

The Pony Club
Winter League & Open
Show Jumping Rules
valid only for 2009 / 2010 Series

The Pony Club



Show Jumping Championships

will be held at

Warwickshire College, Moreton Morrell

on

Saturday, 27th March 2010

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RULES FOR WINTER LEAGUE SHOW JUMPING

Except where varied below the Classes will be judged in accordance with The Pony Club Show Jumping Rule Book.

Every eventuality cannot be provided for in these rules. In any unforeseen or exceptional circumstances it is the duty of the relevant officials to make a decision in a sporting spirit and to approach as nearly as possible the intention of these Rules.

PRELIMINARY ROUNDS are held throughout the country from October to February. The first four and any tying for these places at each of the Preliminary Rounds will qualify to go forward to one of 19 Area Competitions PROVIDED THAT they have jumped a CLEAR ROUND in the FIRST ROUND.

NOTE:

Preliminary Rounds run in accordance with Pony Club Show Jumping Rules will run with the 2009 Rule Book and Dengie Rules 2009/2010.

All Area Competitions and the Championships will run in accordance with the 2010 Pony Club Show Jumping Rule Book and the Dengie Rule Book 2009/2010.

ELIGIBILITY - Open to individual Pony Club Members, but excluding any combination of horse/pony and rider that have represented their Branch at OPEN Area qualifiers for The Pony Club Show Jumping Championships or any Rider who has competed at The Pony Club Open Show Jumping Championships or The Pony Club Show Jumping Final at Hickstead. (This does not include any other classes held in conjunction with Area Qualifiers). Please note non-Members of The Pony Club are allowed to compete in any Preliminary Round but must become fully paid up Members to compete at their Area Competition.

CENTRE MEMBERS are invited to compete in this Competition.

JA Ponies and Grade A and B Horses registered with the BSJA in the current year or previous year of the competition are not eligible. Should a Pony or Horse upgrade during any part of the **2009/2010** series they will not be able to compete further in the Series. No rider may ride more than three horses or ponies in the same competition.

SUBSTITUTIONS - Substitutions of horse/pony or rider will not be accepted at Area Competitions or at the Championships.

SADDLERY AND DRESS - At Preliminary Round Competitions EITHER The Pony Club or B.S.J.A. Rules apply in respect of Saddlery and Dress.

The Pony Club Saddlery and Dress rules apply at Area Competitions and the Championships.

PASSING DOWN THE LINE - In the event of a competitor being placed in a qualifying position at a Preliminary Round when they have already qualified for the Area Competition, the place may pass down the line **PROVIDED THAT the next placed combination has jumped a CLEAR ROUND in the FIRST ROUND.**

AREA QUALIFIERS

Qualification at Area Competitions will work on a ratio basis

Number of Competitors starting the Competition	Number to Qualify
0 – 40	4
41 – 50	5
51 – 60	6
61 – 70	7
and pro rata	

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

RIDERS & PONIES / HORSES who qualify for both the Winter League Championships and the Open Final in the same year must nominate which class they wish to compete in on the day they qualify so that the qualification can be passed down the line.

This applies even if the rider has qualified more than one Horse/Pony. The qualification will then be passed down the line.

CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Pony Club Dengie Show Jumping Championships
at
Warwickshire College, Moreton Morrell on Saturday, 27th March 2010.

WINTER LEAGUE ENTRIES

THE PRELIMINARY ROUNDS

Maximum Entry Fee:- £10.00

Please contact the relevant Show Secretary for details.

AREA COMPETITIONS

Entry Fee - £10.00

Entries for competitors who have qualified for the Area Competitions, should be sent on the Entry Form provided, together with the Entry Fee to the Secretary of the Area Competition at least 7 days before the date of the competition. Organisers may use their discretion in accepting a late entry.

CHAMPIONSHIPS

Entry Fee: - £12.00

Entries for competitors who have qualified for the Championships, should be sent/faxed on the Entry Form provided, together with the Entry Fee to The Pony Club, Stoneleigh Park, Kenilworth, Warwickshire CV8 2RW by **Monday, 22nd March 2010.**

CHAMPIONSHIPS WARM-UP COMPETITION

Entry Fee:- £8.00

Entries for competitors who have qualified for the Championships, should be sent/faxed on the Entry Form provided, together with the Entry Fee to The Pony Club, Stoneleigh Park, Kenilworth, Warwickshire CV8 2RW by **Monday, 22nd March 2010.**

OPEN RULES

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Except where varied below the Classes will be judged in accordance with The Pony Club Show Jumping Rule Book 2010.

