

DRESSAGE COMPETITIONS RULES AND REGULATIONS

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1. Unaffiliated classes are Club Competitions run in accordance with British Dressage Rules.
2. All horses must wear a bridle number.

3. ARENAS

Details of which classes are run in each arena will be posted outside the Dressage Caravan on the day. There is a large working-in area and the dressage arenas are set on level ground on well-established turf.

4. CLASSES

Introductory Tests are open to entry level competitors/horses. The **Introductory Championship for the Mazamboni Perpetual Challenge Trophy** will be awarded to the highest placed WPEC member, who is also eligible for the GBEC Sunshine Tour Championships, in the Introductory B on 2nd September.

Preliminary Tests are restricted to horses with less than 55 Dressage Grading points or having not won three first prizes in WPEC Novice classes in 2011. The **Preliminary Championship for the Grundon Waste Management Perpetual Challenge Trophy** will be awarded to the highest placed WPEC member in the Preliminary 15 on 2nd September.

Novice Tests are restricted to horses with less than 110 Dressage Grading points, or having not won three first prizes in WPEC Elementary classes in 2011. The **Novice Championship for the Novice Perpetual Challenge Trophy** will be awarded to the highest placed WPEC member in the Novice 37 on 2nd September.

Elementary, Medium and Advanced Medium Tests are open.

The **Elementary Championship for the Perpetual Challenge Trophy kindly donated by Mrs Sigrid Young** will be awarded to the highest placed WPEC member in the Elementary 58 on 2nd September.

The **Open Championships for the Open Perpetual Challenge Trophy** will be awarded to the highest placed WPEC member in the Medium 61 on 2nd September.

The **Open Advanced Medium Championship for the Equimars Perpetual Challenge Trophy kindly donated by Kathy Marsden** will be awarded to the highest placed WPEC member in the Advanced Medium 85 on 2nd September.

Dressage with Jumping (BE Test) classes are open. The **Dressage with Jumping Championship for the Perpetual Challenge Trophy kindly presented by Mrs and the late Mr T Keen** will be awarded to the highest placed WPEC member in the Dressage with Jumping competition on 2nd September.

5. TESTS

Official copies of all the British Dressage and Horse Trials tests being used WPEC will be available from the Dressage Caravan at current prices.

6. **ENTRIES** should be made on WPEC Dressage Entry Forms and sent to the Dressage Secretary, to arrive by the closing date for entries shown in the schedule.
Entry forms are available on the website, on the showground, and may be photocopied.

7. STARTING TIMES

Times are available on the website, www.wpec.org.uk, from mid-day on Thursday onwards, or by telephone on the THURSDAY prior to the Show between 19.30 and 21.30 only on 01276 472169.

Competitors must report to the Dressage Steward at least 15 minutes before their allotted test time.

8. **DRESSAGE TRAINING SESSIONS:** 30 minute training sessions with a judge/trainer. Book in advance on entry form, stating Test No. or level at which you wish to work.

9. **PRACTICE ARENAS**

20 x 40m and 20 x 60m arenas may be available for practice at £4 per 15 minutes. Apply on the day to the Dressage Steward.

11. **ENTRY FEES**

Members: Dressage with Jumping £14 Dressage classes £11

Non-members: Dressage with Jumping £16 Dressage classes £13

Training Sessions £17

12. **PRIZES**

Prize money will be awarded as follows, depending on the number of starters: where there are less than three entries in a class, all prize money may be withheld.

Dressage 1st £11 2nd £9 3rd £7 4th £6

Dressage with Jumping 1st £14 2nd £12 3rd £9 4th £7

Special rosettes will be awarded to the highest placed **riders under 21 years**.

14. **ANNUAL AWARDS:**

The Neville Palmer Perpetual Challenge Trophy will be awarded, on a points system, to the highest placed member under 21 years.

The “Light ‘n Shade” Perpetual Challenge Trophy will be awarded to the member with the highest number of points overall.

The Bradford Perpetual Challenge Trophy will be awarded to the rider over 40 years of age with the highest number of points.

