

2023 RULES - DIFFERENCES BETWEEN CANADA AND US. THE FULL WORDING IN THE RULES TAKES PRECEDENCE OVER THIS LIST

Section	Item (US)	Canadian Rule
1	1.3b	Amateur- Qualification outlined in Detail (Sec. 1 1.3b)
1	1.4b	Gaited Horse Division: No special allowance or classes for Gaited Horses
1	1.5	Defined size of miniature horses as under 34"
	1.6	Summary of Performance Level Requirements: No Individual Cattle trials in any levels. (Lv1-Lv7)
1	1.6	Performance Levels: Children Level included (Sec. 1 Item-1.6a)
1	1.9.1c	Noseband adjustment is measure on bridge of nose in Canada. (1.9.1c)
1	1.9.1e	No bit port higher than 3.5 inches, including spades.
1	1.9.2f	Equipment not allowed. Add noise cancelling fly hoods
1	1.10	Outside Assistance: The outside assistance restriction begins <i>when the rider enters the arena</i> and ends after the final salute. Competitors are allowed to receive clarification or guidance from officials before the bell or after the trial has been completed. (1.10)
1	1.11	No requirement for riding one handed with spade bit.
1	1.12	Salute: salute the Judge with a slight nod of the head <u>and</u> a drop of the arm not controlling the reins, or the working arm if riding with two hands. (Sec. 5 - 5.4, 6.6 Trial execution)
1	1.13	Use of Voice: <u>Penalty 2 points for use of voice each occurrence.</u> (5.6b, 6.9b)
3	3.3	The same Judge or Jury must judge each class competing in all trials within a division or level.
3	3.8 & 3.9	Paddock Steward and Gate Steward: some differences in responsibilities of each steward(3.8 & 3.9)
3	3.14	Speed and cattle trial times are TWO timers with times averaged. (3.14)
3	3.17	Emergency Medical Personnel: For all WECAN sanctioned events, a person with a current First Aid Certificate (or higher) <u>is to be onsite during competition ride times for all trials.</u> (3.17)
3	3.20	Still allowing clinics before shows. (3.3)
3	3.20	Scorer may not compete (3.11)
4	4.2	Entry Order: Ride times are not required to be included in the order of go, <u>but may be used for the Dressage</u> portion at the discretion of the organizers. (4.2)
5	5.4	Dressage trial starts when horse enters at 'A' (5.4)
6	6.1	Table 6-1 Water and Rounding Posts NOT allowed in L1

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6	6.3	Obstacle Requirements Summary: <i>Novice B L3 must canter the Double Slalom.</i> (Table 6.1)
6	6.3	Table 6-1 Obstacle Requirements Summary: No Move Sack, Drag Item, Varied Footing or herding cattle is included in Obstacles. (6.3)
6	6.4	Specific distances between obstacles still required (6.4)
6	6.4	Obstacle markers not required on bridge obstacle. (6.4)
6	6.5	Walking the Course: Competition <i>appropriate</i> attire is required for competitors entering the arena. (6.5)
6	6.5	Moving any portion of the course by a competitor during course walk may be disqualified.
6	6.6	Course is live when rider enters the arena. No crossing of obstacle lines during the ride around. (6.6)
6	6.6	Trial Execution: No reader allowed during EOH trial in all levels except Children. (6.6)
6	6.6	Exiting the non-exit end of a corridor will result in DQ (6.6)
6	6.9, 7.8	Penalties/Grounds for Disqualification <i>Even if there is a possible disqualification, the judge(s) must score the whole of a competitor's performance in a trial, up to completion. After the final salute, the judge will notify the rider of any disqualification. The judge has the authority to end the trial at any time for safety or welfare concerns.</i> (6.9, 7.8)
6	6.9	Use of Voice: <i>2- pt penalty, each occurrence.</i> (6.9b)
7	7.2	Time keepers are positioned IN LINE with the S/F line
7	7.5	Test Execution: The course is <i>considered "live" once the horse enters the arena,</i> so no obstacle lines may be crossed during the "ride around" before the bell. (7.5)
7	7.6	Scoring: The judge uses a score sheet shown in Appendix C to record the elapsed electronic time or average of two manual times of the trial. Judge is not a timer. (7.6)
7	7.8g	Disqualification: Crossing the line of an obstacle <i>at any time</i> before it has been performed (unless specifically allowed on the course map). (7.8g)
7	7.8	Failure to advance for 15 sec is DQ. Same for the bank obstacle (7.8)
8	8.5	Penalties: horse or cow crossing line must be with all FOUR feet
8	8.8	Handling ties: by lowest net time accrued by top three riders.
8	8.9	Protests and Re-rides: If a rider has a dispute about a run, he/she must lodge a protest <i>before leaving the pen.</i>
Appendix A	L4 test	Movements # 8 and 9 differ from US test. Medium walk between pirouettes, not collected walk.

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Appendix B	4b	Jug: The obstacle must be approached <i>by facing</i> the numbered side. (4b)
Appendix B	8c,9c,10c,11c	A lower score will be given if the horse is positioned so that the rider has to reach out of the saddle to move the cup, ring the bell, etc.
Appendix B	9c, 10c, 11c	Exiting the non-exit end of a corridor results in DQ
Appendix B	12.b	If exit markers are not used, the obstacle is complete <u>when the rider's shoulder passes the final post in the direction of travel of the whole obstacle.</u> see drawing (12.b)
Appendix B	13.b	If exit markers are not used, the obstacle is complete <u>when the rider's shoulder passes the final post in the direction of travel of the whole obstacle.</u> ie. completing at least a ¼ loop or turn of the last post. See drawing (13.b)
Appendix B	20,21,22,23	Move Sack, Drag Item, Varied Footing, Herding Cattle are not used in WECAN events.
Appendix C		Modified Scoresheets as needed based on above differences