

## 2026 Members Handbook Amendments

The following current amendments/corrections have been made to the 2026 Members Handbook since its publication in December 2025:

The 2026 British Showjumping Members Handbook is available to view [here](#) or via the Membership Section of the British Showjumping [website](#). Rules that have been amended since the 2026 edition was produced in December 2025 can be found below, along with any corrections.

### **Rule amendments:**

*All amendments are effective immediately unless otherwise stated.*

Date 16/03/2026

- **Rule 45 - Measurement**

- 9 The height of an animal as first registered will only be altered for registration purposes following a measurement or remeasurement under this rule; **or for 148cm category ponies who ~~er~~ holds a valid FEI measuring certificate.**

Date 21/01/2026

- **Rule 513 - Winter 138cm Championship - Second Round**

*The wording to point 2 has been updated as follows (changes are marked in **red**):*

- 2 **A8**

- **Rule 513a - Winter 138cm Championship - Final**

*The wording to point 2 has been updated as follows (changes are*

marked in *red*):

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- **Rule 515 - Winter 128cm Championship - Second Round**

*The wording to point 2 has been updated as follows (changes are marked in *red*):*

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- **Rule 515a - Winter 128cm Championship - Final**

*The wording to point 2 has been updated as follows (changes are marked in *red*):*

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Date 07/01/2026

- **Rule 506 - SEIB Winter Novice Championship Qualifier**

*The wording to point 2 has been updated as follows (changes are marked in *red*):*

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Date 16/01/2026

- **Rule 102.15.2 & 3 - Hind boot rule for - Young horse, Age & Pony Classes**

2 All hind leg protections must have a maximum interior length of 16cm and a minimum exterior width of 5cm. (4cm for Pony classes.)

3 The inside protection must be smooth and the fixings must be made of non elastic Velcro type fasteners with no hooks or straps permitted and must have a minimum width of 5cm. (4cm for Pony classes.)

- **Rule 415 - Springboard 128cm/138cm Restricted Handicap**

***Date of commencement - 01.02.2026***

*The wording to point 3 has been updated as follows (changes are marked in red):*

Rule	Class	First rd max. height	First rd max. spread	Combination
415	Springboard 128cm/138cm Restricted Handicap	128cm - 0.85cm 138cm - 0.95cm	128cm - 0.95m 138cm - 1.00m	1 x double must have a vertical as 2nd part. Must change distances for different height ponies. See Note F

Height of fences: 128cm, 85cm, 138cm, 95cm.

- **Pony Class Course Specification (p216)**

***Date of commencement - 01.02.2026***

The wording in the table has been updated as follows (changes are marked in **red**):

**Height correction**

Rule	Class	First rd max. height	First rd max. spread	Combination
414	Stepping Stones 128cm/138cm Handicap - Qualifier	128cm - 0.75m 138cm - 0.85m	<b>128cm - 0.85m</b> <b>138cm - 0.95m</b>	Mandatory- Only 1 x Double of verticals See Note F

- **Pony Class Course Specification (p216)**

**Date of commencement - 01.07.2026**

The wording in the table has been updated as follows (changes are marked in **red**):

**Height correction**

Rule	Class	First rd max. height	First rd max. spread	Combination
410	Pony British Novice - First Round	0.80cm	0.95m	Mandatory - Only 1 x Double of verticals
411	Pony British Novice - Second Round	0.85m	0.95m	* See Note C
411a	Pony British Novice - Final	0.85cm	1.00m	*

- **Pony Class Course Specification (p215)**

***Date of commencement - 01.02.2026***

*The wording in the table has been updated as follows (changes are marked in red):*

**Height correction**

**Corrections:**

● **Rule 45 - Measurement**

*The rule wording has been updated as follows:*

- 8 For the purpose of registration and competition under British Showjumping Rules, measurements **are** to be in metric.
- 9 The height of an animal as first registered will only be altered for registration purposes following a measurement or remeasurement under **this** rule or holds a valid FEI measuring certificate.
- 9a All ponies competing in international competitions under FEI rules must hold an FEI international horse passport and an FEI measuring certificate. A pony measured out by **the** FEI will automatically be suspended by British Showjumping pending another valid measurement being provided. If a pony is measured out by FEI it is the owner's responsibility to notify British Showjumping within 24 hours.
- 9b **Subject to Rule 45.2b** , **we** accept an FEI Lifetime measuring certificate. If a pony has an interim FEI measuring certificate this will be accepted for the duration of the interim certificate.
- 10 The cost of any FEI re-measurement to be borne by the owners of the animals.

- **Rule 101.3 - Dress**

*The wording to point 3 has been updated as follows (changes are marked in red):*

**Hats:** Protective headgear, must be worn at all times when mounted by anyone, whether or not a Competitor, which complies to the below standards at any British Showjumping competition or activity. Harnesses must be properly adjusted and fastened at all times when mounted.

**British** - EN1384 2023, PAS 015 (2011), VG1 - Provided they are BSI Kitemarked or Inspec IC marked.

**European** - VG1 - Provided they are BSI Kitemarked or Inspec IC marked.

**American** - All SEI ASTM F1163 2015 and 2023 and SNELL E2016 and E2021.

**Australian and New Zealand** - AS/NZS 3838 2006 onwards plus SAI mark.

- **Rule 64 - Grading of Imported Horses and Ponies**

The wording in the second paragraph has been corrected as follows (changes are marked in red):

In the event that the name is difficult to pronounce the owner may opt to rename the horse at the time of registration at no additional cost. In the absence of any proof of identity horses imported from abroad will be graded with the following winnings, according to their ages for 2026: