

SHOWMAN – GENERAL INFORMATION & PREPARATION SHEET

General

The qualifying period for State Championships and the IQ competition year is the 12 months preceding the closing date of entries for State Championships.

Rules

- All Interschool events will be run under the relevant discipline's EA rules.
- The same horse/athlete combination must complete all phases in the correct order.
- The discipline is run in the order of Dressage; Rider Class; Jumping (if applicable) and In-hand (Led) Class.
- Horses may only be entered in one Showman class at any event.
- At local and State events, athletes may compete in more than one Showman class at an event, on different horses, with the permission of the Organising Committee.

Rules specific to Showman are shown in the IQ Handbook. Please familiarise yourself with these.

Programs

Programs need to be forwarded to the IQ relevant discipline convenor for approval prior to the school advertising the event. The names of judges should be included with the program.

Draw

This needs to be forwarded to the Interschool contact in the EQ office for entry checks as soon as possible after close of nominations.

The draw is also required to be sent to the judges prior to posting so they can see whether they are judging any riders that they may coach or personally know so that they can declare this prior to the event.

Helpers List

A helpers list must be prepared and posted with the draw. All riders must nominate a helper (not a coach or school co-ordinator) to be available on the day of the event. The helpers list is compiled from the supplied names. Please note: **NO HELPER- NO RIDE.**

Due to changes in the Showman discipline this year, once the rider is gear checked they must proceed from one phase to the next without the assistance of parents or coaches. This has meant the introduction of helpers at each phase to assist with carrying gear (such as horse boots and vests)

to the next phase. It is also suggested that at the final phase (in-hand) that a helper is engaged as a ring marshal to ensure parents/coaches do not approach or coach riders from the sideline prior to the riders completion of the final phase when parents/coaches will be requested to collect their rider's gear by the steward. Any interaction by parents or coaches at this stage would lead to elimination of that rider.

Judges

Whilst the EA status of IQ is associate, our competitions are to be run along the lines of EA official competitions and judge allocation should match the EA requirements for the level of competition.

Showman requires the following types of judges:

- Dressage;
- Showhorse (rider-class and in-hand phases);
- Showjumping (jumping phase and course builder)

All of these can be sourced through the EQ website under "Officials"

Sports specific rules can be found in the relevant discipline rule books.

Pencillers

Pencillers must be impartial, and it is preferred that they do not have their own children competing in the class in which they are pencilling for. IQ encourages year 10, 11 and 12 riders to take the opportunity to pencil where possible.

Gear Check

This is an important role and wherever possible, helpers should be chosen based on their knowledge of the discipline.

It is suggested that a copy of the equipment that is and is not allowed (eg bits, nosebands, etc) in Showman be provided to the gear check (eg laminated and attached to the gear check table) together with a copy of Section 8.1 "Rules Particular to Showman" (pp 45-6 of IQ Handbook 2011) and Section 8.2 "Uniform Requirements Particular to Showman" (pg 46 of IQ Handbook 2011).

A tape measure or a ruler should also be available at gear check to measure the length of the rider's whip. The whip must be no longer than 75cm.

Results

Results are required to be forwarded to the EQ office to go on the website within 10 days after the event.

EQ will only use results that are in EXCEL Format. Please note that each discipline is on 1 page.

Medical

A first aid service must be present at all times.

Emergency vehicles must be able to access all parts of the venue.

Veterinary

A veterinary surgeon will need to be on-call.



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