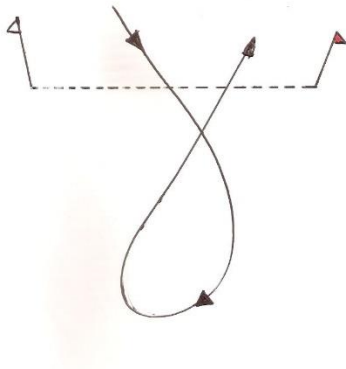


The Corner of JM



Here are the answers to the first 10 questions of the quiz

Question 1: Start of Round ⇔ Start of Time



There is no penalty because when the Athlete/Horse combination crossed the starting line for the first time it was in the wrong direction so the round didn't start even if the Athlete was in the time of the round already.

ARTICLE 203 BELL

1.2. [...] Incidents such as, but not limited to, disobediences occurring between the signal to start and up until the moment the Athlete/Horse combination crosses the starting line in the correct direction, are not penalised (see JRs Art. 235.3).

STARTING AND FINISHING LINES

Question 2

Minimum 6 metres and maximum 15 metres

ARTICLE 204 COURSE AND MEASURING

6. The starting and finishing lines may not be more than 15 m or less than six metres from the first and last obstacle. These two lines must each be marked with an entirely red flag on the right and an entirely white flag on the left. The start line and finish line must also be marked with markers with the letters S (= Start) and F (= Finish).



Question 3: The Starting line

The protest of Ian Van Limper (RSA) is founded and Ivanka Kelly (USA) must be eliminated (Art 220.2, 241.3.6)

The Athlete/Horse combination must cross the starting line (and also the finishing line) between the flags in the correct direction (FEI JR Art 207.2, 207.3, 203.1.2, 204.1, 220.1.2, 226.2, 241.3.6)

In addition, the Athlete must pass between the flags, red on his right and white on his left (Art 207.2) what that Athlete didn't do and it is an uncorrected deviation of the course (Art 220.1.2)

ARTICLE 207 FLAGS

(...)

2. At the obstacles, the starting and finishing lines and at the compulsory turning points, the Athlete must pass between the flags (red on his right and white on his left)

(...)

3. If an Athlete passes the flags on the wrong side, he must retrace his steps and pass them on the correct side before continuing his round. If he does not correct this mistake, he will be eliminated (see JRs Art. 220.1.2).

TIMING ISSUES

Question 4

There is no Rule in the FEI Jumping Rules or in the FEI General Regulation to sort that issue (no time at all for a Rider) and the recommendation of the FEI is to proceed as follows (Sven Holmberg FEI Seminar in Johannesburg, RSA, in February 2013):

- We may not invent a time for the round of Ian Van Limper;*
- We must place him equal with the rider having the best time of the 4 penalties i.e. 6th equal with Emilio Cerball;*
- He must receive the same prize money as Emilio Cerball; in this case both of them will receive 1800 €, they will not share the prizes.*
- The other Athletes with 4 penalties will receive their prize money as if Ian Van Limper was the last and not the first rider with 4 penalties.*
- The difference (here 1000 €) must be paid by the OC.*

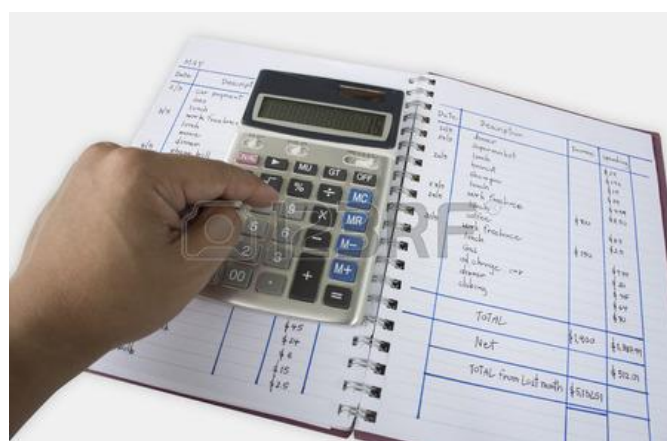


And hereafter are the final results of that jump-off:

Results of the Table A competition's jump-off (art 238.2.2)

1st 13'200 €; 2nd 8000 €; 3rd 6000 €; 4th 4000 €; 5th 2400 €; 6th 1800 €; 7th 1200 €; 8th 1000 €; 9th 800 €; 10th 800 €; 11th 400 €; 12th 400 €

	Margarita Estabel (ESP)	0 pen – 39.65''	1 st	13'200 €
	Gaetan de Montmirail (FRA)	0 pen – 42.76 ''	2 nd	8000 €
	Moshe Safra (ISR)	0 pen – 44.35''	3 rd	6000 €
	Mariano Panzani (ITA)	1 pen – 47.12''	4 th	4000 €
	Michael Johnson (GBR)	2 pen - 48.22''	5 th	2400 €
	Emilio Cerball (ARG)	4 pen - 42.67''	6 th	1800 €
	Ian Van Limper (RSA)	4 pen – no time	6 th	1800 € (like E Cerball)
	Emily Kelly (USA)	4 pen – 43.19''	8 th	1200 € (prize of the 7 th)
	Su Tsu Liao (China)	4 pen – 43.38''	9 th	1000 € (prize of the 8 th)
	Park Kim Sung (Korea)	8 pen – 44.15''	10 th	800 €
	Alex Papaioanou	9 pen – 47.64''	11 th	400 €
	Jos Vandenbergh (BEL)	ELIMINATED	12 th	400 €



Question 5: Change of Time Allowed

The complaint of that Athlete is not founded: if he exceeded the time allowed that was not because he ignored the time allowed was changed but because his horse resisted before starting his round in such a way that he crossed the starting line 6.70" after the countdown elapsed.

