



## SADDLE SEAT

### BACK GROUND

The discipline SADDLE SEAT falls under the SAEC (*South African Equestrian Council*) and is associated with SANEF (*South African National Equestrian Federation*) and is managed by ESSASA (*Equestrian Saddle Seat Association of South Africa*).

**Saddle seat** is a style of horseback riding within the category of English riding that is designed to show off the high trotting action of certain horse breeds. The style developed into its modern form in the United States, and is also seen in Canada and South Africa. To a much lesser extent, it is ridden with American action horse breeds in Europe and Australia.

Gaits shown in Saddle Seat classes include the walk, trot, and canter. Some competitions may call for extended gaits, particularly the trot. In some cases, breeds that can perform five gaits add equitation classes that require two additional gaits: the "slow gait" and "rack." All classes require *Rail work*, where competitors show and are judged as a group going both ways of the arena. Saddle seat equitation may include individual tests or a pattern to be ridden. Tests may include backing up, mounting and dismounting, riding without stirrups, "addressing" the reins (i.e. picking up the four reins correctly), figure eights, serpentines and straight-line patterns done at any gait. At the canter, only simple changes of lead are required when changing directions. It is possible to have a "ride-off," where two or more riders are asked to perform additional work to determine the winner.

The goal of the Saddle seat riding style is to show off the horse's extravagant gaits, particularly the trot. All saddle seat riding is done on the flat (this means jumping is not involved)

## SECTION 1

**Since SADDLE SEAT shows will take part on the same day and at the same venue as the SANEF schools shows, the following will also be required of the SANEF Schools SADDLE SEAT riders:**

1. At all times the welfare of the horse must be paramount and must never be subordinated to competitive or commercial influences.
2. At all stages during the preparation and training of competition horses, welfare must take precedence over all other demands. This includes good horse management, training methods, farriery and tack, and transportation.
3. All SANEF Schools SADDLE SEAT riders and their parents/guardians are responsible for their horses and their horses' behaviour at all times. Should a rider choose to ride a stallion, the total responsibility for that stallion's behaviour and that of the safety of other riders in contact with that stallion, will be with the rider and his/her parents/guardian.
4. All SANEF Schools SADDLE SEAT riders of stallions may not compete unless they have lodged the "Stallion Indemnity Form" (available from [www.sanefschoools.org.za](http://www.sanefschoools.org.za)) with the SANEF Schools National office. All stallions must display the yellow "stallion tag" on their bridles and a yellow ribbon on their tail at all times.
5. The show organisers reserve the right to ask any person at any SANEF Schools SADDLE SEAT show to leave the venue should such persons, in the opinion of the organisers, display bad and unacceptable behaviour, including maltreatment of horses/ponies.
6. The organisers reserve the right to intervene at any stage should they feel that the horse and/or rider pose a safety risk to themselves and/or anyone else at a show.
7. No rider may enter for any SANEF Schools SADDLE SEAT show unless a parent or designated guardian accompanies them who take FULL responsibility for the rider and his/her horse/s.
8. Neither SANEF, SANEF Schools, ESSASA or a venue, nor its agents, employees, officers, officials, members, independent contractors, volunteers or any other persons associated therewith shall be responsible or may be held liable for any loss, damage or injury including consequential losses, suffered by or caused to any person or property on or about the property or premises on which any SANEF Schools event, competition, match, ride, practice or related activity or any other activity of the SANEF Schools of whatsoever nature is held, whether or not such loss, damage or injury is occasioned by any act or omission of the SANEF Schools its agents, employees, officers, members, independent contractors, volunteers or any other persons associated therewith or for whose actions they or any of them would be liable in law, or by reason of *vis major, casus fortuitous*, rain or other water, riots, strikes, theft or burglary with or without forcible entry, or by any reason or any condition on or off any grounds, building structures, premises or facilities on or about which any SANEF

SCHOOLS event, competition, function or meeting of whatsoever nature is held, or caused by any sporting activity, or by any other cause of whatsoever nature and howsoever arising.

9. All owners and competitors are personally responsible for damages to third parties caused by themselves, their employees, their agents or their horses. They are therefore strongly advised to take out third-party insurance providing full coverage for participation in any equestrian event and to keep the policy up to date.
10. All schools participating have to be registered with the relevant Department of Education. Regional and/or Provincial SANEF Schools committees will have the right to make a decision on the inclusion or not of those who home school.

