

CGA Rules Changes  
**FOR ALL RIDERS AND JUDGES**

Date	Change	Change	Comment
11/21/15 Convention	Bylaws, Article 5	Changed the wording in Article 5 of the CGA Bylaws to coincide with the Board of Directors Policy Manual Section 2, Ruling and Administrative Bodies, 2.1 "District Delegates are not a member of the Ruling Body. They may vote on General Membership issues at the Board of Directors meetings."	Per the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), if a District Delegate votes on financials, budgets, etc., they are considered part of the Board of Directors and CGA is required to file their personal information with the IRS annually with the CGA tax return.
11/21/15 Convention	Rule Book, Section 5.4	Changed Rule Book Section 5.4, Entering the Arena, to read: A. A rider may be assisted through the gate and up to the timing line. The assistant cannot pass the timing line inside or outside of the timing poles. Such action will result in disqualification. B. A rider must ride their horse into the arena. C. A rider may not school his/her horse prior to running the course. Schooling is defined as going around an obstacle more than once in a close, tight turn. Such action will result in disqualification.	
11/21/15 Convention	Rule Book, Section 5.1c	Added to Rule Book, Section 5.1c, Unsafe conduct inside or outside of the arena, (1) For the safety of the rider, other persons or horses that may be in jeopardy, such action may result in disqualification.	Intent: This gives the judge the ability to excuse a kicker, striker or biter that can endanger others. This previously only applied to the rider.
11/21/15 Convention	Tabled for MAC	Requested clarification of how the 80 foot foul line is in comparison to the timing line and timing poles. Is the valid starting point 80 feet from the timing line or timing poles?	
11/15/14 Convention	Rule Book, Section 3.5	Scratched the following in Rule Book 3.5 Pony Size: "All ponies must be certified by a CGA Master Judge annually and expire at State Show for the current season. Those animals that measure greater than 12.2 hands must be measured by 2 Master Judges or one Master Judge and the local Senior Judge." Replaced with: "All ponies must be certified by two (2) CGA Master Judges annually and expire at State Show for the current season."	
11/15/14 Convention	Rule Book, Section 3.1a	Section 3.1a, Removed the underlined wording: Clothing shall be neat and clean, <u>either Western or English riding attire, but not mixed, except where required for safety (i.e., hard hat)</u> . It now reads: "Clothing shall be neat and clean."	Intent: Take away the subjectivity for the judges since so much tack is now interchangeable.

