



## RULES AND REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO THE HORSE, PONY AND DONKEY CLASSES

1. No Horse or Pony (other than Foals accompanying their dams) not having been entered for exhibition in the Show will be allowed on to the Showground. Proof of entry may be required by showing the appropriate number of exhibits.
2. All animals must remain within the horse lines designated and must not be exercised throughout the Showground at any time. Access to the Rings, via the official horse walks, will only be allowed for judging and parading.
3. The term "Nomination" cannot be accepted in any class.
4. "In-Hand" means with bridle or halter. Mountain and Moorland ponies must be shown as decreed by their respective Breed Societies.
5. Brood Mares and Foals. In cases where the Foal has died, or is prevented from competing owing to illness or accident, the Brood Mare will be eligible to compete in her appropriate class provided a certificate signed by a qualified Veterinary Surgeon is produced at the time of judging.
6. All Stallions and Colts two years old or over in Mountain and Moorland classes must be in possession of a current Ministry of Agriculture, National Pony Society or appropriate Breed Society Stallion Dispensation/Licence, unless your specific breed society differs.
7. Animals that behave in an uncontrolled or hazardous manner in the opinion of a Judge or Society Official will be required to leave the Ring.
8. All exhibitors must comply with any movement licence or transport legislation at the time of the Show.
9. Competitors must wear the correct number for each entry, or they may be disqualified by default and/ or forfeit any prize money due.

### PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR

10. All riders of horses, ponies or donkeys on the Showground or exercise areas must wear head protection (hard hat) that conforms to the following standard for head protection for equestrian activities All PAS 015, VG1, (BS)EN1384 2017, ASTM F1163 04a onwards, SNELL E2001, SNELL E2016, AS/NZS 3838 2003 onwards. Correctly secured Skull Caps/Riding Hats that meet one of the following current Safety Standards/specifications MUST be worn by all Riders between the ages of 15 to 17 inclusive. All PAS 015; VG1; (BS) EN1384 2017; ASTM F1163 04a onwards; SNELL E2001; SNELL E2016; AS/NZS 3838 2003 onwards.

The most recent additions to the list are the addition of SNELL E2016 and EN1384 (2017); the newest version of the EN1384 Standard was effective from 2018. Helmets must be worn with the chin straps correctly and securely fastened at all times whilst mounted. This applies to all ridden competitions, demonstrations and whilst exercising.

Riders in BSPS classes are required to adhere to rule 43 in the 2024 BSPS Rulebook regarding hat specification.

GROOM'S DRESS CODE: Grooms/attendants appearing with animals in the judging rings must be of smart appearance and in proper dress code; hats are to be worn in the rings.

11. Exhibitors must be ready to enter the Ring half an hour before the time of judging. This is most essential as classes will not be held up.
12. Exhibitors who are likely to have Horses or Ponies in more than one Ring at the same time should provide additional riders and/or handlers.
13. In the Ridden classes with a ride judge, whilst every effort will be made it may not be possible for the Judge to ride every Horse or Pony in that class.
14. The Organisers of this Show have taken reasonable precautions to ensure the health and safety of everyone present. For these measures to be effective, everyone must take all reasonable precautions to avoid and prevent accidents occurring and must obey the instructions of the organisers and all the Officials and Stewards.
15. In the event of changes being made after the schedules have been printed (i.e. timing of classes or judge) every effort will be made to contact exhibitors. However, it is the exhibitor's responsibility to ensure they know the correct time to arrive for competing.



16. NO SULKIES, TROTting or RACING vehicles may be brought into New Park. The Society reserves the right to impound these vehicles to prevent their use anywhere within the boundaries of New Park.

17. The Society reserves the right to prevent access to or evict from New Park any Exhibitor, (irrespective of the fact they may have entered Horses or Ponies in any class). Under these circumstances any entry fees or other fees would be refunded.

