

**The North Staffs Regional Group of  
The Arab Horse Society**

AHS Affiliation No: 070412



**7th Annual Spring Show**  
**Affiliated to AHS**  
**QUALIFIERS FOR - BAC - CHERIF - BAHPAC.**  
**at**  
**Rodbaston College**  
**Penkridge**  
**Staffordshire ST19 5HP**

**on**

**Sunday 20th April 2008**

**Judges:**

**Ridden - Miss L Maryon**

**In-hand - Mr I Woodward**

**ENTRIES CLOSE: TUESDAY APRIL 1<sup>st</sup> 2008**

## TIMETABLE

Ridden Classes will commence at 8.00 am and run consecutively followed by the In-hand Classes which will not be before 1.00pm. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to ensure that they arrive in sufficient time to compete in their respective class. Exhibitors please remember to carry Passport with horse when being transported

## REFRESHMENTS

Snacks, hot and cold drinks will be available from the cafeteria.

## ENTRIES FEES

-                      Members        £10.00                      Non-Members £12.00

Please send entries to:

Mrs A Stone, % 3, Buxton Road, Longnor, Buxton,  
Derbyshire, SK17 0NZ.                      Tel: 07977715399

NB : CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES TUESDAY APRIL 1<sup>ST</sup> 2008

## DIRECTIONS TO VENUE

Rodbaston College is approximately 10 minutes from Junction 13 off M6 on the A449 Wolverhampton or 5 minutes Jct 12 off M6 A449 Stafford.

## SPECIAL ROSETTES

- AHS Class winner rosettes
- A rosette will be presented to the highest placed North Staffs Regional Group Member

## CHERIF CHAMPIONSHIPS

This is a qualifying show for the **CHERIF CHAMPIONSHIP 2008**. The final will be held at the Cherif Championship Show, Addington Manor Equestrian Centre, Addington, Bucks, September 17<sup>th</sup> 2008. All details and qualifying cards at **£18.00 each** (payable to the Cherif Championship) from Miss L Temple, Frenat, Forest Road, Pyrford, Surrey, GU22 8NA.

Please state the **accurate name** and **accurate height** of horse/pony and a **contact phone number**. **S A E** Please. *Competitors must carry their qualifying cards with them in the ring to be signed by the judge. Failure to produce the card for signature means non-qualification.*

**NO CARDS ARE TO BE BROUGHT INTO THE RING ONCE THE CLASS HAS STARTED**

## **BRITISH ARABIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS**

This is a qualifying show for The British Arabian Championship show to be held at Myerscough International Arena, Preston Lancs on the August 17<sup>th</sup> 2008. All details and qualifying cards from Mrs E Mann, 42 Wood Green, Castleford, West Yorkshire, WF10 5PH. Tel 01977 517897. (cards cost £10.00 each payable to THE ARAB HORSE SOCIETY), Please send SAE.

Competitors must carry their qualifying cards with them into the ring to be signed by the Judge. Failure to produce the card for signature means non-qualification. Cards must **not** be brought into the ring once the class has started and Judges **MUST NOT SIGN CARDS AFTER THE CLASS HAS FINISHED** i.e. after horses have left the ring.

This Qualifying competition is open to registered **Purebred** Arabian Stallions, Mares and Geldings, four years old and over, to be judged as ridden horses. Mixed classes (i.e. Purebred horses in the same class as Anglo and Part-bred horses) will **not** be eligible as qualifying classes. **NB. Novices** are eligible. As any qualifying show must be affiliated to the AHS the judge must be on the ridden panel and the class should not be judged from the ground.

The highest placed, previously unqualified horse in the first six can qualify and the exhibitor must produce his/her card at the end of the class and request that the judge signs it-no one else should sign it.

