

Dressage – Rules & Conditions

Monthly Dressage competitions

Intro & Prelim classes are split into restricted & open sections, Novice classes are open.

A competitor may not compete in the Intro classes and the Novice classes on the same horse.

Intro Class sections

1. Restricted section – for horse and rider combinations that have not been placed 1st in an Intro class.
2. Open section – for combinations that have won an Intro class.
3. If a combination wins the first Intro class at a competition they will be moved up to the open section for the next class.

Prelim Class sections

1. Restricted section – for horse and rider combinations that have not been placed 1st in a Prelim class twice.
2. Open section – for combinations that have won a Prelim class **twice**.

Members Only Dressage championship.

Members can accumulate points won at the dressage competitions run through the year.

1. The class is scored as a whole and not divided into restricted and open sections.
2. Points are awarded as follows – 6 points for 1st place, 5 points for 2nd down to 1 point for 6th place.
3. If two people have an equal score ie for 2nd place then the points for that and the lower place ie. 2nd & 3rd will be divided between the two people ie both will get 4.5 points each.

General Rules & Conditions

- All competitors take part at their OWN RISK and are expected to exercise due care at all times and obey all notices displayed. The organisers and the land owners accept NO responsibility for any loss, damage or injury that may be sustained in connection with the show to any person, animal or property. It shall be a condition of entry that competitors will hold the organisers blameless and indemnify them against any loss, damage or legal proceedings.
- Withdrawal before the closing date – full refund

- Withdrawal after closing date – no refund
- Hard hats, to BHS specification, MUST be worn at all times whilst mounted or competing. Please note new rules from 2016.....

Hats bearing only the EN1384 or BSEN1384 standard will no longer be accepted under BHS hat rules for 2016. However, hats would be acceptable if they carry EN1384 or BSEN1384 and another standard such as those listed: PAS 015 (1998 or 2011), VG1 01.040 (2014-12), ASTM F1163 (2004a or 04a onwards), SNELL E2001, AS/NZS 3838 (2006 onwards)

- The judge's decision is final
- The organiser has the right to:
 - o Refuse any entry with or without reason
 - o Eliminate any competitor not adhering to the rules
 - o Alter the advertised times
- Dogs must be kept on leads
- No lungeing in the warm up area
- Warm up only in designated area
- It is the responsibility of the competitor to report to the steward on time for your test.
- Horses and ponies must be kept under control and animals inclined to kick must wear a red ribbon.
- No horse or pony under four years of age may compete.
- Please pick up all your muck etc before leaving.
- Please park sensibly and follow instructions from the parking stewards.
- Please do not leave horses unattended, if they are tied to the outside of your trailer/lorry.
- If classes are over-subscribed priority will be given to P&BRC members.
- All accidents/incidents/falls must be reported to the secretary whether or not first aid is given.
- Correct attire must be worn (Light coloured jodhpurs / breeches, black / navy or hacking jackets etc) unless otherwise stated in the schedule.
- Plaiting is not compulsory.
- Tests may be called