



NATIONAL SHOW JUMPING RULES

Effective July 1st 2020

GENERAL

All competitors must sign a waiver form before entering the warm up arena prior to the start of the 1st competition for the calendar year, and must be a BEA member in good standing in order to take part in BEA competitions. Daily membership is available for those who are not full members at the time of the competition, but day members are not eligible for championship points at National Championship Shows.

CODE OF CONDUCT

1. Respect the rules of the competition
2. Respect all Fellow Competitors
3. Respect all Officials
4. Respect the rulings/decisions of the Officials.
5. Maintain dignity at all times

SHOW PROTOCOL

1. Entry Fees and Day Membership fees must be paid prior to the competitor entering the warm-up arena
2. Warm Up Ring protocol is to be adhered to at all times

3. The start time stated on a show invitation refers to the time the 1st rider of the competition enters the competition arena. The course will be open for walking 15minutes prior to the start time or when the judge deems the course “open for walking”. A start list may be emailed to members prior to the competition date. Competitors who are late for their class will be penalised at the judge’s and Organising Committee’s discretion.

SHOW JUMPING

ENTRIES

Entry fees must be paid prior to entering the warm up arena, competitors who do not pay their entry prior to entering the warm up will not be permitted to enter the main arena and compete. (As stated in SHOW PROTOCOL)

A horse/Rider combination may enter 2 consecutive classes at a show. This does not apply to Super League or Little League Competitions, which operate under specific championship rules. (Please see section on Super League and Little League championship rules.)

A rider may enter a class 3 times with a different horse/pony. However, if a rider/horse combo is eliminated from a class, they can with the OC’s permission re-enter the class Hors Concours at the end of the class.

A horse/pony may enter a competition a maximum of 6 times in show classes 0.90m and below at maximum of three entries per class. If any classes in which the horse competes are above 0.90m, then the horse/pony may only enter a maximum of 4 times in show classes at a maximum of two entries per class.

Hors Concours

A competitor who enters an event Hors Concours will pay the same entry fee, be judged in the normal manner and in accordance with the show jumping rules but will not be counted in the final standings and therefore will not be eligible for prizes or championship points.

LATE ENTRIES

Entries received after the close of entries date on competition invitations must pay late fees and go first in the class in order of entry date/time.

CLASSES

Classes will be judged in accordance with the principles of the Rules of the FEI. The type of class will be stated on the official invitation, e.g. **Table A - Against the clock** or **Table A - Not Against the Clock, (with / without jump off) etc.**

FEI Jumping Rules can be found on <https://inside.fei.org/fei/disc/jumping/rules> and should be checked on a regular basis as they may be updated during the year.

CHILDREN

Definition of a child rider: A rider is considered a child until the year in which they turn 16yrs old, after which they are considered an adult competitor.

Unless otherwise stated, adults and children will be judged separately in all classes up to and including 0.90m and separate ribbons presented. Classes above 0.90m will be judged as open classes.

HORSES & PONIES

All horses and ponies competing during the year must be registered with the BEA and hold a valid and complete BEA passport and be microchipped. In line with the FEI Ruling from the 1st January 2007, the definition of a pony is that they are considered as a small horse whose height at withers, when measured on a smooth and level surface does not exceed 148cm without shoes or 149cm with shoes at competition fitness.

DRESS CODE

Dress code as per FEI Rules will apply (Art. 256 1.5 of FEI Rules), unless stated otherwise in the competition invitation.

“Neat and Tidy”:- Competitors must be neatly attired in non patterned, light coloured jodhpurs, polo shirt with sleeves and boots (no t-shirts). Approved and properly fitted hard hats must be worn at all times when mounted.

SADDLERY

As per Art.257 1.3 (2014) in the FEI Show Jumping Rules, only unrestricted running martingales are allowed. Correctly fitted standing martingales will be permitted for adults & children up to and including, but not exceeding 0.80m.

WARM UP ARENA

A maximum of four riders/horses will be permitted in the Warm Up Arena at any given time.



SUPER LEAGUE & LITTLE LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP RULES

- 1) There will be ONE Little League Championship Show and ONE Super League Championship Show per year where Championship Points are gained to determine the Champions of each Class/Division.
- 2) Super League Championship points will be awarded to HORSE AND RIDER COMBINATIONS only. Little League Championship points will be awarded to RIDERS on their results on their first horse/pony in each championship class.
- 3) Riders riding more than one horse in a class must declare prior to the commencement of the show or preferably upon entry, which horse will be ridden for championship points however, if they do not declare a horse/pony, the OC will award the points based on their first ride in a class. They are still eligible for placements and ribbons on all their mounts.
- 4) Day Membership is accepted for SL and LL championship classes, but riders although they can get ribbons, are not eligible for Championship points. Championships are for full BEA Members only.
- 5) Late Entries will be accepted for Championship points, but the rider will compete as the 1st rider in the class and will therefore be declaring that horse as their Championship mount for points if they have not already competed in another class.
- 6) A SL horse/rider combination may enter a maximum of 2 SL rounds of the same height. Any other entry of the same horse/rider combination will be ridden as Hors Concours.
- 7) For the Little League Competitions only, a horse/pony may be entered for championship points twice per round over one height category or in two different heights, once ridden by a different rider. Thus a horse/pony can do a maximum of four rounds in LL competitions. *However, a special allowance will be made for the 0.60m-0.70m class in LL competitions, whereby a horse/pony can be entered up to six times (three times per round) at that entry height once it does not enter any additional LL classes.*
- 8) Under very special circumstances such as the age/ability of a horse and as determined by a veterinarian's certificate and at the discretion of the JC and OC, a SL LL horse and rider combination may move down in class in a subsequent year but not in the same year which they have competed successfully at the higher height.
- 9) Adults and children will be judged separately in all classes up to and including 0.90m.
- 10) SL and LL Invitations will indicate the type of class e.g. **Table A against the clock or Table A not against the clock (with / without jump off).**



