

New or Changed 2026 rules (effective 1.1.26)

Cross Country Excessive Speed – Riders coming in at a speed equivalent to 2 grades higher than their class will be eliminated, eg gr4 coming in at gr2 speed will be eliminated Gr2 elimination speed 550m/m, Gr1 elimination speed 600m/m.

Amended times/penalties Cross Country – Minimum speed – all grades 20sec less than Time Allowed. Reduced penalty for going over Time Allowed from 0.4 to 0.2. Elimination for Penalty for going under Min Time 2 pts per second.

Unauthorized assistance penalty – details added in several places.

Horse & Rider Jumping heights – heights to 65cm (Prelim), 85cm(Novice)

Dressage Test Salute – amend rule to 'all riders must take reins in one hand when saluting' (removed which hand must be used to salute)

Dress for Presentation – to be clarified and put in rule book under Eventing, Dressage, Show Jumping, Mounted Games

Should be included in all programs/schedules/entry forms. (add to Part 5G).

- Dress for Presentation – All placegetters must present to presentations in full pony club uniform (official uniform).
- Open Class riders must present in 'dressage' attire. Helmets are optional for presentations.

Dressage test Calling –(add to Dressage & ODE rules).

– Organising committee to be notified rider intends to have the test called.

When a test is called it is the responsibility of the competitor to ensure that only the printed text, or extracts thereof, is read out and that no other form of assistance is given - the caller may read each movement once or twice only. Failure to observe this rule may entail elimination. (add to Dressage & ODE rules).

Team of 2 on the Flat – rider may ride in 2 teams only if the zone doesn't have enough riders to make 2 separate pairs/teams.

State Championship/Gymkhana Showjumping – change to team make up, clarification of how grades are to be run/judged.

Addition to Sharing Horse rule 4.2