

Carleton Riding Club By Laws

DRESSAGE RULES

Judges

Where possible, we use British Dressage Listed Judges. When this is not possible our judges are either experienced competitors and/or unaffiliated judges. THE JUDGES DECISION IS FINAL.

Eligibility Rules

Riders are asked to enter classes appropriate to the combination's ability and experience. Riders underestimating their horses' ability may be asked to consider completing the test HC and entering the next appropriate class. Competitors are classed as juniors for the whole season if they are under 18 on 1/1/18.

British Dressage Riders Group 3 and above may not compete in the Restricted Novice class but may enter as training or HC. However, they may compete in Open Novice class.

Preliminary restricted sections (D2R and D3R)

Horse / pony to have no British Dressage or British Eventing points (including BE foundation points) as at 01/01/18 and / or combination not to have won more than two Prelim classes (unaff or aff) prior to 01/01/18 with a percentage of 67% or above. British Dressage Riders Group 6 and above may not compete in the Restricted Prelim class sections but may enter as training or HC. They may compete in the Open Prelim sections.

Dress

Jackets and gloves must be worn; gaiters are permitted, as are leather half chaps in black or brown. In extreme hot weather the judge may permit competitors to compete without a jacket but only if a suitable long sleeved shirt is worn.

Warm up ring etiquette

Carleton Riding Club is very aware of health and safety and as such requests that competitors do not invite instructors or helpers into the warm up ring. This is consistent with BD rules. Instructors, Helpers are welcome to stand behind the rails and provide encouragement and instruction provided this is carried out discreetly and doesn't interfere with or distract fellow competitors. Please observe the left-to-left warm up etiquette and remember to look up and be aware of fellow competitors. If you are in walk on the track, please give way to all riders in trot and canter (this is the only time the left to left rule is not observed).

Warm up is on a surface directly next to the outdoor competition arena.

Lunging is not permitted in the competition warm up area. However, lunging may be arranged with prior permission directly from Easton College, in another area.

Dressage Tests

All dressage tests are the current British Dressage Tests. Test sheets are available from British Dressage - www.britishdressage.co.uk Tel. 02476 698830.

Prizes & League Trophies

Rosettes to 6th place in all classes. There are member's perpetual trophies for Classes D2R, D20, D3R, D30, D4, D5, D6, D7 and D8, for both juniors and seniors.

League Points are awarded at each show on the following basis. This may be different to the class placing's if non-members are competing. For example; if you are placed 3rd in a class, with the 1st and 2nd placing awarded to a non-member, you will receive 7 points:

| Place | League Points |
|---------------------------|---------------|
| Highest placed member | 7 |
| 2nd highest placed member | 6 |
| 3rd highest placed member | 5 |
| 4th highest placed member | 4 |
| 5th highest placed member | 3 |
| 6th highest placed member | 2 |
| For competing in class | 1 |

Points are added up for each combination in each class throughout the season; those horse/rider combinations who have collected points at a minimum of 2 shows, will be eligible for the dressage league prizes. Rosettes and perpetual trophies are awarded to the class winners at our AGM in November. For the overall 'Rug' league, members will need to have competed at least two shows and competed in both disciplines.

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PHOTOGRAPHY - JUNIORS

Professional and amateur photographers may be present at the shows. By entering these classes you are deemed to have accepted that photographs of juniors will be taken, which may be used for publicity purposes. The Club will try to contact you to let you know about proposed use, but this is not guaranteed.

WITHDRAWING

In the unfortunate event that you need to withdraw from a class please contact Louise Nevard (07787554085) at the earliest opportunity.

DISPUTES

In all cases of dispute, a written protest should accompany a deposit of £10.00 and be delivered to the Show Secretary before the close of the show, otherwise the protest will not be considered. The Show Secretary shall as soon as possible after receipt, give notice of the protest to the Committee members present and if possible decide the case before the conclusion of the show; otherwise, it will be referred to the Committee for later determination. In either case, the decision shall be final. The deposit of £10.00 will be forfeit save in the event that the protest is upheld. When the protest has been determined all parties shall be notified of such determination.

SHOW JUMPING RULES

All show-jumping classes are judged under the BRC Rules, any exceptions as below.

Single phase: First and second section with a time allowed and time limit. Second Section against the clock. Faults to be accumulated over both sections. The competitor will jump the whole course unless they are eliminated. Number of fences: 5-7 fences in each section (max 12 fences overall). The second section must include at least 5 additional obstacles. The height of the second section should be set higher than those set for the first section.

Table A7: All those who go clear in round one will go forward to round two over a timed jump off course. The BRC rule of 4 faults for the first refusal, 8 faults for the second refusal and elimination for the third refusal will be applied. Fall of rider and/or horse means immediate elimination and no other jumps in the ring may be attempted.

Non-Competitive Entries (HC)

HC jumping maybe permitted on payment of the appropriate entry fee and subject to the number of entries in the class. Any HC jumping rounds will be ridden at the end of the first round for each class at the judges' discretion.

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Eligibility Rules

This schedule has been compiled to give a gradual progression of jumping courses to suit the various abilities of horse and rider. Club members wishing to have the chance to compete in BRC Area teams are expected to compete in the classes of the appropriate standard. Riders are asked to enter classes appropriate to the horse and rider combination ability and experience. Riders underestimating their horses' ability may be asked to consider the round HC and to enter the next appropriate class.

The Club considers that **three consecutive height** classes are acceptable as the maximum a combination should attempt. Those combinations jumping the 50cm are not eligible for classes 3-6 as the 50cm is aimed at novice horses and riders.

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Prizes & League Trophies

Rosettes to 6th place - all classes will be split Horses over 148 cm (14.2 hh) and Ponies 148 cm (14.2 hh) and under. There are member's perpetual trophies for Classes 1-6

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