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SANEF NATIONAL DRESSAGE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

CIRCULAR TO JUDGES, SHOW HOLDING BODIES AND COMPETITORS

CHANGES IN PROCEDURE AT GRADED DRESSAGE SHOWS

Effective 25 July, 2011

To: Show Holding Bodies

Please be aware of some required changes in procedure, applicable at all graded dressage shows in all provinces. Show holding bodies are to make available a suitable place where judges can meet in private, in order to discuss their respective marking, AFTER signing the official score sheet. This will proceed immediately after the class or prize giving. If a graded show holds SANEF Advanced or FEI Prix St. Georges, Intermediate I or Intermediate II competitions or higher, the show organiser is required to provide SANEF with a photo copies of the relevant test(s) for every competitor, as well as the official score sheet. These are to be faxed, emailed or posted to SANEF DTC Judges Committee, c/o Marika Kruger, P.O. Box 30875, KYALAMI, 1684, as soon as possible after the show.

To: Competitors

Until now competitors have been able to receive their score sheets immediately after the class. This practice will no longer be possible where there are two or more judges at a graded show. It is important that judges have the opportunity to review and discuss their judging **after** signing the score sheets. We request your patience in this regard. Please note that, as always, the decision of the judge is final once the score sheet has been signed, unless a mark has been omitted, or an error spotted. (SANEF RULES FOR DRESSAGE EVENTS, AMENDED JUNE 2011, SECTION 32.6.7).

To: Judges

As you are probably aware, competitors put the show officials under quite some pressure to receive their score sheets immediately after the class. Thus judges have not been given the time to adequately review their marking, which is common practice in most countries.

The following is now a SANEF requirement at any graded class where there are two or more judges:

Judges are required to make time after the class (es) to proceed to the private area provided by the show holding body, in order to discuss the marking. In particular, the judges must review those tests where the largest differences have occurred and where there are significant differences in the placings. This procedure has been put in place to provide a positive learning experience for the judges, to increase their knowledge and gain input from each other.

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