

## **OHSET State Rules Committee Meeting #2 – October 9, 2011**

Please refer to minutes from Rules Committee Meeting Minutes from August 27, 2011 for reference. “Still agree” means the committee still agrees with their earlier recommendation, after discussion at district level and the judges’ clinic.

### **2.4.2 Polo Shirt**

#### **2.4 Athlete Uniform**

##### **2.4.6.1 Miscellaneous, No adornments**

All of these will be dealt with in the Uniform S.O.G. that is under development.

### **2.8.3.2 In hand trail**

Do away with Rule 2.8.3.2 entirely – remove all restrictions.

Yes – 5 No – 1

### **8 Year End District Points (page 44), 9 Awards (page 47), 30.3 State Championship Qulaificatons, 2.6 Athlete Participate in Meet**

It is possible in some events (particularly roping) for an athlete to earn a district medal but not qualify for state because they only participated in the event one time during the season. Past practice has been that if they earn a district medal, they qualify for state, but elsewhere the rules indicate athletes must participate in two district meets in the particular event. The consensus of the committee is that an athlete needs to participate in the particular event in at least two meets to qualify for State AND to earn a district medal.

### **14.12.3 Steer daubing in the box (page 55)**

Still agree.

### **18.6 Dressage**

Still agree.

### **24.4.3.4 Leg wraps in IHOR**

Currently they are optional. Consensus was to keep the rule as is, leaving them as optional.

### **25.3 Flags in Working Pairs**

Judges had some discussion about defining what a flag is. There was concern about opening it up to all sorts of things, since we allow costumes already. It was pointed out that the state board has consistently maintained that Working Pairs is NOT a costume class, but an equitation class.

Vote: No flags or other objects carried by the rider as part of costume – 4; Flags okay – 2

Karen will reword the language of the rules to reflect this.

### **25 Working Pairs Degree of Difficulty**

Still agree.

### **26.5.3 Spurs in Timed Events**

Consensus was that they could be either Western or English. In rule book 26.5.3, after spurs, include (Western or English).

### **27 Stock Seat, Western Trail (page 89)**

Still agree.

### **30.2.5 Other Awards**

Still agree.

### **Coaching from sidelines**

Karen said the judges agreed with the committees recommendation, so the committee maintains its original recommendation.

### **Coaching multiple teams.**

Still agree.

### **Allow bits with twist in Hunt Seat Equitation**

Still agree.

### **Dropped noseband**

Still agree.

### **Running Martingales**

Karen did additional research and found that any type of martingale is allowed so that is what the committee recommends.

### **Tack and Equipment Checks**

Agree to leave our rules as they are.

### **No cross judging of performance classes**

Still agree that this is not practical and not necessary.

### **Make score sheets public**

Still agree – NO.

### **Divide Hunt Seat Equitation into rail type and jumping type.**

Still agree – NO.

### **Driving – Thimbles and Breeching**

Still agree.

### **Helmets required for all riders**

Still agree.

## **Medical Insurance**

Still agree.

## **Take OHA out of rule book**

Still agree.

## **Eligibility (page 28)**

Consensus was that we agree we don't need a rule change because it's in our rules that we follow OSAA guidelines. But, we do need to identify consequences. In other varsity sports, OSAA vacates wins and imposes fines to teams that have athletes that play while ineligible. Bill said we need to do a better job with our coaches and advisors to make sure they know to ask the right questions about eligibility. Consensus is that all individual and team events that athlete participates in will be considered a "scratch" which means the same as if the athlete did not participate in those events. Districts should be able to handle dealing with consequences.

### **2.4.2.1 Should say "may only contain..."**

Still agree.

### **2.8.1.1 Controlled Medication**

Still agree. District chairs need to educate coaches, advisors, parents and athletes.

### **2.8.3 Horse in Working Fours and Drill**

Vote: Yes – 5, No – 1

### **18.2 Whips not allowed at state meet to include Dressage Trail**

Still agree.

### **28.3 Optional should include protective boots, leg wraps**

Still agree.

## **TIMED EVENTS**

### **In General**

Move Section 11 to rest of Timed Events and make sure it's consistent with other rules. Move Cattle Events, too.

Reorganize all rules within this section to be similar in sequence to the performance events – Equipment, then Event, then Penalties.

#### **26.2.4 Lariat Ropes**

Agree

#### **26.3.5.1 May be**

Agree

#### **26.3.6.2 Fitted properly as to.....**

Agree

**26.5.2 Re-word as follows: "In NO event will the course be reset during a team or individual run."**

#### **26.6.6.1 As soon as possible.....**

Agree

#### **26.6.1.1 .....and will be considered an elimination/No Time**

#### **26.6.3 Only athletes on course....**

Agree. It would still be okay to lead a horse in and get out before athlete is on course.

#### **26.6.4 Equine that constitute a safety hazard may be eliminated.**

Agree

#### **26.7 On course (all highlighted)**

Agree but as long as we clarify that this is not to be used to define what "off course" means.

#### **26.8.1 – 26.8.4 Regarding re-rides**

Agree but add "Rider must request a re-ride immediately."

#### **26.9.6 – 26.9.8**

Agree – in favor of all three parts.

#### **26.9.9 Off Course (participation points awarded)**

#### **26.11 Course Records**

Should include something about sending in all forms (in case someone ends up to be ineligible, for instance).

#### **26.11.3 Modify to say**

" The electronic time will be accepted as official as long as the manual time supports it."

**26.11.3.2 Move out and re-number to be 26.11.4, and allow all sub-headings to reflect change.** Note that there is a missing sentence at the end of this section, probably something about the athlete being unable to ask to have the original time.

**26.11.6.1 “...immediately following the meet.”**

Agree.

**26.12.1 Add “Texas” to barrels**

Agree.

**26.12.3.1.1 Reword to say, “All barrels must remain standing at the end of the run it is a No Time.”**

**26.12.3.1.2 Flags must not be moving...**

Agree but needs to be more carefully and clearly worded.

**26.12.3.1.3 Carrying a flag across the finish line is a No Time.**

Vote: Agree – 4, Opposed – 1, Abstain – 1

**Also note that we need to add that a flag remaining on the ground at the end of the run is a 5 second penalty.**

**26.13.1.1 Eliminations/NoTime**

Agree – try to make wording consistent for all events.

**26.13.3.1.2 The holder of the 4<sup>th</sup> horse.....**

Agree

**26.13.3.2.1 – Re-word to say,**

“Not carrying your flag over the start/finish line will result in an **elimination.**”

**26.13.3.3.1.2 Description of flags**

needs to clarify size of the flags, too.

**26.13.3.5.4.1 – 26.13.3.5.4.2.2**

Agree with all parts.

Diagrams indicated were left out. They will be included in the final document.