

FAQ no 28 - Why Can't You Change The Draw?

The short answer:

Entries finally close on the Friday night and the draw is done on the weekend. Great you think - it'll be on the website now.

First we have to:

- allocate judges
- send the draw to the judges to check for conflicts of interest
- re-allocate judges in classes because of conflicts of interest you haven't informed us of
- get extra judges to cover classes because of conflicts of interest
- allow time for judges to change arenas if necessary (depending on the mix of classes and which classes judges can judge)

But the draw has to be done before we can allocate judges ...

Entries have closed but I still want to enter:

If the draw for your arena is complete, you're too late.

Putting an extra rider in affects:

- those riding multiple horses would have ALL their times altered and then it usually doesn't allow them enough time between horses. If we have even only 3 riders with 2 horses each that's 12 tests to be spaced out nicely, assuming they're not all trying to ride in the same classes!
- where judges need to change arenas between classes those classes get further delayed
- even adding one person has a ripple effect on the other arenas and the draw would have to largely be redone.
- by this stage we are very close to needing to put the draw on the website to give you all enough time to find your times and plan your weekend.

I want to change my time – I forgot I had an engagement party, have friends coming over etc etc

The same things apply as putting in an extra rider – your change can affect a lot of people. Please consider others and don't ask.

It's actually even more complex than this but you get the picture. If you ask us to redo the draw so you can fit in your 10 horses that you need to qualify for an Interstate comp - you will miss out 😊