**Purebred Arabian Geldings Senior and Junior shown in hand are eligible**

**CLASSES 1-3, 8-11,13,16 are qualifying classes for the British Arabian Championships held at Myerscough International Arena, Nr Preston, Lancashire on the 17<sup>th</sup> August 2008.**

**PLEASE NOTE:** Rodbaston College Equestrian Centre has a policy that an up to date Influenza and Tetanus Vaccination Certificate must accompany any horse being stabled. No horse will be allowed to enter the stable yard without one, and the certificate must be available for inspection at any time throughout the animals stay.

Any horse that in the opinion of Rodbaston College's Yard Manager or Representative is showing signs of ill health may be asked to leave the Equestrian Centre.

## **AMATEUR/HOME PRODUCED**

Please ensure any summery sheet and membership forms are completed correctly.

The two highest placed amateurs qualify for the  
**BRITISH AMATEUR/HOME PRODUCED ARABIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Participants are not eligible for any ECAHO shows, which require qualification, but are eligible for the North Staffs Versatile Competition.

## **THE BRITISH AMATEUR/HOME PRODUCED ARABIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**This Show is a Oualifier**

**Championship being held in conjunction with the BAC Championships at  
Myerscough International Arena, Preston Lancs 16<sup>th</sup> August 2008**

### **THIS BRITISH AMATEUR/HOME PRODUCED ARABIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS**

is a Qualifying competition open to registered PURE/ ANGLO-ARAB/PART BRED  
Arabian Horses

**IN-HAND and RIDDEN HORSES**

**New from 2008 - we will now be holding classes for Young Handler and Young Rider .  
Veteran In-Hand and Ridden 15 years and over (Two Highest placed in all open  
senior classes) .**

**These will qualify in the usual manner as the rules stated above .**

**AWARD GOES TO THE TWO HIGHEST PLACED AMATEUR IN EACH CLASS**

**IDENTIFY YOUR AMATEUR ELIGABILITY BY WEARING A YELLOW ARMBAND**

Contact : -

Sally Etchalls Tel No : 0161 6653192 or E-mail on [zalkym@hotmail.com](mailto:zalkym@hotmail.com)

### **Definition of Amateur**

- Handler not to have been paid for showing or producing any horse for a third party, this includes any remuneration either as employment, casual showing, or any in-kind benefits whatsoever.
- Horse not to have "resided" on a professional yard on show or training livery in 2008.
- Horse not to have been shown by a professional in 2008.
- Horse not to have received "regular" training from a visiting professional in 2008.
- Exhibitors **DO NOT** have to be members of AHS to enter the Championships when qualified.

**CLASSES 1-20 are qualifying classes for the British Amateur/Home Produced Championships to be held at Myerscough International Arena, Nr Preston, Lancashire on the 16<sup>th</sup> August 2008. Please wear a Yellow Armband if you are eligible.**

## NOVICE RIDDEN CLASSES

COMMENCING 8. 00 AM.

- Class 1 Novice Purebred Mare 4 years old & over to be judged as a riding horse.
- Class 2 Novice Purebred Gelding 4 years old & over to be judged as a riding horse.
- Class 3 Novice Purebred Stallion 4 years old & over to be judged as a riding horse.
- Class 4 Novice Anglo/Part-bred Stallion, Mare and Gelding 4 years old & over (any Height) to be judged as a riding horse.

**Championship A Novice Pure/Anglo/Part-bred Ridden Champion**

**First & Second Prizewinners from classes 1, 2, 3 & 4 are eligible.**

## CHERIF CHAMPIONSHIPS

CLASSES 5,6, & 7

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Please state the **accurate name** and **accurate height** of horse/pony and a **contact phone number**.

**S A E Please. Competitors must carry their qualifying cards with them in the ring to be signed by the judge. Failure to produce the card for signature means non-qualification. NO CARDS ARE TO BE BROUGHT INTO THE RING ONCE THE CLASS HAS STARTED.**

Class 5 Open Anglo/Part-bred Stallion, Mare and Gelding 148cms & under. 4 years old & over, to be judged as a riding pony. Ponies of 148cms & under are **not to be ridden by the judge** at any Cherif Championship qualifying show, but will give an individual show. A lightweight adult at the final will ride these ponies. One entry may qualify. The highest placed entry within the first four in the class who has not already qualified will qualify.

