**Rule Change Intent**

To promote the Roadster division in a safe and competitive manner by adding a new Amateur/Youth, Novice, Limit Section. This would allow new drivers to compete against drivers of the same ability. The following changes will also clean up the rules to make them more consistent.

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**Committee Actions**

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Roadster
SUBCHAPTER RD-3 CLASS SPECIFICATIONS

RD110 Roadster Horse to Bike
1. OPEN OR OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP. To be shown first at a jog-trot and road gait, then reversed and shown at a jog-trot, road gait and then at speed. To be judged on performance, speed, quality and manners.
2. AMATEUR OR AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP. To be shown first at a jog-trot and road gait, then reversed and shown at a jog-trot, road gait and then at speed. To be judged on manners, performance, speed and quality.
3. AMATEUR/YOUTH NOVICE/LIMIT DRIVER: To be shown first at a jog-trot and road gait, then reversed and shown at a jog-trot, road gait and then at speed. To be judged on manner, performance, speed, and quality. Classes containing more than 10 entries will split. See RD109.5.
4. LADIES OR LADIES CHAMPIONSHIP. To be shown first at a jog-trot and road gait, then reversed and shown at a jog-trot, road gait and then at speed. To be judged on manners, performance, quality and speed. Suitable for and driven by a Lady.
5. YOUTH AMATEUR. Manners for the horse will be emphasized as a major requirement to ensure safety. Judges must immediately excuse any horse that acts as if he may be more horse than the driver can handle. Protective headgear is required. See GR801.4, .7 and .8. Age of the exhibitor will be 15-21. Classes containing more than 10 entries will be split. Headers will be allowed for these classes. To be shown first at a jog-trot and road gait, then reversed and shown at a jog-trot, road gait and then at speed. To be judged on manners, performance, quality and speed.
6. YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP. To be eligible horses must have been entered shown and judged in a qualifying Youth class. Manners for the horse will be emphasized as a major requirement to ensure safety. Judges must immediately excuse any horse that acts as if he may be more horse than the driver can handle. Protective headgear is required. See GR801.4, .7 and .8. Age of the exhibitor will be 15-21. Classes containing more than 10 entries will be split. Headers will be allowed for these classes. To be shown first at a jog-trot and road gait, then reversed and shown at a jog-trot, road gait and then at speed. To be judged on manners, performance, quality and speed.
7. MAIDEN/NOVICE/LIMIT. (See GR136.8 and RD109.4) To be shown first at a jog-trot and road gait, then reversed.

RD109 General
1. Stallions are prohibited in Ladies, Youth and Junior Exhibitor classes. Classes may be divided according to sex.
2. In Roadster Horse classes, if no Youth Amateur qualifying classes are offered, then youth amateurs 15 years of age or older may enter Amateur, Open, Ladies, or Gentlemen’s qualifying classes. If no Youth Amateur champion- ship class is offered, then youth amateurs 15 years of age or older may enter the Amateur Championship. Youth Amateurs 15 years of age or older may only compete in Open Championship classes if no other championship is offered at that particular competition. The use of protective headgear is required of Youth Amateurs in these classes. (See GR801.4, .7, and .8 regarding protective headgear.)
3. In Roadster Pony classes, if no Junior Exhibitor Championship is offered at the competition, ponies shown in Junior Exhibitor classes are eligible for the Amateur Championship. If an Amateur Championship is not offered, ponies shown in junior exhibitor classes are eligible for the Open Championship. Junior Exhibitors are allowed to show in Open Roadster Pony to Wagon classes and amateur or open Roadster Pony to Bike classes if Junior Exhibitor or Amateur classes are not offered. The use of protective head gear is required by Junior Exhibitors in these classes.
4. A maiden/ novice/limit Roadster is a horse or pony that has not won one/three/six first place ribbons respectively at any federation licensed or non-federation competitions. (See GR136 and .10). Ribbons won within one section of the Roadster division do not count in the reckoning of Maiden, Novice or Limit status if the animal competes in a different section (e.g. Bike to Wagon, Saddle to Bike, etc.).
5. An Amateur/Youth Novice driver and an Amateur/Youth Limit driver is a driver that has not won three first place ribbons for novice and six first place ribbons for limit respectively at any federation licensed or non-federation licensed competitions. Ribbons won within one section of the Roadster division do not count in the reckoning of Novice, and Limit Driver status if the driver competes in a different section.

SUBCHAPTER 1-A DEFINITIONS

GR136 Maiden, Novice, and Limit Classes
1. Maiden, Novice and Limit classes are open to horses which have not won one/three/six first place ribbons respectively, at Regular Competitions of the Federation or Equestrian Canada in the particular performance division or level in which they are shown. See DR137 for all rules related to Maiden, Novice and Limit classes in Dressage Competitions. See RD109.4 for all rules related to Maiden, Novice, and Limit classes in Roadster Competitions.
2. The Maiden, Novice or Limit status of both riders and drivers is affected by winnings at Federation Regular and Local Competitions. Exceptions:
a. Arabian - see AR110.8
b. American Saddlebred - see SB103.12
c. Hackney - see GR136.10
d. Roadster- see RD109.5 for rules related to Novice/Limit drivers.
3. Ribbons won in one-horse classes do not count in reckoning the maiden, novice or limit status of either horse and/or...
rider/driver in any division.
4. The status of Maiden, Novice or Limit entries is as of the closing date of entries for any particular Licensed Competition.
5. A Maiden, Novice or Limit Pair is one which has not won more than the specified number of ribbons as a pair.
6. Winnings in Four-In-Hands, Tandems, Teams, Unicorns and Pairs; and winnings in Combination, Local, Model, Breeding and Futurity classes are not considered in reckoning the status of Maiden, Novice or Limit horses.
7. Ponies or horses which lose their Maiden, Novice, Limit or other classification in any division or section will not regain those classifications when shown in the Hunter Pony division or Junior Hunter division. Ponies or horses shown in the Hunter Pony division or Junior Hunter division which lose their classification will not regain them when shown in any other divisions or sections, unless specific regulations are set forth (e.g. Jumper division).
8. In the Andalusian, Arabian, Friesian, Morgan, Roadster, and Western divisions, ribbons won within one section do not count in the reckoning of Maiden, Novice or Limit status if the animal competes in a different section (e.g., Arabian Park to Arabian Western Pleasure, Saddle Horse English Country Pleasure to Saddle Horse Hunter Country Pleasure, Western Pleasure to Trail, or Morgan English [Park or Pleasure] to Morgan Western or Morgan Harness [Park or Pleasure] and vice versa).
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