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Status: Active

Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change GR843 - DRAFT 2

Rule Number: GR843
Rule Change Type: Extraordinary
Draft: 2
EO Reason: The AAEP recommendations and recent events concerning collapses and deaths at licensed competitions

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

Proposed Change:

GR843 Mandatory Reporting & Cooperation of Horse/Pony Collapse [CHAPTER Subchapter 8-F WELFARE OF THE HORSE] add and renumber as necessary:

GR 843 Mandatory Reporting & Cooperation of Horse/Pony Collapse

This rule applies to collapses of horses/ponies. For purposes of this rule, a "collapse" is defined as a fall to the ground with no apparent cause at any time from when entries arrive at the venue until departure from the venue. Other falls are not considered to be a collapse and are defined in GR122 and specified division rules. Refer to GR1035.4 for reporting requirements for all other falls and accidents.

- 1. The rider, owner, or trainer as defined in GR 404 shall notify the Federation Steward/Technical Delegate within one hour of such occurrence of any collapse of a horse or pony. When a collapse occurs outside of competition hours or before the competition begins, notification must occur within one hour after the Steward/TD reports to the show or returns to duty.*
- 2. The Steward/TD shall report to the Federation within one hour of notification of a collapse.*
- 3. In addition to the duties set forth in GR 1035.4, the Steward/TD shall file a collapse report form with the Federation within 24 hours of notification, except in exceptional circumstances such as no internet access at the venue.*
- 4. The Federation, at its expense, may appoint a veterinarian to inspect the horse or pony that has collapsed and provide a full report to the Federation. Refusal to submit an animal for examination by an authorized veterinarian after due notification shall constitute a violation of this rule.*
- 5. The rider, owner, and trainer as defined in GR 404 shall cooperate with the Federation as to any investigation it undertakes with respect to a collapse or death of a horse/pony. This includes providing information requested by the Federation within 10 days of the request.*

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Intent of Proposal:

Horse welfare. To address recent collapses and deaths of horses/ponies at licensed competitions.

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