Class 6 Open Anglo/Part-bred Stallion, Mare and Gelding over 148cms to 153cms 4 years old & over, to be judged as a riding horse. One entry may qualify. The highest placed entry within the first four in the class who has not already qualified will qualify.

Class 7 Open Anglo/Part-bred Stallion, Mare, and Gelding over 153cms. 4 years old and over, to be judged as a riding horse. One entry may qualify. The highest placed entry within the first four in the class who has not qualified will qualify.

**Championship B Open Anglo/Part-bred Ridden**

**First & Second Prizewinners from classes 5, 6, & 7 are eligible.**

## **OPEN PUREBRED RIDDEN CLASSES**

**Class 8** Open Purebred Mare 4 years old & over to be judged as a Riding Horse

**Class 9** Open Purebred Gelding 4 years old & over to be judged as a Riding Horse

**Class 10** Open Purebred Stallion 4 years old & over to be judged as a Riding Horse

Depending on the number of entries received classes 9 & 10 maybe amalgamated at the discretion of the Show Committee.

**Championship C Open Purebred Ridden Champion**  
First & Second Prizewinners from Classes 8, 9, & 10 are eligible.

## **IN-HAND CLASSES - NOT BEFORE 1.00PM**

### **PURE BRED ARAB IN-HAND**

Only the Classes with **Pure-Bred Geldings** are qualifiers for **The British Arabian Championship Show 17<sup>th</sup> August 2008** at Myerscough International Arena, Preston Lancashire. **Cards should be produced and signed as stated at the beginning of the schedule.**

**Seniors:** The highest placed previously unqualified TWO geldings in the first six can qualify

**Juniors:** In mixed age and mixed sex classes the highest placed of each age gelding can qualify, i.e. one, one year old, one, two year old, and one, three year old. Again they must be previously unqualified and placed in the first six and the exhibitor must produce his card in the ring and request that it be signed by the judge.

All qualifying horses receive a rosette.

### **PURE BRED IN HAND CLASSES**

- Class 11**          Pure Bred Yearling Filly/Gelding
- Class 12**          Pure Bred Yearling Colt
- Class 13**          Pure Bred 2 & 3 Year Old Filly/Gelding
- Class 14**          Pure Bred 2 & 3 Year Old Colt
- Class 15**          Pure Bred Senior Mare (4 years old & over)
- Class 16**          Pure Bred Senior Gelding (4 years old & over)
- Class 17**          Pure Bred Stallion (4 years old & and over)

**Classes may be split /amalgamated dependent on entries received.**

**Championship D - Pure Bred In-hand Champion**  
**First and Second Prizewinners from Classes 11 to 17 are eligible.**

### **ANGLO & PART-BRED IN HAND CLASSES**

- Class 18**          Anglo & Part-bred Yearling Filly/Gelding and Colt
- Class 19**          Anglo & Part-bred 2 & 3 Year Old Filly/Gelding and  
Colt
- Class 20**          Anglo & Part-bred Senior Stallion/Mare and Gelding  
(4 years old and over)

**Classes may be split/ amalgamated dependent on entries received.**

**Championship E - Anglo & Part-bred In-hand Champion**  
**First & Second Prizewinners from Classes 18, 19 & 20 are eligible**

**NORTH STAFFS REGIONAL GROUP  
Of the  
ARAB HORSE SOCIETY**



**ANNUAL 'C' SHOW JULY 13th 2008**

**VENUE  
RODBASTON COLLEGE  
PENKRIDGE  
STAFFORDSHIRE  
AFF:- ECAHO-AHS-BAC-CHERIF-BAHPAC.**

**Pure-Bred In Hand  
Novice, Restricted Open, HOYS 2008 Open Pure Bred Ridden  
Anglo & Part Bred Open & Novice Ridden  
Anglo & Part Bred In-Hand  
Intermediate Young Riders  
Young Handlers & Junior Ridden  
Dressage**

