

Rule Change Type	Effective Date	Draft Received	Board Action
Standard	4/1/2019	12/18/2018	

Proposed Change

**JP135 General** [CHAPTER JP-6 SCORING]

1. In principle, jumpers are scored on penalties incurred between the start line and finish line. A competitor, after receiving the signal to begin his/her round, is not being scored on penalties incurred from knockdowns or refusals until crossing the start line in the proper manner. **However, in the event of a fall of a Horse and/or Rider at any time from the moment the Horse/Rider combination enters the Competition ring, whether or not the signal to start has been given, the combination will not be permitted to start in the round or Class in question.**

Other rules linked to the proposed change in JP 135.1:

**JP139 Falls**

- 4. ~~A courtesy fence is not permitted following the fall of the horse or rider.~~
- 5. In the case of a fall **at any time in the competition ring** ~~while on-course~~, the rider may not remount ~~in the competition ring~~.

**JP144 Table of Jumping Faults**

10. Fall of horse and/or rider (except Fault and Out Classes and other classes with special rules) **A fall of the Rider and/or Horse after crossing the finish line does not incur Elimination.**

**JP145 TABLE II—Classes scored on Faults and Time**

3. Time first jump-off

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 b. Table II, Sec. 2 (b)—The first round and first jump-off, if any, are decided by adding together the faults incurred over the course and any penalties for exceeding the Time Allowed. If a competitor has gone clear in the first round, the competitor will, without leaving the ring, upon an audible signal, commence the designated jumpoff course. A competitor with a clear round may dismount, and with assistance if necessary, adjust tack and/or equipment; however, upon the audible signal to begin his/her round, the competitor is responsible to adhering to the 45 seconds rule as per JP136.3. **In case of a fall of a Rider and/or Horse after crossing the finish line of the first round, the Rider/Horse combination may not continue to the jump-off, and will be placed according to their Score in the first round.** A competitor who leaves the arena after a clear round (before or after the tone) will be considered to have withdrawn from the jump-off. If there are no clear rounds and a tie exists for first place, the results will be determined by the scores and time from that round. It is recommended that no more than twelve numbered obstacles be included in the first round when the class is scored under this table.

**JP148 TABLE IV—Optimum Time Classes**

2. Optimum Time in First Jump-Off

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 b. Table IV Sec. 2 (b)—The first round and first jump-off are decided by adding together the faults incurred over the course and any penalties for exceeding the Time Allowed. If a competitor has gone clear in the first round, the competitor will, without leaving the ring, upon an audible signal, commence the designated jump-off course. **In case of a fall of a Rider and/or Horse after crossing the finish line of the first round, the Rider/Horse combination may not continue to the jump-off, and will be placed according to their Score in the first round.** In the case of equality of faults in the jump-off, ties will be broken on the following basis: an "Optimum Time" (defined as 4 seconds less than the Time Allowed for the course) will be posted on the course plan; the horse with the time on course closest to this Optimum Time (over or under) will prevail in the tie, next closest next, etc. If there are no clear rounds, a jump-off, scored as described above, will take place among those tied for first place.

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Rule Change Intent

The FEI is adopting this language for safety concerns which prevents someone from competing if they fall in the ring.

Linked Rules Comments

Web: falls

Committee Actions

Council - Intl Discipline

**Draft 1:** No Action  
**Draft 2:** No Action

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USHJA

**Draft 1:** Recommends Disapproval 12/13/2018  
**Draft 2:** No Action

**Draft 1:** o USHJA is definitely in favor of this rule change, but for safety concerns, feels the effective date should be changed to 4/1/19.  
**Draft 2:** No Comments