

Rule Change Type	Effective Date	Draft Received	Board Action
Standard	12/1/2023	2/27/2023	

Rule Change Intent

The intent of this rule change is to align the lead change rules in Horsemanship with the current allowances under the Hunter Seat Equitation rules.

AHA Equitation and Showmanship, AHA Youth Committee, and the Education and Evaluation Commission have given their full support of a rule change regarding lead changes in Horsemanship.

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Linked Rules

Comments

Committee Actions

Natl Breed & Disciplines Council - Advisory

SUBCHAPTER AR-29 EQUITATION SECTION

AR252 Tests From Which Judges Must Choose

1. Back in a straight or curved line.
2. Walk, jog, and/or lope in a straight line, curved line, serpentine, circle or figure eight, or combination of these gaits or maneuvers.
3. Stop.
4. ~~Demonstrate simple change of lead. (In a simple change of lead, the horse is brought back to a walk or jog and restarted into the lope on the opposite lead.)~~ **lead change, simple or flying. The type of lead change demonstrated is at the rider's discretion, a judge may not designate type of change. A simple lead change is performed through the walk or jog within three strides. Flying changes should be simultaneous front and rear. All changes should be smooth and timely.**
5. Execute turns on the forehand of 90 degrees or greater turning either direction or both, with the hindquarters moving around a relatively stationary forehand.
6. Execute turns on the haunches of 90 degrees or greater (maximum 540 degrees) turning either direction or both. Deep flexion of the hocks and speed of the turn is not to be valued over accuracy and smoothness of the pivot.)
7. Sidepass.
8. Ride without stirrups.
9. Counter lope.
10. Extended jog and/or lope.
11. 13 and Under: Tests 1-7 and 10; 14-18, 18 and Under and 19 and Over: Tests 1-10. Age groups will be determined by the show commission/committees and any age splits other than 13 & under and 14-18 must have the appropriate tests i.e. a 14 & Under class can only run tests 1-7.