

REGULATIONS FOR SPECIFIC CLASSES

AMATEUR CLASSES – These classes are restricted to exhibitors who for showing purposes have not engaged in a training programme for riders/horses/ponies, livery, buying/selling or dealing as a means of deriving a source of income since 1st August 2020. Exhibitors must not:

- a) Engage in breeding, livery, buying, selling or dealing in a commercial capacity.
- b) Receive remuneration, whether it be monetary or goods in kind, for employment in the connection with horses in racing, showing, livery stable or riding school (instruction at Pony Club and Riding Club excepted). This does not include the suppliers of ancillary services such as farriers and vets.
- c) Show a horse / pony owned or sponsored by a company or commercial firm.
- d) On the day when an exhibit is competing in an Amateur class, Professionals Producers are not allowed to ride or work in the relevant animal. No Professional Producers are allowed into the ring to groom/strip the horse.

Animals and riders in **Home Produced** and **Amateur** classes must not receive any assistance from Professional Trainers or Producers on the day of the competition. (This includes preparation and training of the animal and the rider for the competition at the show). Exhibitors are encouraged to participate in training programmes but riders who have received individual training may not exhibit under that person.

HOME PRODUCED CLASSES – These classes are open to horses and ponies that have been stabled at home (without any paid assistance) or kept at livery on a DIY basis since 1st January 2021. Horses / ponies must not have been shown or trained by a professional Producer or kept at full livery at any time during this period (except for service in the case of Brood Mares). To be owned / kept, produced, ridden / handled by a person who is not engaged in the training of handlers / riders / horses & ponies **OR** runs a livery yard / buys and sells any equine **OR** deals in horses / ponies as a means of deriving an income. Stud fees are acceptable.

MOUNTAIN & MOORLAND CLASSES – For the purpose of this schedule, all Mountain & Moorland classes are restricted to ponies registered in the Pure Bred Stud Books of: Connemara, Dales, Dartmoor, Exmoor, Fell, Highland, New Forest, Shetland or the Welsh Pony & Cob Society unless it is stated otherwise in the class wording.

NOVICE CLASSES – These classes are open to all horses and ponies that have not won more than **three** first prizes at any show in an **OPEN** classification on or before the 1st January in the **current year**. Horses / Ponies that have **competed at HOYS, RIHS or Olympia** or won a Championship / Finals class at BSHA, BSPS, BSPA, CHAPS, NCPA, NPS, UKPH, SHB(GB), TGCA, TSR or Equifest will instantly be de-noviced. It is anticipated that exhibitors will enter in the true spirit of this competition.

PIEBALD / SKEWBALD CLASSES – these classes are limited to **Piebald & Skewbald** horses/ponies only. The ideal Skewbald or Piebald possesses a colour distribution of 50/50 colour and white markings, however acceptable patterns range from the predominantly white to the predominantly dark coat. The colour must be distributed on the body above the elbow and stifle; markings exclusively on the face are not acceptable. Only natural markings visible from the standing position are acceptable. The lesser of the two colours shall meet the minimum requirements of a single patch of colour located on one side of the body covering an area of 15x15cm.

PROFESSIONAL PRODUCER – A Professional Show Producer is a person who derives income from keeping and training horses and ponies for the show ring even if this is not their sole or main source of income.

TINY TOTS M&M LEAD REIN – mare or gelding, 4 years old and over, not exceeding 128cms. Rider not to have attained their 5th birthday before the 1st January in the current year. Pony to be shown in a snaffle bridle, the lead rein attached to the noseband only. Rosettes to all entrants.

TINY TOTS M&M FIRST RIDDEN – mare or gelding, 4 years old and over, not exceeding 128cms. Rider not to have attained their 10th birthday before the 1st January in the current year. Any suitable bridle. Rosettes to all entrants.

TINY TOTS LEAD REIN SHOW PONY / SHOW HUNTER PONY – mare or gelding, 4 years old and over, not exceeding 128cms. Rider not to have attained their 5th birthday before the 1st January in the current year. Pony to be shown in a snaffle bridle, the lead rein attached to the noseband only. Rosettes to all entrants.

TINY TOTS FIRST RIDDEN SHOW PONY / SHOW HUNTER PONY – mare or gelding, 4 years old and over, not exceeding 128cms. Rider not to have attained their 9th birthday before the 1st January in the current year. Any suitable bridle. Rosettes to all entrants.

RARE BREEDS – To be registered in any of the following Breed Society Stud Books: Cleveland Bay, Clydesdale, Dales, Dartmoor, Eriskay, Exmoor, Fell, Hackney, Highland, New Forest, Shire or Suffolk.

WORLD BREEDS – To be registered or eligible for registration in any recognised World Breed Stud Book. Registered Mountain & Moorland ponies are not eligible to enter this class.