These National Rules for SANEF Schools SADDLE SEAT are produced specifically for use at all events incorporating a SANEF Schools SADDLE SEAT competition and have been drawn up in the broadest possible terms so as to allow the Organising Committees and the National, Regional or Provincial Bodies, as much freedom as possible in the management of their Events.

SANEF Schools National and ESSASA reserve the right to amend the structure, rules and regulations for SANEF Schools SADDLE SEAT at any time when deemed necessary to the benefit of the sport, the horse and the rider.

If there is any doubt about the meaning of any of these rules they should be interpreted in the sense of providing fair conditions for all competitors. It is quite obvious that however complete the rules may be they can never cover every eventuality. If the matter cannot be resolved by interpreting the rules to the letter, the solution to be adopted should lie in the principle, which follows as nearly as possible to the spirit of the official text.

As is in all equestrian sports, SANEF Schools SADDLE SEAT must consider the interests of the horse as well as the safety of the rider as paramount.

### 2. CONSTITUTION AND RULES

- 2.1 These rules must be read in conjunction with the ESSASA Constitution and Rules (<http://www.essasa.co.za>), which form part of these rules and will apply unless specifically excluded or amended.

### 2.2 VISION

The main aims and objectives of SANEF Schools are:

- 2.2.1 To promote the recognition of Equestrian Disciplines as a team school sport.
- 2.2.2 To ensure the equal standing of Equestrian Disciplines with other school sports.
- 2.2.3 To encourage schools to recognise pupils' commitment to Equestrian disciplines when reviewing commitment to the school for colours and other honours.
- 2.2.4 To encourage less privileged schools and their riders to take part in competitions.

### 2.3 DESCRIPTION OF SANEF SCHOOLS SADDLE SEAT TERMINOLOGY

#### 2.3.1 SANEF SCHOOLS SADDLE SEAT

- 2.3.1.1 South African National Equestrian Federation Schools Association, in short SANEF Schools.
- 2.3.1.2 SANEF Schools SADDLE SEAT will differentiate between Primary and High schools.
- 2.3.1.3 Equestrian Saddle Seat association of South Africa in short ESSASA

#### 2.3.2 PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Primary School will include riders that are *bona fida* learners, irrespective of their age, up to and including grade seven (7) of all schools registered with their relevant Education Departments.

#### 2.3.3 HIGH SCHOOLS

Riders competing in this League will include riders that are *bona fida* learners, irrespective of their age, in grade eight (8) through grade thirteen (13) of all schools registered with their relevant Education Departments.

### **2.3.4 SCHOOLS LEAGUE**

- 2.3.4.1 This League will consist of a Primary Schools League and a High Schools League.
- 2.3.4.2 Riders in this League will be eligible for both Regional and Provincial School Equestrian Colours.
- 2.3.4.3 National School Equestrian Teams will be selected from this Leagues' National Championship should the opportunity arise for international competition.

### **2.3.5 SADDLE SEAT NEWCOMER CHALLENGE**

- 2.3.5.1 Only riders competing in Levels 0 will be allowed to ride in this Challenge.
- 2.3.5.2 Riders in this Challenge will not be eligible for any Regional or Provincial School Equestrian colours.
- 2.3.5.3 Although the Newcomer Challenge will be a competition on its own, their points will still be allocated to their school in the League competition.

### **2.3.6 MEMBERSHIP**

- 2.3.6.1 All schools must be registered with SANEF Schools National office.
- 2.3.6.2 A once off registration fee of R30, is payable to the SANEF Schools office.
- 2.3.6.3 Although a school may be combined Primary and High School, for the purposes of participation, they must be registered as two schools, each paying the once off R30.00.
- 2.3.6.4 The School Registration form is available on [www.sanefschoools.org.za](http://www.sanefschoools.org.za) .

### **2.3.7 AREA**

The provinces (and regions when applicable) will be as per the political provincial map of South Africa, modified where circumstances dictate by the SANEF Schools National Committee in collaboration with ESSASA.

