

Rule Change Type	Effective Date	Draft Received	Board Action
Standard	12/1/2024	1/31/2024	

Rule Change Intent

By adding VSEs into both Novice Advanced and Advanced, we are hoping to open the sport into a new audience with additional competitors, and decreasing the barriers to entry to the sport.

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Linked Rules	Comments
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Committee Actions

DC958 CONES COMPETITION SUMMARY

1. Single Obstacles and Open Multiple obstacles settings.

	Division Class	Advanced Speed M/min	Advanced Cones Width (cm)	Serpentine	Zig-Zag (m)	Wave	Distance between obstacles (m)
Horse	Four-in-hand	240	185	10-12	11-13	10/12	15
	Pair	250	170	6-8	10-12	8/10	12
	Single	250	160	6-8	10-12	8/10	12
	Para-Equestrian Driving	230	160	6-8	10-12	8/10	12
Pony	Four-in-hand	240	160	8-10	9-11	8/10	12
	Pair	250	160	6-8	9-11	8/10	12
	Single	260	160	6-8	9-11	8/10	12
	Para-Equestrian Driving	230	160	6-8	9-11	8/10	12
VSE	Pair/Multiple	200	+15cm	9	9	8/10	12
	Single	210	+15cm	6	8	8/10	9

1.1 Standard Cone Settings apply to Beginner, Training, Preliminary, and Intermediate Levels ONLY.

	Vehicle Track Width	Standard Cones Setting		
		Beginner/Training	Preliminary	Intermediate
Marathon Vehicle				
Horse/Pony Singles & Pairs	125-130cm	160cm**	155cm*	150cm*
		*add 10cm for teams		
Presentation Vehicle				
VSE	98-115cm	130cm**	125cm*	120cm*
All Ponies & Single	138-145cm	175cm**	170cm*	165cm*
Horse Pair	148-155cm	185cm	180cm	175cm
Horse Teams	158-165cm	205cm	200cm	195cm
		*add 10cm for teams		
Beginner, Training, Preliminary, and Intermediate – for any and all vehicles that are outside of the above measurements, the cones setting is determined by measuring the carriage at the widest part of the rear wheels and then adding the following clearance.				
	Beginner/Training	Preliminary	Intermediate	Advanced
All classes	35cm* + track width	*30cm + track width	*25cm + track width	NA
VSE	30cm* + track width	*25cm + track width	*20cm + track width	*15cm + track width
		*add 10cm for teams		

1.1.2. Paces

DIVISION		Single or Pair		Four-in-hand
Beginner/Training	VSE	160mpm 150mpm		170mpm

	Horse/Pony	180mpm		190mpm
Preliminary	VSE	180mpm		170mpm
	Horse/Pony	200mpm		190mpm
Intermediate	VSE	190mpm		180mpm
	Horse/Pony	220mpm		210mpm
Advanced		Single	Pair	Four-in-Hand
	VSE	170mpm	170mpm	160mpm
	Pony	260mpm	250mpm	240mpm
	Horse	250mpm	250mpm	240mpm