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**ANNUAL FOAL/ YOUNGSTOCK & RIDDEN SHOW  
5<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2008**

**Venue  
ALSAGER EQUESTRIAN CENTRE  
LAWTON HEATH END  
CHESHIRE**

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**[www.northstaffsarab.com](http://www.northstaffsarab.com)**



# SUMMARY SHEET

## NORTH STAFFS REGIONAL GROUP SPRING SHOW 20th APRIL 2008

This form must be Completed in Full or entry will be returned, unaccepted.

Please ensure you have written in the correct Information / Address / Tel No.

<b>Exhibitors Name:</b> (Print)		
<b>Address:</b>		
<b>Post Code:</b>		
<b>Tel:</b> ( Land Line)		
<b>Mobile:</b>		
<b>E-mail Address :-</b>		
<b>Amateur Exhibitor</b> (See Schedule)	<b>Delete as appropriate</b> YES / NO	<b>N/S Membership No</b> (Only if applied for and received)
If Exh/Owner (please tick if you have become a Member of the NS Reg.group ) 2008	Delete as appropriate	YES / NO
If Exh Only (please tick if you have become a Member of the NS Reg.group ) 2008	Delete as appropriate	YES / NO
If Member of The Arab Horse Society	Delete as appropriate	YES / NO

Total from Horse Entry Form	£	.
<b>First Aid Fee of £2.00 (Compulsory)</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>2 . 00</b>
Membership Subscription	£	.
Show Donation / Sponsorship	£	.
<b>Total Amount Enclosed</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>.</b>

### ENTRIES CLOSE TUESDAY 1<sup>st</sup> APRIL 2008

Application for membership: **MUST** be completed with entry **to take advantage of reduced entry fees**, if not already a North Staffs Group Member. Please complete the enclosed form if you wish to join.

Under the Data Protection Act we are required to seek your permission to publicize your details.   
 If you **DO NOT** wish to have your \* name/address printed in the show catalogue please tick this box.  
 (\* Delete as appropriate)

**Please make Cheques/PO Payable to North Staffs Regional Group AHS**  
**and send with completed forms to:**

**Mrs A Stone, c/o 3, Buxton Road, Longnor, Buxton,**  
**Derbyshire, SK17 0NZ . Tel: 07977715399**

I have read the rules of the Schedule and agree to abide by them:-

Signature ..... Date ..... 2008

Print Signature .....



# North Staffs Regional Group of the AHS Membership Form 2008

Name(s) Mr Mrs Miss *	Surname	Christian Names
Address	Post Code :-	
Telephone No (Land Line)	Day:	Evening
Mobile No		Fax No
NS Group Membership * Single / Double / Junior (16yrs or under as of 1/1/08)		
Amount Enclosed		£

**Membership Fees - £8.00 Single / £12 Double / £5.00 Junior**

V.I.P Future Mailings	In The Future would you like to receive your SHOW SCHEDULES , NEWSLETTERS & general INFO by E-Mail * YES / NO
E-Mail Address	

<b>AMATEUR</b> Exhibitor (Person who owns, produces, exhibits and shows own horses)	
Complying in accordance with A H S Rules 2008 ( <b>Rule 2 Definition of Amateur Status</b> ) * YES / NO	
Are you a Member of the Main Arab Horse Society * YES / NO	

\* Please Delete as Applicable

**Which of the following categories are you interested in (tick one or more)**

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <b>In-Hand</b><br><b>Ridden</b><br><b>Dressage</b> | <b>Endurance</b><br><b>Showjumping</b><br><b>Other</b> |
|--|--|

**Would you be interested in competing in the North Staffs Group Teams at Malvern in Showjumping / Dressage / Western ? \***

**Would you be interested in helping at group shows?**

Signature.....

