

SUBJECT: Dressage/Western Dressage Warm Up (USEF/EC) Amendment 1 (Blue)

(EXTRAORDINARY)

Refer to Chapter 9, RULE 101 & 102 for submission requirements.

Committees required to review: <i>(This section to be completed by the Agenda & Resolutions Committee)</i>	Committee Action:		
	Approve		Disapprove
Competition Advisory Committee			
Dressage/Western Dressage Committee			
USEF Arabian Division Committee			

CONVENTION ACTION:

_____ Approved _____ Approved with Modification _____ Disapproved
_____ Withdrawn _____ Referred to Committee _____

PROPOSED CHANGE: (**Check one**) _____ Add new rule _____ Delete existing rule X Change existing text
Indicate affected Article/Rule number (AHA/USEF/EC) USEF AR177.2

RESOLUTION: Use **bold/italic** for new wording, ~~strike through~~ to indicate deletion

- Whereas, The existing rules were originally intended to separate Dressage exhibitors from non-dressage exhibitors (Western Pleasure, Country Pleasure, etc.), and
- Whereas, Since Dressage and Western Dressage classes can run in the same dressage courts, Competition Management must divide the warm-up space, and
- Whereas, Competition management faces difficulties when show facilities lack large enough and available warm up areas to allow for required divided warm up areas for Traditional and Western dressage exhibitors, thereby having to create smaller than optimal areas leading to inadequate and unfair warm up, and
- Whereas, Competition managers are faced with additional financial strain if additional warm up areas must be rented to remain rule compliant; Therefore, be it,
- Resolved, That USEF AR177.2 be amended by adding a new point b. as follows:
- a. When cross entry by rider or horse/rider combination is permitted between Arabian Dressage and other Arabian and/or Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian classes at a competition, DR120 and DR121 apply only to the designated Dressage warmup and competition areas, or when exhibitor is actually warming-up for Dressage class.
 - b. ~~Competition Management will have the discretion to allow the Western Dressage exhibitors, following the Western Dressage Equipment/Attire rules, to warm up in the same warm up arena as the Dressage exhibitors. At competition management's discretion, Western Dressage and Dressage exhibitors may be permitted to use the same schooling area simultaneously.~~ and, Be It Further

Resolved, That the remaining section be re-lettered.

Effective: December 31, 2026, or when approved by USEF/EC

(If a Standard resolution, the effective date will be December 31 of the year after the Convention)

RESOLUTION TYPE (**REQUIRED**): Standard _____ Extraordinary X "If indicated as "Extraordinary", the proponent must list reasons which establish Chapter 9, RULE 101.3.a. has been met)

Horse welfare: example - an upper-level horse having to warm up for a test in small divided warm-up area that doesn't allow them to warm up their horse in such a way that it is ready for extensions and half pass etc.

PROPONENTS FINANCIAL IMPACT (REQUIRED): Refer to Chapter 9, RULE 102.6. & 102.7 for financial requirements

None

AHA IMPACT STATEMENT: (To be completed by AHA Staff)

Contact Person:

SUBMITTED BY: Dressage/Western Dressage Committee

Region Number:

☐ Member Organization ☒ Committee ☐ Commission ☐ Board ☐ Region (*check one* ☒)

Who voted: ☒ Members ☐ Board ☐ Delegates **(check voting body)**

Total Number Eligible to Vote: 125 Number of Yes votes: 68 Number of No votes: 1

How vote was taken: ☐ mail ☒ email/other electronic means ☐ phone ☐ meeting (**check one**) (**Must have Quorum with majority of yes votes**)

Where documentation of this vote is recorded: Zoom file, AHA ***(Must have printed documentation on file)***

Date vote taken: June 8-14, 2025

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