### **2.3.8 QUALIFYING SHOWS**

- 2.3.8.1 Qualifying interschool shows will be held in each Province to select a Provincial School Equestrian team for the annual National Championship.
- 2.3.8.2 No school or rider may ride in more than one (1) Province in a year.
- 2.3.8.3 Should a rider change province during the year, the National office must be informed so that the rider can compete for the new province.

### **2.3.9 PROVINCIAL SCHOOL SADDLE SEAT COLOURS**

- 2.3.9.1 This will be awarded to all pupils who are selected, and who actually ride, representing their respective PROVINCES at the Nationals Championship.
- 2.3.9.2 This is the ONLY provincial schools colours that will be recognised by SANEF, SANEF Schools, ESSASA and the various Provincial Horse Societies.

- 2.3.9.3 Provincial schools colours will be in the form of a composite metal pin-badge bearing a bar (with the wording i.e. "Gauteng Schools" or "Mpumalanga Schools" etc) below the crest of the relevant provincial school sport structure.
- 2.3.9.4 ESSASA awards Provincial schools colours.
- 2.3.9.5 In the event that any province enters a second team for Nationals (no more than two teams will be permitted per Province), the members of the second team will receive the same badge as the first team, save that the letter "B" will be added on to the bar.
- 2.3.9.6 Pupils who received provincial schools colours, but who did not compete, will have their provincial schools colours withdrawn.
- 2.3.9.7 Please note that these are the ONLY provincial schools colours that will be recognised by SANEF, SANEF Schools and ESSASA.

### **2.3.10 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP**

- 2.3.10.1 This is the final School Equestrian event of the season held between all participating provinces.
- 2.3.10.2 Should the opportunity present itself to compete internationally, a National School Equestrian Team will be selected from this competition, unless circumstances dictate otherwise.

### **2.3.11 NATIONAL SCHOOL SADDLE SEAT COLOURS**

- 2.3.11.1 National School saddle seat colours will be awarded by ESSASA in collaboration with SANEF Schools National Committee. This will be National SCHOOL SADDLE SEAT colours, not Protea or normal ESSASA colours.
- 2.3.11.2 National School Saddle Seat teams will be selected from riders that competed at the National SANEF Schools Championship when the opportunity arises for International competition, unless circumstances dictate otherwise.

### **2.3.12 SEASON**

The qualifying season will run in a calendar year with finals no later than 4 weeks before the National Championship.

### 3. SADDLE SEAT IN SANEF SCHOOLS

The competition structure will cater for the spectrum of riders from development to excellence.

Levels currently offered in SANEF Schools SADDLE SEAT are:

#### 3.1 SADDLE SEAT EQUITATION (Three Gaited Division)

ESSASA rules: <http://www.essasa.co.za>

##### 3.1.1 Primary Schools

Level 0: In this class a rider will only be judged at a walk and a trot on a lead line. Riders may compete on any suitable horse/pony. Any suitable saddle may be used. A snaffle bridle and martingale may be used. Dress code is per SANEF rule

Level 1: This class will be judged at a walk and trot.

Horse: Any suitable horse/pony.

Dress code: Suitable riding shoes with heel, riding slacks or jodhpurs.

Tack: Any suitable saddle (Preferably a cutback saddle). Snaffle bridle with martingale (optional)

Level 2: ESSASA Rules for Equitation Development (Snowflake)

Horse: Any suitable horse/pony.

Dress code: Kentucky style riding pants with long sleeve shirt, tie, waistcoat and Derby.

Tack: Any suitable saddle (Preferably a cutback saddle) and Full bridle.

Level 3: ESSASA Rules for Provincial and National Trails

Horse: A registered horse/pony.

Dress Code: The informal dress for saddle seat equitation includes a coat and Kentucky jodhpurs of a dark, conservative colour, e.g., herringbone, pin stripes, black, blue, grey, dark burgundy, dark green or beige; a white or pastel collared shirt with a tie; derby or soft hat; and jodhpur boots

Tack: Cutback Saddle and Full bridle. The tail may be set if the breed allows for it.

### 3.1.2 High Schools

Level 0: This class will be judged at a walk and trot.

Horse: Any suitable horse/pony.

Tack: Any suitable saddle may be used. Snaffle bridle with martingale (optional)

Dress code: Suitable riding shoes with heel, riding slacks or jodhpurs

Level 1: This class will be judged at a walk, trot and canter.

