

31 March 2016

Dressage Western Australia
303 Cathedral Avenue
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Attention: Dinah Fleming

SECURING THE FUTURE OF PONY DRESSAGE

Dear Dinah

Thank you for your recent correspondence regarding Dressage Western Australia's (DWA) concerns regarding the future of Pony Dressage.

The Board of Equestrian Western Australia (EWA) has approved the recommendation outlined in your letter dated 4 February 2016 which includes the following:

1. The immediate implementation of a State rule which requires that Competitive Pony Competitions be offered at all Equestrian Australia (EA) Official Dressage events.
2. EWA will raise the issues relating with Pony Dressage Classes with the Australian Dressage Committee with a view to reversing the word "may" to "shall" in *Rule 1.15 (e) "Conditions of Entry for Horses and Ponies at Each Level"* as detailed below:

In official competitive and participant competitions any pony entries received may compete in any order in the competition. Separate prizes "may" be awarded for horses and ponies.

3. EWA will raise the issue with EA regarding a number of contradictions in the National Dressage Rules detailed in Appendix 1 to the DWA letter dated 4 February 2016.

The Board of EWA looks forward to working with DWA to secure the future of Pony Dressage in Western Australia.

Regards



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Acting Chief Executive Officer