

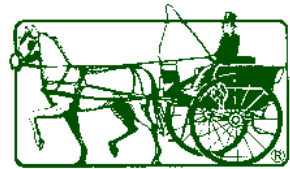
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Dear Sir, Madam,

Were writing this letter on behalf of the new rule about the rubber profile on the carriage wheels.

We like to inform you on the impacts of the new rule.

We are very proud that we have drivers, clients around the world driving and performing on the highest levels of all FEI competitions with carriages from our manufactory

With the new rule all carriages with profile on the rubber wheels need to get all new rubber vulcanised on the wheels, with this change all the drivers are forced to all the extra costs. When we have to change the rubber on the wheels all wheels need to be repainted and need to get new lining because the paint will burn from the vulcanising of the new rubber on the wheels.

The costs to make the new rubber on the wheels and repaint the wheels and new lining will cost around € 3.500,-- excl VAT. each carriage

With this new rule all the drivers are getting forced to the extra costs of this intervention.

Our opinion of this new rule is that this is not thought about it, in the years the courses are changed to really fast speedy courses. We have applied the profile on the carriage wheels to get a better grip and a safer drive ( without the profile the carriages are sliding out in the turns and speedy courses). So in our opinion this new rule is bringing down the safety of the sport which is really important in these days.

What we have heard is that the carriages will be measured on the smallest point on the hard concrete surface, the carriages are driving in sand or gras arena's when the carriages are on that surface the profile is in the ground and the wide flat spot is level with the flooring of the arena.

Another side note is that we have a delivery time of a year for our new carriages and we have a lot of work, when we have to change all carriages made by us around the whole world that are competing on FEI competitions ( approx 400 carriages) it will take already more that 1 year to get this changed to the new rule expectations.

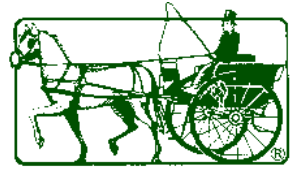
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We hope by this letter that we gave you a good overview about all the extra costs and unsafety that this will bring in the driving sport, which is already getting more attackable by the days.

Yours faithfully,

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