Horse: Any suitable horse/pony.

Tack: Any suitable saddle (Preferably a cutback saddle). Snaffle bridle with martingale (optional)

Dress code: Suitable riding shoes with heel, riding slacks or jodhpurs

Level 2: ESSASA Rules for Equitation Development (Snowflake)

Horse: Any suitable horse/pony.

Dress code: Kentucky style riding pants with long sleeve shirt, tie, waistcoat and Derby.

Tack Any suitable saddle (Preferably a cutback saddle) and Full bridle.

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### 3.2 SADDLE SEAT PERFORMANCE RIDING (Three Gaited Division)

ESSASA Rules: <http://www.essasa.co.za>

#### 3.2.1 Primary Schools

Level 0: In this class a rider will only be judged at a walk and a trot on a lead line. Riders may compete on any suitable horse/pony. Any suitable saddle may be used. A snaffle bridle and martingale may be used.

Dress code is per SANEF rules

Level 1: This class will be judged at a walk and trot.

Horse: Any suitable horse/pony.

Tack: Any suitable saddle (Preferably a cutback saddle). Snaffle bridle with martingale (optional)

Dress code: Suitable riding shoes with heel, riding slacks or jodhpurs.

- Level 2: This class will be judged at a walk, trot and canter.  
Horse: Any suitable horse/pony.  
Tack Any suitable saddle (Preferably a cutback saddle).. Snaffle bridle with martingale (optional)  
Dress code: Suitable riding shoes with heel, riding slacks or jodhpurs
- Level 3: ESSASA Rules for Provincial and National Trails.  
Horse: A registered horse/pony.  
Dress Code: The informal dress for saddle seat performance riding includes a coat and Kentucky jodhpurs (Can be of different Colours); a white or pastel collared shirt with a tie; derby or soft hat; and Jodhpur boots  
Tack: Cutback Saddle and Full bridle. The tail may be set if the breed allows for it

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Horse: Any suitable horse/pony.  
Tack: Any suitable saddle may be used. Snaffle bridle with martingale (optional)  
Dress code: Suitable riding shoes with heel, riding slacks or jodhpurs.
- Level 1: This class will be judged at a walk, trot and canter.  
Horse: Any suitable horse/pony.  
Tack: Any suitable saddle (Preferably a cutback saddle). Snaffle bridle with martingale (optional)  
Dress code: Suitable riding shoes with heel, riding slacks or jodhpurs
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### 4. COMPETITION STRUCTURES, QUALIFYING AND POINT SYSTEMS

ESSASA, in collaboration with the relevant Provincial SANEF Schools committee, will determine the exact procedures for running their qualifying shows in their province during the season. Each Provincial procedure will be published on the website at the beginning of the season.

#### 4.1 QUALIFYING

- 4.1.1 Each province will offer a maximum of 4 shows per season and will publish their show dates on the website [www.sanefschoools.org.za](http://www.sanefschoools.org.za).
- 4.1.2 Only the points accumulated at the official qualifying shows will be used for any team selections.
- 4.1.3 Schools will choose riders to ride in any or all of the disciplines and levels offered in the SANEF Schools league shows as described in Section 3 of the SANEF Schools document.
- 4.1.4 In each of the competitions (i.e. all of the classes) at the qualifying shows, schools may enter as many individual competitors as they wish.
- 4.1.5 A horse rider combination may only ride once in a class but a rider with more than one horse may compete on different horses in the same class.
- 4.1.6 No cross entry of a horse/rider combination is allowed between the various levels in each discipline at any one show. The same horse/rider combination cannot compete in two levels in the same discipline.
- 4.1.7 No cross entry of a rider is allowed between level 0 and the other levels at any one show. A rider may elect to ride on higher levels at subsequent shows.
- 4.1.8 Only riders, who ride the majority of the qualifying shows in Level 0, may enter the Newcomers Challenge Championship.
- 4.1.9 A rider may not compete in both the Newcomer Challenge and the Provincial team event

#### 4.2 SADDLE SEAT SCHOOL LEAGUE SCORING

- 4.2.1 There will be an accumulative school score in each size category, which will determine the eventual placing of schools at the end of the equestrian league season.
- 4.2.2 All the qualifying shows offered in a province scores will count for the final schools results.
- 4.2.3 The individual scores of horse/rider combinations will be accumulated concurrently with the schools scores over the same shows offered in that province for Provincial Team selection.

