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APPLICATION FOR DOWNGRADING HORSE/PONY

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(Only applicable to a specific combination of horse/pony and rider where the horse is currently graded Elementary and above)

To: State Dressage Authority (where the horse is domiciled, registered, or to be transferred to) I wish to apply for the downgrading of the following horse/pony.

The person lodging the application must be the owner or registered lessee of the horse/pony. Downgrade applications must be submitted at least 30 days prior to the first competition at which it is proposed to officially compete the horse/pony at a downgraded level. Applications will be dealt with at the next available Committee meeting.

Title : Giver	n Name :	
Surname :		
Address:		
	PostCode :	
Email :	Mobile :	
Horses EA Reg Name:		
Horses EA Reg Number:		
Age of Horse:		
Horses Graded Level & Pts:		
Owners Name:		
Owners EA Number:		
Rider Name:		
Rider EA Number:		

FEE: \$30.00 including GST

TAX INVOICE

Enclose cheque/money order for \$ payable to Equestrian Victoria or I authorise payment of the above amount from my: VISA or MASTERCARD			
Cardhold	er Name:	Signature:	
Card:			
Expires:	cvc:		

DOWNGRADING HORSE/PONY Continued

Please supply the following information and include the Original Dressage Competition Licence. Please attach seperate sheet of information if necessary.

Experience of Rider:	
Name of Instructor:	
Experience/History of the horse/pony:	
Reason of Downgrading Request:	
Intended Use:	
Applicants Signature:	
Date:	

EA Rule 4.10

4.10 Downgrading of horses/ponies

Applications for downgrading of horses/ponies for any category of competition must be directed to the relevant SDA and the following applies:

- a) applications for downgrading must be made in writing with supporting documentation
- b) an application to downgrade a horse/pony must be made or endorsed by the registered owner or lessee
- c) each request will be considered separately and, on its merit,
- d) the decision to downgrade and to what level is entirely at the discretion of the SDA
- e) downgrading may occur only once in the duration of a rider's partnership with the horse/pony
- f) downgrading may occur more than once in a horse/pony's lifetime
- g) will only apply to those graded at least Elementary level and above
- h) must not exceed a maximum of three levels (e.g. Advanced to Novice refer to rule 4.8.2 for definition of levels)
- i) if the horse is ridden by someone other than the rider for whom the downgrade is requested, it must compete at its previous level and any grading points earned will be awarded in relation to that previous level.
- j) when a downgrade is granted the combination must fulfil any criteria regarding eligibility of horses/ponies for each level as outlined in 4.8.3.2.

In relation to Hors Concours (HC) please refer to Rule 4.12