The Officials Newsletter

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Welcome

Welcome to the latest edition of the Officials Newsletter, a publication designed to keep the Officials up to date with important notifications, rule changes and information to help you in your roles. If you are aware of any of your colleagues who do not receive this newsletter, please encourage them to contact me on the details below.

May I thank you for your continued support and dedication to British Showjumping, it is greatly appreciated by all involved with the sport.

Course Designer, Judges Upgrades & Steward Appointments

I am pleased to report that assessments have continued all over the country and we would like to congratulate the following on their promotions.

Judges Upgrade

TR-L1 Judge	Sue Webb	Bristol Somerset
TR-L1 Judge	Rennie Wood	Durham
TR-L1 Judge	Vicki Hargreaves	Isle of Man
TR-L1 Judge	Shona Ewing	South West Scotland
TR-L1 Judge	Bianca Seward Morris	Cambridgeshire
Level 1-2 Judge	Jenn Perrin	North East Scotland
Level 1-2 Judge	Angelica Logan	Oxfordshire
Level 1-2 Judge	Craig Blackie	Lanarkshire & Glasg
Level 1-2 Judge	Janice Swailes	Durham
Level 1-2 Judge	Danielle Cristofaro	Dyfed
Level 1-2 Judge	Laura McCabe	South West Scotland
Level 1-2 Judge	Sandra Lawance	Norfolk

Stewards Upgrade

FEI 1-2 Steward	Vicky Blain-Hair	Cheshire
FEI 1-2 Steward	Rith McKiernan	Warwickshire
FEI 1-2 Steward	Rosemary Ockedon Day	Essex
FEI 1-2 Steward	Anne Newbery	Wiltshire

Course Designer Upgrades

TR-L1 CD	Robert Ridge	Dyfed
TR-L1 CD	Harry Vallender	Gloucestershire
TR-L1 CD	John Warman	Somerset
TR-L1 CD	Michael Parker	County Antrim
TR-L1 CD	Victoria Ashworth	Oxfordshire
TR-L1 CD	Hayley Webster	Isle of Wight
TR-L1 CD	Rachel Doubleday	Fife
TR-L1 CD	Sarah Wilkinson-Treweeke	Durham
TR-L1 CD	Marijke Jones	Hampshire
L1-2 CD	Thomas Vance	County Antrim
L1-2 CD	Dawn Webster	Isle of Wight
L1-2 CD	Stuart Clarke	Wiltshire
L1-2 CD	Charles Plumber	Durham
L1-2 CD	Mark Baker	Cheshire
L1-2 CD	Jen Crennelle	Isle of Man
L1-2 CD	Jenna Shell	Wiltshire
L4-5 CD	Kevin Bull	West Glamorgan

FEI Stewards General (GBR)

We are also pleased to announce that John Taylor has been appointed FEI Steward General GBR, John will take over the position from Frank Grunnill who has held the position for 10 years. We would like to thank Frank for all his efforts during that time.

FEI Steward General The FEI Steward General is proposed to the FEI by their NF and is responsible for the stewardship at international events within their NF. In addition they are responsible for the FEI Regional Steward General to make suggestions for improvement relating to stewarding matters. The duties of a Steward General are to:

- Act as the contact person between their NF and the FEI Regional Steward General and if necessary directly with the FEI Honorary Steward General in matters relating to their discipline's stewarding;
- Advise their NF on all matters relating to their responsibility;
- Be familiar with the organisation of an international event;
- Have a good knowledge of veterinary matters plus FEI Veterinary Regulations (VRs) and the FEI legal system;
- Speak and write English fluently;
- The Steward General serve from the OCs of international events in their country of their responsibilities relating to stewarding and stable security under their jurisdiction.

The Steward General must arrange for Level 1 and 2 steward courses to be organised within their NF for persons to be appointed to Steward Levels 1, 2 and 3.

We wish John every success in his new role.

Updates & Reminders – Boot rule

Please remember the changes to the boot rule and the additional Pony classes that are now covered by the boot rule.

Boot Rule: Please remember that no additional elements may be used in conjunction with the protection. No bandages, vet wrap, tape, fetlock rings only the boot as described below. Please also be aware, hind boots for classes under this rule that have an extra flap for protection (pictured below) should be allowed providing the flap is soft and is clearly intended for protection only.

