



International Mounted Games Association Rules Committee

Rule Change Request Document

Name:	IMGA Committee
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Country:	ALL
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Summary of Change Requested:

At the 2006 IMGA annual general meeting the IMGA committee asked the IMGA Rules committee to consider the possibilities of making a change to general rule one to allow the substitution of riders in team competitions.

No specific change has been requested, this is left to the discretion of the rules committee.

Current Rule Book Wording:

GR1.1. Teams consist of a minimum of four riders and ponies and a maximum of five riders and ponies.

GR1.2. Pairs consist of two riders and two ponies only.

GR1.3. Individuals consist of one rider and one pony only.

GR1.4. Once a competition has started, the riders and ponies stated on the declaration form of that entry can not be substituted (except under rule GR 1.5.). However, in team competitions, a rider or pony may, with the permission of the referee, be added to a team during the competition at any time as long as this does not take them over the maximum of five riders or ponies.

GR1.5. In international team competitions a team may substitute a pony during a competition if a vet certifies the pony to be unable to continue or the referee deems the pony to be unsafe.

GR1.6. In all other team competitions a team may only substitute a pony during a competition if a vet certifies the pony to be unable to continue or the referee deems the pony to be unsafe AND the loss of that pony results in the team having only three ponies.

GR1.7. In pairs and individual competitions, if a pony is substituted, the pair or individual may only continue the competition if they ride Hors Concours (see GR 12.1.) or continue to score but start again from zero.

Suggested New Rule Book Wording:

After discussion the IMGA rules committee have agreed that the rule should be changed as follows:

GR1.1. Teams consist of a minimum of four riders and ponies and a maximum of five riders and ponies.

GR1.2. Pairs consist of two riders and two ponies only.

GR1.3. Individuals consist of one rider and one pony only.

GR1.4. Once a competition has started, the riders and ponies stated on the declaration form of that entry can not be substituted (except under rule GR 1.5. or GR 1.7.). However, in team competitions, a rider or pony may, with the permission of the referee, be added to a team during the competition at any time as long as this does not take them over the maximum of five riders or ponies.

GR1.5. In international team competitions a team may substitute a pony during a competition if a vet certifies the pony to be unable to continue or the referee deems the pony to be unsafe.

GR1.6. In all other team competitions a team may only substitute a pony during a competition if a vet certifies the pony to be unable to continue or the referee deems the pony to be unsafe AND the loss of that pony results in the team having only three ponies.

GR1.7. In team competitions a team may substitute a rider if an authorised doctor certifies the rider to be unable to continue AND the loss of that rider results in the team having only three riders. The substitute rider must be eligible to ride for that team. If they are not, the team must continue to ride Hors Concours (see GR 12.1)

GR1.8. In pairs and individual competitions, if a pony is substituted, the pair or individual may only continue the competition if they ride Hors Concours (see GR 12.1.) or continue to score but start again from zero.

Reason for Change Request:

N/A

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Reference:	2007 – 01
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Submission Date:	06/01/07
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Decision Date:	20/05/07
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Votes	
Jens Martin	In Favour
Younes Ahlbom	In Favour
Nicola Leese	In Favour
Yvonne Struthers	In Favour
Margaret Welsby	In Favour
Alun Whitney	In Favour
Total In Favour:	6
Total Not In Favour:	0

Result:	Change Accepted
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Reason for Decision:

By changing the rule in this way, the substitution of riders follows the same rules as those for substituting ponies and is thereby clearer.
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Implementation Date:	To be decided at 2007 IMGA AGM
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