# Guide to the implementation of Amendments to the FEI Rules into the Australian Vaulting Rules.

For the past 5 years CVIS in Australia have been conducted as stand alone events or in conjunction with the Australian National Championships/ Other events. This has necessitated an increased need for compliance with the FEI Rules.

Changes the the FEI Rules occur frequently and of the randomly throughout the year. This irregular pattern presents challenges in maintaining currency between the FEI and EA Australian Vaulting Rules.

There are two main documents of importance and need to be watched for changes on the FEI website.

## **FEI Guidelines**

Refers to the overall judging components of all FEI event categories.

Judges and Competitors comply with these Rules at Australian and FEI events so when changes occur we adapt them after a set time. ( currently 3 months)

## **FEI Vaulting Rules**

Refers to the organisation and running of FEI events. For CVIs in Australia we need to abide by these rules but not necessarily for Australian Events so we adapt what is applicable for our National Rules after a set time (currently 3 months)

These are the main changes the Judges Group identified, could be additional minor changes.

It is advisable that all Officials, Coaches, Lungers, Competitors and Participants in the sport of Equestrian Vaulting keep themselves up to date with the current versions of the EA / FEI rules and policies which govern both international and domestic competitions.

Summary of FEI Changes for 2019 to come into effect on the 21 April 2019 ( 3 months after FEI changes as per Australian Rules Preamble)

## From the FEI Guidelines 2019

3.3.2 Squad Comp 2 Test

Flank 1<sup>st</sup> Part, followed by dismount to the inside (instead of Swing off from seat astride to the Inside)

Will apply to Advanced Squads

3.3.5 Individual Comp 2 Test

Flank 1<sup>st</sup> Part, followed by dismount to the inside (instead of Swing off from seat astride to the Inside)

Will apply to Advanced Individuals

- 3.5.8 Mechanics for Flank 1<sup>st</sup> part and Dismount to the inside
- 4.5.1 Assisted mount and/or dismounts will not be considered in the total number of exercises nor Will Degree of Difficulty be counted. Any performance faults will be counted.
- 4.7 Individual Free Test 2\*and 3\* level See Artistic Score Table Will apply to Advanced and Open Vaulters Freestyle.
- 4.8. Individual Free Test 1\* and Children See Artistic Score Table <u>Will apply to Intermediate Vaulters Freestyle</u>

**Technical Exercises** 

5.4.3 See deductions for Falls

5.5.1 Kneeling Forward to Stand Backwards , change from 4 to 2 held Canterstrides

5.5.3 Lower Arm Stand (new Strength exercise instead of Push up Backwards)

5.5.4 Mount to Reverse Shoulderstand (new jump force exercise instead of Shoot up mount) <u>Will apply to Open Vaulters Technical Test</u>

## From FEI Vaulting Rules 2019

## Article 702 Eligibility

2.1. Vaulters may only start once in any Individual Competition at an Event, with the following exception: When vaulters compete in a 1\* competition and earn the qualifying score to compete in the 2\* competition, this is allowed.

2.3. Vaulters may only start once in any Pas-de-Deux Competition at an Event, with the following exception: When a Pas de Deux competes in a 1\* competition and earns the qualifying score to compete in the 2\* competition, this is allowed. Will apply for CVIs in Australia

## Article711

4. The Horse must not be used for more than one Squad and two Individuals **per Event**, including all events categories (see Annex 4 – Definition) instead of **per Competition day**. Four Individual Vaulters count the same as one Squad. One Pas-de-Deux counts as two Individual

#### Vaulters. Will apply to CVIs in Australia

Article 719 Equipment of the Vaulting Horse 2.3 see Diagram for Roller 2.8 Backpad thickness increased from 3 to 4 cm.

## Will apply for Australian Competitions and CVIs