



Australian Carriage Driving Society

ABN: 28 794 114 302 – Incorporation No: AO1028

Amendment to Rules

Applies to:

Rules for Australian Carriage Driving Society **COMBINED DRIVING EVENTS**
3rd Edition effective: 15 October 2020

Amended Rule 939.1

Old Rule

Pneumatic tyred carriages, with a minimum 125cm wheel width, may be used in their own class at Levels 3 & 4 events. They are not eligible for grading points.

Amendment 19 October 2021

Pneumatic tyred carriages, with a minimum 125cm wheel width, may be used in their own class at Levels 2, 3 & 4 events. They are not eligible for grading points. **Exemption is given for the use of pneumatic tyred vehicles for VSE at Level 2, 3, and 4 events for a period of time ending on the 31 July 2022. This is to allow time for all vehicles to meet compliance. The type of wheels that are excluded from this exemption are Pushbike, BMX and Trotting type wheels.**

Amendment No 2 29 May 2022

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Amended Rule 935.1 First Examination and Inspection

Old Rule

- 1.1 This must take place at all Level 1, 2 and 3 events preferably before the start of Competition A, otherwise it must be before Competition B. It must be performed under the direction of the President and one other member of the Ground Jury and the Official Veterinary Surgeon (or TPR Steward at Level 2 or Level 3 event with a 3 Section marathon).

Amendment (replaced by that in red)

- 1.1 This must take place at ~~all Level 1, 2 and 3 events~~ **Level 1 events** preferably before the start of Competition A, otherwise it must be before Competition B. It must be performed under the direction of the President and one other member of the Ground Jury and the Official Veterinary Surgeon. **When Athlete is unable to meet the First Inspection allocated time, an Athlete will be given an allocated time for a First Horse Inspection to take place. It will be conducted under the direction of the President and one other member of the Ground Jury and the Official Veterinary Surgeon. If the OVS is unavailable a TPR Steward may be used for this inspection only.** ~~(or TPR Steward at Level 2 or Level 3 event with a 3 Section marathon).~~



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Article 947 Declaration of Starters

Old Rule

947.4 At all events additional Horses may be brought to the Showgrounds at the discretion of the OC, provided they can be properly identified by an identifying coloured number which must be attached to the harness at all times when the Horse is out of the stable. The Horses must comply with all the applicable requirements of the VRs. The additional Horse must be presented and identified at the first Horse Inspection, where the Chief Steward (if appointed), will also paint one hoof in a distinctive colour and ensure that the paint mark remains visible throughout the event.

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The reason behind the removal of the First Horse Inspection from Level 2 and 3 events are as follows:

1. Several clubs are having problems getting Vet or TPR Stewards for the required number of days needed. If they can get vets at all, the expenses to the clubs are becoming too great.
2. There are some members that would like to compete at CDEs, but due to having to be at events on the Friday for Horse Inspection, it made difficult to find people to look after the stock at home. They could turn up on Saturday just in time for their Dressage, for example, if their times 3.30pm they may only need to arrive mid-morning.
3. Also, it's getting harder to get the time of work on the Friday. We feel that it's becoming a safety issue. After working all week, people are rushing home from work to load up and get there for a Saturday morning Horse Inspection and then driving the event. It will be the same as point 2 if the dressage time is late in the afternoon, they can arrive at a suitable time on Saturday morning.
4. The Ground Jury could use this time to do a more comprehensive course inspection.

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