

NEW and AMENDED RULES for 2005.

A 3.2 now reads “ Ride and veterinary controls will commence when the horse is formally entered in the ride and conclude when the logbook or vet card of each horse has been signed off by the Head Veterinarian and released by the ride organising committee.”

A 12.2 now reads “Rides of 119klms or less **should** have a minimum of 3 legs if vet-gate-into-hold procedures are to be used. The last leg should be shorter in distance and of lesser intensity where possible.”

A.12.3 now reads “ Rides of 120klms to less than 160klms **should** have a minimum of 4 legs if vet-gate-into-hold procedures are to be used. The last 2 legs should be shorter in distance and of lesser intensity, where possible.

R14.1 to be moved to R5.6 and amended to read:

A rider in the Youth Division of an FEI Ride will NOT receive National Points/kilometres unless they are 16 years or older and weigh a minimum of 73 kgs i.e. no points/kilometres for Lightweights and Juniors.

R5.3 to read 5.3a)

R5.3b) “Riders under 10 years of age must be supervised by an adult rider at all times.” This has been moved from A14.2 and A37.2

H 4.1 now reads “Novice horses are issued with a blue Novice logbook. When the horse reaches endurance horse status, the logbook will be upgraded to an Endurance Horse Logbook.”

H 5.1 now reads “ A horse that has complied with the Novice Horse and the Novice Horse logbook (H.5) rule will be eligible to apply to have the logbook upgraded to an Endurance Horse Logbook.”

H 5.2 (b) now reads “a certified veterinary identification which must include a **legible** brand, the details of which will be recorded in the Endurance Horse Logbook”

H 13.1 now reads “ Once under the control of the veterinarian, every horse shall remain on the ride base, except while competing in the ride, or exercising prior to the event, and must not be removed until the veterinarian releases the horse by signing off the horse’s logbook or vet card **and** until the horse’s logbook or vet card is released by the ride organising committee”.

P1.1 (b) now reads “competition means any class of event sanctioned and run under A.E.R.A. Inc. rules, procedures and guidelines and includes all that time from when the horse is formally entered in the event and continues until the horse’s logbook or vet card is finally signed off by the veterinarian **and** released by the ride organising committee.”

P 1.1 (d) now reads “ Responsible member means one or more of the rider, trainer, owner or any other connections of a horse who has the responsibility for that horse at an affiliated ride. The responsible member must be a current member of a Division and have attained 18 years of age.”

V 3.2 (e) now reads “ adequate shoeing and/or condition of hooves.”

V3.3 now reads “ Each horse will be examined unsaddled, without bandages, **leg** boots or rugs.....’

R.13 Rider Early Warning System and Suspensions

13.1 Refer to Horse Early Warning System and Suspensions (*H.17*) rule for information about the early warning system for horses.

13.2 If a rider accumulates 30 or more non-completion penalty points, the Division Horse Welfare Officer will determine whether the rider or horse, **through the owner or connections**, needs to be cautioned in writing.

13.3 Any rider whose horse vets out with a pulse rate of 70 bpm or more, over three consecutive affiliated rides which does not contain a successful completion for that rider, will be notified in

writing and restricted to novice status for a period of time determined by the rider's State Management Committee.

- 13.4 Any rider having being cautioned in writing, who then accumulates more than 45 but less than 60 penalty points must enter all affiliated endurance rides under novice rider status until two novice rides are completed successfully.
- 13.5 Any rider, having been cautioned in writing, who then accumulates 60 penalty points or more, will be asked to show cause to their State Management Committee why they should not be suspended.
- 13.6 Any rider or owner whose horse is known to progress to laminitis, renal failure, hepatopathies, CNS related disturbance, will be asked to show cause to the State Management Committee why they should not be suspended.
- 13.7 Any rider or owner whose horse vets out on gait at three consecutive affiliated *endurance* rides that do not contain a successful completion will be asked to show cause as to why they should not be suspended.
- 13.8 Non-completion points are reduced by:
 - a) 6 points on the anniversary of each penalty
 - b) For each successful endurance ride completion up to 90kml – 6 points
91 – 159kml – 10 points
160kml and above – 12 points

