STANDING RULES OF AVA REGION III

2015

The Standing Rules of Region III may be changed, added to, or deleted at any Annual Meeting by a majority vote of the Region III adult members or at any Board of Directors meeting by a vote of a quorum of Directors.

# ARTICLE I: COMMITTEES

**Section 1. Finance Committee**

The Finance Committee shall be composed of the Treasurer, Auditor and one other adult Region III member to prepare a budget, recommend dues and fees necessary for operation of the organization.

**Section 2. Regional Championship Event Committee**

The duty of the Regional Championship Event Committee is to plan and organize the Region III Championships as an event with the approval of the Board of Directors and Executive Committee.

**Section 3. High Point Committee**

The duty of the High Point Committee shall be to set up rules and procedures for calculating Region III High Point Champions. The High Point Committee must keep records for determining High Point winners, select, order, and distribute awards at the AVA Region III Championship award ceremony.

**Section 4. Communications Committee**

The duty of the Communications Committee shall be to update the Region III members of upcoming Region III events, maintain the website, social media, and produce the newsletter.

**Section 5. Regional Equipment Committee**

The duty of the Region III Equipment Committee shall be to manage and maintain the inventory of vaulting and other equipment owned by Region III.

**Section 6. Education Committee**

The duty of the Region III Education Committee shall be to plan and organize various educational opportunities for vaulters, coaches, and lungers.

# ARTICLE II: FEES

**Section 1. Competition Fees**

1. Fees charged for competitions are $4 per vaulter per competition.
2. It is the responsibility of the Show Management to forward to the Region III fees to the Region III Treasurer in a timely manner.

# ARTICLE III: ADAPTIVE GUIDELINES

**Section 1. Purpose**

The purpose of the AVA Region III Adaptive Guidelines is to:

1. Create a set of guidelines for competitive equestrian vaulting athletes with special needs in AVA Region III.
2. Encourage and facilitate adaptive vaulting competitions throughout AVA Region III.
3. Establish a modified set of compulsories and freestyle rules to be congruent with the AVA National Rules.
4. Allow judges to focus scoring on the actual exercise execution and artistry.
5. Encouraging learning and improvement in the vaulter’s ability.

These guidelines may be altered by show management provided detailed description(s) of change(s) is noted in the Prize List for that particular competition.

**Section 2. Definitions**

In the context of modified vaulting events in AVA Region III, assistance is defined as: physical spotting, verbal cueing, sign language translation/cueing, and/or other such assistance from someone other than another vaulter or lunger involved in that event.

**Section 3. Modified Compulsories**

Modified Compulsories may be performed on the horse or barrel. If a horse is used for competition, the horse score percentage that is consistent with the AVA Standing Rules for competition will be used. Deductions listed below are for assistance.

| **1\* Compulsory/**  *Assistance Penalty Deduction* | **Modified Novice Walk** | **Modified Advanced Novice Walk** | **Modified Novice Trot** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 1. Mount   (mandatory assist) | **✓/**NS | **✓/**NS | **✓/**≤1pt |
| 1. Basic Seat | **✓/**ND | **✓/**.5pt | **✓/**≤1pt |
| 1. Flag | Vaulter’s choice of 2 additional moves to be submitted with competition registration/No Deduction for assistance |  |  |
| 1. Half Flag | **✓/**.5pt  **(Arm or Leg)** | **✓/**≤1pt  **(Arm or Leg)** |
| 1. Swing Frontways with Legs Closed | **✓/**.5pt | **✓/**≤1pt |
| 1. Stand | **✓/**.5pt  **or Kneel only** | **✓/**≤1pt  **or Kneel only** |
| 1. Free Kneel | **✓/**.5pt  **or Stand only** | **✓/**≤1pt  **or Stand only** |
| 1. Half Mill | **✓/**.5pt | **✓/**≤1pt |
| 1. Swing Rearways with Legs Open | **✓/**.5pt | **✓/**≤1pt |
| 1. Simple Dismount to Inside | **✓/**NS | **✓/**NS | **✓/**ND |

“✓” = Performance of exercise required as part of event.

**“NS”** = Not Scored.

**“ND”** = No Deduction.

**Section 4. Modified Freestyle**

Only E or M moves are allowed for modified vaulting events. If a D exercise is performed, 2 points will be removed from the total Content score. Deductions incurred from assistance are removed from the performance score for each exercise. If a horse is used for competition, the horse score percentage that is consistent with the AVA Standing Rules for competition will be used.

| **Freestyle (1 min)**  *Assistance Penalty Deduction* | **Modified Advanced Novice Walk** | **Modified Novice Trot** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Barrel | **Yes/**.5pt each exercise | **Yes/**1pt each exercise |
| Horse | **Yes/**.5pt each exercise | **Yes/**1pt each exercise |

**Section 4. Modified Barrel Pairs Freestyle**

Only E or M moves are allowed for modified vaulting events. If a D exercise is performed, 2 points will be removed from the total Content score. Deductions incurred from assistance are removed from the performance score for each exercise.

|  | **Modified Advanced Novice Walk** | **Modified Novice Trot** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| 1. Barrel Allowed | **✓** | **✓** |
| 1. Horse Allowed | **✓** | **✓** |
| 1. Mount Assist   (Scored on Form only) | Mandatory | Optional |
| 1. Assistance Deduction | ≤2pts Total Performance | ≤2pts Total Performance |
| 1. Able-bodied Partner Level | Any | Trot or Canter |
| 1. Time Limit | 90 sec. | 90 sec. |
| 1. DoD Level(s) | E & M | E & M |