Question 6: Change of Time Allowed in a Jump-off

There is no specific Rule for that situation. However the FEI considers that the time allowed may be changed but only:

- *If the Ground Jury in consultation with the Course Designer and the Technical Delegate if present, decide that a significant error has been committed in the measurement of the course;*
- *After the first Competitor and only if that one completed the course without any fault;*

(FEI Jumping Committee jurisprudence; IJOC 2019 Amsterdam RS).

Why after the first competitor? Because if that change is done after the third competitor like that can be done in a first round (FEI Jumping Rules Art. 204.3), those three Riders could say that if they had known the time would be changed they would have ridden differently.

Why if the first competitor had no fault? Because if he had a fault, he could say it's because the time was incorrectly too short that he took risks causing the fault.

Question 7

In this case, the Judge may ring the bell to give the signal to start even if the competitor is not in the arena yet

According to FEI Jumping Rules Art. 241.4.4.1, the PGJ could eliminate the competitor:

FEI Jumping Rules ARTICLE 241 ELIMINATIONS

- 4. Elimination is left to the discretion of the Ground Jury in the following cases:*
 - 4.1. Not entering the arena when the Athlete's name and/or number is called;*

Thus, ringing the bell to give the signal to start gives the competitor a last chance to start and not to be eliminated at this stage but if the Athlete does not start and does not jump the obstacle no.1 in the 90'' (45'' for the countdown + 45'' after the time of the round has started), he will be eliminated according to the FEI Art 241.3.3.

Giving that last chance is fair of the PGJ who was understanding already while the Athlete was uncooperative.

[Abdullah Chabatli case during the Jump-off of the Grand Prix of the 2018 CSI 3 in Moorseele (BEL)].*

The answer would be different if the PGJ is informed that the Athlete is late because his horse lost a shoe or his bridle broke.

Question 8

The Athlete must be eliminated:

FEI Jumping Rules ARTICLE 241 ELIMINATIONS

3. The following paragraphs lay down the reasons for which Athletes are eliminated in Jumping Competitions. The Ground Jury must enforce Elimination under the following circumstances:

3.2. Starting before the signal is given and jumping the first obstacle of the course (see JRs Art. 202.5 and 203.1.2);

This is a case of mandatory elimination but the President of the competition is also to blame because he did not respect that basic rule:

PRESIDENT OF THE COMPETITION

1. He may never lose sight of an athlete from the moment he enters the arena to the moment he leaves it after finishing his round and must leave to his collaborators all administrative matters that pertain to their own functions.

(Memorandum for International Jumping Events updated 23 March 2010, page 6, point 1)

Question 9

The Athlete admits that he heard the bell, thus he had to stop (FEI JR Art 203.1.3) but he preferred to continue at his own risk (Art 233.2); his protest is not founded and the penalty must be maintained.

ARTICLE 203 BELL

1. The bell is used to communicate with the Athletes. One of the members of the Ground Jury is in charge of the bell and responsible for its use. The bell is used: (...)

1.3. To stop an Athlete for any reason or following an unforeseen incident and to signal to him to continue his round after an interruption (see JRs Art. 217.4 and 233);

ARTICLE 233 STOPPING DURING THE ROUND

(...)

2. If the Athlete does not stop when the bell is rung, he continues at his own risk, and the clock should not be stopped. The Ground Jury must decide whether the Athlete is to be eliminated for ignoring the order to stop, or whether, under the circumstances, he should be allowed to continue. If the Athlete is not eliminated, and is allowed to continue his round, the Scores obtained at the obstacles preceding and following the order to stop will count.

Question 10

When an Athlete stops voluntarily, the President of the competition must stop the clock immediately (Art 233.3) so that a correct time can be recorded regardless of whether the athlete was right or wrong. If the athlete has stopped for no valid reason he will be penalized as for a refusal and 6 seconds time correction will be added. If the athlete is right no penalties and no time will be added (Memorandum for International Jumping Events).

We must admit that the Athlete stopped for no valid reason seeing that the Judge didn't ring the bell but if we give the Athlete the benefit of doubt we can also admit he stopped in good faith because he believed that the bell had been rung.

I would put that incident in the same category as the unforeseen circumstances governed by the Article 233.3 below and I would not penalize that competitor but I know other Judges have another opinion and would apply Article 233.1 and penalize.

ARTICLE 233 STOPPING DURING THE ROUND

3. If the Athlete stops voluntarily to signal to the Ground Jury that the obstacle to be jumped is wrongly built or if due to unforeseen circumstances beyond the control of the Athlete, he is prevented from continuing his round under normal circumstances; the clock must be stopped immediately.

3.1. If the dimensions are correct and the obstacle in question has been properly built or if the alleged unforeseen circumstances are not accepted as such by the Ground Jury, the Athlete will be penalized as for stopping during the round (see JRs Art. 223.1) and the time of his round will be increased by six seconds.

3.2. If the obstacle or part of the obstacle needs to be rebuilt or if the unforeseen circumstances are accepted as such by the Ground Jury, the Athlete is not penalized. The time of the interruption must be deducted and the clock stopped until the moment when the Athlete takes up his track at the point where he stopped. Any delay incurred by the Athlete must be taken into consideration and an appropriate number of seconds deducted from his recorded time.