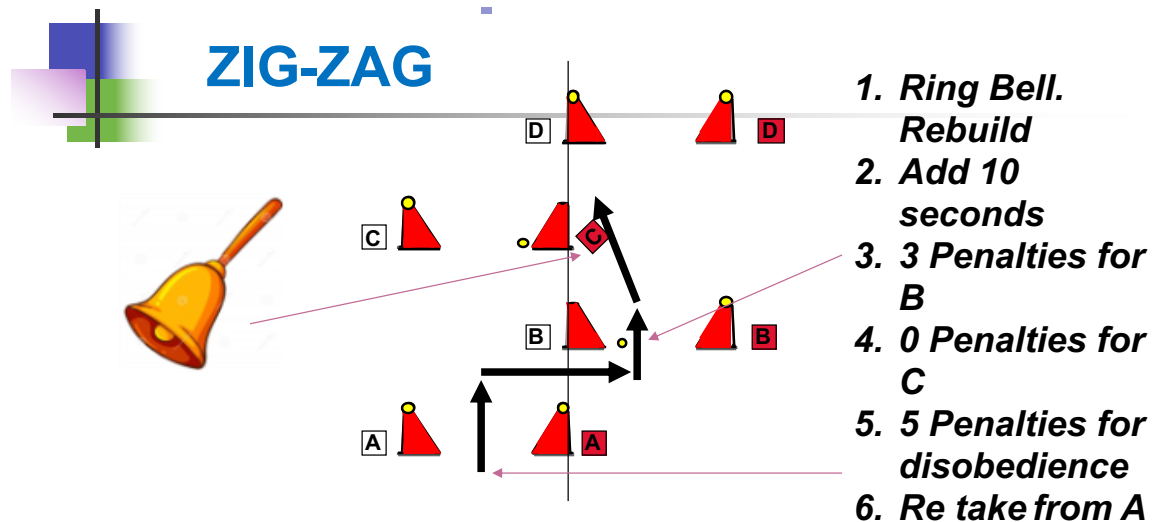




The one proviso is if the horse shies away from the obstacle at the last minute without hitting any part of the obstacle (this is considered to be Disobedience) and is penalised accordingly. Refer Rule 975.7.1 a).

## Judging a Multiple

The following are several scenarios with comments on judging for your information.



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Figure 2 – Run out at C in a Multiple – Ball Down

The scenario in Figure 2 above is a run out at C and knocking the ball off at C.

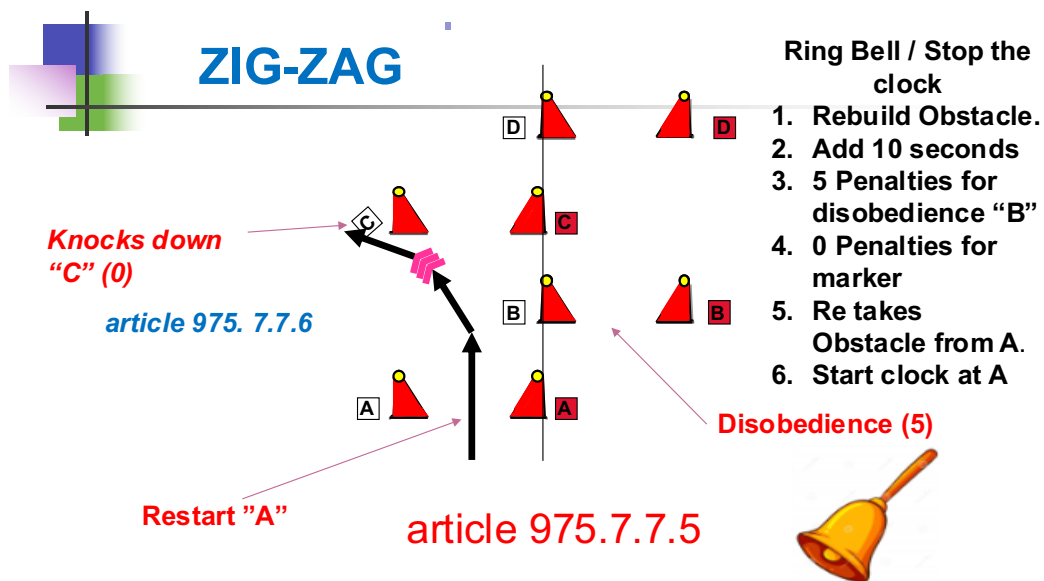
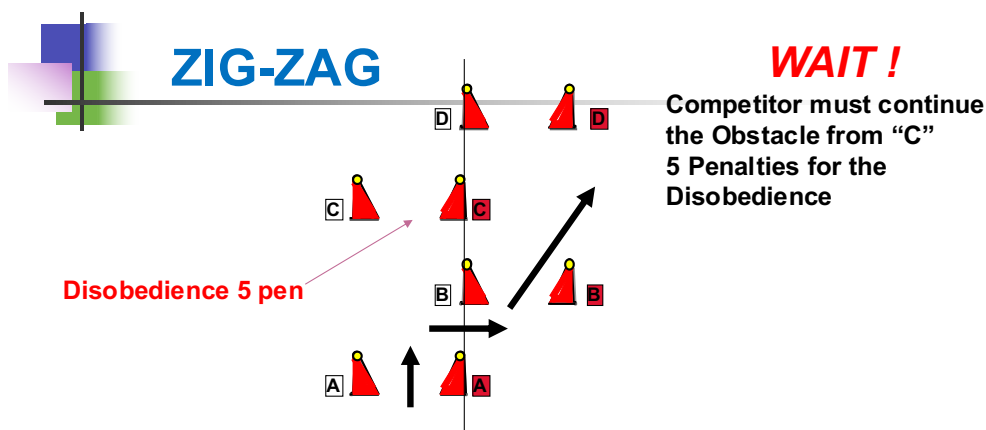


Figure 3 – Runs out at C in Multiple – No Ball Down

In the scenario shown in Figure 3 above, the competitor runs out at C but does not knock any balls down.



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Figure 4 – Competitor Recommences at ‘A’

If the Competitor goes back and recommences from A (shown in Figure 4 above) after the rebuild, ring the bell and eliminate – why? – they have already driven A and B.

**Athlete Saluting the Cones Judge**

Rule 943.2.7 states “in Dressage (as part of the test) and Cones, Athletes will be required to salute the Jury, unless time or layout of the Course prevents it”. For Cones, the Rule gives no guidance to as to how the Judge receives the salute.

For guidance, there is no requirement for the Judge to require the Athlete to come close to the Judge to salute, nor to stop and put grooms down if the Athlete has a groom on the carriage.

It is quite acceptable (and these days, the norm) for the Athlete to salute from a distance. There is also no requirement for the Athlete to stop to salute – the competitor can salute on the move.

**Cones Judges Asking Questions of the Athlete Before the Athlete Commences the Round.**

As way of further guidance, in general, there is no need for the Judge to speak to the Athlete when the Athlete enters the arena. There is no Rule that gives guidance on this subject.

Historically there may have been Judges that did ask questions of the Athlete. However, consider what the judge would do if they asked the Athlete “have you walked the course” and the Athlete says “no”. What do you do? It is the responsibility of the Athlete to be ready to drive the cones round, not the responsibility of the Judge to make sure the Athlete is ready.

Accordingly, as way of guidance, the Judge should not speak to the Athlete other than to acknowledge the salute (which is done by saluting back).