## Rule Change Intent

There has been confusion from licensed officials on whether or not to count as an error when a rider switches from two hands to one when needing to catch a fly away hat, unfasten a caught shirt, or other maneuvers which if not fixed could be a safety issue and or negatively impact their ride. This additional language will clarify that for these types of actions an error will not be incurred.

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## Linked Rules

## Comments

## Committee Actions
6. Errors.

a. When a competitor makes an “error of the course” (takes the wrong turn, omits a movement, etc.) the Judge warns him by sounding the bell. The Judge shows him if necessary, 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.

b. Switching from one hand to two hands or vice versa during a test is considered an “error of course.” From time to time an unsafe situation may arise that requires a rider to switch from one hand to two hands, or vice versa, at the discretion of the judge, this may be done without penalty so long as there is no unfair advantage given to the rider.