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## 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.

### NOTES FOR GUIDANCE

#### CONTROLLED WARM UP

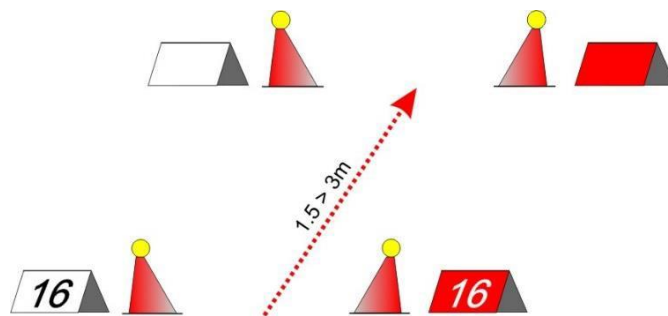
- The "**controlled warm up**" is an alternative to section A (in 2 or 3 sections).
- The "**controlled warm up**" is part of the marathon competition.
- **All** rules concerning the marathon section A are applicable on the "**controlled warm up**".  
Such as
  - Carriage overturning
  - Welfare
  - 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 "**controlled warm up**" is supervised by a steward.

#### WARM UP OBSTACLE

- The "**warm up obstacle**" is not a part of the "**controlled warm up**".
  - The "**warm up obstacle**" have no marked gates.
  - Only 1 athlete is allowed inside the obstacle for max 2 minutes.
  - Free pace.
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**ANNEX 8 OXER in Cone course**

- 8.1 An oxer 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 oxer 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 oxer may be crossed. A maximum of five oxers are allowed in a Cones course. The width of the cones has to be measured from the balls.



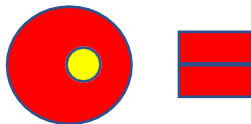
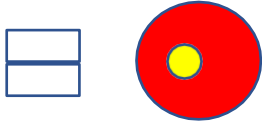
Distance between the two pair of cones: minimum 1.5, maximum 3 meters

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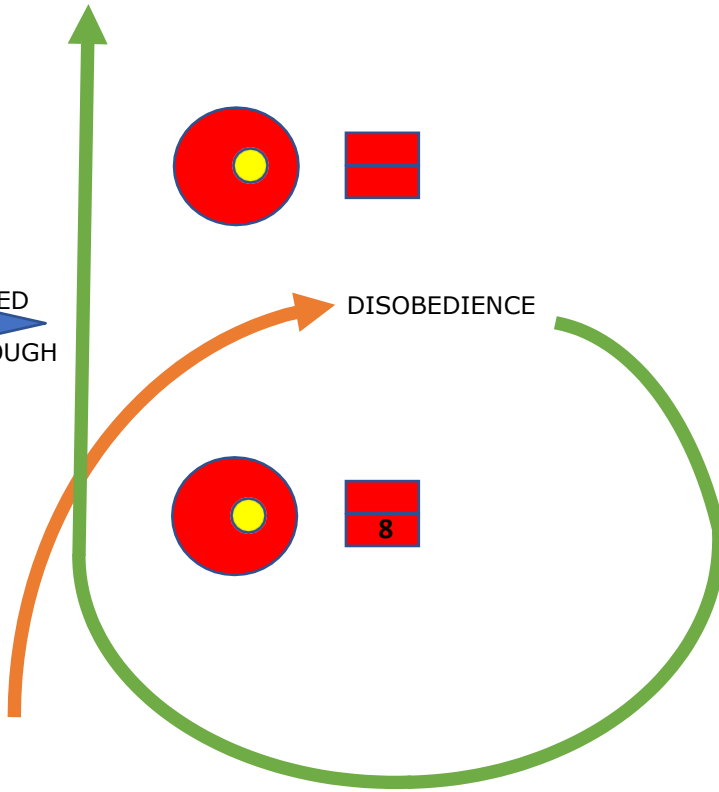
- The oxer is a single spread obstacle with 2 marked gates (2 pairs of cones).
- Disobedience in between the 2 gates without any other penalty: restart from the first gate.
- An oxer in combination with an open multiple obstacle is not allowed.
- An oxer in combination with an alternative option or reduced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

See draws below

**A**



CROSSING THROUGH ALLOWED  
MEASURING THE COURSE THROUGH  
IS NOT ALLOWED



**B**



**ELIMINATION**

