

# PONY CLUB



## **WINTER LEAGUE DRESSAGE RULES**

**For Novice, Intermediate and Open Levels**

*Valid for 2018/2019 Series*

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**Except where varied below, this competition will be judged in accordance with the current Pony Club Dressage Rulebook.**

**PLEASE NOTE:**

**ALL Preliminary Rounds will be run in accordance with the 2018 Pony Club Dressage Rule Book and Dengie Dressage Rules 2018/2019.**

**Area Competitions and the Championships will be run in accordance with the 2019 Pony Club Dressage Rule Book and Dengie Dressage Rules 2018/2019.**

Every eventuality cannot be provided for in these rules. In any unforeseen or exceptional circumstances it is the duty of the relevant officials to make a decision in a sporting spirit and to approach as nearly as possible the intention of these Rules.

***NOTE: Rules which differ from those of 2017/2018 appear in bold/italic type and sidelined (as this note).***

# **RULES FOR NOVICE WINTER LEAGUE DRESSAGE**

## **ELIGIBILITY**

Open to all Pony Club Branch and Centre Members that fulfil the following criteria:

**Riders** are not eligible:

1. If they have represented a Branch or Centre at Open Area Dressage or above (this includes summer and/or winter Area Competitions)
2. Preliminary Rounds – If they have won any BD (or DI) points at Novice level or above
3. Area Competitions & Championships – If they have won more than 10 BD (or DI) points at Novice level or above

## **TESTS**

■ ***The Pony Club Novice Dressage Test 2018*** shall be used at the **Preliminary Rounds and Area Competitions**.

The Pony Club Novice Dressage Championship Test 2017 shall be used at the **Championships**.

Please also refer to General Rules Applicable to all Levels.

# **RULES FOR** **INTERMEDIATE WINTER LEAGUE DRESSAGE**

## **ELIGIBILITY**

Open to all Pony Club Branch and Centre Members that fulfil the following criteria:

**Combination** of horse and rider are not eligible:

1. If they have represented a Branch or Centre at Open Area Dressage or above (this includes summer and/or winter Area Competitions)
2. If they have won BD (or DI) points at Elementary level or above, or competed at Medium level

## **TESTS**

The Pony Club Intermediate Dressage Test 2013 shall be used at the **Preliminary Rounds and Area Competitions**.

The Pony Club Intermediate Dressage Championship Test 2014 shall be used at **the Championships**.

Please also refer to General Rules Applicable to all Levels.

## **RULES FOR OPEN WINTER LEAGUE DRESSAGE**

### **ELIGIBILITY**

Open to all Pony Club Branch and Centre Members.

**Horses** which have won more than 10 points at Advanced Medium level or above during the current year are not eligible. This includes Hors Concours entries.

### **TESTS**

The Pony Club Open Dressage Test 2015 shall be used at the **Preliminary Rounds and Area Competitions**.

■ ***The Pony Club Open Dressage Championship Test 2018*** shall be used at the **Championships**.

Please also refer to General Rules Applicable to all Levels.

## **GENERAL RULES APPLICABLE TO ALL LEVELS**

**COMMANDERS** – are permitted at Preliminary Rounds but not at Area Competitions or the Championships.

**MULTIPLE HORSES** – competitors may qualify a maximum of three horses for the Area Competition and two horses for the Championships in any one class. In the event of a rider qualifying more than two horses for the Championships, they must nominate which two they will take at the Area Competition. The other qualifying place will be passed down the line.

**MULTIPLE RIDERS** – horses may be ridden by up to two different riders at a Preliminary Round but by only one rider at Area Competitions and the Championships.

**MULTIPLE LEVELS** – subject to eligibility, riders may qualify for both the Novice and Intermediate Championships OR the Intermediate and Open Championships but cannot ride the same horse at both levels.

***If a combination qualifies for more than one level for the Championships they must take the higher level forward; i.e. if they qualify for both the Novice and Intermediate Championships they must take the Intermediate place and pass the Novice place down the line.***

**PASSING DOWN THE LINE** - In the event of a competitor being placed in a qualifying position at a Preliminary Round when they have already qualified for the Area Competition, the place may pass down the line.

