



## Important BRC Changes for 2024

### Rule changes:

- **Dressage:** Allow Medium & Advanced Medium riders to do rising trot during test if they wish to do so. **With immediate effect.**
- **Flu Vacs:** Already sent around update. Details to members will be sent in Rider and eNews. **From 1 January.**
- **Mobile Phones:** It is not recommended to carry a mobile phone while competing. It is recommended mobile phones are not used while mounted, but If competitors must use their phones, they should be stationary. Mobile phones must not be used in warm up arenas.
- **Qualifier pre-entry late fees:** Will be reduced to £5 for an individual and £10 per team. A late championship entry fee may be introduced, same pricing as above. **From 1 January.**
- **Spurs:** Will not be permitted for Intro test dressage classes at the Introductory Championships ( and Introductory Championships Qualifiers) only. They will continue to be allowed for the Prelim classes at this champ and other Championships. - **From 1<sup>st</sup> January, in new Handbook.**
- **Tack/ competition dress: - With immediate effect.**
  - **Fair Rider Spurs:** Will be added to the allowed tack/ dress list, for all dressage classes except those where spurs are not allowed to be worn at all (see above rule change).
  - **Titanium hoods:** To be allowed in all dressage classes and phases of all competitions.

### Championship and Qualifiers:

- **Horse Trials format:** The Roads & Tracks element will be removed. Unfortunately, due to the unpredictable weather and ground conditions the Roads & Tracks element has been cancelled more often that it has been able to fully run.  
Other considerations for this decision also include the rising cost to competitors and the need to stable for an extra night etc.

**At the 2024 championships, the following format will be used:**

|                            |                   |            |                                       |
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| Mixed 70                   | 1-day competition | Friday     | Dressage, SJ and XC                   |
| Junior 80                  | 1-day competition | Friday     | Dressage, SJ and XC                   |
| Senior 80                  | 2-day competition | Sat<br>Sun | Dressage and SJ<br>XC                 |
| Junior 90                  | 2-day competition | Sat<br>Sun | Vet Inspection, Dressage, SJ<br>XC    |
| Senior 90 and<br>Mixed 100 | 2-day competition | Sat<br>Sun | Vet Inspection, Dressage and XC<br>SJ |

- **Style Jumping** - the figure of 8 and salutes will be removed with rounds starting on a bell or other suitable method. This is to make the classes shorter to run and therefore potentially more viable for qualifiers to run alongside their SJ classes as the intervals between competitors can be less.

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