

HORSE SECTION

SPECIAL REGULATIONS APPLYING TO ALL HORSE ENTRIES.

ANY PERSON RIDING A HORSE ANYWHERE ON THE SHOWGROUND IS TO WEAR A HARD HAT OF A STANDARD APPROVED BY THEIR APPROPRIATE GOVERNING BODY AND ENSURE THAT THE CHIN STRAP IS FASTENED.

NO HORSE IS TO BE RIDDEN OR LED THROUGH THE SHOWGROUND EXCEPT ON DESIGNATED HORSE WALKS. NO CHILDREN OR PUSH CHAIRS PERMITTED IN ANY COLLECTING RING.

TCAS ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP: £75.00

R86 ENTRY FEES & PRIZE MONEY: All entry fees are inclusive of VAT @ 20% (any changes in the VAT rate will be applied from the due date). Fees are as below **unless otherwise stated in the schedule.** The following fees include the £18.00 Horse of the Year Show and £11.00 SSADL contribution where applicable.

	TCAS Members	Non-Members
In Hand Classes	£15.00	£25.00
Open Ridden Classes	£25.00	£35.00
Horse of the Year Show Qualifiers	£47.00	£57.00
SSADL Classes – LIHS Qualifiers	£40.00	£50.00
Heavy Horse Classes – In Hand/Turnouts	£10.00	£10.00
Double Harness Scurry	£15.00	£15.00

HORSE OF THE YEAR SHOW CLASSES PRIZE MONEY:

NO. OF CATALOGUED ENTRIES:	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
1 – 5	£65.00		
6 – 10	£65.00	£35.00	
11+	£65.00	£35.00	£15.00

PRIZE MONEY FOR ALL OTHER CLASSES (UNLESS STATED DIFFERENTLY IN THE SCHEDULE):

NO. OF CATALOGUED ENTRIES:	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
1 – 5	£35.00		
6 – 10	£35.00	£20.00	
11+	£35.00	£20.00	£15.00

R87 STABLING & GATE INFORMATION: Free stabling is **not** provided. Exhibits must arrive and depart on the day of judging, unless stabling is booked and paid for. Exhibitors requiring stabling for their exhibits must reserve a stable (10' x 10') at a charge of £50 inclusive of VAT (**this includes a £15 deposit per stable per night**) for the period of 22 hours (from **7.00pm** on the evening prior to judging to **5.00pm** on the day of judging). Reservations for stables must be made on the entry form in the space provided and payment made at the time of entry. One bale of straw is provided per stable. **Stables must be cleaned out by the exhibitor prior to departure. The deposit will be refunded after the show providing the stable is left clean. The Stable Manager will issue a refund voucher to the Exhibitor after inspection of the stable. This voucher must be either handed in to the show office or sent in to the Three Counties Agricultural Society to claim the refund. Stables booked after the 20th May are subject to availability. GATES WILL BE SHUT BETWEEN THE HOURS 11.30PM – 5.00AM ON SHOW DAYS.**

R88 FODDER: Free fodder is not provided and will not be available. Exhibitors are strongly advised to bring their requirements with them to the show.

R89 STUD BOOK: every horse entered for competition in the breeding classes shall be entered for, or accepted for, entry in the Stud Book of its breed in this country.

R90 AGE: It is only necessary to state the year of birth in respect of all horses except that of foals, where the exact date of birth must be stated on the entry form. No foals under the age of THREE WEEKS will be allowed on the showground.

R91 WEIGHT: if in the opinion of the Judges an exhibit in the Ridden Hunter classes is in the wrong weight, transfer to the correct weight class is permitted, and no additional entry fee will be levied.

R92 HEIGHT: All certificates must be available with the horse/pony for inspection, failing which the horse/pony may be measured. Failure to pass this height test or to comply with the Joint Measurement

Scheme Rule Book will disqualify the horse/pony from competition. The decision of the Society's appointed Veterinary Surgeon will be final.

