

# Series Rules

## Macedon & District Dressage Series Rules

1. Participation in the Series is open to all financial members of the HRCVA and Associated Clubs.
2. Combinations may compete at their assessed Dressage Level and the next Level above as per HRCVA Event Rule 3.2.1.
3. Unless otherwise specified in the MADS Rules, the HRCVA Dressage and Event Rules will apply.
4. The Series is made up of four individual official HRCVA Dressage Jackpot Competitions.
5. Entry into the MADS is included as part of riders' entry fees in the Club competitions.
6. Each of the four individual club competitions comprising the MADS Dressage Series is made up of two components:
  - a) The normal day's Level placings and jackpots for which club sashes/rosettes/trophies will be awarded by the host club as per HRCVA rule 25
  - b) Placings from first to fifteenth at each level will earn points towards the MADS Competition for that combination at that level
7. The final presentation to the winners and placegetters in the Series for each Level will be made at the conclusion of the last competition of the Series.
8. MADS points will be allocated for the Level in which they were gained by the rider/horse combination. Points are carried over to the next Level if a combination points up during the course of the Series, provided the combination competes in a minimum of 2 competitions at the higher level.
9. Riders may compete on more than one horse in the Series, with each rider/horse combination earning points as separate combinations.
10. Where there is a change of either rider or horse in a combination during the Series, then the new combination's points tally starts afresh from that point.
11. MADS placing points will be awarded to a combination competing at their assessed level over the course of the Series.
12. Placing points for the MADS will be awarded to a combination on the basis of jackpot 1st place = 15 points, 2nd place = 14 points, 3rd place = 13 points, etc.
13. To qualify for a Series placing a combination must compete at a minimum of three of the competitions in the Series.
14. No minimum percentage is required to receive placing points for the MADS; however the 60% rule will apply for the day's normal competition.
15. In the event of equal placings occurring the following process will occur to eliminate any equal placings:
  - The rider that has competed in all four events will be placed higher
  - The rider that has the higher number of points earned at the current level is placed higher
  - The rider that has the higher number of first places, then second places is placed higher
  - A summation of percentages will be used to break any ties.