18. The Show Society reserves the right to limit entries to cover all classes.

19. Members receive the privileges set out on the application form. In order to be entitled to make entries at reduced fees an exhibitor must pay the relevant fee at the time of entry.

20. Entries can be made on-line, or on a form obtained from the Show Office if unable to enter online. No entry will be accepted unless the correct fees are paid at the time of entry and before the closing date. All questions contained on entry forms must be answered in full and where appropriate, signed by their exhibitor or agent (any over payments will be deemed to be a donation to the Society).

21. Any Exhibitor or other person deceiving or attempting to deceive the Society by entering Animals in the wrong classes, ownership, or name, contrary to these Rules and Regulations will forfeit the whole of the entrance fees, and also any prize or prizes won by him/her at the Show. The responsibility for the correctness of all entry's rests with the Owner or his/her Agent.

22. The Society reserves the right at any time to reject or cancel the entry or entries made by any person if they shall deem it fit to do so and the right to cancel any class or classes, refunding any fees paid in respect thereof. The Society reserves the right to cancel any Breed Section with three or less Exhibitors and to amalgamate or cancel classes in which there are less than three entries. In the event of any class or classes being cancelled the entry fees will be refunded accordingly.

23. Numbers for each exhibit will be supplied by the Secretary and must be properly attached to each exhibit.

24. Exhibitors will be held responsible for the behaviour of their Handlers and Animals and for the consequences of any misconduct of such Handler or Animals. Any fine imposed upon an Exhibitor, or any person employed by him/her, for infringing the regulations or disobedience to the orders of the Stewards, shall be recoverable from the Exhibitor as a debt due to the Society and until such payment, shall debar such Exhibitor from exhibiting at any other future Show of the Society.

25. No Dogs admitted to the Showground, unless on a lead and must be controlled all times.

26. The Society's Veterinary Surgeon may be called to verify the height of any animal and his/her decision shall be final.

27. A Local Rosette will be awarded to the Best Local Exhibit in the respective classification entered by Exhibitors whose farm or homestead is within a radius of 25 miles of New Park, including all of the Isle of Wight. Exhibitors should make sure that their farms come within the area stated and that they are eligible for Local awards. The responsibility for the correctness of the entry rests with the Exhibitor. Exhibitors eligible for Local Awards to wear a white armband provided by themselves.

28. Although every care will be taken to ensure accuracy, The Society will not be responsible for any error which may appear in the catalogue, or any entry made in the wrong class.

29. The Society reserves the right to refuse admission to the Showground or to evict any Exhibitor from the Showground.

30. All areas of the Showground and car park fall under the Road Traffic Act and therefore all drivers of vehicles must obey the Highway Code and follow any signage display or the instructions of Officials.

31. Refunds (Entry Fees): Entries not forward for any reason other than illness or injury will forfeit all entry fees. Entry fees will only be refunded if the "Full Exhibitors Pack" containing all tickets, vehicle pass(es) etc. and a vet's certificate are received in the Livestock & Entries Office before Friday 9th August 2024. Stable fees will not be refunded unless cancelled by the below date. British Show Jumping Refunds: The Show is required to repay 50% of the entry fees in respect of all entry cancellations which are received by the Show Secretary not later than 48 hours before noon of the day on which the first affiliated competition of the Show is scheduled to start.

Refunds (Stabling): Refunds for stabling can only be made if stables are cancelled (in writing or email) by Sunday 14th July 2024, to enable the office to re-sell the stable.



#### PROTESTS

32. Any Exhibitor wishing to make a protest, having reference to any Stock exhibited at this Show must make the same in writing to the Show Secretary and deposit with him the sum of £100 which may, at the discretion of the Board, be forfeited to the funds of the Society if the protest shall appear frivolous and unreasonable. Protests must be delivered to the Show Secretary before 16.00hrs on the day of the Show concerned or within half an hour of the class being judged. After that hour no protest will be received unless a special and satisfactory reason can be given for the delay. A Quorum of three, consisting of the Horse Chairman, Show Secretary, and a Member of the Society' Board of Directors, will consider any such protest and their decision, which will be given leave if possible before the close of the Show, shall be final.

