

# **East/West Horse Driving Trial**

**June 19 & 20, 2010**  
**Vermilion Ag. Society Fair Grounds**  
**Vermilion, Alberta**

**Sponsored By**  
**ACDA East/West Chapter &**  
**Vermilion Agriculture Society**

## **Registration Package/Prize List and Course Information**

This competition is a sanctioned Bronze national competition member of  
Equine Canada  
2685 Queensview Drive, Suite 100  
Ottawa, Ontario, K2B 8K2  
And is governed by the rules of the EC

Every class offered herein is covered by the rules and specifications of  
the current rules of EC and will be held and judged in accordance with  
the EC Rule Book, Section A, C and H as applicable.

## **OFFICIALS**

<b>Organizing Committee</b>	<b>Irene Smith, Darlyne Copeland, Rob Munro, Frank Fulop, Sandra Haines, Edward, Haines</b>
<b>Ground Jury</b>	<b>Lore Homer Sam Shuman</b>
<b>Technical Delegate</b>	<b>Iris Davies</b>
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## Equine Canada Statement of Principles

Equine Canada (EC) the National Equestrian Federation of Canada supports adherence to humane treatment of horses in all activities under its jurisdiction..

### **EC committed to:**

**Upholding** the welfare of horses, regardless of value, as a primary consideration in all activities.

**Requiring** that horses be treated with kindness, respect and the compassion that they deserve and that they never be subjected to mistreatment.

**Ensuring** that owners, trainers and their agents use responsible care in the handling, treatment and transportation of their horses as well as horses placed in their care for any purpose.

**Providing** for the continuous well-being of horses by encouraging routine inspection and consultation with health care professionals and competition officials to achieve the highest possible standard of nutrition, health, comfort, sanitation and safety as a matter of standard operating procedure.

**Continuing** to support scientific studies on equine health and welfare.

**Increasing** education in training and horsemanship practices.

**Requiring** owners, trainers and exhibitors to know and follow their sanctioning organization's rules, and to work within industry regulations in all equestrian competition.

**Reviewing**, revising and developing competition rules and regulations that protect the welfare of horses.

**The** standard by which conduct or treatment will be measured is that which a person, informed and experienced in generally accepted equine training and exhibition procedures would determine to be neither cruel, abusive nor inhumane.

## COMPETITION INFORMATION

For this show each competitor must have a Bronze Sports License that can be purchased for \$45.00(yearly fee) on line at: [HTTP://members.equinecanada.ca](http://members.equinecanada.ca). This license can also be purchased at the competition for \$50.00.

Any horse entered in any class at a competition may, while at the competition grounds, be selected for equine medication control testing.

### **COMPETITION A – DRIVEN DRESSAGE**

Training will be ADS Test 4, 1994. Preliminary will be Preliminary ADS

Test 4, 1994. Intermediate will be ADS Test 4, 1994. The arena will be 40m x 80m for all divisions except VSE (30 x 60m). Presentation will be judged on the move during the dressage.

## **COMPETITION B – MARATHON Section E only**

The approximate distance of Section E will be 5 kms at the trot for Training and Preliminary all classes, except in obstacles which may be at any pace. Intermediate may use any pace on course or in the obstacles. From the last obstacle or 500 meters, the pace is walk or trot only. Speeds, distance and times for the classes will be posted on the bulletin board at the Show Office once the course is official.

## **COMPETITION C – OBSTACLE – CONES**

Cones will be run as a fault competition. The length of the course will be a maximum of 800m. The minimum clearance will be: Training 40cm. Preliminary 35cm and Intermediate 30cm. A bridge crossing may be used in Preliminary and Intermediate.. Maximum speed: Training 180 mpm, Preliminary 200 mpm., Intermediate 220mpm. Very Small Equine Training maximum clearance 35cm and maximum speed 160 mpm. Preliminary maximum clearance 30 cm and maximum speed 180 mpm

<b>Horses</b>	Over 148 cm unshod
<b>Ponies</b>	Large – over 137.2 cm to 148 cm
	Medium – over 127 cm to 137.2 cm
	Small – 99 cm to 127 cm
	VSEs – under 99 cm

**Note:** In a mixed height turnout, the speeds for the larger animal will apply. Horse/Pony combinations are allowed at training and preliminary levels only (Article 914.2.3).

