

CHAPTER 14 - AUSTRALIAN JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS

14.1 General

- 1.1 The following are ~~Rules guidelines~~ formulated by the Equestrian Australia Jumping Committee (EAJC) to assist Organising Committees in the conduct of the Australian Championships. The EAJC reserves the right to amend these Rules at any time.
- 1.2 The Australian Jumping Championships is an Event conducted for and on behalf of the ~~Equestrian Australia~~, Equestrian Australia Jumping Committee (EAJC).
- 1.3 The Organising Committee (OC) is required to conduct the event within the ~~guidelines~~ Rules published by the EAJC.
- 1.4 The EAJC will appoint a Technical Delegate to assist the OC in its preparation for and conduct of the Australian Championships. The Organising Committee will advise the EAJC within 14 days of being granted the conduct of the Championships of their nomination for TD.
- 1.5 The Organising Committee must comply with the directions of the Technical Delegate appointed by the EAJC
- 1.6 The Australian Jumping Championships should be an Event in its own right, not absorbed into an existing Event.
- 1.7 The Australian Championships should be conducted over a minimum of four consecutive days

14.2 Prize money

- 2.1 The Event must have a minimum total prize pool of \$60,000; a minimum of \$20,000 in total, must be allocated to the three Competitions constituting the Senior Australian Jumping Championships.
- 2.2 Prize money for all Competitions constituting the Australian Championships will be distributed according to the following table.

° of Starters											
N° of prizes											
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	more than 12		
Winner	Prize 27%in kind	Prize 26%in kind	Prize 25%in kind	Prize 25%in kind	Prize 25%in kind	Prize 25%in kind	Prize 25%in kind	Prize 25%in kind	Prize 25%in kind	Prize 25% in kind	
2 nd	23%32%	22%30%	21%28%	20%27%	20%27%	20%27%	20%27%	20%27%	20%27%	20%	27%
3 rd	19%26%	18%25%	17%23%	15%20%	15%20%	15%20%	15%20%	15%20%	15%20%	15%	20%
4 th	17%23%	15%20%	13%17%	12%15%	11%14%	10%13%	10%13%	10%13%	10%13%	10%	13%
5 th	14%19%	11%14%	10%13%	9% 12%	8% 11%	8% 11%	7% 9%	7% 9%	7% 9%	7%	9%
6 th		8% 11%	8% 11%	8% 11%	7% 9%	7% 9%	6% 8%	6% 8%	6% 8%	6%	8%
7 th			6% 8%	6% 8%	6% 8%	5% 7%	5% 7%	5% 7%	5% 7%	5%	7%
8 th				5% 7%	5% 7%	4% 5%	4% 5%	4% 5%	4% 5%	4%	5%
9 th					3% 4%	3% 4%	3% 4%	3% 4%	3% 4%	8% to be dist. Between remainders	11% to be dist. between remainders
10 th						3% 4%	3% 4%	2% 3%			
11 th							2% 3%	2% 3%			
12 th								1% 1%			
TOTAL	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	

14.3 **Arena**

- 3.1 All Competitions are to be conducted outdoors.
- 3.2 The minimum size of the competition arena is 4,000 square metres, with a minimum width on the short side of 50m.
- 3.3 The minimum size of the warm-up arena is 1,500 square metres with a minimum width on the short side of 30m.
- 3.4 The Technical Delegate in conjunction with the OC and the Chief Steward will determine at what times the warm-up will be opened and the maximum number of horses allowed in the warm-up arena at any one time.
- 3.5 Additional arena space for warming up on the flat must be provided on a suitable surface.

~~14.3~~14.4 **Championship Divisions and Competition Format**

~~3.1.~~ 4.1 The OC is required to conduct Championships for the following divisions.

- Australian Senior Jumping Championship.
- Australian Young Rider Jumping Championship
- Australian Junior Jumping Championship.
- Australian Children's Championship
- ~~National Teams Trophy.~~
- ~~Young Rider Teams~~
- ~~Junior Teams~~

~~3.2.~~ 4.2 The following rules are to be used for all Championship divisions and Teams Competitions.

