

Rule Change Type	Effective Date	Draft Received	Board Action
Standard	12/1/2023	2/15/2023	

Rule Change Intent

It was brought to the Task Force's attention that some judges were asking riders to face away from the ring while testing. There is nothing in the rulebook allowing this or not allowing this. Adding this language into the equitation chapter clarifies that judges may only ask riders to line up facing the arena.

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Linked Rules

Comments

Committee Actions

EQ113 Tests From Which Judges Must Choose

Tests may be performed either collectively or individually but no other tests may be used. Instructions must be publicly announced.

NOTE: In Hunter/Jumping Seat Equitation classes, any exhibitor who does not participate in the testing is placed last of those competitors called back to test. Should more than one exhibitor fail to return for testing they will be placed at the judge's discretion. If exhibitors are called back collectively to test, they must remain in the ring until all exhibitors have completed the test. ***If riders are asked to be in the ring during the testing, riders must be able to watch the other competitors test.*** Equitation tests must not have exhibitors trotting or cantering through in gate or out gate; any exhibitor choosing to trot or canter through the in-gate or out-gate must be eliminated (see EQ108). Obstacles jumped in an equitation test must have been included in the original course. Jumps must be jumped in the original direction unless otherwise specified.