British Showjumping Horse Boots/Leg Protection Ruling

The following ruling is applicable for the following British Showjumping Competitions:

- Talent Seeker Qualifiers & Final
- Senior Newcomers Second Rounds & Final
- Senior Foxhunter Second Rounds & Final
- Pony Newcomers Second Rounds & Final
- Pony Foxhunter Second Rounds & Final
- Plus all horse and pony Age Classes

The total maximum weight of equipment allowed to be added to an animals leg; front or hind (single or multiple boots, fetlock rings etc), is 500g.

All hind leg protections must have a maximum interior length of 16cm and a minimum exterior width of 5cm.

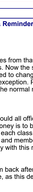
The inside protection must be smooth and the fixations must be made of non-elastic Velcro type fasteners with no hooks or straps permitted.

The rounded rigid part of the protection must be placed around the inside of the fetlock.

No additional elements may be used in conjunction with the protection.

FAILURE TO COMPLY WILL INCUR ELIMINATION

Note: Hind boots for classes under this rule that have an extra flap for protection should be allowed providing the flap is soft and is clearly intended for protection only.



Updates & Reminders

Rule Changes CLICK HERE

Changing of Class tables
I would remind all Judges that the changing of tables from that scheduled should still only be done in extreme circumstances and within the current rules. Now the show organizer has more freedom as to what they can schedule there should be limited need to change from the agreed and approved schedule and this should be done as the extreme exception. Permission to change class tables on the day will still need to be sought from head office in the normal manner or as per the rules in the handbook.

Judging sheets
As a request from the Shows Department please could all officials ensure when completing judging and results sheets that irrespective of how prize money is to be paid-out, any class with two sections/ heights are clearly stated next to all competitors in each class (this includes combined classes and championship classes). Without this information results and members records may be updated incorrectly. Any results received in the office that do not comply with this request will be sent back to the Officiating judge on the day to feature this.

Also can the judges returning the results send them back after each show rather than waiting maybe another week or two as they are judging elsewhere, as this delays results going onto records.

Single phase / Two Phase
Can the time for both sections of single and two phase be recorded on the sheets please, this is good practice and should be recorded on the sheets by the judge for reference at the show or a later date.

Free Tickets
British Showjumping is still promoting free tickets to ride across the country. If you are in the box when these come in could we ask that judges write FREE TICKET on the Judging sheets, so that these can be easily identified by the Account department as some shows have been incorrectly charged for free tickets.

Club & Just for schools

After a major review, there have been a few amendments and additions to the Club and Just for School rules and how to officiate them. The new document has all of these changes highlighted in red and is now available on this website (Just for Schools Below) . Please can you ensure you are up to date with the amended rules before your next Club or Just for Schools appointment.

Guidelines for Officiating: Club & Just for Schools Competitions CLICK HERE

British Showjumping National Championships

Experience Scheme 2017

British Showjumping is now inviting Officials to apply for a number of opportunities to attend the 2017 British Showjumping National Championships as part of the Officials Experience Programme.

The Officials Experience Programme has been set up to allow Officials to gain valuable experience & knowledge while working with and alongside Senior Officials throughout the Championships. The selected Officials will be allocated a Senior Official to assist during the Championships whilst working on a number of different competitions.

Judges and Course Designers can apply to attend for any duration throughout the Championships, however, it is advised they stay for a couple of days minimum to ensure they benefit fully from attending.

Candidates can apply for all or part of the show, this years' experience Scheme will have limited places, as partial funding will be available. All food will be included and a daily rate of £50 per day can be claimed by those candidates attending 2 or more days in succession. Caravan / Camping passes are also included if required.

Applications closing date is 1st May 2017 no application will be considered after this date.

To apply to attend the National Championships Officials Experience Programme, Officials are required to complete the Officials Experience Programme Application Form available by clicking here and return back to Michael Bainbridge at British Showjumping either by email or by post before the 1st April 2017. After this date, British Showjumping will be in touch then to confirm Selection & attendance and provide further details.

Further information can be obtained from British Showjumping on either Officials@BritishShowjumping.co.uk or 02476 698803.

Judges App

Testing of the judges App has begun. A small group of Judges have been invited to this 1st phase testing, to help identify bugs within the system. Once this stage is finalised, 2nd phase testing will begin across the country at the major centre's, Judges that operate at these centers will be identified and invited to take part in this 2nd phase testing before the National role out of the program. Initial testing is proving extremely positive with excellent feedback coming from the 1st phase testers.

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