~~3.3.~~ 4.3 The Championship comprises Three Competitions, two Qualifying Competitions and a Final Competition, each taking place on a different day. For the Senior Australian Championship there must be a break of one day between the Second and Third Competitions. It is recommended that for the other Championships, that where possible, there is a break of one day between the Second and Third Competitions

~~3.4.~~ 4.4 The obstacle dimensions and speed of the competitions are to be advised in the Championship schedule. The maximum heights for the competitions are:

Division	First Qualifier	Second Qualifier	Final
Children	1.05	1.10	1.15
Junior	1.25m	1.30m	1.35m
Young Rider	1.35m	1.40 m	1.45m
Senior	1.50m	1.55m	1.60m

4.5 Entry Fee

For each of the four Competitions constituting the Australian Championships only one entry fee must be charged for the first and second Qualifying Competitions. A single entry fee will be charged and Athletes qualifying for the third and Final Competition will be

required to pay an acceptance fee.

4.6 Draws

4.6.1 A random draw will be conducted for Competition one.

4.6.2 For the second qualifying competition Athletes will start in the reverse order of points obtained from the first Competition.

4.6.3 The starting order in Round A of the Third and Final Competition is according to the reverse order of penalties (i.e. points transformed into penalties) after the Second Qualifying Competition.

~~3.5~~ 4.7 Allocation of Points for the First and Second Qualifying Competitions.
The winner of each Competition gets one point more than the number of starters in the First Qualifying Competition. The second placed gets two points less than the winner, the third placed three points less than the winner, and so on.

Athletes eliminated or retiring: Athletes who have been eliminated or have retired in the initial round of the first two Competitions do not get points and are not eligible for the third and final Competition.

Equality of points among Athletes: Points won by Athletes who are tied are added up and divided equally. Fractions of 0.5 and more are rounded up; fractions of less than 0.5 are rounded down.

Transformation of points to penalties

After the Second Qualifying Competition points are transformed into penalties. The Athlete with the highest number of points after the two Competitions will have 0 penalties. For all other Athletes the number of penalties will be calculated by multiplying with the coefficient of 0.50 the difference between their number of points and the points of the leading Athlete after the two Competitions.

In this procedure all decimals are rounded down.

Classification

The overall Champion will be the Athlete with the lowest number of penalties after the three Competitions.

An Athlete who qualifies for Round B of the third and Final Competition but who does not start in Round B will be ranked equal with other Athletes who started in Round B and are eliminated or retired in Round B of the Final Competition.

If Athletes are tied for first place after the three Competitions, there will be a jump-off against the clock over a reduced course of at least six obstacles. In case of equality of penalties and time in this jump-off a second jump-off, against the clock, will be held over the same course.

Athletes not in the jump-off but tying on penalties will be separated for the

purpose of the Final overall classification by their time in the second round of the Third Competition.

If due to any unforeseen circumstances the third and Final Competition is unable to be run the Championships will be awarded to the Athlete/s with the highest number of points after the first two Competitions.

If the Second Qualifying Competition is not completed no Championship will be awarded.

Starting order for Second Qualifying Competition and Final

In the Second Qualifying Competition, the starting order is according to the reverse order of points allocated after the First Qualifying Competition. The starting order in Rounds A and B of the Third Competition is, respectively, according to the reverse order of penalties (i.e. points transformed into penalties) after the second Qualifying Competition, and after Round A of the Third Competition.

Athletes with equality of points (after the first Qualifying Competition) or penalties (after the second Qualifying Competition or after Round A of the Third Competition) will retain the same starting order among themselves as in the previous Competition or round, whichever is applicable.

14.5 Qualification

5.1 Horses/Riders

5.1.1 For the Senior Championship horses must be eight years old and over on first day of Competition.

5.1.2 For the Senior Championship horses must have won or placed top 5, 1.45m and above in the previous twelve months.

5.1.3 For the Young Rider Championship horse/rider combinations must have won or placed top 5, 1.30m and above in the previous twelve months.

5.1.4 For the Junior Championship horse/rider combinations must have won or placed top 5, 1.20m and above in the previous twelve months.

