



FEI™
DRIVING

ALTERNATIVE SCORING SYSTEM
for use on a trial basis as of 1 January 2022
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Introduction

In its 1st draft of the proposed Rule Changes for 2022 onwards, the FEI proposed a new scoring system. However, the vast majority of National Federations expressed that they felt that before implementing it, it was important to have a trial year.

From 1 January 2022 onwards, the FEI can therefore select events (CAI1*, CAI2* and CAI3*) where the new scoring system will be used in accordance with the following provision of the 2023 FEI Driving Rules:

Art. 901.11

11. Trial of New Scoring System

11.1. As of 1 January 2022, the FEI can, with the prior agreement of the relevant Organising Committee, apply a new scoring system on a trial basis at selected CAI1, CAI2* and CAI3* (excluding FEI World Cup Qualifiers) events. Where an Event has been selected for the trial of the new scoring system, the Schedule of the Event must make it clear that the new scoring system will be used at the Event.*

11.2. The details/explanation of the new scoring system will be published on the Driving page of inside.fei.org. The FEI, in consultation with the FEI Driving Committee, can make revisions to the new scoring system from time to time provided that any changes must also be published on the Driving page.

11.3. If the FEI Driving Committee and the FEI decides that the trial of the new scoring system has been successful, it will be proposed for inclusion in the FEI Driving Rules 2024.

The general changes to the current scoring system are as follows:

1. For Dressage, the scores will be calculated in percentages to two decimals. The difference between 100 percent and the result in percentage gives the final penalties for Dressage, to be carried over to the Marathon.
2. For Marathon, all penalty points as currently stated in the Rules remain, and are added up to the total time taken in the obstacles multiplied by 0.25.
3. For Cones, all penalty points as currently stated in the Rules remain, and are added up to the two first competition results.

The Events using the new scoring system will count as qualifying events to move up levels and will also count as qualifying events for Championships, where applicable.

The dressage score of 70 required for Championships is 56.30% in percentage.

Example

Driven Dressage

Concept

- **Overall result in %**
- The difference between 100 percent and the result in percentage
- This will give a result in penalty points.

Example

- The Athlete gets 73.25% in their Dressage Test.
- This gives them a result of 26.75. $(100-73.25)$
- The Athlete carries a score of 26.75 to their Marathon Competition

Marathon

Concept (remains the same as current)

- **Results in points**
- Penalties incurred during the Marathon competition in points +
- Total time taken to two decimals in the Marathon obstacles multiplied by 0.25=
- Therefore giving the result in points, which must be added to the Dressage score.

Example

- The Athletes has 12 points due to 6 balls down +
- 100.31 points in the Marathon competition (total time taken of 401.25 seconds multiplied by 0.25)=
- 112.31 points total in the Marathon competition

Then the Driver carries their score to the cones.

Cones (with time allowed)

Concept (remains the same as current)

- **Results in points**
- Penalties during the Cones competition in points.
- Penalties for exceeding time allowed =
- Therefore giving the result in points.

Example

- The Athlete gets 6 points for two balls down +
- 10.25 points for time exceeded =
- Total score for the cones is 16.25.

For the final classification, the results are published in points from combined scores from the three competitions. In this example, the Athlete would have a final score of 155.31