



Becoming a Practice Arena Steward

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Role Description

Role Title:	Practice Arena Steward
Reporting to:	Lead Official or Chairman of Judges
Responsible to:	Show Organiser
Liaising with:	British Showjumping Members, Officials, Show Organisers & Secretaries and others

Role Purpose

Reporting directly to the Lead Official or Chairman of Judges, the Practice Arena Steward will act as venue personnel at affiliated competitions, appointed by the Show Organiser at events that require the attendance of such stewards or at the request of the Show Organiser. Practice Arena Stewards are not listed as British Showjumping Officials. When in attendance, the Practice Arena Steward will ensure that the welfare of the horse is paramount and is not subordinated to competitive or commercial influences. The Practice Arena Steward's primary role will be to ensure that practice arena is run in accordance with the relevant Rules as prescribed by British Showjumping encouraging good practice and also ensuring that Equine Welfare complies with the British Showjumping Code Of Conduct for the Welfare of the Horse, whilst aiming to create a safe, fair and welcoming environment at Showjumping competitions and assist and enable the smooth running of the show.

Key Tasks

- To ensure that horses are treated according to the British Showjumping Code of Conduct for the Welfare of the Horse.
- To ensure that any safeguarding concerns are reported to the Safeguarding Officer.
- To oversee all practice arenas and ensure that all practice obstacles are correctly constructed and the ground maintained regularly.
- To ensure rules are upheld throughout the practice arena and ensure fair competition.
- To observe and regulate the conduct of members.
- To monitor safety and to encourage good practice in all respects.
- In instances of breaches of the rules, to ensure it is reported to the Lead Official or Chairman of Judges so that appropriate disciplinary procedures are undertaken.
- Be prepared to assist in managing any unexpected or unforeseen situation.
- Liaise with British Showjumping Officials to ensure the smooth and safe running of the competition.

Selection & Initial Training

- Express an interest with the relevant Regional Development Officer. Applicants wishing to be become Practice Arena Stewards must:
 - Be minimum of 18 years of age at appointment
 - Be registered as a British Showjumping online member
 - Submit the Practice Arena Steward Application Form

- It is recommended to complete the British Showjumping Self-Declaration and Disclosure Form and to hold a current safeguarding certificate.
- Successful Applicants are required to attend a British Showjumping Regional Training Day.
- Regional Practice Arena Stewards to be appointed to shows by the Show Organiser.

Remuneration

- Arrangements to be made with the show organiser.

Retention Policy

- Recommended to attend the Regional Stewards CPD Day once every two years