

RULES

1. Payment of entry fees indicated the agreement of competitors and spectators not to hold the organisers liable or responsible for any loss, damage or accident incurred by any persons, property on the showfield and/or parking field.
2. Competitors take part entirely at their own risk and it is compulsory for riding hats (to Standard PAS015 or BSEM13784) with chin straps /safety harness to be fastened at all times when mounted

It is now **COMPULSORY** for all **JUNIOR** riders ie. (**age 15 years & under on 1st January**) to wear body protectors when competing in any jumping class (show jumping, working hunter, clear round, Classes 38 & 39 if a jump is used). It is strongly recommended that body protectors are worn by other age groups, for all classes. **JUNIOR** riders are **NOT ALLOWED** to wear **SPURS** in any class.

The term **JUNIOR** means all competitors who are **aged 15 years & under on 1st January** are eligible to compete as a junior until the end of the calendar year.

3. **Judges' decision, in respect of each class, will be final. ANY objections should be made in writing to the Chairman, together with a deposit of £5 which will be refunded, if the objection is upheld.**
4. All breaches of the rules, matters of discipline and objections shall be referred to a stewards committee, comprising either the President or Chairman, and any two other committee members. Their decision shall be final and binding and shall be notified direct to the person(s) concerned. Bad language will NOT be tolerated on the showfield.
5. The Organisers reserve the right to refuse entries considered to be unsuitable for any class or to **expel** from the field any person or horse/pony behaving in a manner likely to adversely affect the safety or enjoyment of others.
6. Family Membership means Parent/Guardian and children (i.e. immediate family only).
7. **NO COLTS or STALLIONS or horse/pony suspected of illness are allowed on the showfield.** No horse/pony under 4 years of age can be entered in any ridden classes. Any young horse/pony found to be causing problems or is deemed dangerous, will be asked to leave the showground.
8. **Cruelty to any horse/pony or excessive use of the riding crop/whip and spurs, immediately disqualifies entry.**
9. Cantering is not allowed except in the rings. Anyone seen cantering outside the rings/schooling area will be reported to the Stewards and may be sent off the field, forfeiting any entry fees already paid.
10. Once a pony has been entered into a horse class it may not then be re-entered in a pony class and vice-versa.
11. Measurement may be taken at any time at the Judges' discretion or the Committee.
12. No horse/pony may be entered more than once for any class, although one rider may enter more than one different horse/pony (except in Minor Pony, Minor Horse, Clear Round & Handy Pony).
13. Points towards the Championship will only be awarded to **PAID UP** members of IDRA riding a horse/pony owned by a Member of IDRA. Posted subscriptions are not valid until received.
14. Points will be cumulative in respect of the same horse/pony and rider and it should be noted that if the name of the horse/pony is altered during the Season, points will not be cumulative. Points will be awarded in each Class as: **1st - 4 points; 2nd - 3 points; 3rd - 2 points; 4th - 1 point** One point will be awarded for each class entered **and** presented in the ring. Rosettes will be awarded to the first four placed. If there are eight or more entries in the Class, a Sash or 1st Medallion will also be awarded.
15. If there are less than 12 competitors in a class, the number of **cash** prizes awarded may be reduced below the number offered in the schedule by withholding lower prizes provided the following minimum numbers of prizes are awarded. **(NB. Rosettes will still be awarded in the normal way)**

Less than 4 Entries - 1st Prize
4-7 Entries - 1st and 2nd Prizes

8-11 Entries - 1st, 2nd and 3rd Prizes
12 and over Entries - 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th prizes

Please ensure the same show name is used throughout the season when entering or points will be split between equine names and you could lose those valuable points.

16. The Pre-Season Show in April does not count towards points, but prize money will be awarded according to RULE 15.
17. The Committee reserves the right to combine any Classes due to a small number of entries.
18. Show Jumping Ring. Refusals in the show jumping will incur the following penalties: 1st refusal = 4 faults; 2nd refusal = 4 faults and 3rd refusal = elimination. Fall of rider = Elimination. **RIDERS ARE NOT ALLOWED** to re-mount in the ring **under any circumstances**. This rule also applies to **ALL WORKING HUNTER CLASSES**.
19. In JUMPING classes, the term **PROGRESSIVE** applied to HORSE/PONY and RIDER COMBINATIONS not having won a total of £99. **Progressive & Advanced classes** will be run as **TWO PHASE** competitions. The two phases run without interruption, the finishing line for the first phase being identical with the starting line for the second. The first phase is not against the clock and will be a course of 7 to 9 obstacles. The second phase takes place over 4 to 6 obstacles. As the first phase is not timed, should no competitor, or not enough competitors complete phase one to fill the awards, all those with the lowest faults from the first phase will be placed equal. Competitors stopped after the first phase may only be placed after competitors who have taken part in both phases. A competitor who does not complete the first phase is not eligible for an award of qualifying place.
20. Riders must declare to the Collecting Ring Steward **BEFORE walking the course**. Only those riders competing in the current class will be permitted in the collecting ring.
21. Riders will be eligible to compete on horses in the show jumping classes from the beginning of the calendar year in which the age of 12 is reached.
22. Any rider and horse/pony combination opting to ride H/C in any class, will not allowed to compete in any jump off round.
23. **NO SPURS ALLOWED**. This appears against a large number of our classes in all three rings. Junior jumping classes, junior rider classes (see Rule 2), Mountain & Moorland classes, some working hunter classes and all equitation classes.
24. All Equitation classes have to be ridden in a **snaffle bridle. No spurs allowed**.
25. Entries for all events will be taken on the day. **NOT REFUNDABLE**.
26. Entry fees for **Non-members are £2 extra per Class**.
27. The person named on the entry sheet must take the horse/pony into the ring. Any amendment must be advised to the Judge, Ring Steward or Secretary before entering the ring.
28. Late entries **MAY** be taken at the Judges' discretion.
29. **Ring Championships** – all qualified riders must be mounted to take part in any **Ridden Ring Championship**. When a rider qualifies on more than one horse/pony in the same Championship, the owner/rider must choose which animal to enter on as it is the winning **rider/horse/pony combination only** allowed to compete for the championship.
30. **IDRA Members Cup** classes 6 & 10 can only be entered by IDRA current members. Riders who have already qualified for the September Championship may enter again during the year, but if they are placed, then the qualifying card will be passed down the line to 6th place max. The championship will take place at the September Show with prize money of £100 for each class.
31. **NO** fires, barbecues or naked flames are allowed on either IDRA field or Nell Bank Field except for IDRA approved catering facility.

THE ILKLEY & DISTRICT RIDING ASSOCIATION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTS ITS MEMBERS TO ABIDE BY THE RULES OF THE COUNTRY CODE AND GIVE CONSIDERATION TO OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.