- 4.2.4 Should a pupil change schools during a season, any points that he/she has already accumulated will remain credited to the school for which they were scored. Any further points that the pupil scores will be credited to his/her new school.

### **4.3 POINTS**

- 4.3.1 Points will be awarded according to the ESSASA scoring system rules.
- 4.3.2 All points will be based on placing points.
- 4.3.3 No points will be awarded for eliminations, retirements or no-shows.

### **4.4 SCHEDULES**

The National committee will provide a standard schedule to be used by all regions/provinces in their various qualifying shows during the year.

### **4.5 ENTRIES AND ENTRY FEES**

#### **ENTRY FORMS**

The following minimum information must be included on the entry form:

Name of rider

Name of the horse

Name of the school

Name and contact details of the teacher/parent in charge

Name and contact details of parents

Indemnity signed by parents

Classes entered

Entry fee due

Incomplete entry forms will not be accepted.

### **4.6 ENTRY FEES**

ESSASA together with their SANEF Schools Provincial committee will determine this. A fixed levy will be paid over to SANEF Schools National Office and will be determined by SANEF Schools National Committee in the beginning of each season.

### **4.7 PROGRAMS**

- 4.7.1 ESSASA, in conjunction with the Regional SANEF Schools committee, will decide on who will be responsible for drawing up all qualifiers programs.
- 4.7.2 Programs must be available for uploading onto the SANEF Schools website at least three (3) days before the commencement of the show.

## **4.8 RESULTS**

- 4.8.1 All original score sheets of each qualifying show together with the results must be sent to ESSASA after the show for record keeping and processing of results.  
All results, and a copy of the original score sheets, must be sent by ESSASA to the SANEF Schools National office for record keeping and uploading onto the SANEF Schools website not later than five (5) days after the show.

## **4.9 SUBSTITUTIONS**

- 4.9.1 In the qualifying shows, a substitution may be made of either horse or rider provided that they are from the same school and compete in the exact class.  
4.9.2 However, NO substitutions will be allowed for the National Championship and/or International competitions.

## **4.10 AWARDS**

- 4.10.1 Prize money will not be awarded at any SANEF Schools show.  
4.10.2 Rosettes and/or medals and/or certificates and/or trophies etc. may be awarded at the discretion of the Provincial and Regional SANEF Schools committee in collaboration with ESSASA.

## **4.11 SPONSORSHIP**

Organisers may raise sponsorships for their qualifying shows.

## **4.12 JUDGES AND OFFICIALS**

- 4.12.1 Suitably qualified Judges, as well as officials approved by ESSASA and SANEF, must be used for all the qualifying and final competitions.  
4.12.2 The decision of the judge is final.  
4.12.3 The lodging of any objection is to be done as per SANEF rules.

## **4.13 DRESS CODE**

- 4.13.1 All competitors for level zero and one must wear an approved hard hat with a three-point harness and correct foot ware at all times when mounted.  
4.13.2 School tee shirts and shirts with sleeves, school blazers or school tracksuit tops are acceptable.  
4.13.3 Jodhpurs or breeches must be worn.  
4.13.4 Black gaiters or chaps that look like gaiters are acceptable. No other chaps are allowed.  
4.13.5 Footwear and protective headgear must comply with the current SANEF rules.  
4.13.6 Long hair must be neatly tied back and preferably in a hairnet.  
4.13.7 Wearing of black or navy jodhpurs in any discipline is not allowed

#### **4.14 TACK AND TURN OUT**

- 4.14.1 For level two and three, tack must comply with the current ESSASA rules. For levels zero and one, SANEF rules apply.
- 4.14.2 If a learner wishes to ride under ESSASA rules in level zero and one, they are welcome with the exception of wearing an approved hard hat with a three-point harness.
- 4.14.3 In level zero up to level two, only snaffle bridles are permitted. Martingales are permitted.

