



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:** Intervals for primary course are changing from 1 January 2024, these have been published in eNews, sent Area Reps and will be available in the 2024 Handbook.
- **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 will be introduced, same pricing as above. **With immediate effect.**
- **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 1st 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 than 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:

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 Sun	Dressage and SJ XC
Junior 90	2-day competition	Sat Sun	Dressage, SJ XC
Senior 90 and Mixed 100	2-day competition	Sat Sun	Vet Inspection, Dressage and XC 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.

2025 Winter Championships

Currently under review are potential plans to change the current winter dressage and show jumping championships format to a Winter Dressage Championship and Winter Show Jumping Championship. More information will be released on this as it develops.