Rule Change Proposals 2021

Rule No.		Rule Addition/change
33.2.3	NOSEBANDS	For clarity ADD: Pony riders using a Pelham may only use a cavesson noseband.
33.3.1	WHIPS	Amend rule 33.3.1 33.3.1 Adult, Junior, Children and Pony Riders. In the Individual South African Championship classes and Individual Freestyle classes, whips are not permitted. This only applies to the Championships at the highest grade in each Age Category. No matter what the level of test or classification of rider. In this instance the whip is to be dropped outside of the arena enclosure and horse and rider may not circle the arena carrying a whip before commencement of the test. Failure to do so will result in 2 penalty points being deducted. In events where the whip is prohibited and the whip is carried longer than three movements, the athlete will be eliminated.
33.3.2	WHIPS	Amend Rule 33.3.2 to read: Whips are not permitted at CDI Status Shows nor the FEI WD Challenge Classes. Whips are not permitted in shows or classes held under FEI Rules.
33.3.7	SPURS	ADD: Horizontal and vertical round ball spurs are allowed for adults and juniors.
32.2.2	CALLING OF TESTS (Use of Phonetic alphabet)	ADD: The Phonetic alphabet may be used by callers for clarity.
32.10.9	RIDING OF TESTS: Commencement/Arena Bell	ADD: In the event that the Horse starts to defecate or urinate, the clock will be stopped until the horse is ready to continue at which point the clock will be restarted.
34.1.6	NUMBER OF TESTS IN A DAY	ADD: If a horse competes in a test at Medium level or above, it may not compete in any other level of test on the same day at any event.
DS/5 Note 6	COLOUR OF TAILCOATS/JACKETS	AMEND to read: Any tasteful and discreet single colour tailcoat or jacket (excluding the National Colour, unless awarded to the Athlete) will be allowed. Striped or multicoloured jackets are not permitted. Tasteful and discreet accents, such as a collar of a different hue or

		modest piping or crystal decorations, are acceptable. Only Dressage SA registered badges are allowed on jackets.
DS/7 Point 7	MAX NO. of	AMEND to read:
	COMBINATIONS IN A	At any event a judge may not be called upon to judge
	DAY	more than approximately 40 combinations in a day.
DS/8	DSA CHALLENGE -	ADD: The Show Holding Body shall ensure that the
	ARENAS	entrance to the dressage arena is closed once the
		Athlete has entered at A.
New Rule	WELFARE	In an event where the Athlete is completing two consecutive tests, a horse eliminated in the first arena for welfare reasons (irregularity, blood, performance) may not compete in the second arena.

Agreed to Member's Proposal but *not* as a Rule Change – Refer to Judges Committee to look at tests to incorporate

32.7.10	RISING & SITTING TROT	Add approx. 20m of Sitting Trot to tests from Nov 5.
		Trotwork may be ridden sitting or rising for the lengthened, medium and/or extended trot from Novice level up to and including Elementary-Medium Test 4.