#### AWARD and ENGRAVING OF CUPS and TROPHIES

33. Cups will be on display on Show Days at the Show Office. Challenge Cups and Trophies will be available for collection by the winners from the Show Office at the conclusion of each Competition. The Society will not be responsible for sending Trophies after the Show and Trophies not accepted will be retained by the New Forest & Hampshire County Show. Trophies will be recalled by the Society's Equine Secretary in May for the following year for engraving to be ready for the next Show.

#### INDEMNITY

34. All exhibitors in the Equine, Livestock and Show Jumping classes will be required to sign the following indemnity; which is incorporated into the entry form: "I hereby certify that at the time of making this entry I have read the Rules and Regulations of the Society, and that I make this entry subject thereto and at my own risk. I further agree that if any damage shall be occasioned or loss occur by fire or otherwise to the Animals exhibited or any vehicle or other article that I may send with such Animals, that I will make no claim therefore and I further agree to fully and effectually indemnify the Society from or against any claim or action in respect of each Animal and if the Animal or any of the Animals which I may exhibit are suffering from any contagious or infectious disease; and I further agree to hold the Society harmless for any claim or demand of whatsoever kind of nature that may be occasioned by the negligence of the persons in charge of such Animal or Animals, and to repay the Society on demand all damage it may sustain by reason of any claim or demand occasioned as aforesaid".

#### ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE TIMES - PLEASE NOTE

35. No exhibitor will be permitted access to the Showground or the horse lines prior to 14.00hrs on Monday, 29th July 2024. The Showground must be vacated by 12.00hrs on Friday, 2nd August 2024.

#### PRIZE MONEY

36. All prize money can be collected in cash from the CASH 4 EVENTS located by the Show Office, location shown on exhibitor's map. Stewards will issue winning exhibitors a prize money card which can be redeemed on the day (or sent in after the show for payment by Cheque/BACS). Please see conditions on the reverse of the prize money card.

#### TICKETS AND PASSES

37. A reasonable allocation of admission tickets and vehicle passes, relating to the type and number of animals entered, will be sent to all Exhibitors. This allocation is only intended to relate to those preparing, handling or riding animals. Admission tickets for additional guests may be purchased prior to the Show at the reduced rate of £23.50 for adults and £5.00 for children.

Any additional passengers will be charged on arrival at the Showground. Exhibitors are asked to take advantage of the reduced rate ticket facility to avoid delay on arrival. ALL additional passengers/guests MUST purchase admission tickets, irrespective of the time of arrival at the Showground, i.e. from 14.00hrs on the Monday prior to the Show.

#### SUITABLY MOUNTED

38. All animals ridden anywhere on the Showground, rings, collecting 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. Stewards of the New Forest & Hampshire County Show 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 Steward, they will be disqualified. Only riders competing in the relevant class may be in the Collecting Ring.

#### SENSORY WHISKERS

39. 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.

#### EQUINE OBESITY

40. 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.



#### EQUINE INFLUENZA

41. Equine Influenza and Tetanus vaccinations are a compulsory requirement for all horses attending the New Forest & Hampshire County Show. The requirement for the first 3 vaccinations is as follows: the first 2 vaccinations 21 – 60 days apart, a third booster between 120 -180 days, and an annual booster vaccination within 365 days thereafter. No horse should enter competitions within 7 days of an EI vaccinations. 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 changes will be notified via the Showing Council and ASAO websites. Spot checks will take place over the Show.

A valid record of vaccination must be available on request either at entry to the Showground or at any time during the Show. Failure to produce evidence of vaccination may result in refusal of entry or immediate removal from the Showground.

Please note that neither vaccination certificates nor passports should be sent to the Show Office prior to the event. However, random checks will be carried out on the Showground.