

Dressage Tasmania

Statewide Event refund Policy

Effective 1 July 2017



Dear Members and Riders;

There are many costs associated with the running of Dressage events, for example;

- Surface and ground maintenance
- Judges travel and associated costs
- Catering costs (supplies purchased in the lead up to an event etc)

Organising Committees (OCs) may on occasion be forced to make the decision to cancel an event due to unforeseen circumstances, weather events, ground conditions etc. *Please Note* that such decisions are not made lightly by OCs and are made with the health and welfare of all competitors and their horses as the primary concern.

In an effort to lessen the financial burden on OCs the State Dressage Authority have agreed, that in the circumstance that an event has to be cancelled due to circumstances beyond the control of organisers, that a **non-refundable administration fee of 50% of the rider/entrant's entry fees will be retained by the OC** (excluding levies).

Refunds will be processed through Nominate, i.e. refunded into the credit/debit card you paid your entries with.

Further, competitors are reminded that entries are Non-Transferable, except where a change of horse or rider is agreed to by the OC, as per the current EA Rules for Dressage.

EA Rules January 2017

1.9 Entry of horses and riders

After the close of entries:

- a) any change of rider must be notified, in writing, to the OC no later than 40 minutes prior to the start of the competition. However, a rider of a horse may not be changed if another rider has ridden the horse on the day, either in warm-up or in a competition
- b) after the close of entries a competitor may only substitute a horse with the approval of the OC and no later than 48 hours before the start of an event

1.10 Scratchings/Withdrawals

In regards to any scratching or withdrawing from a test or competition:

- a) a competitor may withdraw any or all of the horses that he/she has entered, subject to the Conditions of Entry
- b) a refund may only be made if documented proof (i.e. veterinary or medical certificate) is produced within 24 hours of the completion of the event to the Event Secretary a refund shall be a minimum of at least 50% of the entry fee should be refunded.