**Print:** ..... **Date:**..... 2008

Cheque Payable to: "The North Staffs Regional Group of the AHS"

**Please Return to:** Mrs Chris Hartley, Membership Secretary , 3 Buxton Road, Longnor, Buxton, Derbyshire, SK17 ONZ Tel: 01298 83475

*Please send a SAE : To receive your Membership Card and Points Sheet.)* Number of points sheets required

For Official Use	Date Payment Received / / 2008	Cheque / Cash Amount received £
<b>Membership Number 2008</b>	<b>Amateur (A)</b>	Membership Card & Points Sheet sent (✓)



## YOUR SHOW NEEDS YOUR HELP

One of the best ways to support your show is through Class Sponsorship.

At our Spring Show, in return for £15.00 per class we offer the following: -

- Your name will appear on the inside first page of the catalogue alongside the class (es) you have sponsored
- Your name will appear on the relevant page of the catalogue along with the exhibitors entered in your chosen class
- You will receive a complimentary catalogue
- You are entitled to a full page B/W advertisement in the catalogue (please enclose with this form) Please contact Show Secretary for additional costs if a colour advert is required
- You are entitled to present the rosettes to the competitors in the class(es) you have sponsored

If you would like to sponsor a class(es) please complete the form below and return to:

**Mrs A Stone, % 3, Buxton Road, Longnor, Buxton,  
Derbyshire, SK17 0NZ . Tel: 07977715399**

Name	
Address	
Tel no	
Class you would like to sponsor	
Class to be sponsored in the name of	
Total enclosed	£

# North Staffs Reg. Group Rules and Conditions of the Show

1. This Show is run to the 2008 Arab Horse Society Rules.
2. All exhibits must be registered in their respective stud book. Part Bred with 12.5% Arab blood are eligible to compete.
3. **NO** person other than show officials are allowed in the show ring at any time.
4. First and second prizewinners of each class must present themselves for the appropriate championship.
5. No claims can be entertained for anything that may happen to competitors, onlookers or their property servants or animals in connection with, or arising from this show. It shall be deemed a condition of entry that each entrant shall agree to indemnify the promoters whatsoever.
6. Any objection that may arise must be promptly lodged with the Secretary accompanied by a deposit of £50.00 - which will be refunded if the objection is upheld.
7. Nomination entries will **NOT** be allowed.
8. The Judge's decision is final.
9. Depending on the number of entries received classes may be divided, amalgamated or cancelled at the discretion of the Show Committee.
10. No outside interference either physical or vocal is allowed.
11. Any horse that leaves the ring after entering for judging or before the end of the class will be counted as eliminated.
12. All Three Year Old Colts must be bitted. Horses must be under control at all times.
13. Car parking is at the shows discretion
13. Eyelashes must be left uncut, hair inside the ears left unshaved and tactile hair left intact around the nose, muzzle and below the eyes.
14. **In the interests of safety and the enjoyment of the show, the committee reserves the right to refuse entry to its show to any person failing to comply with the respects of their officials, officers, stewards and assistants in car/lorry parks, stable and show rings.**
16. Age of all exhibits will date as from 1st January in year of birth.
17. No entry will be accepted without the correct entry fee and Photostat copy of registration document, which should reach the Show Secretary postmarked April 1st 2008 or before. No late entries will be accepted. Entry fee is NON-REFUNDABLE unless a veterinary certificate is produced.
18. The organisers of the show have taken reasonable precautions to ensure the health and safety of everyone present. For these measures to be effective, everyone must take all reasonable precautions to avoid and prevent accidents occurring.
19. Dogs and any other such animals must be kept under strict control at all times.
20. No person shall be mounted on a horse on the showground unless he/she is wearing a correctly fitting hard hat. The AHS strongly recommend that hats conform to the standards EN 1384 or PAS 015 and are correctly fitted with chinstraps.
21. Competitors are responsible for the actions of any non competitor employed by them or assisting them or representing them or otherwise acting on their behalf and any action or conduct of such non competitors.
22. No animal suffering from a contagious disease may be brought onto the showground.
23. Riders must only 'work in' in the designated area.
24. All Cups/Trophies remain the property of the North Staffs Regional Group of the AHS and the acceptance of a Cup/Trophy by the holder is a guarantee that the Cup/Trophy will be returned to the Secretary, free of cost, ONE MONTH prior to the following show and in good condition. In the event of the loss of a Cup/Trophy the amount of its value is to be made good to the North Staffs Regional Group of the AHS by the holder. All Cups/Trophies are to be collected and must be signed for by the winning competitor.
25. It is a condition of entry that exhibitors conform with the requirements of the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974 and for ensuring that safe working practices are followed by themselves, their employees, Agents and Contractors. Exhibitors shall at all times comply with the instructions of the Show Officials.
26. Foals must not be shown in chains.
27. Ridden Classes – horses should be presented in conventional and well-maintained 'English' tack. Saddles should have trees and horses must be conventionally bitted, **If a judge feels the equipment is unsuitable or unsafe, he/she may refuse to ride the horse.**
28. **Mounting Blocks** - All ridden horses should be familiar with being mounted from a **MOUNTING BLOCK**. All horses should be trained to stand quietly when a Judge mounts. **Judges may refuse to ride any horse, which does not stand quietly to be mounted.**
29. Entries are taken as an acceptance of these conditions
30. Spare