If a competitor who qualifies for the Area Competition and/or Championships subsequently discovers that they are unable to compete at the Area Competition or

Championships then they must notify the Pony Club Office as soon as possible so that that the qualification can pass down the line. This will only be done up until five days prior to the competition.

**SUBSTITUTIONS** – Substitutions of horse/pony or rider will not be accepted at Area Competitions or at the Championships.

**SADDLERY AND DRESS** - The Pony Club saddlery and dress rules apply at the Area Competitions and at the Championships. Preliminary Rounds may be run under British Dressage Rules or Pony Club Rules.

## **DRESSAGE TESTS**

### **PRELIMINARY ROUNDS & AREA COMPETITIONS**

#### **Novice Winter League**

■ The Pony Club Novice Dressage Test **2018**

#### **Intermediate Winter League**

The Pony Club Intermediate Dressage Test 2013

#### **Open Winter League**

The Pony Club Open Dressage Test 2015

### **CHAMPIONSHIPS**

#### **Novice Winter League**

The Pony Club Novice Dressage Championship Test 2017

#### **Intermediate Winter League**

The Pony Club Intermediate Dressage Championship Test 2014

#### **Open Winter League**

■ The Pony Club Open Dressage Championship Test **2018**

**Test sheets are available to download from The Pony Club Website**

**Score sheets are available to purchase from The Pony Club Shop**



## **ADMINISTRATIVE RULES**

### **PRELIMINARY ROUNDS**

Preliminary Rounds run from **1<sup>st</sup> June 2018** until **28<sup>th</sup> February 2019**. Earlier or later rounds may be run at the discretion of The Pony Club Office. *All classes must be registered with The Pony Club Office by the Show Organiser at least 4 weeks in advance of the competition.*

**The first four at each Preliminary Round and any tying for these places will qualify for one of 19 Area Competitions.**

**A Member may compete at Preliminary Rounds in any Area, but they must go to their own Area Competition, no exemptions will be given.**

Please note non-Members of the Pony Club are allowed to compete in any Preliminary Round but must become fully paid up Members to compete at their Area Competition.

### **AREA COMPETITIONS**

The dates and organiser details for Area Competitions will be published on [www.pcuk.org/wld](http://www.pcuk.org/wld).

**Members must compete at their own Area Competition, no exemptions will be given.**

If there are 30 competitors or less the section will be held in one arena. If there are more than 30 competitors the section may be split into two arenas.

**The first three in each section at each Area Competition, and any tying for these places, will qualify for the Championships.**

### **THE CHAMPIONSHIPS**

If numbers permit, there will be more than one section/arena at each level at the Championships. In this case there will be a ride off. The first two competitors in each section/arena will qualify for the ride off.

## **JUDGES**

The Show Organiser shall appoint Judges (one per arena) from the British Dressage Judges Panel Lists 1 - 6 for the Preliminary Rounds and Area Competitions.

Championship Judges shall be appointed by The Pony Club Office who should be on Lists 1 - 4.

## **ENTRIES & ENTRY FEES**

### **Preliminary Rounds – Entry fee set by organiser**

Please contact the relevant Show Secretary for details.

### **Area Competitions – Entry fee set by organiser**

Entries for competitors who have qualified for the Area Competitions should be sent on the entry form provided, together with the entry fee to the Secretary of the Area Competition (details available at [www.pcuk.org/wld](http://www.pcuk.org/wld)) at least 7 days before the date of the competition. Organisers may use their discretion in accepting a late entry.

### **Championships – Entry fee: £20.00**

Entries for competitors, who have qualified for the Championships, should be made via the Online Event Entry System (details will be provided within the qualifier pack).

**Details of all Preliminary Rounds, Area Competitions and the Championships will be found at: [www.pcuk.org/wld](http://www.pcuk.org/wld)**



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