

DRIVING

Driving Rules – Notes for Guidance

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Article 960 The Course (Marathon)

1.7. As an alternative option to the Phase A there can be used a controlled Warm-up (min 30 minutes before starting time) in a designated warm-up arena with minimum 7000 square metres, properly stewarded, with a judge and veterinarian in attendance. A marathon-type obstacle for preparation purposes should be provided. Horse inspection and bit/harness control 10 minutes before the start in Section B is compulsory. **When Section A is a "controlled Warm-Up", the compulsory rest may be reduced to 5 minutes**

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CONTROLLED WARM UP

- The "**controlled warm up**" is an alternative to section A (in 2 or 3 sections).
- The "**controlled warm up**" is part of the marathon competition.
- **All** rules concerning the marathon section A are applicable on the "**controlled warm up**".
Such as
 - Carriage overturning
 - Welfare
 - Body / back Protection and dress
 - Time penalties
- A 10 minutes rest is not compulsory when using the "**controlled warm up**" in 2 or 3 sections marathon. **The compulsory rest may be reduced to 5 minutes (Art. 960.3.1.)**
- Free pace
- The "**controlled warm up**" is supervised by a steward.
- **The time spent in the CWU is monitored by the timekeeper(s). Similar as in section A.**

WARM UP OBSTACLE

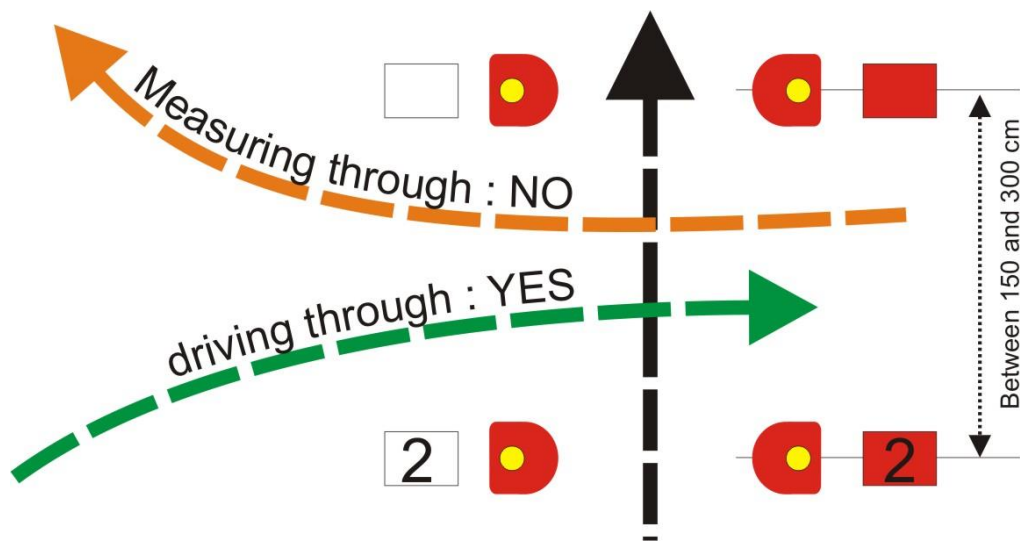
- The "**warm up obstacle**" is not a part of the "**controlled warm up**".
- The "**warm up obstacle**" has no marked gates.
- Only 1 athlete at a time is allowed inside the obstacle for maximum 2 minutes.
- Free pace.

Example timing for drivers:

Competitor	Warm up		Rest 2 H.I.	Warm up obstacle		Start B
	IN	OUT		IN	OUT	
1	09.00	09.25	09.25 – 09.30	09.31	09.33	09.35
2	09.05	09.30	09.30 – 09.35	09.36	09.38	09.40
			<i>Distance to rest</i>	<i>Distance to obstacle</i>	<i>Distance to start B</i>	
			<i>100 m with trot up</i>	<i>100 m.</i>	<i>100 m.</i>	

ANNEX 6: Cones: Oxe

8.1 An oxe will be composed of 2 pairs of cones in a straight line. The distance between the first set of cones and the second set will be between 1.5 and 3 metres, at the option of the Course Designer. The oxe counts as a single obstacle and the maximum penalty points for knocking down up to 4 balls is 3 penalty points in total. The first set of cones will have the number of the obstacle and be marked with red and white flags and the second set of cones will be marked with red and white flags. This obstacle will be judge as a single obstacle. The oxe may be crossed. A maximum of five oxers are allowed in a Cones course. The distance between the two pairs of cones has to be measured from the balls.



Distance between the two pair of cones: minimum 1.5, maximum 3 meters

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- The oxe is a single spread obstacle with 2 marked gates (2 pairs of cones).
- Disobedience in between the 2 gates without any other penalty: restart from the first gate.
- An oxe in combination with an open multiple obstacle is not allowed.
- An oxe in combination with an alternative option or reduced cones is allowed. In case of reduced cones in an oxe, 1 or 2 gates may be reduced.

See draws below

