



SECTION L: VAULTING

AMENDMENT SUMMARY

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2026 – AMENDED FEBRUARY 10, 2026

NOTE:

The following rules have been added or revised in the 2026 edition of the Equestrian Canada rules. All editions of Section A have been updated to include all of the changes in this document.

The following article numbers were amended February 10, 2026

- Article L303 Compulsories

ARTICLE L210 HORSE EQUIPMENT

It is recommended that all equipment be used in its manufactured state. The equipment of the Horse in the Competition Arena will be as follows:

- Protective tack covering to improve the comfort of the horse ie: extra padding on bridle may be used. Leather, sheepskin, or similar material may be used on any part of the bridle providing the material does not exceed three centimeters in diameter measured from the Horse’s skin.
- Bridle with smooth snaffle bit, with no more than two joints. Rubber bit guards are permitted. If an un-jointed rubber snaffle is used, the bit must be flexible. Minimum diameter of mouthpiece to be 12mm for horses and 10mm for ponies. The diameter of the mouthpiece is measured adjacent to the ring or the cheeks of the mouthpiece at the widest point. Nosebands (if used) must be flat. Nosebands are not required if a bitted bridle including a headstall, browband, and throatlatch is used. ~~Leather, sheepskin or similar material may be used on any part of the bridle providing the material does not exceed three centimeters in diameter measured from the Horse’s skin.~~

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ARTICLE L303 COMPULSORIES

Beginner/Intermediate	Advanced/1*	2*	3* Squad	3* and 2*Y
Vault on	Vault on	Vault on	Vault on	Vault on
Basic Seat (arms out)	Basic Seat	Basic seat	Flag	Flag
Flag (leg only)	Flag	Flag	Mill	Mill
Kneel (body straight, slight bend at hip)	Stand	Mill	FW Scissors	FW Scissors
FW Swing (legs closed)	FW Swing	FW Scissors	BW Scissors	BW Scissors
FW Half Mill (inside, reverse)	Half Mill (inside, reverse)	BW Scissors	Stand	Stand
Leg pass Dismount to the inside	BW Swing Leg pass Dismount to inside	Stand	Flank to inside seat (leg pass back to the seat astride)	Flank to inside seat (back to the seat astride)
		First part of flank, push off to the inside.	Push off to the inside Swing off from seat astride to the outside	Swing off from seat astride to the outside

Each static exercise (Basic Seat, Flag, Kneel, and Stand) must be held for at least four strides.

In Mill exercises, each leg pass must occur for exactly four strides.

ARTICLE L306 ELIMINATION FROM A TEST

Unless otherwise specified in the rules or in the conditions for the competition, elimination means that the vaulter and/or the horse in question may not continue in the current test.

The following paragraphs lay down the reasons for which vaulters and/or horses are eliminated in all vaulting tests.

During competition, the Judge at A in the following cases must apply elimination:

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Elimination of the vaulter and/or horse is left to the discretion of Judge A in the following cases:

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- If the Ground Jury feels that for any reason the horse or the vaulter is unfit to continue the test. This includes cases where the horse is showing signs of distress to a degree that may be negatively impacting the horse’s welfare.

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