



International Mounted Games Association Rules Committee

Rule Change Request Document

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| Country: | Luxembourg |
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Summary of Change Requested:

Part 1 of a multi part Rule Change covering all games. Aim is to make the wording of all games consistent.

This first one covers Agility Aces.

Current Rule Book Wording:

Team (2010 rule book) :

Rider 1 rides to the stepping stones, dismounts and, leading the pony by the reins, steps on each stone in turn followed by at least one step on the ground before remounting and crossing the line. Riders 2, 3, and 4 complete the course in the same way. If any rider or pony should knock over a stepping stone, or the rider's feet touch the ground while negotiating the line of stepping stones, then the rider must replace any upset equipment and, in both cases, return to complete the whole line of stepping stones again.

Pairs (2010 rule book) :

Rider 1 rides to the stepping stones, dismounts and, leading the pony by the reins, steps on each stone in turn, followed by at least one step on the ground before remounting the pony and crossing the changeover line. Rider 2 completes the course in the same way. If a rider or pony should knock over a stone, or the rider's feet should touch the ground while negotiating the line of stepping stones, then the rider must replace any upset equipment and, in both cases, return to complete the whole line of stepping stones again.

Suggested New Rule Book Wording:

Team:

Rider 1 rides to the stepping stones, dismounts, and leading the pony by the rein(s) only (and not leaning on or against the pony as assistance or support of their bodyweight), steps on each stone in turn, followed by at least one step on the ground before remounting and riding to cross the line at the changeover end.

Rider 2 follows the same sequence of actions in the opposite direction. Rider 3 repeats the actions of Rider 1, and Rider 4 repeats the actions of Rider 2.

If any rider or pony knocks over a stepping stone, or the rider's feet touch the ground while stepping along the line of stepping stones, then the rider must replace any upset equipment and return to start again stepping on each stone in turn. Any rider can cross the stones in either direction.

Pairs:

Rider 1 rides to the stepping stones, dismounts, and leading the pony by the rein(s) only (and not leaning on or against the pony as assistance or support of their bodyweight), steps on each stone in turn, followed by at least one step on the ground before remounting and riding to cross the line at the changeover end.

Rider 2 follows the same sequence of actions in the opposite direction.

If either rider or pony knocks over a stepping stone, or the rider's feet touch the ground while stepping on the line of stepping stones, then the rider must replace any upset equipment and return to start again stepping on each stone in turn. Any rider can cross the stones in either direction.

Reason for Change Request:

Brings consistency to the wording of all games in the rule book and eliminates "grey areas".

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| Decision Date: | 24/03/2011 |
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| Votes | |
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| Jens Martin | In Favour |
| Younes Ahlbom | In Favour |
| Nikki Carter | In Favour |
| Melanie Scott | In Favour |
| Margaret Welsby | In Favour |
| Alun Whitney | In Favour |
| Total In Favour: | 6 |
| Total Not In Favour: | 0 |

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| Result: | Change Accepted |
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Actual Adopted New Rule Book Wording:

Team:

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Rider 2 follows the same sequence of actions in the opposite direction. Rider 3 repeats the actions of Rider 1, and Rider 4 repeats the actions of Rider 2.

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If either rider or pony knocks over a stepping stone, or the rider's feet touch the ground while stepping on the line of stepping stones, then the rider must replace any upset equipment and return to start again stepping on each stone in turn. Any rider can cross the stones in either direction.

Reason for Decision:

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| Implementation Date: | 1 st January 2012 |
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