#### **4.15 TEAMS AND SCORING AT NATIONALS**

- 4.15.1 No level 0 (Primary and High) classes will be part of the SANEF Schools National Championships.
- 4.15.2 **Provincial Teams** will consist of a maximum of **four (4) riders** per team.
- 4.15.3 A horse/rider combination must have qualified at the Provincial Qualifying shows or, where applicable, the Provincial Finals.
- 4.15.4 No cross entry of a horse/rider combination is allowed between the Levels.
- 4.15.5 No horse/pony may compete in more than four (4) classes on any one day.
- 4.15.6 Strictly **NO** substitutions are permitted at National Championships.
- 4.15.7 **Each Province** may enter **two (2) teams** at the annual SANEF Schools National Championship.
- 4.15.8 The top two (2) scores of each team in the top two levels in every class in each discipline (Show jumping, Equitation, Dressage, Performance and Working Riding) will count. All other levels, the top three (3) scores of each team will count. In determining the winning Provincial team at the National Championship. Individual places will also be awarded.
- 4.15.9 A rider is only deemed to have Provincial colours if he/she actually rides in a competition for which the colours were awarded.

## **4.16 SADDLE SEAT NEWCOMERS CHALLENGE**

### **4.16.1 Qualifying shows in Provinces**

- 4.16.1.1 Schools will enter their competitors, as in all the other levels, in the qualifying shows, on an individual basis.
- 4.16.1.2 There is no restriction on the number of competitors that a school may enter in one class.

## **4.17 NEWCOMER CHALLENGE CLASSES OFFERED**

- 4.17.1 Primary Schools Saddle Seat Level 0
- 4.17.2 High Schools Saddle Seat Level 0

## **4.18 SADDLE SEAT NEWCOMER CHALLENGE FINALS**

- 4.18.1 To qualify for participation in the Newcomer Challenge Finals, a rider must have competed in at least one (1) qualifying shows.
- 4.18.2 Riders enter as individuals in the Newcomer Challenge Finals.
- 4.18.3 Prizes will be allocated to individual placing.
- 4.18.4 No colours will be awarded to any Level 0 rider.
- 4.18.5 Scores accumulated during the Newcomer Challenge Finals will determine the overall placing of a school and province at the end of the day.
- 4.18.6 Only riders who have competed in the majority of their legs in Level 0 will be allowed to compete in the Newcomer Challenge Championship.
- 4.18.7 A Level 0 rider may not compete in the Newcomer Challenge Finals and the Primary and/or High School Finals/Nationals.

### 5 GENERAL

#### 5.1 MEMBERSHIP

- 5.1.1 Riders need to be registered with ESSASA. The membership fee for learners that are not members of ESSASA through their breed society will be R30-00 per year.
- 5.1.2 A rider may only compete for a school at which they are a *bona fida* learner.
- 5.1.3 All schools must be registered with SANEF Schools National through ESSASA under SANEF.
- 5.1.4 Horses and ponies do not need to be registered with a Provincial Horse Society or with a breed society unless riders wish compete in level 3.
- 5.1.5 All SANEF Schools committee members must be members of their Provincial Horse Societies at a nominal or no fee and abide by the Provincial body's and SANEF Schools' rules.

#### 5.2 DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES

- 5.2.1 If any competitor, parent, teacher, chef d'Equipe or instructor contravenes any of the rules, a disciplinary process as per the relevant SANEF Provincial body (e.g. *GHS*) will be instituted.
- 5.2.2 This could result in suspension for the Rider and/or suspension for the School and/or loss of Qualifying Points and/or loss of School, Provincial or National Colours.
- 5.2.3 Ill-treatment of the horse; substituting a horse illegally; bad behaviour of rider or parent, etc, will be subject to a disciplinary.
- 5.2.4 Schools will be informed of all disciplinary measures.

#### 5.3 HORSES AND PONIES

- 5.3.1 NO horse/pony may compete in more than four (4) classes on any one day.
- 5.3.2 Riders can ride horses or ponies of any size in both High School and Primary School Competitions.
- 5.3.3 No rider is allowed to ride a stallion at any SANEF Schools show in any class unless the Regional SANEF Schools Committee has granted specific permission and the relevant indemnity form has been completed and lodged. The form is available on [www.sanefschoools.org.za](http://www.sanefschoools.org.za).
- 5.3.4 Warming up of horses/ponies as per SANEF rules.