

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.

Rule 198 - Objections

Rule 198 - Objections, is a procedure in place to give the competitors a process to follow should they have an objection regarding the result of a class or the height of a horse. This rule can be seen on Page 119 of the Members Handbook.

Whilst at a show, if a member would like to make an objection for any reason, can all Officials please advise the member of the procedure and point them in the direction of the Show Secretary in the first instance, many thanks.

If you have any questions, please contact your Mentor for help.

Hors Concours (HC) & Tickets to Ride (TTR)

Over the past few months, the Shows Department have been receiving a number of Tickets to Ride for competitors who have competed in Direct Qualifying classes.

The Ticket to Ride scheme, along with the Hors Concours wording comes under Rule 77.3.

We would like to remind Officials that no competitors are allowed to compete on a TTR or HC in any 2nd Round Competitions, Semi Finals, or any Direct Qualifiers.

National Amateur Series - 2nd Round Qualifiers - Officials Requirements

During September, October and November, venues around the country will be running the National Amateur Series 2nd Round Qualifiers as assigned by British Showjumping. A number of these venues have been in touch now asking what level of Judge & Course Designer they require for these classes.

For the National Amateur Series - 2nd Round Qualifiers, the following level of Official is required as a minimum:

- Judge - minimum of two Judges, one of whom must be a Level 2 Judge, the other judge can be either a Level 1 Judge, Level 2 Judge, Level 3 Judge or an FEI Listed Judge
- Course Designer - minimum of a Level 4 Course Designer

Please ensure you are eligible to act as either a Judge or Course Designer for the above classes when booked to Officiate at these shows.

For further information regarding what level of Course Designer and Judge is required for all competitions, please visit the following links:

- [British Showjumping Officials - Competition Eligibility](#)
- [British Showjumping Officials - Competition Eligibly - Guide](#)

Rule 75.13

For competitions where there are less than 4 starters, and where rule 75.13 is applied, Judges are asked to still record on the Judging & Results Sheets any prize money that would have been awarded as per the schedule.

Any money, and any Double Clears that would have been awarded still gets recorded on the riders and horses records despite this not being received at the show.

If there are any questions regarding this rule, please do not hesitate to contact your Regional Official Mentor for advice.

Envelopes

Due to British Showjumping's move from Stoneleigh to Meriden, a redirect has been in place with the Royal Mail to ensure we received any mail sent to Stoneleigh instead of Meriden.

New Stationery and Envelopes have been printed and distributed since the move, so with immediate effect, can Officials ensure all post is put into the new envelopes which are addressed to the new address at the bottom of this newsletter.

If any Official requires the new envelopes and stationery, please contact Officials@BritishShowjumping.co.uk.

National Amateur Series - Eligibility Restrictions

As of the 1st of September 2014, the eligibility criteria for the National Amateur Championship Qualifier - First Round classes has been updated and now includes further restrictions on who can compete. To read the updated eligibility criteria and the class wording for the National Amateur Series, please [click here](#).

To view the respective British Showjumping Leagues as of the 30th of June, please click for the [Gold League](#) & for the [Silver League](#).

Although not responsible for checking eligibility of competitors, Officials are asked to be aware of the above ineligible competitors.

Links

[British Showjumping Website](#) [Myler Combination Bit Advice](#)

[Members Online](#) [Members Handbook](#)

[FEI Officials Website](#) [Rule Amendments](#)

[Officials Contact Details](#) [Boot Rule](#)

[Officials Training Diary](#) [Disciplinary Flow Charts](#)

Upcoming Training Events

British Showjumping are currently in the process of organising some training sessions for all Officials. These training sessions include: -

- Level 1 Course Designer Assessment Days
- Level 2 Course Designer Assessment Days
- Level 3 Judges Assessment Days
- Regional Officials Training Events
- Regional Judges and Course Designer Exams

Whilst specific info will be sent to the relevant Officials, Officials are asked to keep an eye on the Officials Training Diary which can be seen by [clicking here](#) or on the [Officials Website](#).

Rule Corner - Rule 101.9 - Spurs

With effect from the 1st of October 2014, the Spur Rule for Junior Competitors has been amended.

A brief overview of the changes can be seen here below: -

- Length = increased from 1.5cms to 2.5cms
- Now measured from the back of the boot in line with FEI rules, no longer measuring the neck of the spur

To see the full and amended Spur Rule wording, [please click here](#).

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