# BRC Pre-entry change to Competition Passes: Rule Amendments

#### G2.1.1: Pre-entries Competition Passes

Pre-entries must be made for every team and/or individual entering any qualifier and completed by a senior club representative (or by an individual BRC Member) to the BRC Office 21 days before the area qualifier, with appropriate fees. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the organiser. Team managers must contact the organiser to seek permission for a late entry in the first instance to see if there is space. Late pre-entries must be made online and will be subject to a £5 surcharge per individual or pair and £10 per team. Posted or emailed pre-entries will not be accepted.

Pre-entries are only accepted online using the BRC entry system.

There will be no return of pre-entry fees however a credit note may be issued at the discretion of BRC providing the request is sent in before the closing date of pre-entries. If a refund is granted due to specific circumstances it will be subject to a 10% administration fee, not including the transaction fee.

Pre-entry fees are NOT required for direct entry or warm up classes.

The competition passes will be £30 plus transaction fee (for riders with 1-2 horses) and £45 plus transaction fee (for riders with 3 or more horses) for a rolling 12 months. Horse names will be required. The competition pass is available for purchase through Sport:80 either by the member or the club.

A valid competition pass must be in place before competing for every competitor entering any BRC qualifier/championship. Competition passes are only valid with a current club membership. The competition pass applies to riders whether they are part of a team, a pair or an individual and covers all disciplines and allows the holder to enter as many classes throughout the 12 months as they are eligible for.

Refunds will be granted for the competition passes if requested, for up to seven days after the purchase date, provided the member has not attended a qualifier or championship. This is at the discretion of BRC. The transaction fee is non-refundable. Outside of the seven days there will be no refund of the competition pass.

Upgrades to the 1 – 2 horse pass will be administered by the BRC office. Downgrading within the 12 months will not be permitted.

Should a membership or competition lapse between entry and the qualifier or championship date, they must be renewed prior to competing.

#### **G2.1.2: Postponed Qualifiers**

If the qualifier is less than 21 days from the original date, pre-entries will not re-open. All pre-entries will transfer to the new date. Late entries will be accepted as per G2.1.1. Those unable to make the new date are able to claim a credit note from BRC for 14 days from the new date announcement. Eligibility will be taken from the original close of pre-entry date.

If the qualifier is more than 21 days from the original date, pre-entries will reopen and close 21 days before the new qualifier date. New entries will be accepted and after the closing date late entries will be as G2.1.1. Those unable to make the new date are able to claim a credit note from BRC for 14 working days from the new date announcement. Eligibility will be taken from the original close of pre-entry.

Any qualifier that is cancelled and not rescheduled; clubs have 14 working days from the date of cancellation announcement to claim a credit note.

In the event of a qualifier being postponed entries are subject to the organisers refund policy. Entries may re-open at the discretion of the organiser.

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#### **G2.2: Qualifier Entries**

The competition entry fees will be set by the Area Liaison Committee and are payable to the host club/area. Late area entry surcharges will be at the discretion of the area organiser.

Making a pre-entry to an official competition constitutes a binding obligation to pay the area competition organiser an additional entry fee irrespective of whether the club and/ or individual compete or not. Failure to pay this additional fee could result in the club and/or individual being banned from competitions in future years at the discretion of BRC.

The date of the close of entry for area qualifiers is at the discretion of the host club/area, details of the organiser will be published on the BRC website. Qualifier entries must be done in accordance with the Area Schedule. Entries will not be accepted if the BRC Office has not received a pre-entry.

Teams or individuals not wishing to compete at the championships may enter the area qualifier to compete HC if the organiser is willing to accept them and they are eligible. Any team, team member or individual competing HC will not be eligible to compete at the championships.

If the area qualifier becomes cancelled for whatever reason, area entries may or may not be refunded at the discretion of the Area Liaison Committee.

A competition pass for the appropriate horse/horses must be valid for every individual/pair/team member entering any Qualifier and must be valid before competing.

Qualifier late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the organiser. Team managers must contact the organiser to seek permission for a late entry.

## G4: ELIGIBILITY OF CLUBS, INDIVIDUALS AND INVITED TEAMS

Horse and rider eligibility is taken from the qualifier date. Members must hold a valid club membership and a valid competition pass at the time of entry. Should a membership or competition lapse between entry and the qualifier or championship date, they must be renewed prior to competing.

#### G6: ELIGIBILITY OF PONIES/HORSES

A table of eligibility can be found in CR Appendix 2 and should be read in accordance with CR Appendix 3. Eligibility will be taken from the close of pre-entry. It is the responsibility of the rider/guardian to ensure they are eligible for the level they wish to compete at.

Eligibility will be taken from the date of the qualifier

### **G6.2: Downgrading of winnings**

Please note that downgrade applications presented with a specific qualifier in mind need to have been approved at the close of pre-entry to comply with eligibility rules. Downgrade applications should be received a minimum of 14 days before the close of pre-entries; however, this does not guarantee that your application will be accepted. Downgrades are subject to review at any time.

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# G8: ELIGIBILITY FOR CHAMPIONSHIPS G8.1: Qualifying

Eligibility is taken from the close of pre-entry, any points gained between the close of pre-entry and the championship will not be counted.

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#### **G8.3: Evaluating Individual Qualifiers**

For Dressage, Combined Training and Horse Trials competitions the numbers of individuals to qualify will depend on the number of arenas used according to the table in CR Appendix 9, where the maximum number of permitted competitors allowed per arena is listed. (It is understood that arenas are allocated by the organiser at close of pre-entry, therefore, the number of arenas permitted will be based on this figure regardless of the number of starters on the day of the competition)

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### **G11.4 Eligibility of reserves**

Reserves must be an affiliated member of their club and have a valid competition pass before competing.

# Appendix 2&3: Eligibility

All references to "Eligibility is taken from the close of pre-entry" are now, effective immediately, "*Eligibility is taken from the qualifier date*".

If competing in a class makes you ineligible for one you are also entered into then you may not compete in that class.

Jumping Example: If a rider is entered into the 60cm and 80cm, and competing in the 80 would then make you ineligible for the 60 (rider not to have competed at 80 and above), then they are not eligible to compete in the 60 in that competition as competing in the 80 would make them ineligible going forward.

Dressage Example: If you enter the Prelim and the Medium on the same horse, even if the horse has not done a medium before and is therefore eligible to enter the medium, as doing so would make the horse ineligible for prelim going forward, the horse is not eligible for the prelim.