



# 2019 EA Australian Championships for Vaulting & SYDNEY CVI3\*



## Fitness Inspection of Horses

Known as the “Trot Up”, the inspection of horses prior to the Vaulting Competition is to ensure that the horses are “fit to compete” in this type of competition. In general, the following rules apply:

- The **person responsible** should present the horse unless prior permission to have a substitute lead the horse has been granted by the inspection panel. This notification should be in writing and submitted by Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2019.
- Present your EA registration papers or FEI passport with current vaccinations recorded.
- Horses should be presented in either a snaffle or double bridle with bridle number.
- Present your horse correctly groomed. Practice your presentation. Trot your horse at home up and down on a straight even surface. Make sure it trots quietly and obediently next to you.
- Handlers should be well dressed with correct footwear.
- No rugs or bandages, **no dye or paint on horses or hooves.** A rug may be brought to the marshalling area in case of a delay.
- A whip of up to 120cm only may be carried by the handler, if required.
- The inspection will take place in the Indoor Arena. Horses are to marshall just outside the arena.
- The horse must be presented in front of the Veterinary Delegate and Member(s) of the Ground Jury with EA registration papers or FEI passport.

- Walk and trot will be initially in a straight line in hand. The Veterinary Delegate and ground Jury reserve the right to watch the horse lunged if they feel it is necessary.
- The Veterinary Delegate must check the identity of the horse and note any obvious sign of injury or disease.
- Ensure that you have an FEI passport, if necessary, for your horse.
- The horse must be walked and trotted on a loose rein. If necessary, walk and trot may be repeated.
- Walk a short distance away from the veterinarian, then trot. Before the turn, bring your horse back to walk. Turn the horse around the circle away from you. Once straight again, trot the horse back towards the veterinarian.
- Before the horse leaves the inspection site, the Member of the Ground Jury must announce the decision of the inspecting panel: Accepted - Not accepted - Re-inspection.
- Horses held over for a further evaluation will be re-inspected at the end of the trot up session. The veterinary inspection at this time will be a private affair but the resulting trot up will be available for viewing.
- Chef d'Equipe must be present with their team horses in addition to their handler.
- All those involved with the horse undergoing inspection must be neatly attired.

**Holding Box:**

The Inspecting Committee may direct that the horse be placed in an officially supervised holding area for a further inspection immediately after the last horse has been inspected. The Examining Veterinarian, who must have specific orthopedic experience, will, in consultation with the Team Veterinarian or the Individual Competitors' Private Veterinarian, examine the horse while it is in the holding area. He will report his findings to the Inspecting Committee who will then re-inspect the horse and make a final decision.

**On the Day:**

The Trot Up will begin at 8:00 am. Horses and handlers will be required to present to the Marshalling Steward outside the Indoor Arena at the required time. Once identified by the Marshall, they shall be ready to present to the veterinarian. If the horse leaves the marshalling area for further work or for any other reason, it will be necessary to represent to the Marshall for identification and the horse's place in the draw will be pushed back. Marshalling will be approximately 15 minutes before the horse is to be inspected. This will be a move up draw so those horses that are presented without proper identification will be pushed back to the end of the draw.

There are approximately 24 horses to be examined so please be prompt, well presented and have your paperwork ready.