LITTLE LEAGUE & SUPER LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP CLASSES

1) **Little League Championship Points** will be awarded in the following classes:

LL#1 0.60m-0.70m (Children and Adult Championship)

LL#2 0.70m-0.80m (Children and Adult Championships)

LL#3 0.80m-0.90m (Children and Adult Championships)

There will therefore be six LL Champions and six LL Reserve Champions per year **for a total of 12 LL Awards.**

2) **Super League Championship Points** will be awarded in the following classes:

SL#1 0.90-1.00m (Open Class)

SL#2 1.00m-1.10m (Open Class)

SL#3 1.10m-1.20m (Open Class)

SL#4 1.20m-1.30m (Open Class)

There will therefore be four SL Champions and four SL Reserve Champions per year **for a total of 8 SL Awards.**

LITTLE LEAGUE AND SUPER LEAGUE POINT SYSTEM:

Place: 1st 2nd 3rd 4th

Points: 7pnts 5pnts 3pnts 1pnt

BEA JUMPING SPECIAL AWARDS AND CROSS DISCIPLINE AWARDS

Outstanding Contribution to the BEA:

This encompasses votes from all three disciplines and should be awarded to a BEA Member or Members (person, family, or group) that contributes significantly during the year to the overall promotion and success of the BEA.

Outstanding Contribution to Show Jumping:

This is to be awarded to a BEA Member or Members who is actively involved in promoting and helping with show jumping at shows in a major capacity on a regular basis.

Sportmanship:

This encompasses votes from all three disciplines of the BEA and although not exclusive to children (those under 16 yrs old as of the year of the award), it is primarily aimed at children to encourage good sportmanship from a young age. Each Discipline Chair should put forward their committee's candidate for the award and the vote among the Chairs should be taken. The criteria each committee will look for is an act of sportmanship by an active BEA competitor at BEA shows primarily but also in training at their home showground. It could encompass helpfulness, kindness, sharing, a good word to another rider etc.

Excellence in Dressage and Show Jumping:

Like Sportmanship, this award is not exclusive to children, but is aimed primarily at children, who will hopefully take up the new discipline of Eventing/Cross Country. The aim is to encourage riders, especially youngsters to get involved in both Dressage and Show Jumping to allow development of both disciplines and allow young riders to experience both. Riders for this award must be actively competing in relevant Dressage and Show Jumping Competitions during the year and especially in National and International Championship Shows like the FEI, CEA and the Leagues. As this is a developmental award, it is based on rider and not horse/rider combo so rider can win in jumping on one horse and in dressage on another.

Dressage	Jumping	Champion	Reserve
Intro A	60-70	1	0.5
Intro B /CEA .70	CEA/70-80	2	1
Intro C /CEA .85	CEA/80-90	3	1.5
Training/CEA 1m	CEA/90-1.0	4	2

First Level/Youth/CEA1/FEIYth	FEI/1.0-1.10	5	2.5
Second Level/Senior 1/CEA2/FEIS1	FEI/1.10-1.20	6	3
Third Level/Senior 2/CEA3/FEIS2	FEI/1.20-1.30	7	3.5

Most Outstanding Junior Jumper and Most Outstanding Adult Jumper

Jumping	Champion	Reserve Champion
60-70	1	0.5
70-80/CEA 70	2	1
80-90/CEA 85	3	1.5
90-1.0/CEA 1m	4	2
1.0-1.10/FEI C	5	2.5
1.10-1.20/FEI B	6	3
1.20-1.30/FEI A	7	3.5

Most Improved Junior: **[A Junior is considered up to the year they turn 15]**

This award is to encourage the development of young riders in the BEA. Like above award since it is a developmental award, **it is based on rider and not horse/rider combo**. A rider can have moved up on another horse. Encouragement of young riders is probably the most important element of our awards so it is not just about who is jumping the highest height, but the MIJ must show a definite progress from one lower level to another higher level even if it is from x rails-0.60m to 0.70-0.80m or from 0.70-0.80m to 0.80-0.90m etc. A definite improvement in a rider's abilities as a jumper as determined by the JC is also important. It is definitely different from "Most Outstanding Junior" as it is basically a developmental award to encourage growth among young riders. Hopefully the candidate for most improved may go to one day becoming the MOJ.

Show Jumping Cross Over Champion:

Instead of having Super League and Little League Cross Over Champions, there will now be ONE Cross Over Champion Award based on a **Horse/Rider Combo** that has moved up the farthest during the year throughout BEA Shows i.e. from their first show of the year to their last. This would be moving up the scale from 0.60m to 1.30m. A Horse/Rider Combo that has crossed over from 0.60m-0.70m to 0.80-0.90m (two levels) would win over a Combo that moved from .90-1.00m to 1.00m-1.10m (one level.) Accomplishments will be considered. *However, this Award is in its developmental stage so can be developed further.* But unlike the Most Improved Junior Award, the Cross Over Award will be based on a Horse/Rider Combo and can be a Junior or Adult rider.