



## Guidelines for Organisers of Regional Events

30<sup>th</sup> October 2012

### **EVENT QUALIFICATION**

Events to be included in the programme each year will be selected from applications received and allocated by Council, normally on the basis of achieving the best geographical spread of events.

Each event will require British Carriagedriving approval of its Venue, the President of Jury, Technical Delegate, Course Designer and Judges.

Classes may include the full range of National Classes, as well as National Novice Qualifying classes and Club Classes. Classes not shown on the event schedule will not be qualifiers for the National Championships. Organisers should also refer to the Guidelines for National Novice Qualifying Events.

All National Championship Qualifying Classes must be run in accordance with current National Rules, although other classes at the Event may run under local rules, if required.

### **COMPETITION REQUIREMENTS**

#### **Start Fees**

Start Fees are payable to British Carriagedriving by all Competitors in National Championship Qualifying Classes. Event Organisers please contact the British Carriagedriving Office for details.

Club Classes at these events are not required to pay a Start Fee.

#### **Officials**

The **POJ**, **TD**, **CD** and **Safety Officer** must be in attendance for the duration of the Event and in the interest of safety these posts must be independent and not shared by the same person. A minimum of two fully qualified National Officials are required at each event and these officials must be the POJ, TD or CD. The minimum standards acceptable are shown in the following.

**POJ** A minimum of a list 2 Judge is acceptable provided the TD and CD are fully qualified to National standard. A list 2 judge who is not a National Qualified POJ must receive prior approval from the British Carriagedriving Council to be POJ at a Regional event.

**TD** A Technical Delegate from the National Probationary list is acceptable, provided that the POJ and CD are fully qualified to National standard.

**CD** A Course Designer from the National Probationary list is acceptable provided that the POJ and TD are fully qualified to National standard.

**Judges** A minimum of two British Carriagedriving listed Judges on each Dressage arena is required. In exceptional circumstances an experienced National Competitor or Club Judge may be allowed to judge the Cones, but prior permission must be obtained from British Carriagedriving.

### **COMPETITOR QUALIFICATION**

To be eligible to drive in a Qualifying Class at a Regional event, a competitor must be a member of British Carriagedriving in the appropriate category and pay the Start Fee. When there is an a combined class of National and Club competitors, the number in the class for qualifying purposes will only be those competitors who are British Carriagedriving members and who have paid the Start Fee.

**Event Organisers are required to submit the list of entries for Regional and National Novice qualifiers to the British Carriagedriving Office AT LEAST SEVEN DAYS prior to the date of the competition, so that the Office can verify the eligibility of all competitors.**

### **Marathon**

(i) The Course must be three sections, minimum 14km. in total. There must be a minimum of 7 testing Obstacles, with a large proportion of these gated to F.

(ii) A Judge, as described in the Dressage Section, must attend at the start of Section A. If another Judge is available, the Halt should also be attended.

(iii) The Marathon route and Obstacles must be marked as per British Carriagedriving Rules and a plan of the course provided to competitors.

### **Obstacle Cone Driving**

As per British Carriagedriving rules

### **Qualification for the National Championships**

1 to 4 in a class, the highest placed disregarding those already qualified.

5 or more in a class, the highest two, disregarding those already qualified, from the first six places.

In order to qualify a competitor must complete all phases without elimination or retirement, and finish with a total penalty score of less than double that of the winner of the class.

### **Points League**

6 points for a win down to 1 point for sixth place