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Rule Change Intent

It is not usually practical to require additional tests for tied riders as it adds too much time to complete the class and conduct the awards ceremony - it is not necessary to break ties for riders placed fourth and below.

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Comments

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Member Comments

DR133 Dressage Seat Equitation. Change to read:

1. Dressage Seat Equitation classes. May be offered for Juniors, Young Riders, Adult Amateurs and/or Open riders according to the following specifications:

o. When the judge(s) ask for independent tests/patterns (as listed below in DR133.2.i(4)-2.i(5)), riders completing this additional work must be scored and placed higher than riders who did not execute the additional work.

2. Dressage Seat Medal Program

g.3. Two Federation Registered (R) or Senior (S) judges, one of whom must have a Federation Dressage Seat Equitation Designation, will officiate together in each Semi-Finals class, using the same scribes and the same class score sheet. Three Federation Registered (R) or Senior (S) judges will officiate together, as above, in each Finals class. Judges should evaluate riders separately from different positions in the ring and then all judges must consult together prior to arriving at final scores. ***Riders who complete independent tests/patterns must receive higher final scores and placing than riders who do not ride or complete independent tests/patterns.***

g.5. Tied scores in a Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Final and Final class ***must be broken by all judges consulting together for Champion. Reserve Champion and third placed riders. Ties for remaining places may*** ~~will~~ be broken by ***all judges consulting together or ties may remain unbroken*** ~~requiring riders to perform an additional independent test, which will be scored by all judges together. The higher score on the additional independent test will receive the higher placing~~.