

# Virtual Windsor - The Pony Club Home International Dressage

The Pony Club is very excited to be part of Autumn Virtual Windsor and to be able give our members the opportunity to be part of their nations team and compete in The Pony Club Dressage Home International.

Running in the same format as the "live" Pony Club Home International a team from each nation, England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, and the Republic of Ireland, will compete against each other. The teams are made up of five members, two Open level riders, two Intermediate level riders and one Novice level rider. They will ride the Pony Club Championship Test at the relevant level and under Pony Club rules.

To find the teams we are inviting all eligible PC members to enter an online qualifying round. This will require the combination to submit a video of the relevant test being ridden for judging. The combination with the highest marks will make up the teams.

## **Eligibility**

Rider must be a current member of The Pony Club.

The Branch/Centre the member belongs to will determine which nation they will ride for.

Combination of horse and rider must have TWO results of 67% or above, at the level they wish to ride at, from either:

- 2019 Pony Club Area Competition
- 2019 Pony Club Winter Series Championship
- 2018 Pony Club National Championship
- 2019 British Dressage Competition (does not include My Quest or Team Quest)

Please note that Dressage to Music tests do not count.

#### For BD sheets:

- PC Novice is equivalent to BD Preliminary
- PC Intermediate is equivalent to BD Novice
- PC Open is equivalent to BD Elementary.

# **Dressage Tests**

The tests to be used are as follows:

- Novice The Pony Club Novice Championship Test 2017
- Intermediate The Pony Club Intermediate Championship Test 2014
- Open The Pony Club Open Championship Test 2018

# **Qualifying Test**

The virtual qualifying test will be ridden on a correct size grass arena with DC/Proprietor/Area Rep stewarding for fair play.

The tests will be sent to a panel of three BD listed judges, one of whom is completely independent of The Pony Club.

Video hints and tips:

- The test should be filmed from behind the judge's position at the C marker, outside the arena.
- Try and keep the device steady.
- Start filming a short time before the rider enters at A.
- Keep the horse and rider in the centre of the frame.
- Sound must be recorded.
- Avoid excessive zooming in and out although some may be necessary when the horse and rider are at the far end of the arena.

## **Entries**

Entries open on 13<sup>th</sup> August 2020 and close on 7<sup>th</sup> September 2020 and can be made online at <a href="http://events.pcuk.org/">http://events.pcuk.org/</a>.

The entry fee is £12.00 per combination.

To enter you will need to upload two results to confirm eligibility as well as the video or link of your ridden test to be judged.

The ridden tests will then be judged and the top riders at each level in each nation will make up the team to compete at Virtual Windsor. Rosettes will be awarded to 10<sup>th</sup> place at each level.

Autumn Virtual Windsor will be live streamed on 25<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> September 2020.

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