5.1.5 For the Childrens Championship horse/rider combinations must have won or placed top 5, 1.00m and above in the previous twelve months.

5.1.6 A new combination can apply to the EAJC for a dispensation from the above qualifications. Dispensations must be submitted in writing at least 2 weeks prior to close of entries providing details of the rider and horse including a record of results, the highest level competed, how long the combination has been together.

14.6 14.6 Championship Competitions

~~3-6~~ **6.1** The design and construction of all obstacles with regard to safety and technical suitability must be approved by the Technical Delegate and Course Designer. The

minimum diameter of poles used in all Championship Competitions must be at least 9 cm. Should a dispute arise relating to these obstacles, the Technical Delegate has the final decision.

6.2 The water jump must be used in the first qualifier with rails above, and without rails in the first round of the final competition of the Championship for Seniors, Young Riders and Juniors. For Seniors it must be dug in. An above ground water jump is allowed for Young Riders and Juniors.

No water jump is allowed in Children's Championship.

First Qualifying competition

The starting order for the first Competition is a random draw conducted by the Ground Jury in the presence of the Technical Delegate

This First Qualifying Competition is conducted over a ~~big~~ Table A course and judged under Table C (JRs Art. 239 and 263) without a jump-off in the event of equality for first place.

The first qualifying competition for the Children's' Championship will be conducted under table A against the clock. Article 238 2.1. Speed 350m per minute. There will be no jump-off in the event of equality for first place.

Athletes will be allocated points for their placing according to penalties and time.

Obstacles: Twelve to 14 obstacles, including ~~one double and one treble or two or three doubles.~~ two doubles.

Height: As per the table in 14.4.4 with the spread in proportion to the height

Length: 500 m minimum, 600 m maximum.

Starting Order: random draw

~~The First Qualifying Competition constitutes Round 1 of the Teams Competition~~

Second Qualifying Competition

Conduct, Table, Speed: This Second Qualifying Competition is conducted over one round run under Table A against the clock at a speed of 375 m per minute for Seniors and Young Riders and 350m per minute for Juniors with one jump-off. (JRs Article 238 2.2)

Athletes and Horses which are tied for first place at the conclusion of the first round will jump off against the clock.

Obstacles: Twelve to 14 obstacles, including one double and one treble or two or three doubles, as per the table in 14.4.4, with the spread in proportion to the height.

A maximum of two spread obstacles with a width of one metre or less may be used. At least two vertical obstacles must be maximum in height.

Sloping walls do not count as compulsory vertical obstacles.

Length: 500 m minimum, 700 m maximum.

Starting order for the Second Qualifying Competition: In the Second Qualifying Competition, the starting order is according to the reverse order of points allocated after the First Qualifying Competition. ~~See 14.3.5 above.~~ Only the Athletes and Horses, which have taken part in the first Competition, may take part in Second Qualifying Competition.

~~(The second qualifying competition constitutes Part 2 of the Teams Competition)~~

Third and Final Competition

50% or 7 ~~the~~ 20 best placed Athletes (to be specified in the schedule) after the second qualifying Competition qualify for the first round (A) of the Third and Final Competition. Athletes on the same penalties for the ~~twentieth~~ last position will all be eligible to start in the Round A of the Final.

If there are less than 20 athletes who have elected to start in Round A of the Final they will be replaced by the next best placed athlete. A maximum of five athletes may be replaced.

15 Athletes will return for round B.

Conduct, Table, Speed: The Third and Final Competition is conducted over two rounds (A) and (B) each judged under Table A against the clock with a time allowed at a speed of 375 m per minute for Seniors and Young Riders and 350m per minute for Juniors (Art 273 3.3.2; Art 273 2.2). ~~To be specified in the Schedule:~~

~~15 Athletes return for the second round~~

Round A Obstacles: Ten to 12 obstacles, including one double and one treble or three doubles. The water jump must be used in the first qualifier with rails above, and without rails in the first round of the final competition of the Championship for Seniors, Young Riders and Juniors. For Seniors it must be dug in. An above ground water jump is allowed for Young Riders and Juniors.