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

1. Entry Fees: \$110.0 for 2 days  
\$ 75.00 for 1 day  
Medication Control Fee: \$ 3.50 per horse
2. Saturday evening the East/West Chapter – ACDA will host a supper for the Competitors, Officials, Volunteers, Sponsors and the East/West Chapter Members. The entry fee includes supper tickets for the driver and groom with extra tickets available for \$20.00.
3. The number of entries may be limited by the Organizing Committee. Entries will be accepted by the date on the postmark. Classes may be combined at Organizer's discretion.
4. Entries must be postmarked on or before June 4, 2010 and will not be considered official until the funds are received. If space is available, post entries will be accepted at double the entry fee. Entry fees will be refundable on receipt of a Veterinarian's or Doctor' certificate before start of show.

### **5. Driving Specifications: Competitions in Canada**

**Training (novice) Division** – An entry may be either: a) a horse that has not completed\* more than one Combined Driving Event (CDE) or more than two Driving Trials (DT) above the Training division, driven by a driver with any level of competitive experience; or b) a driver who has not completed\* more than one approved CDE or DT above the Training division with a horse of any level or competitive experience..

**Preliminary division** – the driver has completed\* at least two recognized Training Division CDE or DTs or had other equivalent driving experience. Suitable for horses in a regular training program.

**Intermediate division** – the driver has completed\* at least 3 Preliminary division CDEs. Suitable for horses with speed, boldness and in good condition.

\* **Note:** Completed means the entry is classified in each event including marathons without being eliminated, retired or withdrawing from any of the competitions.

**Competition Classes:**

**TRAINING DIVISION**

Class # 1	Pony Single
Class # 2	Pony Pair
Class # 3	Horse Single
Class # 4	Horse Pair
Class # 5	VSE Single
Class # 6	Open VSE Pair
Class # 7	Local VSE Pair (Open to

East/West Chapter Club members and competitors residing within the club area. 4 wheels and a groom are not required for Class 7. **Not eligible for EC awards Separate awards will be awarded to Class 7**

**PRELIMINARY  
DIVISION:**

Class # 8	Pony Single
Class # 9	Pony Pair
Class # 10	Horse Single
Class # 11	Horse Pair
Class # 12	VSE Single
Class # 13	VSE Pair
Class # 14	Pony Single
Class # 15	Pony Pair
Class # 16	Horse Single
Class # 17	Horse Pair

**INTERMEDIATE:**

**Class with fewer than three entries – refer to Event Regulations Paragraph # 3 below.**

6. **PRIZES:** Ribbon to 3<sup>rd</sup> place for each day for each division. Award for High Point in each division.
7. The Show Secretary will be at the show office and competitor packets will be available 5 pm to 9 pm Friday 18 June and 7:30 am to 8:30am Saturday 19 June.
8. Box stalls and tie stalls are available. Competitors must supply own bedding and feed, and \$10.00 deposit, refundable when stall is left clean. Stallion drivers must call Irene Smith at 780-853-2194 for arrangements.
9. A concession will be available on site.
10. Washrooms and showers available on site.
11. Camping on site is free: sites with power \$10.00 per night.
12. There are hotels and motels very close to site: The Super 8 Motel – Phone 780-853-4741 or Ventura Motel – Phone 780-853-5375.
13. Some competitors may have participated in event organizing or course construction.

**EVENT REGULATIONS**

**Note: Any discrepancy between any regulation and a reference Article number, the Equine Canada rulebook shall prevail.**

1. The Organizing Committee reserves the right to use its discretion in matters, not specified in the rules, to relax these regulations and to refuse or disqualify any entry for inappropriate conduct of behavior
2. The Alberta Carriage Driving Association and the East/West Chapter, the officials, all landowners on whose property the competition will take place and any affiliates will not be held responsible for any accident, damage, injury, illness or death to horse, owners, driver, grooms, ground personnel, spectators or any person on the properties whatsoever.
3. The Organizing Committee reserves the right to cancel, combine or divide any division to alter the course, advertised times or officials, if necessary. Three or more entries are required to fill a division and the management may combine classes with fewer than the required number of entrants.
4. All questions or complaints should be directed to the Technical Delegate. Complaints regarding an incident during the competition or the scoring must be lodged with the Ground Jury. There is no Appeals Committee (Appendix A-8).
5. In the interest of safety, it is the participant's responsibility to be certain that the harness and vehicle are sound and in good repair and that the horse/pony is in fit condition for its level of competition. A safe vehicle is required for all levels. Non-bicycle type pneumatic tires are allowed at the training level (Article 918.3.2).
6. Driver/Whips may use any method or style of driving (Article 917.1)
7. The only person to handle the reins, whip and brake during the competition shall be the Driver/Whip (Article 917.2.4).
8. One groom/navigator for a single horse or pony is required except Very Small Equine for Competition B (Marathon), one groom/navigator for pairs are **MANDTORY**, unless specified, as noted in the rules. All drivers are responsible for providing their own groom.... For Class # 7 – Local VSE Pair - 4 wheels and groom are not required.
9. A groom may groom for more than one entry, at the discretion of the Organizing Committee, time and scheduling permitting (Appendix A-9). Drivers may drive more than one entry, at the discretion of the Organizing Committee, time and scheduling permitting. The second entry must be classified separately (a different division) or as Hors Concur, in which case, the HC entry must be driven after the competing entry (Article 917.2.2).
10. The same driver/whip must drive the same entry throughout the event. However, in the case of illness, accident or physical handicap, the Head Judge and the Technical Delegate have the authority to allow a change of Driver/Whip.
11. Horse/pony must be serviceably sound and must show no evidence of lameness (Article C202.3)
12. The Ground Jury must eliminate any unsafe vehicle or unruly horse/pony (C301.2)
13. Anyone removing the bridle and reins from a horse while put to vehicle shall be disqualified (Article 902.3.3).
14. Drug and cruelty rulings will be enforced. No cruel bits are allowed
15. No schooling is allowed in Marathon Obstacles or Obstacle-Cones course. The penalty for infraction is **elimination** (Article 943.3.7).
16. Jacket (or conservative dress for ladies), hat, gloves, apron and whip are required throughout Competitions A & C. ASTM/SEI approved **helmets are mandatory** for all persons on a carriage in the Marathon (Article A905.4) and may be worn in other competitions without penalty. (Article C102.11)

