



## **BRITISH RIDING CLUBS AREA 16**

### **2025 Introductory Dressage Qualifier**

(part of Winter Dressage Championships)

to be held

on

**SUNDAY 15<sup>th</sup> September 2024**

at

**Elms Farm Equestrian Centre  
Frieston Heath Lane  
Caythorpe  
Grantham  
NG32 3HD**



British  
Riding Clubs

*(Part of the Winter Dressage Championships held between 25<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> April at Arena UK, Allington Lane, Allington, Grantham, NG32 2EF)*

<b>Class</b>	<b>Class Name</b>	<b>Test</b>	<b>Entry Fee</b> (Not Including BRC Pre Entry)
<b>1</b>	Junior Introductory Dressage <b>Intro Individual</b>	BD Intro 1 (2024)	<b>As below for all classes</b>
<b>2</b>	Junior Introductory Dressage <b>Intro Individual</b>	BD Intro 2 (2024)	
<b>3</b>	Junior Introductory Dressage <b>Prelim Individual</b>	BRC Prelim 1 (2025)	
<b>4</b>	Junior Introductory Dressage <b>Prelim Individual</b>	BRC Prelim 2 (2025)	
<b>5</b>	Junior Introductory Dressage <b>Team</b>	Each member rides one of the above tests. Teams must have minimum 3, and max 4 riders.	
<b>6</b>	Senior Introductory Dressage <b>Intro Individual</b>	BD Intro 1 (2024)	
<b>7</b>	Senior Introductory Dressage <b>Intro Individual</b>	BD Intro 2 (2024)	
<b>8</b>	Senior Introductory Dressage <b>Prelim Individual</b>	BRC Prelim 1 (2025)	
<b>9</b>	Senior Introductory Dressage <b>Prelim Individual</b>	BRC Prelim 2 (2025)	
<b>10</b>	Senior Introductory Dressage <b>Team</b>	Each member rides one of the above tests. Teams must have minimum 3, and max 4 riders.	
<b>11</b>	<b>Introductory Pairs</b>	BRC Intro Pairs (2022)	

We are delighted to welcome back SEIB Insurance Brokers to sponsor the BRC Winter Dressage Championships. SEIB specialises in an array of distinct fields, with more than 50 years of experience in horse insurance.

**Eligibility has changed for Winter 2024-2025 season and onwards, [eligibility can be found on the Winter 2024-25 eligibility update\( \[winter-champs-2025.pdf \\(bhs.org.uk\\)\]\(#\)\).](#)/BRC 2025 Handbook. Eligibility will be taken from close of pre-entry. All competitors must be a member & competitors must be a registered current member of the correct club on Sport80 by midday the Friday before the qualifier. Anyone failing to meet the eligibility criteria will be disqualified and informed by BRC HQ when the results are processed.**

**Pre-entries to British Riding clubs:**

<https://www.bhs.org.uk/enjoy-riding/british-riding-clubs>

**Pre-entries MUST BE sent to the Riding Club's Office with the appropriate entry fees by Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2024.**

**Mobile: 07801 548216 – (no calls after 9pm please)**

**Competitor times will be sent to Team Managers on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September. Please print number, or use bridle number.**

**\*Please note:**

**Declarations of Alterations:**

**Team managers must declare any alterations to the original entry in writing by email. For changes on the day, forms will be available at the qualifier.**

**Alterations must be made no later than 60 minutes before the advertised start of the qualifier.**

**Flu Vacc checking at Elms Farm EC on day of qualifier.**

**Please remember it is the owner's / competitor's responsibility to make sure the horse's / pony's vaccination certificate is correct. If a certificate is found to be incorrect the horse / pony will be issued either a yellow or red card. A red card flu vacc certificate will not be permitted to compete at the Qualifier. A disqualified horse / pony is not permitted to be substituted at the qualifier.**

**This competition will run under BRC Rules, anyone in attendance will be bound by the BRC Code of Conduct. It is important that all competitors are aware of the rules relating to this competition – please see the current BRC Handbook and also the BRC Rule Amendments and Changes Document which can be found at the link below: [winter-champs-2025.pdf \(bhs.org.uk\)](#)**

**Individuals under the age of 12 are not permitted in warm-up arenas on foot under any circumstances. Rule G20.2 refers.**

All BRC code of conduct rules must be observed at the event unless the venue / organiser has given specific instructions that are still in line with health and safety guidelines. This includes: the welfare of the horses and ponies; the conduct of members, officials, volunteers and representatives; safeguarding and equality and diversity as well as social media and discipline.