Height: As per the table in 14.4.4, with the spread in proportion to the height. At least two vertical obstacles, which must be at maximum height. Water Jump must be used (see Art. 324.3): maximum 3.6 metres (including the take-off element). Length: 500 m minimum, 600 m maximum.

Starting Order: The starting order in Round A of the Third and Final Competition is according to the reverse order of penalties (i.e. points transformed into penalties) after the Second Qualifying Competition.

Round B: A different course from Round A comprising eight to ten obstacles including only one combination (one double or one treble). Round B must be able to be walked at the same time as Round A.

Height: As per the table in 14.4.4, with the spread in proportion to the height. At least two vertical obstacles, which must be at maximum height.

A water jump may not be included, but an obstacle with water beneath, in front or behind (a so called ('Liverpool')) may be included in the course.

Length: 400 m minimum, 500 m maximum.

Participation: At the completion of Round A of the Third and Final Competition the 15 best placed athletes qualify for the second round, Round (B) of the Final.

Athletes on the same penalties for the fifteenth position will all be eligible to start in Round B of the final.

Athletes who elect not to start in Round B will not be replaced and will be placed equal.

The starting order in Round B of the Third and Final Competition is, according to the reverse order of penalties (i.e. points transformed into penalties) after the Second Qualifying Competition, and after Round A of the Third and Final Competition.

Inspection of Course B

~~Athletes may be invited to inspect the course for Round B at the conclusion of Round A.~~

No other class will be run in conjunction with the Third and Final Competition.

~~14.4 Australian Speed Championships~~

~~4.1. In addition to the Australian Championships Organising Committees may also conduct Competitions for the Australian Speed Championships for Seniors, Young Riders and Juniors.~~

~~4.2 The Australian Speed Championships will be conducted on one Competition under Table C (239), Speed and Handiness (263)~~

14.7.5 Eligibility

5.1 7.1 Child Athlete: An Athlete is eligible for the Children's Championships from the commencement of the year of their 10th birthday until the end of the year of their 14th year.

5.2 7.2 Junior Athlete: An Athlete is considered a Junior Athlete from the commencement of the year of their 12th birthday until the end of the year of their 18th birthday.

5.3 7.3 Young Rider: An Athlete is considered a Young Rider from the commencement of the year of their 16th birthday until the end of the year of their 21st birthday.

5.4 7.4 Senior Rider: An Athlete is considered a Senior Athlete from the commencement of the year of their 18th birthday until the end.

5.5 7.5 An Athlete may compete in two consecutive divisions, i.e. Children and Junior, Junior and Young Rider or Young Rider and Senior

7.6 Athletes whose age allows them to compete in two divisions may do so but on different Horses.

5.6 7.7 An Athlete may ride no more than three Horses in any one division but OC may restrict number of Horses per Athlete in any one division.

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~~14.6 Teams Competition~~

~~6.1—A team constitutes three or four Athletes. One team member may be from another State or Nation only if the State has insufficient Athlete numbers available.~~

~~6.2—The teams Competitions are restricted to one team from each State, nominated by the State Branches.~~

~~6.3—The teams Competition will be conducted in conjunction with the first qualifying Competition and the first round of the second qualifying Competition.~~

~~6.4—Additional prizemoney may be awarded for the teams Competition in~~

addition to the prizemoney offered for the second qualifying Competition.

~~6.5 The teams' classes are restricted to one team from each State, nominated by the State Branches. If there is a visiting National Federation team, an Australian Team will be selected. The national teams will compete against each other.~~

~~6.5.1 Each state will nominate a team manager/Chef de Equipe~~

~~6.5.2 Teams must be nominated a day prior to the teams' Competition,~~

~~6.5.3 Athletes in the team's Competition will take their place in the normal draw for qualifying Competitions one and two.~~

~~6.6.1 At the conclusion of the first qualifying Competition the best three scores (as per individual scoring system) from each team are added together to give the team score.~~

~~6.6.2 At the conclusion of the first round of the second qualifying competition the best three scores (as per individual scoring system) from the team athletes will be added to the team's points from the first qualifying competition.~~

