

**PROPOSALS FOR RULES CHANGES OF
PARA EQUESTRIAN CLASSIFICATION RULES 2022**

Introduction

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

- A. Rules Proposals received from NFs/MOU Stakeholders by 1 March 2022.** In this section you will find each of the Rules Proposals received from NFs/MOU Stakeholders with the relevant feedback from the FEI; and
- B. Rules Proposals put forward by the FEI**



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A. Rules Proposals received from NFs/MOU Stakeholders by 1 March 2022

Rules Proposal Submitted By
British Equestrian (British Dressage)
Article No.–Article Name
Article 8422.2 / Rules 15.10 / 15.13 – Para Classification Rules
Explanation for Proposed Change
Rules 15.10 / 15.13 – more flexibility is required for reviews where the medical condition of the rider has deteriorated and there are concerns for the health and safety of athletes to compete in their current allocated grade. In the athlete evaluation review, the rider should be able to compete in the new Grade allocated to them (if a new Grade is allocated to them) at that CPEDI event to allow them to complete the grade status review process.
Proposed Wording
15.10. An Athlete with Grade Status Review (R) must complete Athlete Evaluation at any subsequent International Event at which they will appear in competition, unless the FEI specifies otherwise. Where the medical condition of the rider has deteriorated and there are health and safety concerns for athletes to compete in their current allocated grade, in the Athlete Evaluation review, the rider should be able to compete in the new Grade allocated to them (if a new Grade is allocated to them) at that CPEDI event to allow them to complete the Grade Status Review process.
FEI Feedback
The FEI Para Dressage Rules already allow for an Athlete to compete in their old Grade if they change Grades due to a Classification Evaluation at an Event. They are deducted 10% from the final score if they compete in their old Grade and it is a lower Grade than the new Classification. The PETC decided that Athletes riding in the new Grade at an Event where they are classified should be allowed the use of a Commander. This would only be at CPEDIs. This would not be added in the FEI Para Equestrian Classification Rules as it is sport-specific for Para Dressage. Please see Para Dressage Rules Revision document.
FEI Proposed Wording (if applicable)
N/A

B. Rules Proposals put forward by the FEI

Article No.–Article Name
Throughout the Rules
Explanation for Proposed Change
The Classifiers levels were updated to reflect changes in the Classifiers Education system, with the following changes: Trainee Classifier becomes Level 1 Classifier Level 1 Classifier becomes Level 2 Classifier Level 2 Classifier becomes Level 3 Classifier New Level 4 Classifier is created.
Proposed Wording
N/A

Article No.–Article Name
Article 3.6 Classification Personnel
Explanation for Proposed Change
The Head of Classification should have the highest level of Education system.
Proposed Wording
The Head of Classification is required to be a certified Level 2-4 FEI Classifier.

Article No.–Article Name
Article 10.3 – 10.8
Explanation for Proposed Change
Numbering was corrected.
Proposed Wording
Changes to numbering of articles

Article No.–Article Name
11.3 The Classification Panel – General Provisions
Explanation for Proposed Change

The PETC determined that there needed to be more clarification as to what would allow a change in the composition of a Classification Panel. The wording was aligned with the Para Dressage Rules.

Proposed Wording

2.1 A Classification Panel must comprise at least two certified Classifiers, with one Classifier being from a ~~different nation to the Athlete~~foreign NF. In exceptional circumstances, in case of Force Majeure, a Chief Classifier may provide that a Classification Panel comprise only one Classifier, subject to that Classifier holding a valid medical qualification.

Article No.–Article Name

41.4.2 The Classification Masterlist

Explanation for Proposed Change

The terminology was incorrect as to what Compensating Aids had to be marked on the Interim Results form.

Proposed Wording

27.1.1 The ~~standard-profile-specific~~ compensating aids the Athlete is allowed for FEI Para Equestrian Events.