ELIGIBILITY: Open to all Members of The Pony Club including Associates.

DRESS & SADDLERY RULES: as per the current Pony Club Show Jumping Rule Book.

QUALIFIERS

To be eligible for the Final each Area will run a qualifying competition.

The first three will qualify from each Area to take part at the Final.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

RIDERS & PONIES / HORSES who qualify for both the Winter League and the Open Championships in the same year must nominate which class they wish to compete in on the day they qualify so that the qualification can be passed down the line.

This applies even if the rider has qualified more than one Horse/Pony. The qualification will then be passed down the line.

OPEN ENTRIES

AREA COMPETITIONS

Entry Fee - £10.00

Entries for competitors should be sent directly to the Competition Organiser. Organisers may use their discretion in accepting late entries.

CHAMPIONSHIPS

Entry Fee: - £12.00

Entries for competitors who have qualified for the Championships, should be sent on the Entry Form provided, together with the Entry Fee to The Pony Club, Stoneleigh Park, Kenilworth, Warwickshire CV8 2RW by **Monday, 22nd March 2010.**

Please note there is NO Warm Up class for the Open at the Championships

NOTES TO ALL COURSE DESIGNERS

WINTER LEAGUE AND OPEN COMPETITIONS

THE COURSE

- a) General
 - i) It is recommended that a BSJA Panel Course Designer is used if possible.
 - ii) It is important to use some 'fill-in material' so that the fences look inviting. Hollow plastic poles are not allowed.

- b) The Course
 - i) If possible the first two fences should be sited to be jumped towards the Collecting Ring.
 - iii) One third to one half of the obstacles should be spreads and must include at least one square oxer.
 - iv) **Distances - Unless the competition class stipulates the height of pony the distances should be for horses. In a course designed for a mixed class (horses and ponies) it is important not to use difficult committed distances so that ponies can adjust their strides. There should be no three stride distances anywhere in the course. There must be no less than five strides on the approach or following any combination, (either double or treble). Except where the rules for the competition stipulate and there is a significant mix of sizes of ponies/horses, one or two double combinations instead of a double and a treble may be better suited to the competition.**
 - v) When the second or third element of a double or combination is a spread, the distances must be as for two non-jumping strides.

- c) **Safety Cups** - It is strongly recommended that Branches use Safety Cups at all levels and consider investing in these cups when updating their own Show Jumping fences.
To be used on the back rails of spread fences and middle and back rails of triple bars. Safety Cups will be compulsory for Open, Intermediate & Novice Area and above competitions.

WINTER LEAGUE - PRELIMINARY ROUNDS

BSJA Table A7 or **Two-phase**

Speed 325 Metres per Minute

1 or 2 Double Combinations 0.90 m

Maximum Height: 0.90 m

When the second element of a double combination is a spread, the distances must be as for two non-jumping strides.

WINTER LEAGUE - AREA COMPETITIONS

To be judged under BSJA Table A7 unless there is equality for qualifying places then a jump off will decide. If minor non-qualifying places are needed then time in the first round will decide.

Speed 325 Metres per Minute

1 or 2 Double Combinations 0.95 m

Maximum Height: 0.95 m

When the second element of a double combination is a spread, the distances must be as for two non-jumping strides.

Area Competitions will be built up to maximum height and dimensions.

OPEN - AREA COMPETITIONS

To be judged under BSJA Table A7 unless there is equality for qualifying places then a jump off will decide. If minor non-qualifying places are needed then time in the first round will decide.

1 or 2 Double Combinations 1.05 m

Maximum Height of Fences 1.10 m

Maximum Spread 1.10 m

When the second element of a double combination is a spread, the distances must be as for two non-jumping strides.

BSJA TABLE DEFINITIONS

TABLE A4	Against the clock. Competitions place on faults and time.	
TABLE A7	Those placed first equal qualify for the jump off.	Against the clock. Competitors placed on faults and time.
TABLE A8	Those placed first equal qualify for the First jump off. Other competitors placed according to their penalties.	Those placed first equal qualify for the second jump off. Other Competitors placed according to their penalties and time.

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