

Rule Change Type	Effective Date	Draft Received	Board Action
Extraordinary	4/1/2025	10/25/2024	

Extraordinary Change Reason

To align with current FEI rules

Rule Change Intent

This rule has shifted in point deduction and needs to be changed to reflect this change.

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Vaulting

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Linked Rules Comments

Committee Actions

VA127 Penalties and Deductions

1. Compulsories—*Pas de Deux*, Squad and Individual Events:
 - a. Up to one (1) point deducted for:
 1. Each landing other than on both feet only.
 2. ***Arm and leg are not raised simultaneously in Flag.***
 - b. One (1) point deducted for:
 1. Each stride less than 4 (Basic Seat, Flag, Stand).
 2. Each passing of the leg out of a 4-count rhythm in the Mill and the Half Mill.
 3. Interfering with lunge line or side reins.
 4. Touching neck in Flag without loss of form.
 5. No kneel (both knees) before Flag or Stand.
 6. Legs not closed throughout flight in dismount Swing off from the seat astride to the outside
 - c. Up to two (2) points deducted for:
 1. Time wasted: between taking grips and vaulting on, before commencing an exercise, and between parts of an exercise.
 2. Landing heavily on horse's back.
 3. Buttocks leaving horse during Mill or Half Mill.
 - d. Two (2) points deducted for:
 1. Exercise fails, but vaulter stays on and repeats successfully.
 2. Retaking grips in Basic Seat, Flag or Stand.
 3. Touching horse with hand behind surcingle in Mill or Half Mill.
 4. In Senior Events, when Basic Seat is shown. Flag receives the deduction.
 5. In Squad Events, a compulsory exercise shown out of order in which the vaulter stays on and repeats the correct exercise before dismounting.
 6. Repeating mount (first attempt unsuccessful; second attempt successful).
 - e. Score of zero (0) for:
 1. Coming off horse during a compulsory exercise.
 2. Retaking grips twice.
 3. Repeating a compulsory exercise twice.
 4. After Swing Backward, performing dismount in wrong direction (to outside). Swing Backward receives the zero.
 5. Turning the wrong way in the Scissors Forward and/or Scissors Backward (not turning toward the lunge).
 6. A compulsory, no part of which is performed at the required gait.
 7. Each compulsory exercise not performed.