# THE ARAB HORSE SOCIETY RULES FOR SHOWING 2008

All affiliated Shows are bound by the Rules below  
All 'C' Shows are bound by ECAHO and AHS Rules

Members of the Society, by paying their membership, agree to abide by the Rules of the Society.

## 1. ELIGIBILITY

All exhibits in ridden and In Hand classes, with the exception of foals at foot accompanied by their own dam, must be registered in the appropriate Stud Book/Register of The Arab Horse Society, by the closing date for entries.

No alterations or substitutions of any entry will be allowed after the final closing date of entries.

- a. **STALLIONS** - Stallions must be four years old and over.
- b. **MARES** - Mares which are entered for classes for mares without foal at foot must not be entered for brood mare classes.
- c. **FOALS** - No brood mare or her foal may be shown in any class unless the foal is at least 30 days old on the day of judging.

## 2. DEFINITION OF AMATEUR STATUS

- a. Handler or Rider not to have been paid for showing or producing any horse for a third party, this includes any remuneration either as employment, casual showing, or any in-kind benefits whatsoever.
- b. Horse not to have resided on a professional yard on show or training livery in current year.
- c. Horse not to have been shown by a professional in current year.
- d. Horse not to have received regular training from a professional in current year.

## 3. DRESS

Handlers must be neat and tidy. In the interests of safety traditional in hand showing or riding clothes are preferred. No form of advertising may be displayed by the handler or on his horse in the ring.

## 4. INCIVILITY

Any act of discourtesy or disobedience to any judge, steward or show official on the part of the exhibitor, groom, rider, agent or their respective companion of an animal will, at the discretion of the show, disqualify that animal from being judged in which case entry fees and prizes will be forfeited.

## 5. TIMETABLE

Classes will not start earlier than the advertised time unless all the entries are present.

## 6. CHAMPIONSHIPS

First and second prize winners are eligible. Class winner rosettes must be displayed. All prize-winners eligible must take part in their respective championships and failure to do so may result in disqualification and removal of awards. In certain special cases only permission may be granted by the Show Organiser for exhibits to miss the championship.

## 7. TRIMMING AND CLIPPING

**Pure Bred Arabians** - Tactile hair must not be removed.

All exhibits - Hair must not be shaved or otherwise removed from around horse's eyes.

Eyelashes must be left uncut. Complete removal of the hair from inside the ear is forbidden.

No alteration to the natural colour of the coat, skin or hooves is permitted.

Clipping of foals is not permitted. Foals should be shown in their natural state.

It is recommended that the use of oils and clear make-up on horses exhibiting in the show ring is kept to a minimum. A judge may disqualify a horse, who in their opinion is wearing excessive make-up and/or oils.

