

SASJ SECTION 3 2019 DERBY RULES

THE SASJ NATIONAL DERBIES

1 CLASSIFICATION

Only the five competitions approved and authorised by SASJ as such shall be the official National Derby events:

- * Senior SASJ National Derby
- * Young Rider SASJ National Derby
- * Junior Derby SASJ Competition
- * Children's Derby SASJ Competition
- * Pony Rider Derby SASJ Competition

All hereinafter referred to as the Derby/natural fences, unless referred or specifically by name and no other competition held in the jurisdiction of SASJ and called a "Derby" may use the additional words "South African Derby" or "SASJ National Derby" or any similar wording. These competitions must be staged outdoors and in daylight.

2 QUALIFICATION OF RIDERS

- 2.1 Senior SASJ Derby is restricted to riders from the year they turn 18.
- 2.2 Young Rider SASJ Derby is restricted to riders aged from the year they turn 16 to the end of the year they turn 21.
- 2.3 Junior SASJ Derby is restricted to junior riders aged from the year they turn 12 to the end of the year they turn 18.
- 2.4 Children's SASJ Derby is restricted to children rider's aged from the year they turn 12 to the end of the year they turn 14.
- 2.5 Pony Rider SASJ Derby is restricted to Pony Rider riders aged to the end of the year they turn 16.

3 QUALIFICATION OF HORSES

- 3.1 All derbies are restricted to horse registered with SA Show Jumping as at the closing date of entries.

4 ENTRIES

- 4.1 Riders and owners of horses entered for Derby's shall be members of a SA Show Jumping as at the closing date for entries.
- 4.2 The Derby shall not be classified as official, nor the trophies and medals awarded, unless there are at least 10 starters in The Derby competition. Should the number be less than 10, application for dispensation to this rule may be applied for.

5 THE QUALIFYING COMPETITIONS

- 5.1 There shall be three qualifying competitions preceding the Derby. These are:

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| First Qualifying Competition | 274.2 – Two Phase Competition. |
| Second Qualifying Competition | 238.2.2 – Normal Competition with 1 Jump off. |
| Third Qualifying Competition | 238.2.1 – A2 Competition. |

- 5.2 In order to compete in the Derby a horse and athlete combination must have completed at least one of the qualifying classes.
- 5.3 The qualifying for the top 24 ranked combinations per class.
 - 5.3.1 In all qualifying competitions irrespective of the number of starters, the competitor placed first receives 50 points, the second receives 47 points, the third receives 45 points, and the fourth received 44 points and so on reducing by one point per place.

- 5.3.2 In the case of ties for any place in any of the qualifying competitions, the competitors that tie shall each receive the full point's entitlement or that place that they would have received had there been no tie.
- 5.3.3 There will be three qualifying competitions preceding the Derby, only 2 (two) best scores will be counted towards the Derby qualifications.
- 5.3.4 Competitors who retired or are eliminated receive no points.
- 5.3.5 The Organising Committee is required to ensure that no more than one qualifying competition take place each day.
- 5.3.6 No Athlete is permitted to ride more than two horses in the Derby class. In the event of an Athlete qualifying more than two horses, the Organising Committee shall, immediately the final list of qualifiers is known, obtain the Athlete's decision as to which two horses that Athlete intends to ride in the Derby Class.
- 5.3.7 In the event of a withdrawal of any of the qualified horses, additional horses may, at the discretion of the PGJ and the SASJ Technical Delegate, be introduced in order of merit into the Derby Class to maintain the number qualified.
- 5.3.8 No Wild cards for SASJ Derby will be permitted.

5 ORDER OF STARTING

- 6.1 The starting order will be drawn according to FEI General Regulations
- 6.2 In the Derby competition the order of starting shall be in ascending order of points gained in the qualifying competitions. (Reverse order of merit).
- 6.3 Where possible a gap of at least seven horses shall be allowed between horses ridden by the same rider. This shall be achieved by moving that rider's first horse upwards in the order of riding.
- 6.4 Where there is equality of points among the competitors qualified, the competitors will ride in the same order relative to each other as they did in the last qualifying competition.

7 CONDITIONS OF THE DERBY

- 7.1 This competition may be judged under **238.1.2**.
- 7.2 The course shall be of International standard. The competition takes place over a distance of at least 1000m and not more than 1300m, Young Rider and Junior not more than 1000m and Children & Pony Rider not more than 700m. 30% of the course should comprise efforts over natural obstacles and must be run over one round only, with a jump-off if so scheduled.
- 7.3 SASJ Electronic Timing, approved by EXCO, incorporating a displayed countdown facility, is obligatory for all qualifying classes and the Derby Class.
- 7.4 No entry fee may be charged for the Derby Class itself. Organising Committees may however charge a starting fee. For purposes of determining of Entry Fee Levies, such starting fee shall be deemed to be an entry fee.

8 SPEED

The speed for the qualifying competitions shall be 350mpm and for the Senior and Young Rider Derby - 400mpm, Junior Derby - 375mpm, and Children & Pony Rider Derby - 350mpm

5. ACCESS TO COURSE

As from the closing date of entries, no competing horse may be ridden in the vicinity of the derby arena nor in the vicinity of the permanent derby obstacles, until called upon to do so, under penalty of disqualification.