

Motives of Non-Completion, Dictionary of Terms

- la** – This to be used when a horse has failed to qualify due to lameness reasons.
- me** – This is to be used when a horse has failed to qualify for metabolic reasons but receives no veterinary treatment. This could be due to a high heart rate, or any other metabolic reason.
- tr** – This is to be used if a horse has been eliminated for metabolic reasons and has received veterinary treatment.
- ret** – This is to be used when a horse passes the veterinary check at a vet gate but the rider chooses not to leave onto the following loop. A horse/rider can only retire at a vet gate and only if they have passed all veterinary checks at the specific vet gate.
- el** – This is to be used when a rider is eliminated perhaps due to error of course, or if the rider weighs under weight when arriving at a vet gate etc.
- pr** – This is to be used if the horse fails the Pre-Ride veterinary examination.
- ab** – This is to be used if the whole event is abandoned, perhaps due to severe weather conditions.
- np** – This is to be used when a horse/rider makes an entry but fails to turn up for the ride.
- dis** – This is to be used if a rider is disqualified, perhaps due to abuse of an official or due to horse cruelty etc.

If a horse or rider stops or is stopped on course it must be marked as having failed to qualify at the following vet gate as the horse has failed to complete the next loop. Please provide details as to why the combination have failed to reach the next vet gate.

For example, if a horse falls on the course on the second loop and is lame following the fall and stops, it must be marked as 'el-la' at the third vet gate.

If the horse is stopped by the vets on loop 4 as it is too tired to continue, and the horse receives treatment it must be marked as 'el-tr' at the fifth vet gate.

If the rider becomes lost on the third loop and chooses not to continue but it taken off from the course, this must be marked as 'el-el' at the fourth vet gate.

If a horse fails to qualify for more than one reason i.e the horse is lame and also has metabolic problems then all causes of elimination should be marked i.e la/me or la/tr.