

Dressage SA General Regulation or Rule Change



Details of Rule Change or General Regulation Change Proposal Rule Heading or Regulation Heading: FREESTYLE DRESSAGE TESTS FOR ADULTS AND JUNIORS	
For Official use only: Rule or Regulation application no.: _____ Date applied for: _____ Date accepted/ declined: _____	
Reference in Rules or Regulation: FREESTYLE DRESSAGE TESTS, ADULTS AND JUNIORS MEDIUM FREESTYLE TEST ELEMENTARY/MEDIUM FREESTYLE TEST	
Province requesting change: GAUTENG (REQUESTED THRU VYBRANT DRESSAGE CLUB)	
Type of Change: Dressage Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General Regulation <input type="checkbox"/>	
Present Wording: DRESSAGE SOUTH AFRICA MEDIUM FREESTYLE 2010 Duration: Max 5.5 minutes DRESSAGE SOUTH AFRICA ELEMENTARY/MEDIUM FREESTYLE 2010 Duration: Max 5.5 mins	
Proposed Wording: DRESSAGE SOUTH AFRICA MEDIUM FREESTYLE 2017 Duration: Max 5 minutes DRESSAGE SOUTH AFRICA ELEMENTARY/MEDIUM FREESTYLE 2017 Duration: Max 5 mins	



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Motivation and Rationale:

- IN EARLY 2017 A NEW DSA ADVANCED FREESTYLE 2017 WAS CREATED BY THE DSA JUDGES SUB COMMITTEE WITH A DURATION OF MAXIMUM 5 MINUTES.
- (NOTE THAT THE FEI SMALL TOUR INTERMEDIATE I FREESTYLE TEST DURATION IS BETWEEN 4 MINS 30 AND 5 MINS.
- THE CURRENT DSA MEDIUM FREESTYLE DURATION IS 5 ½ MINUTES
- THE CURRENT DSA ELEMENTARY/MEDIUM FREESTYLE DURATION IS 5 ½ MINUTES
- THE THEN JUDGES SUB COMMITTEE MADE A DECISION THAT IT MADE NO SENSE TO HAVE THE DSA MEDIUM AND DSA ELEMENTARY/MEDIUM, LONGER THAN THE ADVANCED SO IT WAS DECIDED THAT BOTH THESE FREESTYLE DURATIONS SHOULD BE ADJUSTED TO 5 MINUTES FOR 2018 ONWARDS AND BOTH THESE TESTS RENAMED 2017.

Proposed by

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Seconded by

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Date:

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Rule Heading or Regulation Heading:

DSA RULES: SECTION 34 : GRADING

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Present Wording:

34.4.0 DOWNGRADING.

On written application by the registered owner/guardian and with the consent of the Provincial Committee concerned, a horse may be downgraded one grade without points, provided that this down grading shall not be permitted more than once in each registration year.

Proposed Wording:

The above paragraph needs to be renumbered 34.4.1.

New paragraph below to be inserted as follows:

34.4.2. A horse will be downgraded from Big Tour to Medium Tour with no points and, from Medium Tour to Small Tour with no points, if the horse gains 54% or less in three competitions within one registration year. Should the horse gain 54% or less in a competition where the horse is the only competitor, no prize money, rosettes or any other associated sponsor's gifts will be awarded.



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Motivation and Rationale:

The major motivation for this change is to protect the welfare of the horse which is of paramount importance. There have been several incidents where horses at these levels have achieved percentages as low as 48% and are very clearly unhappy and insecure at this level.

A point of secondary and minor importance compared to the welfare of the horse is the extremely bad impression this creates with the increasing number of FEI international judges that we are fortunate to have judging in South Africa.

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