

NBEA Concussion Policy for Sanctioned Competition

Article A 101 Accidents & Return to Play – Chapter 1 Section A General Regulations of Equestrian Canada

Summary of Policy.

This policy applies to falls that occur at the event location.

In the event of a fall/accident where a concussion can be reasonably suspected, (not limited to a direct blow to the head or loss of consciousness), the competitor must receive medical clearance by qualified medical personnel onsite, through the EC Accident Injury Report Form before continuing. The competitor is solely responsible for ensuring the onsite medical assessment takes place by the onsite qualified medical personnel. If the competitor refuses to be evaluated, he/she is disqualified from the event.

If the qualified medical personnel suspects a concussion (regardless of symptoms displayed), or believes that the competitor may be at risk of concussion due to the nature of the fall or impact, the competitor is suspended from competition until medically released.

Any competitor suspended from competing further at the event on the basis of any of the preceding paragraphs will be placed on a medical suspension list, managed by EC.

No competitor shall compete in an EC sanctioned event while on the EC Medical Suspension List. It is the responsibility of the competitor to refrain from competition and the competition organiser may refuse entry to anyone currently on the EC Medical Suspension List.