- R93 ELIGIBILITY:** In all classes, animals must be practically sound and no veterinary inspection will be required except where it may be considered necessary by the Judges, or on a protest being lodged. The owner of the animal rejected for unsoundness may, upon request in writing to the Director, be furnished with a copy of the Veterinary Inspector's Certificate, and if he so desires, may remove the animal from the showground at once upon rejection.
- R94 CLASS ATTENDANCE:** it is the exhibitor's responsibility to present their exhibit(s) on time for classes.
- R95 AMALGAMATION OF CLASSES:** The Society reserves the right to amalgamate classes if appropriate.
- R96 BREEDING CLASSES:** Mares whose foals have died or are prevented from being exhibited owing to accident or illness CANNOT be exhibited.
- R97 EQUINE INFLUENZA:** Equine Influenza and Tetanus vaccinations are a compulsory requirement for all horses attending the Three Counties Showground. The requirement for the first 3 vaccinations is as follows: the first 2 vaccinations **21 – 60** days apart, a third booster between **100-180** days, and an annual booster vaccination within 365 days thereafter. No horse should enter competitions within 7 days of an EI vaccination. Foals should commence vaccinations at 6 months old and must have received two primary vaccinations before attending the show. Foals 6 months old and under are exempt. This Rule may be subject to change from guidance from the FEI/BEF and any changes will be notified via the Showing Council and ASAO websites. Random checks on vaccinations will be made.
- R98 FARRIER:** A farrier will be in attendance each day of the show from 07.00 until 18.00.
- R99 FALL OF HORSE/PONY OR RIDER:** A fall of horse/pony or rider during any class will result in elimination. The rider must not remount in the ring and should see a medically qualified attendant before remounting.
- R101 OWNERS/HANDLERS:** All horses must have a competent person in charge.
- R101 ALL STALLIONS:** are to be stabled in separate accommodation for Health & Safety reasons.
- R102 DRESS CODE:** Grooms/Attendants appearing with animals in judging rings must be of smart appearance and in proper dress code (not jeans), with appropriate headwear,
- R103 MOBILE PHONES:** The use of mobile phones is not permitted within the Collecting and judging Rings.
- R104 TIMETABLE:** Classes may commence at or after the published time. The Society will not be responsible for any loss where an exhibitor has made entries in more than one class and because of a time over run it is not possible for him/her or the horse/pony to compete in one or more later classes. No claim for refund of fees paid or other loss, direct, indirect or consequential will be accept or paid. Once a class has commenced trotting it is deemed the class is closed and no further exhibitors may enter the ring.
- R105 SHOWING:** In some circumstances exhibitors may be asked to perform their show two at a time. The Judge may choose to organise a set show for exhibitors to perform.
- R106 SUITABLY MOUNTED** - All animals ridden anywhere on the Showground, rings or lorry parks (day or night), must only be ridden by a rider whose size and weight does not compromise the animal's welfare. We are operating under the 20% rider weight guideline where the rider in full riding attire with full tack must be less than 20% of the animal's bodyweight. This is based on a relatively fit, healthy animal, as an overweight animal is also a welfare concern. Welfare Officers, appointed by the Three Counties Agricultural Society, will be monitoring the Equine Areas and have the power to ask riders deemed too large to dismount. ***If riders re-mount after being approached by the Welfare Steward, they will be disqualified. Only riders competing in the relevant class may be in the Collecting Ring.***
- R107 SENSORY WHISKERS** - are the hard hairs located on the horse's muzzle and around the eyes, also known as 'whiskers' that are used for sensation. It is recommended that horses should not have whiskers trimmed or removed (other than for veterinary purposes or with a vet's certificate). ***Brood Mares, foals and youngstock must present with no evidence of whiskers or sensory hairs having been removed.***
- R108 EQUINE OBESITY** - must be avoided and all horses / ponies exhibited should be fit for purpose for the event or class they are competing in. Having a horse / pony which is obese is extremely detrimental to its welfare and animals carrying too much fat are at a significantly increased risk of developing serious health and welfare issues.