For further information on the BRC codes of conduct please see the BRC handbook.

## **Entries:**

### **Pre-entries:**

All entrants must submit a pre-entry to BRC (fees can be found in the current BRC Handbook) at least 21 days before the date of the qualifier. Pre-entries can be made via the pre-entry website <https://brc.bhs.org.uk/login?referral=%2Fselect>. Late pre-entries may be accepted at the discretion of the organiser with a late surcharge of £5 per individual and £10 per team (payable to BRC HQ) if space permits. **Late entries cannot be guaranteed and so therefore must not be paid for until approval from the organiser has been gained.**

### **Area Entries:**

After a pre-entry has been made, the designated club member who is in charge of organising the team/individual taking part in the event must also ensure an area entry is made. Late area fees are subject to the organiser's discretion. If a pre-entry is made, clubs are agreeing to a binding constitution which means they must make an area entry payable to the designated account, regardless of whether or not the team/individual competes.

The entry must be signed by a senior club member/individual member who is also a BRC member. This certifies that all entries are in accordance with BRC rules. Entries will not be accepted if BRC has not received a Pre-entry.

### **Entry Restrictions:**

For further eligibility queries, please see the BRC handbook, Section 2, page 92.

For teams, each rider will ride a different test, this is the test they will ride at the championships should they qualify. Only the team's best 3 scores will count. For the pair's classes, both riders will ride the test at the same time, parallel to one another. The pick a test class is a mixed class for both Juniors and Seniors.

BRC have adjusted the numbers to qualify due to requests from many areas. For further information on the numbers to qualify for BRC championships, members are advised to review the BRC 2023 handbook.

### **Withdrawals, Refunds and Cancellations:**

BRC will credit note at their discretion, should the team manager need to withdraw any members from competition, it is up to the discretion of the organiser for refunds. If the event is cancelled and rescheduled within 21 days of the original event then all entries will remain and be carried over to the new date, with pre-entries for the qualifier **NOT** re-opening. If the new qualifier date is more than 21 days after the original date, then pre-entries will reopen and close again 21 days before the new qualifier date. Those unable to make the new date have 14 working days to claim a credit note from BRC. Eligibility will be taken from the close of the new entries date.

For any qualifier that is cancelled and not rescheduled, clubs will have 14 working days from the date of cancellation to claim a credit note from BRC.

### **PPE:**

#### **Hats:**

All hats must have a visible **PINK** BRC/BE/PC hat tag in place before they are worn on the showground, to show that they meet the current safety standards. There will be a trained official available on the day to do this for you if your hat does not currently have one. For up-to-date hat rules please see the current BRC Handbook. Hats with a fixed peak can **ONLY** be used for dressage and show jumping.

#### **Body Protectors:**

A body protector is not obligatory for dressage competitions. However, competitors may wear an up-to-date standard body protector should they wish to, for up-to-date list of standards for body protectors please see the BRC handbook.

Riders wearing Exo Body Cage protectors must inform the secretary at all events, so medics can be informed.

### **Flu Vaccinations:**

Your horse must have up to date influenza vaccinations in line with rule G7 in the current BRC Handbook. There is also a checking device on the BRC website. If you are unsure, please email BRC at [brcentries@bhs.org.uk](mailto:brcentries@bhs.org.uk) .

Due to a brief shortage of flu vaccinations, there is an allowance of 15 months between one vaccination and the next, this must then be followed up by another vaccination 9 months later, so that there are still 2 vaccinations in a 24 month period, this will need to be noted by the veterinary practice to state this was during the vaccination shortage, either noted in the vaccination table in the horse's passport, or via a letter that accompanies the passport.

**Members should note that this exemption was discontinued from 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2023 and will go back to 1 vaccination in a 12-month time frame.**

If your vaccination is out of date and the course needs to be restarted, then you must apply for a yellow card from BRC or will be given a yellow card at the qualifier by the official steward. This will enable competitors to continue competing but ensure that they must follow up on the vaccination.

**Contact number on the day:  
07801 548216**



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