Rule	Tracking	Draft	Proposal Type	Effective Date	Proponent	Status
EV 108.4	207-25	2	Standard	12/1/2026	Eventing	Approved (6/16/2026)

EV108.4 Tracking #207-25 Draft #2 Approved

Rule Change Type	Effective Date	Draft Received	Board Action
Standard	12/1/2026	4/29/2026	Approved 6/16/2026

Rule Change Intent

There have been multiple instances at events where an Athlete wished to withdraw from the FEI division following their Dressage Test (for reasons unrelated to horse welfare) and move to the National Event. EV108 only addresses Horses that are Eliminated for reasons unrelated to horse welfare. The proposed rule change expands the rule to permit Horses that Withdraw from FEI Events, for reason unrelated to horse welfare, to compete in the National Event at a level that they are qualified for, at the discretion of the Ground Jury.

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Linked Rules

Comments

Council - Intl Discipline

Draft 2: Recommends Approval 05/26/2026

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Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 04/17/2026

Draft 1: The Board agrees with the intent of the proposed change, however recommend amendment as follows: if a Horse is Eliminated during or is Withdrawn after the Dressage Test for reasons unrelated to horse welfare

Member Comments

EV108 Participation

4. HORSES.

a. Events are open to stallions, mares, or geldings. The age of the Horse must comply with the specifications of the Event.

b. For Horse Trials and Classic Three-Day Events, Horses may only compete once and must be ridden by the same Athlete throughout all phases.

c. At FEI Events running concurrently with a national Event, if a Horse is Eliminated ***or is Withdrawn*** ~~***in***~~ ***during or after*** the Dressage ~~***phase***~~ Test for reasons unrelated to horse welfare, ~~the national Ground Jury, in consultation with the Technical Delegate and the Organizer, may at their discretion, permit the Horse to compete in the national Event at the same height level or below.~~ ***the national Ground Jury may in their sole discretion, in consultation with the Technical Delegate and the Organizer, permit the Horse to compete in the national Event at a level for which they are qualified. Any Horse that has started the second phase of an FEI Event, it is not eligible to compete in the national Event.***

d. As an exception to GR840, a Horse is eligible for Events even though it has complete loss of sight in one eye, provided sight in the other eye is normal and it meets the other requirements.