

British Dressage



Rule clarifications

Addendum to the 2023
BD Members' Handbook



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3. a) A horse is not eligible to compete when a limb or part of a limb, is hyposensitive or hypersensitive (both of which shall constitute 'abnormal' limb sensitivity). Hypersensitive limbs have an excessive or abnormal reaction to palpation. Hyposensitive limbs include any alteration in sensitivity induced by a neurectomy or chemical desensitisation, for as long as the alteration in sensitivity persists.

Para Gold test titles

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24. Para Tests and eligibility

Please note that the Para tests for Gold qualification have been revised by the FEI after going to print. See the revised table below for the tests to be used.

Grade	Rider not to have done CPEDI, Gold Semi or won a Silver Champ.	Rider not to have done CPEDI3*.	Any rider but must have FEI classification. Tests below not used for National Championship Qualification.	Any rider but must have FEI classification.
	Points needed to qualify - 5. Bronze	Points needed to qualify - 10. Silver	Gold	Points needed to qualify 12. Gold
I	Intro (2023)	Intermediate Test A	Grand Prix Test A	Grand Prix Test B
II	Intro (2023)	Intermediate Test A	Grand Prix Test A	Grand Prix Test B
III	Intro (2023)	Intermediate Test A	Grand Prix Test A	Grand Prix Test B
IV	Intro Qualifier (2023)	Intermediate Test A (20x60)	Grand Prix Test A (20x60)	Grand Prix Test B (20x60)
V	Intro Qualifier (2023)	Intermediate Test A (20x60)	Grand Prix Test A (20x60)	Grand Prix Test B (20x60)

Area Festival combinations

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179. From 1 July 2023, combinations may only compete at a maximum of two Area Festivals per season for each level and section. For example, if qualification is achieved for Novice Silver and Novice Silver Music, competitors may compete at two Area Festivals for each.

Please note the following corrections to the points tables.

70. Horses and riders competing in British Dressage competitions from Preliminary to Grand Prix, including Para tests, will be awarded points based on the scale below.

Points are awarded in accordance with the percentage achieved in the competition;

Points			
60.00-61.99%	1 point	72.00-73.99%	7 points
62.00-63.99%	2 points	74.00-75.99%	8 points
64.00-65.99%	3 points	76.00-77.99%	9 points
66.00-67.99%	4 points	78.00-79.99%	10 points
68.00-69.99%	5 points	80.00% and above	11 points
70.00-71.99%	6 points		

Horses and riders competing in CDI competitions from PSG to Grand Prix, including FEI Youth classes, will be awarded points based on the scale below:

CDI Points			
60.00-61.99%	1 point	72.00-73.99%	12 points
62.00-63.99%	2 points	74.00-75.99%	14 points
64.00-65.99%	4 points	76.00-77.99%	16 points
66.00-67.99%	6 points	78.00-79.99%	18 points
68.00-69.99%	8 points	80.00% and above	20 points
70.00-71.99%	10 points		

A horse will not be permitted to compete unless it has a current vaccination against equine influenza that complies with the following conditions.

- An initial course of two injections for a primary vaccination, not less than 21 days and not more than 92 days apart, are required before being eligible to compete.
- **A first booster injection must be given between 150 – 215 days after the second injection of the primary vaccination.**
- Subsequent booster injections must be given at regular intervals of no more than 12 months, commencing after the first booster injection.
- A full course or booster injection must have been administered at least 7 days before arriving at the competition.
- The vaccination record (s) in the horse's passport, must be completed, signed and stamped line by line, by an appropriate veterinary surgeon who is neither the owner nor the rider of the horse.

In the interests of equine welfare and to maintain optimum protection levels for your horse, it is strongly recommended that the most recent booster injection is given within six months + 21 days prior to the horse competing.

For those competing under FEI rules, please refer to the FEI vaccination regulations. The responsibility to comply with this rule lies with the competitor, who should consult with their veterinarian.

Horses being found without adequate and up to date vaccinations will not be allowed to compete and will be barred from competing until such a time that they have been given their first and second vaccinations. The registration of any horse found in breach of this rule will be suspended until rectified.

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