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Rule Change Intent

The committee is updating the description of the Free Jog gait for better understanding and definition.

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Linked Rules	Comments
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Committee Actions

SUBCHAPTER WD-2 GAITS

WD104 The Jog

5. The following jogs are recognized: Collected jog, Working jog, Lengthening of Strides, and Free Jog.

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d. Free Jog. This is a pace of moderate lengthening of stride and frame compared to the Working jog **that confirms a relaxed, supple topline to facilitate freedom and throughness**. Without hurrying, the horse goes jogs forward in a two-beat gait with a moderate lengthening of stride and frame **while stretching downward and forward over the back showing a willingness to reach towards a soft elastic connection**. The horse should stretch forward and down over the top line with relaxation maintaining balance, **bend**, tempo, and regularity of the jog on a loose rein **should be maintained as the horse shows increased swing through the back**. There should be a smooth willing retake of the reins in transition to the working jog. The free jog may be ridden posting or sitting.