

**PROPOSALS FOR 2020 MODIFICATIONS TO THE
VAULTING RULES**

26 October 2020

Dear National Federations,

Please find below a summary of the proposed changes to the Vaulting Rules together with the corresponding explanations, the comments received as well as the reasoning for accepting or not accepting each proposal.

In the following document you will find 2 sections as follows:

- A. [Proposed Rules changes to be voted at the FEI General Assembly 2020;](#)
and
- B. [Proposed Rules changes that have been rejected or deferred to a future Rules revision.](#)

Sincerely,



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Vaulting Director

A. PROPOSED RULES CHANGES TO BE VOTED AT THE FEI GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2020

Proposal from FEI
Article No.–Article Name
701 – Events and Competitions
Explanation for Proposed Change
<p>This rule proposal is pending the Board’s approval of the FEI Vaulting World Cup™ rules at their meeting on 23-25 June 2020.</p> <p>In the new World Cup concept proposed, qualification for the Final will take place at CVI3* and above and should include Masterclasses for Individual Male, Female and PDD, which are attractive for many OCs. This would require the following amendment to article 701:</p>
Proposed Wording on 13 July 2020
<p>701 – EVENTS AND COMPETITIONS</p> <p>8. CVI – WCupQ Events, where a FEI World Cup™ Qualifying Competition is held are indicated by the addition of the letter “WCupQ”. Also refer to the FEI World Cup™ Rules for Vaulting.</p> <p>9. CVI - MASTER CLASS</p> <p><u>9.1.</u> An FEI Vaulting Master Class is a CVI to be run in conjunction with CI’s /CIO’s.</p> <p><u>9.1.9.2.</u> <u>A Master Class format may be run as a CVI-WCupQ for Individual Male, Female and Pas-de-Deux. (Ref. to the FEI World Cup™ Rules for Vaulting). The Masterclass for Individuals is run over two rounds with one Free Test and one Technical Test. The Masterclass for PDD is run over two rounds, with two Free Tests.</u></p>
Comments received by 31 August 2020
No comments were received.
FEI feedback
N/A
Proposed Final Wording to be voted at the FEI General Assembly 2020
Wording remains as in proposal above.

Proposal from FEI
Article No.–Article Name
719.2.1 – EQUIPMENT OF THE VAULTING HORSE
Explanation for Proposed Change
<p>Permitted snaffles in Vaulting: Hanging cheeks have been removed in 2020 for Vaulting but it is still allowed in Dressage. As this article refers to the Dressage Rules, which allow hanging cheek snaffles, this article should be adapted. Reference should only be made to the Annexes in the Vaulting Rules.</p> <p>Using Hanging cheeks on a lunge line is a matter of horse welfare and should not be allowed.</p>
Proposed Wording on 13 July 2020
<p>719.2.1 – EQUIPMENT OF THE VAULTING HORSE</p> <p>Bridle with noseband and smooth snaffle bit, with no more than 2 joints. Rubber bit guards are permitted. If an unjointed rubber snaffle is used, the bit must be flexible. (See Annex 1 and 2 plus all snaffle bits allowed in the FEI Dressage Rules). Minimum diameter of mouthpiece to be minimum 12mm for Horses and 10mm for Ponies. The diameter of the mouthpiece is measured adjacent to the rings or the cheeks of the mouthpiece at the widest point.</p>
Comments received by 31 August 2020
No Comments received.
FEI feedback
N/A
Proposed Final Wording to be voted at the FEI General Assembly 2020
Wording remains as in proposal above.

Proposal from FEI
Article No.–Article Name
725.3 – AWARDS 726.2 PRIZE-GIVING CEREMONIES
Explanation for Proposed Change
The minimum requirement for participation at Prize giving Ceremony are not described the same way in the two above articles. Article 726.2 should be amended so as to be aligned with Article 725.3 to avoid an inconsistency within the Rules.

Proposed Wording on 13 July 2020

726.2 PRIZE-GIVING CEREMONIES

Participation in the Prize-giving Ceremony of placed Athletes is compulsory (minimum first five placed per category Male/Female Individuals and Pas-de-Deux, and first three placed Squads per category – see Art. 725.3). Failure to do so entails losing the classification and qualifying score (rosette, plaque, prize in kind, prize money). Exception to this rule can only be granted by the President of the Ground Jury.

Comments received by 31 August 2020

No comments were received.

FEI feedback

N/A

Proposed Final Wording to be voted at the FEI General Assembly 2020

Wording remains as in proposal above.

B. Proposed Rules changes that have BEEN rejected or deferred to a future Rules revision

Not applicable