17. Breeching and/or serviceable brakes are required (Article 918.1.3).
18. Over checks and Martingales or tie downs are not permitted. Side checks are permitted in Training Division only (Article 919.4). Working harness may be used. Boots or bandages are not allowed in Dressage (Article 919.2.1).
19. Training, Preliminary and Intermediate Levels. Spare equipment shall be carried at all times (Article 918.2.3) – one spare trace or splice, one spare rein or splice, hole punch, halter with lead shank per horse, spare hames strap for full collar harness. Pairs spare whipple/single tree.
20. Entries are not considered “**OFFICIAL**” until entry form is complete, all fees included and required signatures present. The Show Committee may refuse any entry without giving a reason.
21. Junior Drivers - Parental and Organizer consent required as per Appendix A-6.
22. The Ground Jury may disqualify any horse at any time during an event if, in its opinion, the horse is unfit to continue. No appeal can be made against this decision (Article 906.3.2).
23. A Safety Officer will inspect all vehicles.
24. A Waiver of Liabilities for a junior Drive/Whip or Groom/Navigator and EC disclaimer for all Driver/Whips must be signed at the time of registration.
25. Competitors must be members of a Provincial federation **or supply proof of Public Liability and Property Damage Insurance included with their entry.**
26. The ACDA Safety rules will be in effect. Signed safety check list required prior to starting the Marathon.
27. The age of the horse must be four years or older (Article 914.1.4)
28. Entry numbers must be displayed whenever an equine is put to a vehicle (Article 916.2.)
29. At this event slow moving vehicles, signs and reflectors are not required (Article 918.2.2)..
30. **No dogs will be allowed unless they are on a leash or in a kennel at all times.**
31. **Approved protective headgear is mandatory for everyone on a vehicle during the marathon, and for juniors at all times whether mounted or in a vehicle on the Competition grounds.** All headgear must be ASTM or BSI approved displaying the SEI seal, be properly fitted with safety harness secured (Article A – 905)

## **TENTATIVE SCHEDULE**

### **Friday, June 18, 2010**

**5:00 – 9:00 pm**                    **Show Office open for registration**  
**7:00 pm**                            **Official course walk and briefing**

### **Saturday, June 19, 2010**

**7:30 – 8:30 am**                    **Show Office opens for late registrations**  
**9:00 am**                            **Competition A Driven Dressage followed by**  
**Competition C**  
**1:00 pm**                            **Briefing for Marathon volunteers**  
**2:00 pm**                            **Marathon Section E**  
**6:00 pm**                            **Supper**  
**8:00 pm**                            **Presentation of Awards and Silent Auction**

### **Sunday, June 20, 2009**

**9:00 am**                            **Competition A Driven Dressage followed by**  
**Competition C**  
**1:00 pm**                            **Marathon Section E**  
**4:00 pm Approx**                    **Presentation of Awards, Silent Auction and**  
**Farewell**

**Please Note: The Show reserves the right to change times, and if so, will be posted. Order of Go and driving times will be posted on the Bulletin Board.**

**If you require clarification or have questions call the Organizing Committee**

Approved: March 12, 2010

*Iris Davies*

Technical Delegate

