Be It Further

51 Resolved, That USEF AR254.4 be amended by striking out and substituting the following:

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53 4. ~~Federation Dressage Seat Equitation class score sheets must be used. In National Championship classes, the Medal
54 class score sheet must be used. The final score for each rider must be posted at the conclusion of the class. Ties for
55 Champion, Reserve, 10th in the Top Ten at National Championship or 5th in the Top Five at Regional
56 Championship will be broken by the judges~~

57 4. Dressage Seat Equitation Score Sheets:

58 a. Federation Dressage Seat equitation class score sheets must be used in qualifying and Regional
59 Championship classes. For Regional championships, ties for Champion, Reserve or 5th in the Top Five will
60 be broken by the judge. If a two judge system is used, ties will be broken as in AR254.4.b

61 b. In National Championship classes, the USEF Dressage Seat Medal class score sheet must be used to record
62 the final percentage scores from each judge, which will determine placings for each judge. Ties for
63 Champion, Reserve, 10th in the Top Ten at National Championships will be broken by consulting the Call
64 Judge's card to break the tie. The rider placing highest on the Call Judge's card will place above the other
65 rider in the tie. In the event there is a tie within the Call judge's own scores, the Call judge will break their tie
66 for those placings mentioned above.

67 c. The final scores for each rider must be posted at the conclusion of the class.

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69 Effective: December 31, 2023, or when approved by USEF/EC

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

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73 RESOLUTION TYPE (REQUIRED): Standard X _____ Extraordinary _____ "If indicated as
74 "Extraordinary", the proponent must list reasons which establish Chapter 9, RULE 101.3.a. has been met)

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76 PROPONENTS FINANCIAL IMPACT (REQUIRED): Refer to Chapter 9, RULE 102.6. & 102.7 for financial
77 requirements

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81 AHA IMPACT STATEMENT:

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83 Contact Person:

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85 SUBMITTED BY: Dressage and Western Dressage Committee Region Number:

86 Member Organization Committee Commission Board Region (check one)

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

88 Total Number Eligible to Vote: 80 Number of Yes votes: 37 Number of No votes: 0

89 How vote was taken: mail email/other electronic means phone meeting (check one) (Must have Quorum with
90 majority of yes votes)

91 Where documentation of this vote is recorded: Google Forms Poll (Must have printed documentation on file)

92 Date vote taken: August 2, 2022

93 Contact Person: Carol Spangler (Has authority to amend, combine or withdraw)

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