Invited Dressage Judges

Mrs. R. Ablitt

Mrs. J. Black

Mrs. B. Wright

Mr. M. Hunt

Mrs. P. Green

Miss M. Bone

Mrs J Hudson

Mrs. S. Price

The Sunshine Tour Unaffiliated Dressage Championship Show will be held at Great Bookham Equestrian Centre on 22 and 23 September 2012.

Qualifications and Restrictions: 1st – 6th (depending on number of entries) qualify in selected Walk & Trot, Prelim, Novice and Elementary classes. For Walk and Trot and Prelim championship, neither horse/pony or rider to have earned any British Dressage points, for Novice championships not more than 20 BD points and for Elementary not more than 40 points. All Introductory, Preliminary, Novice and Elementary classes are qualifiers for the Sunshine Tour Championships.

If you qualify, you will receive a Sunshine Tour qualification card – simply fill in and return or register online for an information pack and details of how to enter the Sunshine Tour Championship at Great Bookham Equestrian Centre on 22 and 23 September 2012.

The “Southern England Unaffiliated Dressage Championships” – Preliminary horses must have less than 20 BD points on the day of the Championship. Riders in Group 1 – 6 only to compete in Elementary Championship. All Preliminary, Novice and Elementary classes are qualifiers for the Southern England Unaffiliated Dressage Championships, to be held at **Oldencraig on 6 and 7 October, 2012**. Competitors placed 1st, 2nd or 3rd to qualify.

The “South East Region Unaffiliated Championships” – Preliminary horses must have less than 20 BD points. Riders in Groups 1 – 5 only to compete in Elementary Championship. All Preliminary, Novice and Elementary classes are qualifiers for the South East Region Unaffiliated Championships, to be held at **Hickstead on 26 and 27 May 2012**. Riders placed 1st or 2nd to qualify. Qualifying period June 2011 – April 2012.

GENERAL CONDITIONS - DRESSAGE – 2012

1. All riders must be members of the Club. **For the driving section, all OWNERS must be members of the Club.** Additional vehicle passes may be obtained from the Secretary at a cost of £15 for two for the season.
2. Members entering their horses do so at their own risk and it is a condition of entry that they have acknowledged that no liability can be attached to the General Committee, the Crown Estate Commissioners, the Guards Polo Club, the BHDTA or their Committees or Members, save for the death or personal injury caused by the negligence of the organisers, or anyone for whom they are in law responsible for any accident, loss, damage, injury or illness to horses, owners, drivers, grooms, spectators or any other person or property whatsoever, whether caused by their negligence, breach of contract or in any other way whatsoever.
- 3 Entries must be made on the official entry forms and cheques made payable to Windsor Park Equestrian Club. Entries are not accepted without the correct fee. Please see separate Rules for closing dates and late entry fees. Entries will not be acknowledged unless a stamped addressed envelope is enclosed.
4. Entry forms for competitors under 16 years of age must be signed by a responsible adult, and these competitors must be accompanied by a responsible adult while on the showground.
5. The General Committee reserves the right to refuse any entry and to return any entry money without explanation.
6. The General Committee reserves the right to vary conditions of classes, to include additional classes or cancel classes if they consider it to be in the interests of Members in general to do so. As much notice as possible will be given to Members of any such action.
7. At all times **DOGS MUST BE KEPT ON A LEAD** when in or around a competition area. i.e. arenas, marathon course or obstacles. Competitors infringing this rule will be eliminated from the competition.
8. Bicycles are only allowed on metalled roads, in accordance with Windsor Great Park Bye-Laws. Competitors infringing this rule will be eliminated from the competition.
9. The General Committee reserves the right to suspend, withdraw or cancel the membership of any member or owner who in the opinion of the General Committee has been guilty of any serious act of indiscipline towards any officer or official of the Club, or who has been found guilty of reckless riding or driving at any Meet.
- 9 Making an entry deems acceptance of all rules and that you agree to abide with the Health and Safety Policy.

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