SKRC Club Rules 2024

Show Management

The judge's decision is final.

The organisers reserve the right to alter or cancel any class, refuse entry, withhold a prize or disqualify a competitor at any time and for any reason.

Any abuse of a horse or misuse of a whip, failure to obey an order from a judge, steward or committee member, unsafe or discourteous behaviour may result in dismissal from the show ground.

Neither the organisers or land owners accept any liability for any accident, injury or illness to any animal, spectator, other persons or property whatsoever.

The organisers reserve the right to cancel or postpone the show at short notice in the event of adverse conditions. Information will be posted on our website and Facebook page.

Any complaint must be made in writing and lodged with the Chairman within 30 minutes of an alleged incident. It must be accompanied by £20 which will be refunded if the complaint is upheld.

All ridden animals are to be 4 years old or over.

The rider's age is as on 1st January in the year of the show.

It is the responsibility of the competitor to be in the correct ring at the correct time. Late arrival may result in disqualification.

Health and Safety

General Principles

Competitors, volunteers, officials and spectators must take reasonable precautions when attending events or other Club activities in order to ensure their own safety and the safety of others around them.

They must recognise that they have as much of a duty of care towards themselves and others as the Club has towards them.

They have a duty:

• To report any potential and actual health & safety hazards, risks, accidents and incidents without delay to a Club Officer or Steward.

- To accept the authority of the Club, its Officers and Stewards.
- To ensure that all equipment used is in a safe state of repair (this includes trailers, cars, lorries, etc).

Each competitor must make their own assessment of the conditions of the ground and take responsibility for their decision to attend the show and which classes to compete in.

Vehicles and Access

No vehicle is to be driven faster than walking pace on the show field. All vehicles must stay in the designated parking area.

Do not obstruct gateways and paths by parking in front of them or tying horses up to them.

Clothing

Hard hats of the current approved standard must be worn when riders are mounted, loading and by handlers 12 years old and under.

The current standards for hard hats are as follows:

1) PAS 015 (1998 or 2011) with BSI Kitemark

2) VGI 01.040 (2014-12) with BSI Kitemark

3) ASTM F1163 (2004a or 04a onwards) with SEI mark

4) SNELL E2001 with official SNELL label and number

5) AS/NZS 3838 (2006 onwards) with SAI global mark

Show jackets must be worn when show jumping.

Competitors must wear correct footwear at all times.

Body protectors to the current standard are recommended for show jumping.

Riding

Riders must observe reasonable rules of etiquette when competing at SKRC events.

Warm up:

- Warm up in the designated areas only.
- Do not overcrowd the area and leave the area once warm up is completed.
- Horses and riders should pass Left To Left at all times. Jump the practice jump one way only with the **R**ed flag on your **R**ight.
- Competitors jumping the practice jump may not jump above the height of the class being run.

Horses must be ridden or led at walk outside any rings and designated practice areas.

Riders should wait for their class / round away from the ring gate to ensure competitors can enter / exit safely.

Horses

All stallions and colts must wear identifying badges. Red / green tail ribbons are recommended for horses liable to kick (red) or novice / unpredictable horses (green).

No horse is to be left unsupervised if tethered and must never be tethered to a gate, a wall or an unhitched trailer (even if supervised).

Responsibilities

It is recommended by the Club that all competitors have adequate insurance cover for themselves, their horses and any equipment they bring to events.

Children (under the age of 18) must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. They are the responsibility of their parents / guardians and not the Club. Parents/guardians must ensure the children behave reasonably while at events and are supervised at all times. This includes ensuring they follow all health and safety rules, they are in control of their horse / pony and are competing in classes suitable to their ability.

Any person not willing to accept direction from a judge, steward or committee member regarding health and safety issues may be excluded from the club and any future events.

Dogs must be kept on a leash at all times.

Take all your litter home or place it in the bins provided.