~~The team with the highest combined score will be declared the winner.~~

~~If there is equality of penalties for two or more teams for first or any subsequent places at the conclusion of the second round of the teams competition then the combined times of the three athletes who have contributed to the team score in the second round of the teams competition will be added together to give an overall team time. The team with the fastest combined time will be placed ahead of the other teams on the same number of penalties~~

~~6.7 If two or more Athletes of a team, participating with four athletes in the first or second round, are eliminated or retire, the whole team is eliminated. If one or more Athletes of a team participating with three Athletes in the first or second round are eliminated or retire, the whole team is eliminated.~~

14.97 Officials

7.1 9.1 Ground Jury

~~7.1.1 9.1.1 The Ground Jury shall consist of a President and a number of Judges of the appropriate categories selected from the list of FEI/EA Judges. The Ground Jury is responsible for the technical judging of all Competitions for which it is appointed.~~

~~7.1.2 9.1.2 The period of jurisdiction of a Ground Jury extends from one~~

hour before the start of the Competition or the Event until half an hour after the announcement of the final results of the Competition or Event for which the Ground Jury has been appointed. If an objection is made during the period of jurisdiction the Ground Jury remains responsible until the objection has been settled.

~~7.1.3~~ [9.1.3](#) The President of the Ground Jury must be from the list of FEI Officials

~~7.1.4~~ [9.1.4](#) The duties of the Ground Jury are set out in Article 159 of the Equestrian Australia General Regulations 7.2

~~7.2~~ [9.2](#) Course Designer

~~7.2.1~~ [9.2.1](#) Course Designers for National Championships must be selected from the FEI List of Course Designers and appointed with the agreement of the EAJC

~~7.2.2~~ [9.2.2](#) The Course Designer is responsible to the Technical Delegate - for laying out the course, building any obstacles and for measuring the course.

~~7.2.3~~ [9.2.3](#) The Course Designer must report to the Technical Delegate - when satisfied that the course is ready in all respects.

~~7.2.4~~ [9.2.4](#) A Course Designer may not compete in any Competition at a National Championship for which he has acted as Course Designer.

~~7.3~~ [9.3](#) Technical Delegate

~~7.3.1~~ [9.3.1](#) A Technical Delegate must be appointed by the EAJC for all EA National Championship Events, and are to be selected from the official EA lists.

~~7.3.2~~ [9.3.2](#) Technical Delegates are required to approve all the administrative arrangements for an Event from the time of their appointment until the end of the Event. They must commence their duties early enough to be able to satisfy themselves that the accommodation and the stabling for the horses, and the training area etc, are suitable in all respects.

~~7.3.3~~ [9.3.3](#) Any proposed visits to be made by the Technical Delegate, between the time of appointment and the beginning of the Event, must be arranged with the agreement of the Chairman of the EAJC

~~7.3.4~~ [9.3.4](#) The Technical Delegate should be at the venue of the Event at least on the day before the start of the first Competition.

~~7.3.5~~ [9.3.5](#) The Technical Delegate has the following duties and responsibilities at the Event:

~~7.3.5.1~~ [9.3.5.1](#) To inspect the course and arenas and to satisfy himself that the technical details are in accordance with the Regulations and Rules.

~~7.3.5.2~~ [9.3.5.2](#) To be satisfied that the course is fair and that knowledge of local conditions would not give an unfair advantage.

~~7.3.5.3~~ [9.3.5.3](#) To instruct the OC and the Course Designer to

make any alterations to the arena or the course, or to any technical detail associated with the conduct of the Competition that he or she considers necessary.

9.3.5.4 To help the Ground Jury to supervise the technical conduct of the Competition after indicating to the President of the Ground Jury satisfaction with the arrangements.

7.4 9.4 Veterinary Delegates

~~7.4.1~~ **9.4.1** Veterinary Delegate ~~are~~ **must be** ~~nominated by the EA and should be~~ appointed for all National Championship Events **and OC's must notify EAJC 14 days prior to the event of the appointed Veterinary Delegate/s**

~~7.4.~~ **9.4.2** EA maintains records of all FEI Event Veterinarians.

