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Rule Change Intent

The combination of GR1211 and EV153 requirements has placed an undue burden upon organizers, requiring the hiring of an excessive number of Technical Delegates. EV153 was originally written to address proper Technical Delegate coverage at Eventing competitions, GR1211 was introduced after, and despite the International Disciplines Council, Eventing Sport Committee, and USEA not supporting the proposal, it was approved. Its implementation has caused issues amongst the Eventing community, and this proposal aims to address those by creating an exemption within GR1211, and providing clarifying language on how to count horse numbers within EV153.

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Linked Rules

Comments

Competition Management

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Licensed Officials

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Member Comments

GR1211 Appointment of Officials and Employees

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4. Stewards/Technical Delegates.

a. Appoint and identify in the prize list and catalogue one or more licensed Federation Stewards licensed to officiate in the divisions and sections for which the competition is approved who shall be present at each session of the competition. A technical delegate must be appointed for Eventing Competitions, Dressage Competitions and Regular and Local Competitions offering "open" Dressage Division classes (i.e., classes which are not limited to certain breeds) or classes above Third Level. Exceptions:

1. A C2 Steward may officiate through Fourth Level of breed restricted Dressage classes at Licensed Breed Restricted Competitions.

2. C2 Stewards who are also licensed Dressage Technical Delegates may serve in both roles at Licensed Breed Restricted Competitions offering Open Dressage classes. When a dually licensed C2 Steward/Dressage Technical Delegate is officiating, the Open Dressage classes must be their sole responsibility until those classes are complete. If there are additional non Open Dressage classes occurring at the same time as the Open Dressage classes, a separate Dressage Technical Delegate must officiate for the Open Dressage classes.

b. If required to officiate, a Dressage Technical Delegate must be present and officiate for all Dressage classes held on the day(s) which they are in attendance. If no other classes except Dressage are held on a licensed day of a Breed-Restricted Competition, a steward does not need to be present in addition to the Dressage Technical Delegate.

c. If a competition finds it necessary to substitute a steward or technical delegate for one who is officially designated in the prize list and/or catalogue and who is unable to serve due to circumstances beyond their control, the restrictions of GR1304.12 shall be non-effective.

d. Competitions are urged to engage a steward for each ring when classes are held simultaneously and to select individuals who are well versed in the divisions being offered.

e. Competitions are required to obtain the necessary Stewards or Technical Delegates in accordance with the restrictions below:

i. Competition Management is permitted to obtain more than the minimum number of

Stewards or Technical Delegates required above.

~~ii. For any competitions holding the eventing division, when the cross-country phase is running, it will count as one competition ring, regardless of the number of levels offered. In addition, each dressage and show jumping ring will be counted as a competition ring. Additional Eventing TD requirements contained in EV153 are intended to be in addition to the minimum TD requirements contained in the above chart.~~

~~iii.~~***ii.*** Competitions that host regionals, championships, or finals that occur on a rotating schedule, and create a significant change in horse entry numbers, may request a waiver to the Federation to utilize the horse entry count from the year prior to the regional, championship, or final. The waiver must be requested with the competition license renewal.

~~iv.~~***iii*** Exception: At the Paso Fino Grand National Championship at least two C2 Stewards must officiate. See PF155 for additional restrictions.

iv. Exception. For Eventing, see EV153 for Technical Delegate requirements.

EV153 Licensed Officials for Horse Trials

1. The following Licensed Officials are the minimum required at Horse Trials. Higher level Licensed Officials may serve in the roles listed below. A ~~Second~~ ***second*** Eventing Technical Delegate of any level is required if an Event has more than 300 entries, any day where Cross-Country and Show Jumping phases will be running concurrently and a member of the Ground Jury will not be present on the course during the Cross-Country phase. ***Entries include horses entered in the Endorsed, Licensed and FEI levels at the Event.***