## 8. CRUELTY

Excessive whipping, use of electric shock devices or infliction of pain by any means is forbidden in all parts of the showground, or stable areas, at all times.

## 9. OUTSIDE ASSISTANCE

Attempting to influence the behaviour of exhibits in the ring by rattling tins, banging on the side of the ring, etc., is forbidden.

## 10. INTERFERENCE

Exhibitors will not encourage their horses or ponies in any sort of dangerous behaviour. They will not interfere with another competitor's horse or its performance. The judge is empowered to order any exhibit to be disqualified if he considers that the exhibit or handler has breached the rule.

## 11. BEHAVIOUR

- a. Unruly horses may be ordered to withdraw at the judge's discretion.
- b. If a horse becomes loose in the show ring the owner may be required to pay a fine to the organiser. Should the horse become loose a second time it will be disqualified.
- c. Deliberate baiting in the ring of a competitor's horse will not be tolerated.
- d. **MISUSE OF DRUGS**

It is forbidden to administer any stimulant, sedative, masking agent, anti-inflammatory agent (including phenylbutazone and irritants) or substance, other than a normal nutrient to a horse or to cause one to be administered in any way whatsoever or to show or attempt to show a horse, which is found to have had administered to it any such stimulant, sedative or substance, whether intentionally or unintentionally, which may affect performance, appearance, temperament or soundness. Such forbidden substances are listed in Appendix IV, FEI Veterinary Regulations.

The Society reserves the right to cause to be carried out at any show, tests in accordance with the Standard Sampling Procedure prescribed in the Veterinary Rules of the F.E.I. Refusal to submit a horse for the taking of a sample for analysis shall constitute a breach of this rule. Anyone found to be in breach of this rule would be subject to disciplinary action and in the event of a positive test liable to pay administration costs.

## 12. SOUNDNESS

Exhibits which appear to be lame may be asked to withdraw at the judge's discretion.

## 13. EXAMINATION

Judges may require handlers to open horses' mouths or pick up their feet for inspection.

## 14. JUDGES

Exhibitors will not associate with judges immediately before or at any time during the show. Judges will not consult the catalogue at any time before or during the show.

15. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** - No announcements of names of horses, exhibitors or handlers may be made until the completion of the class in which they appear.

## 16. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Exhibitors will not exhibit under judges where an actual or apparent conflict of interest may affect the judge's decision. Organisers will not accept entries that indicate any connection listed under this rule. An actual or apparent conflict of interest is defined as exhibiting a horse which:

- a. has been bought or sold by the judge either as owner or agent.
- b. is owned in whole or part by the judge or by a member of the judge's family or business partner in a business venture.
- c. has been bred by the judge or is the property of a breeding organisation in which the judge is an employee.

- d. has been leased by the judge at any time.
- e. has been regularly trained, examined or treated by the judge in a professional capacity.
- f. has been shown/produced by a member of the judge's immediate family.
- g. An exhibitor/owner must not enter any horse under a judge the same calendar year in which that judge has professionally handled, shown or produced that or any other horse for that exhibitor/owner.
- h. If a handler produces or shows a judge's own horse, that handler must not bring any horse under that judge in the same calendar year.

17. **AWARDS** - If an exhibit is not up to the required standard, a lower award may be given at the judge's discretion.

## SPECIFIC TO IN HAND

18. **LATENESS** - Exhibits which appear late (missing the walk around the ring) will be excluded from the class.

## 19. SHOW HALTERS

Stallions and colts aged three years and over must be shown wearing bridles and bits which are both secure and comfortable for the horse. All bridles without bits are equally to be both secure and comfortable for the horse. Bridles and bits must not be so thin as to cause pain to the horse. Foals must be suitably haltered without chains. Solid metal nosebands and headpieces are not allowed.

20. **WHIPS** - W hips used in In Hand classes must not have attachments fastened to them.

