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General Regulations regarding measurement of Ponies at Pony Rider Champs

The maximum height allowed for a Pony to participate in Pony Rider classes will be 1.50 without shoes and 1.51 with shoes.

All ponies that were measured prior to the 1st January 2015 whether they were in possession of a life height certificate or not may be remeasured. Should they still be 1.50 without shoes and 1.51 with shoes - they will remain in the Pony Rider Category.

All ponies measured after the 1st January 2015 have to be measured at 1.48 without shoes and 1.49 with shoes, unless specified by the discipline's Rules such as Showing.

An SAEF/SASJ validation certificate will be stamped and signed by all 3 officials. The Following will apply:

1. Should a Pony be in possession of a "Life Height Certificate", issued prior to 1 August 2012, and it still measures 1.50 without shoes & 1.51 with shoes, the validation certificate will be endorsed as a permanent certificate.
2. Should a Pony without a Life Height Certificate, that was measured prior to 1 January 2015, and remains 1.50 without shoes & 1.51 with shoes, these ponies will be issued with a validation certificate valid for 12 months. (Therefore these Ponies may not be called up for re-measuring until the following year).

Should a Pony have been measured after 1 January 2015, and still measure 1.48cm without shoes & 1.49cm with shoes, these ponies will be issued with a validation certificate valid for 12 months. (Therefore these Ponies may not be called up for re-measuring until the following year.

Any pony measurement requested has to be done by an FEI vet agreed upon by the SAEF and SASJ Executive committee.

SAEF in conjunction with SASJ will be organising with the agreed upon FEI Vet, the SAEF Provincial Representative and an FEI Senior Show Jumping Steward, to conduct a country wide Pony measuring validation.

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SASJ will be funding the costs of the FEI Vet. All owners/coaches/riders/provincial SASJ offices will be notified with immediate effect as to which dates within your provinces the proposed height validations will be done. The objective is to once and for all settle the ongoing disputes over pony heights. SASJ is urgently addressing this campaign in order to avoid any conflict and upset at the upcoming South African Pony Rider Championships. Please note that this measurement process is available to all Ponies in all Disciplines.

SASJ is offering this opportunity free of charge. Should you not take this opportunity to have your pony/ponies measured prior to S A Pony Rider Championships and should a R1000 (one thousand Rand) objection be lodged against your pony and it is found to be over height, the pony will be disqualified from the event and from competing at pony level at all future events.

Should you not wish take up this opportunity to have your Pony measured the following criteria will apply.

Any pony may be measured at the request of any owner, competitor parent/guardian or an FEI official. A complaint may be lodged in writing for the measurement of a pony to the President of the Ground Jury/SASJ or DA Representative or Chief Steward.

This complaint in writing must be lodged with a deposit of R1000 (one thousand Rand)

Such deposit will be refunded to the complainant should the height of a pony in question measure above 1.51cm with shoes. Should the pony in question measure outside the prescribed height the person responsible for the pony or who entered the pony will be liable to pay the R1000.00.

Should the President of the Ground Jury/ SASJ or DA Representative or Chief Steward suspect a pony is over height he/she may request a re-measurement without being liable to pay the R1000.00 deposit.

Should any owner or person responsible for a pony in question refuse to have a pony re-measured the suspect pony will be disqualified from the event, with no reimbursement. The OC will then not be liable to reimburse such person or owner.

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Any pony being re-measured and found to be above the maximum height will be disqualified from any further participation in Pony Rider classes with immediate effect.

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