Memo to the IDDL Officials for competitions that are judged on video



- 1. In the competition and warm-up arenas the riders have to follow the IDDL Rules.
- 2. If there is not possible to ride around the arena, the rider will have to get a chance to ride at least one round inside the arena before the bell. The riders can then start the test from inside the arena or outside, whichever is more appropriate for the given conditions. All riders in the class at the same location have to start the same way. The riders and coaches have to be instructed about that before the start of the class.
- 3. The Official will ring the bell to mark the start of the test. The bell will be sounded by the Official also to mark any errors or eliminations.
- 4. The Official has to have a stopwatch, to take the time:
 - a. From the ringing of the bell to the entry from A (45 sec allowed)
 - b. In case of resistance (20 sec allowed)
- 5. The bell has to be sounded ALWAYS in the following situations, to mark and record the error of course or error in execution:
 - a. Movement executed, started or finished clearly at the wrong marker (error of course)
 - b. Salute not shown with reins in one hand (error in execution)
 - c. Rising trot instead of sitting and vice versa (error in execution)
 - d. Errors of course and execution will be cumulative as follows:

YOUNG RIDERS, SENIORS and OPEN CLASSES

First error: -2% percentage points

Second error: elimination

CHILDREN, JUNIORS and U18

First error: -0.5% percentage points Second error: -1% percentage points

Third error: elimination

6. Non-cumulative errors (-2 points) that have to be recorded, include:

- a. Entering the space around the arena with boots on the Horse's legs or with discrepancy in dress (e.g. lack of gloves). When it is not possible to ride around the arena, then riding in the arena before the sound of the bell is considered equal to riding in the space around the arena.
- b. Entering the arena with boots on the Horse's legs or with discrepancy in dress (e.g. lack of gloves)
- c. Entering the arena before the sound of the bell
- d. Not entering the arena within forty five (45) seconds after the bell, but within ninety (90) seconds
- e. Non-cumulative errors are punished by deducting -2 points for each error.

7. The Official has to sound the bell and eliminate the rider in case of the following:

- a. YOUNG RIDERS, SENIORS and OPEN CLASSES 2nd error of course or execution
- b. CHILDREN, JUNIORS and U18 3rd error of course or execution
- c. Lameness (IDDL Official has the right to eliminate horse in case of clear lameness, according to the FEI code for the welfare of the horse).
- d. Riding with equipment not allowed by IDDL (draw reins, illegal bit, etc.)
- e. Resistance over 20 sec, or earlier if it proves to be dangerous to the horse, rider or spectators.
- f. Fall of rider and/or horse.
- g. Leaving the arena during the test with all 4 legs of the horse. If the horse jumps out of the arena or the rider/horse falls after final halt/salute, the rider will not be eliminated.
- h. Outside assistance
- i. Bleeding. If the Official sees fresh blood anywhere on the horse during the test, the rider has to be stopped and checked for blood. The best way to check it is with a clean white paper napkin. The test has to be performed in front of the camera in continuous footage. In case the horse is entered in another test that day or next day, the vet has to be called and the vet will determine whether the horse is fit to compete in the next test(s). In case there is no vet present, the horse is eliminated from the whole competition.
- j. The competitor is not able to perform the movements of the level entered (safety and welfare of the horse).
- k. Abusive riding (welfare of the horse).
- I. If continuing is against the welfare of the horse (difficulty breathing, etc.)
- m. Horse and rider not entering the arena within 90 min of the bell, unless there is a valid reason, like losing a shoe etc. For valid reason the test can be rescheduled.
- 8. In case the error of course, the Official stops the rider and shows the rider the point at which he must take up the test again and the next movement to be executed, then leaves him to continue by himself.
- 9. If the Official has not noted an error, then the judge will take the error into account while judging the test via video. If there is a situation where the error is not clear and the Official does not ring the bell, the judge will record the error during the judging of the test. Judge has the right to eliminate the rider because of the above reasons even if the Official has not sounded the bell and announced the elimination. Errors that go unnoticed by the judge, will not be penalized and cannot be appealed.
- 10. After the test the Official shall check the equipment and report of any discrepancy on the camera. If illegal equipment is spotted, the rider will be eliminated.