7.5 ~~9.5~~ Stewards

~~7.5.1~~ **9.5.1** The OCs of Events must appoint a Chief Steward and an appropriate number of Stewards under the authority of the Chief Steward wearing distinctive badges or other identification, with complete freedom of access to all areas mentioned in **9.5.3** below.

~~7.5.2~~ **9.5.2** OCs are responsible for the administration and organisation of the Chief Steward and the Stewards. Any irregularities must be reported immediately by the Chief Steward to the President of the Ground Jury. ~~One Steward must be on duty at the collecting ring whenever it is in use.~~

~~7.5.3~~ **9.5.3** During the whole Event in every part of the stables, exercise and schooling areas, collecting rings and all other areas under the control of the OC, the Chief Steward and the Stewards officiating at the Event shall:

~~7.5.3.1~~ **9.5.3.1** assist the Athletes in their reasonable training;

~~7.5.3.2~~ **9.5.3.2** where reasonably practical, intervene in time in order to prevent any abuse of the horse by riders, grooms, owners or any other person;

~~7.5.3.3~~ **9.5.3.3** where reasonably practical, intervene in order to prevent any contravention of EA Regulations and Rules or of the common principles of behaviour, fairness and accepted standard of sportsmanship;

~~7.5.3.4~~ **9.5.3.4** be familiar and assist with medication control rules and procedures.

~~7.5.4~~ **9.5.4** One Steward must be on duty at the collecting ring whenever it is in use.

~~7.5.5~~ **9.5.5** Any irregularities must be reported immediately by the Chief Steward to the President of the Ground Jury.

~~7.5.6~~ **9.5.6** At National Championships the Chief Steward is required to send a report to the CEO on the stewarding of the Event as a whole and on any incident which occurs during that event. A copy of the report must be given to the Steward General and to the President of the OC of the event.

~~7.5.7~~ **9.5.7** The Chief Steward must be a person experienced in equestrian sports, particularly in the Sport of the Event where appointed

to officiate. The name of the appointed Chief Steward should be published in the Schedule and in the program of the Event.

~~7.5.8~~ **9.5.8** Stewards are Event Officials. The Chief Steward must be from the list of FEI Officials

14.108 Timing Equipment

Electronic timing equipment with a visual display is mandatory.

14.9 ~~Arena~~

~~9.1~~ The minimum size of the competition arena is 4,800 square metres, 80 metres by 60 metres.

~~9.2~~ The minimum size of the warm-up arena is 1,500 square metres 50 metres by 30 metres.

~~9.3~~ The Technical Delegate in conjunction with the OC and the Chief Steward will determine the maximum number of horses allowed in the warm-up arena at any one time.

~~9.4~~ Additional arena space for warming up on the flat should be provided.

14.119 Speed of Competitions

The speed of all competitions for the Australian Championships will be determined by the Course Designer and the Technical Delegate after considering the size of the jumping arena.

14.121 Horse Inspections

All Athletes competing in the Senior Championship and the Young Rider Championships must present their own Horse(s) at the first Horse Inspection, which will be held on the day preceding the first qualifying Competition, and at the second Horse Inspection, which will be held after the second qualifying Competition and prior to the final.

Any Athlete, who fails to present his Horse in person at either of these inspections without first obtaining the permission of the Technical Delegate or his representative, will be fined \$100.00. Horses not presented for a Horse Inspection are not eligible to start.

14.132 Medication Control

~~12.1~~ **13.1** Medication Control is mandatory - Sampling of the winner and one or two random samples must be conducted in accordance with EA Rules for medication control.

~~12.2~~ 13.2 An appropriate area for Medication Control sampling must be provided by the OC and approved by the Technical Delegate and Veterinary Officer. Delegate.

~~14.13~~ **Entry Fee Equestrian Australia National Jumping Rules 73**

~~13.1~~ One entry fee for the four Competitions constituting the Australian Championships must be charged.

~~14.14~~ **Draws**

~~14.1~~ A random draw will be conducted for Competition one.

~~14.2~~ For the second qualifying competition Athletes will start in the reverse order of points obtained from the first Competition.

~~14.3~~ The starting order in Round A of the Third and Final Competition is according to the reverse order of penalties (i.e. points transformed into penalties) after the Second Qualifying Competition.