H17 Horse Early Warning System and Suspensions

- 17.1 Refer to Rider Early Warning System and Suspensions (R.13) rule for information about the early warning system for riders.
- 17.2 Each State Management Committee – on behalf of the AERA inc. – will maintain records of each rider and horse successful completions and non-completions at all affiliated *endurance* rides within their State. Non-completions will attract penalty points as detailed below:

Reason for non completion	Points
Vet out pulse under 66 bpm	10
Vet out pulse 66 bpm or over	15
Vet out non invasive metabolic	10
Vet out mild metabolic	15
Vet out severe metabolic	30
Vet out lame - first	6
Vet out lame <i>horse</i> – second consecutive	12
Vet out lame <i>horse</i> – third consecutive	18
Vet out other – back	6
Vet out gall or injury	4

Note: A rider will only attract consecutive points for lameness, if riding the horse that vets out lame consecutively.

- 17.3 Horses withdrawn in accordance with the Withdrawn Horses (*H.16*) rule as well as out-of riding-time non-completion which pass the veterinary inspection do not attract non-completion penalty points.
- 17.4 Non-completion points are reduced by:
 - a) 6 points on the anniversary of each penalty
 - b) For each successful endurance ride completion up to 90kml – 6 points
91– 159kml – 10 points
160kml and above – 12 points
- 17.5 Metabolic disorders as described above are defined as:
 - a) 10 points – mild metabolic disorders that do not require invasive treatment.
 - b) 15 points – mild metabolic disorders such as Ty-Up (Exertional Rhabdomyolysis), other mild muscle conditions, Synchronous Diaphragmatic Flutter (Thumps), mild heat distress, very mild GIT conditions.
 - c) 30 points – more severe metabolic disorders – include Exhaustive Horse Syndrome (fatigue related), Endotoxaemia, the more severe GIT crises ie. Diarrhoea, colitis, impactions, paralytic ileus, hyper/hypomotility colics, moderate to severe heat stroke.
- 17.6 If a horse accumulates 30 or more non-completion penalty points, the Division Horse Welfare Office will determine whether the rider/owner of the horse needs to be cautioned in writing.

- 17.7 Any horse (through owner or connections) that vets out with a pulse rate of 70 bpm or over, three times during consecutive affiliated rides will be notified in writing and suspended from competition for a period of up to 12 months.
- 17.8 Any horse (through owner or connections) having been cautioned in writing, who then accumulated more than 45 but less than 60 penalty points must enter all affiliated endurance rides under novice rider and/or novice horse status until two novice rides are completed successfully, unless in breach of rule *H17.7* above
- 17.9 Any horse (through owner or connections) having been cautioned in writing, who then accumulates 60 penalty points or more, will be asked to show cause to their State Management Committee why the horse should not be suspended (in additions to any suspension as in rule *H17.7* above)
- 17.10 Horses (through owner or connections), that are known to progress to laminitis, renal failure, hepatopathies, CNS related disturbance will be asked to show cause why the horse should not be suspended (in addition to any suspension as in Rule *H17.7* above).
- 17.11 Horses (through owner or connections) that vet out on gait at three consecutive rides will be asked to show cause to the State Management Committee why the horse should not be suspended (in addition to any suspension as in Rule *H17.7* above).
- 17.12 A horse suspended by a State Management Committee will be deemed suspended by all other State Management Committees once they are notified of the suspension.

Guidelines for the Supervision of Children at Rides affiliated with AERA.Inc.

1. That at all affiliated events, all children under the age of 18 (whether members or not) are the responsibility of their parent/guardian/caregiver or an adult who has been designated by the parent/guardian/caregiver to fulfil this role. Such adult supervisors have the responsibility to ensure that their supervision is appropriate to the age and maturity of the child concerned.
2. If the child under the age of 18 is riding in an affiliated event, the following are strongly recommended:
 - (a) children under the age of 12 should be accompanied by a designated adult for the entire time in which the child is riding in the event.
 - (b) Children between the ages of 12 and 17 (inclusive), should be supervised by their designated parent/ guardian/ caregiver or responsible adult to a level appropriate to their competence and maturity.
 - (c) Any person who is a voluntary worker at an affiliated event or who is employed by the Ride Organisers of the affiliated event, is required to declare to the ride organisers if they have been convicted of a serious sex offence or if they have been identified as a “prohibited person” under child protection legislation.