## 21. HANDLERS

Only one handler allowed per exhibit in the ring at any one time. Handlers may not exchange horses, except in mare and foal classes and in Championships where, if a handler has qualified more than one horse, he may trot both of them up. No handler may leave the ring without the permission of the judge via the steward.

22. If a handler removes a horse without the permission of the judge or steward the show organiser will levy a £100 fine on the handler. The exhibitor will be ultimately responsible for ensuring payment.

## SPECIFIC TO RIDDEN

### 23. PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR

No person shall be mounted on a horse on the showground unless he/she is wearing a correctly fitting hard hat. The AHS strongly recommends that hats conform to the standards EN1384 or PAS 015 and are correctly fitted with chinstraps. This is compulsory for anyone under 18 and for anyone taking part in Showjumping classes.

24. **Spurs** must not be worn in Novice classes.

A Novice horse is one that has not been placed first under saddle at an AHS Affiliated show prior to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2008.

### 25. Whips -

Whips used in Ridden classes must not exceed 75cms (30ins).

26. Ridden class exhibits must wear conventional and well maintained **English tack**. The judge may refuse to ride or judge a horse if he/ she deems the tack to be unsafe or unsuitable.

27. Horses entered in ridden classes must be **4 years old or over**. Age is calculated from the 1<sup>st</sup> January each year. (e.g. a foal becomes a yearling on the first day of January following that of its birth).

28. **The class as a whole** should be ridden and not judged from the ground; the exception being any pony that the judge considers too small to ride which must be asked for an individual show. If the judge chooses not to ride a pony, this decision should be made at the commencement of the class and communicated to all the exhibitors, so that they clearly understand the position from the outset of the class. Individual shows will be required in Championships.

29. **Young Rider Classes** - restricted to riders who are 18 years and under on the first day of the show. The judge will not ride any of the exhibits. The horses will give a short individual show and be placed on their performance and the ability of the rider. The winners of these classes will not be eligible for the Championships.

30. **HOYS qualifiers**. If a class is split the top four from each section will ride off. The HOYS qualification will go to the highest placed, previously unqualified horse in the top four in the ride-off.

31. Any rider falling off within the show ring during the course of a class will be disqualified and asked to leave the ring dismounted.

32. If a rider removes a horse from the ring without the permission of the judge or steward the show organiser will levy a £100 fine on the rider. The exhibitor will be ultimately responsible for ensuring payment.

33. In ridden classes, a horse's **manners** are important and Judges should refuse to ride unmannerly, unschooled or dangerous horses.

34. Horses must be trained to **stand** quietly to be mounted. Judges may choose to use a mounting block.

35. Any horse in a ridden class which behaves in a manner which could cause, or result in danger or injury to any other horse or person in the ring, will be ordered to leave by the Steward on instructions from the judge of that class.

36. **LATENESS** - Exhibits which appear late (missing the walk around the ring) will be excluded from the class.

### 37. RIDDEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

All qualified exhibits must be ridden into the ring. However, if a rider has qualified more than one horse, that rider will be allowed, if they wish, to exchange horses and ride each horse for its individual display.

### 38. OBJECTIONS

Objections under AHS Rules must be made in writing and submitted to the Show Director or Show Secretary by AHS Members only, within one hour of the end of the class, or the occurrence to which exception has been taken. Objections must be accompanied by a deposit of £50 (cheques made payable to the AHS) which will be forfeited if the objection be deemed frivolous or vexatious. The result of any investigation should be concluded within twenty-one days. Breaches of AHS rules will be reported to the Shows and Events Committee by Panel Judges and/or organisers of affiliated shows. If a case is deemed by the Judge and/or the Show Organiser as too serious to be settled on the day, it can be referred to the Shows and Events Committee of the Arab Horse Society for settlement. Penalties will be applied after examination of any breach of the AHS Rules. Penalties will be published in the Society Newsletter, as will details of infringements.

### 39. APPEALS

Appeals against the final decision must be made within 14 days.

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