



## 2020 Rule Change Summary

### Equestrian

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Old Formatting	See also date change at footer to reflect April 2020
<p>3. Rules of Competition</p> <p>3.16 Change of horse is only allowed for safety reasons or if a horse is sick or unsound.</p> <p>3.17 The official veterinarian's decision, if called by the judge, as to the serviceable soundness of a horse will be final for the purpose of awarding medals and ribbons in the class for which the vet was called. Otherwise, the judge(s) and the equine director will make the final decision regarding a horse's ability to compete.</p> <p>3.18 Unsoundness does not penalize a competitor unless it is sufficiently severe to impair the required performance. In such cases, the imposition of a penalty is at the judge's discretion.</p> <p>3.19 In case of a grievance, the event director will consult the judge(s), competition steward and/or the Equestrian Sports Rules Committee. Their decision will be final.</p>	<p><b>ADD:</b>  <b>3.16 Under no circumstances should sedatives be used on horses for Special Olympics Equestrian Sport.</b></p> <p><del>3.17-3.16</del> Change of horse is only allowed for safety reasons or if a horse is sick or unsound.</p> <p><del>3.18-3.17</del> The official veterinarian's decision, if called by the judge, as to the serviceable soundness of a horse will be final for the purpose of awarding medals and ribbons in the class for which the vet was called. Otherwise, the judge(s) and the equine director will make the final decision regarding a horse's ability to compete.</p> <p><del>3.19-3.18</del> Unsoundness does not penalize a competitor unless it is sufficiently severe to impair the required performance. In such cases, the imposition of a penalty is at the judge's discretion.</p> <p><del>3.20-3.19</del> In case of a grievance, the event director will consult the judge(s), competition steward and/or the Equestrian Sports Rules Committee. Their decision will be final.</p>