

COMPETITION RULES

1 SAFETY

- 1.1 At all mounted events all riders whether members of the club or not shall wear hats in accordance with the current safety requirements. They must be in good condition and correctly fitted.
- 1.2 Proper footwear and jackets must be worn at all events. Jackets **MUST** be worn when jumping
- 1.3 Galloping or cantering will not be permitted outside the rings and designated warm up areas.
- 1.4 No Glass bottles or containers are to be brought onto the showground.
- 1.5 Horses must not be ridden unless correctly and fully tacked up.
- 1.6 Cars must be parked in the car park and not in the lorry park.
- 1.7 Any competitor who falls off in any ring will, unfortunately, be eliminated.

2 GENERAL

- 2.1 There will be a strict limit of 20 entries per class, so pre-entry is advisable. No entries will be taken at the ringside.
- 2.2 **Members must have their CDRC membership cards with them in the ring before they can be awarded a trophy. If the card is not presented in the ring when requested, the trophy will pass down the line.**
- 2.3 Dogs must be kept on leads at all time
- 2.4 Excessive use of whips and/or spurs will result in elimination. Whips must not be longer than 30 inches.
- 2.5 Competitors under the age of 14 can only wear spurs in rings 1 and 7.
- 2.6 No horse or pony under 4 years old to be ridden on the show ground.
- 2.7 All horses and ponies are to be vaccinated against the flu virus. Current passports may be asked for at random. All competitors must carry their horses' /ponies' passports at all times.
- 2.8 Stallions and colts are to be bitted on the show ground and shown or ridden by someone of 14 years or over.
- 2.9 No entries will be accepted for children under the age of 3 years old for showing and 4 years old for jumping
- 2.10 In consideration to our Landlords, please take your litter home. No mucking out of vehicles on the Showground

3 CONDUCT

- 3.1 Members shall conduct themselves in a responsible manner at all times and shall have regard to the fact that the Club's events are held on private land kindly made available to the club by owner or occupier.
- 3.2 Any officer, committee member of the club or official appointed for an event shall have the right to caution a member as to his/her behaviour at the time. If thought necessary this event shall be reported formally to the committee for consideration and any action which the committee considers is warranted.
- 3.3 Any member or competitor who by word or act is abusive or discourteous to a judge, committee member, representative of the committee or any animal will be disqualified from the class and may be ordered off the show ground and their membership withdrawn.
- 3.4 All Litter is to be deposited in the rubbish bins provided or removed from the show ground upon departure.

4 JUDGES DECISION AND OBJECTIONS

- 4.1 The committee reserve the right to refuse any entry without stating the reason for doing so and can cancel or amalgamate any classes if the entries justify this course of action.
- 4.2 Judges have the right to query any entrant's qualifications to enter a class e.g. height of pony, age of rider, previous experience etc.
- 4.3 Officials and competitors only are permitted in the show rings.
- 4.4 **No late entrants will be allowed into the ring once the judging of a class has commenced. If you leave the ring you may be only allowed back in with the judge's permission.**
- 4.5 The decision of the judge is, in every case, final. No objection may be made directly to a judge. Objections must be made in writing to the secretary's tent within 30 minutes of completion of the judging of the class concerned. **All objections to be accompanied by a deposit of £10.00.** This fee is refundable should the objection be sustained.

5 RESPONSIBILITY

- 5.1 Persons participating in or attending any club event do so at their own risk.
- 5.2 It a condition of entry that competitors agree to abide by the competition rules.
- 5.3 The organisers, committee and their helpers are not responsible for any injury, to any participant, spectator or horse or for any loss or damage of any vehicle, trailer, box or equipment brought onto the show ground or parking area.
- 5.4 The exhibitor of any animal shall indemnify and hold harmless the club and its committee from and against actions, suits, expenses and claims on account or in respect of any damage or injury caused or occasioned.

6 PAYMENT AND REFUNDS

- 6.1 Refunds will only be given on the production of a vet's certificate or upon notification to the show secretary prior to the closing date of the event. A handling charge of 50p will be levied to cover expense