

EWSHOT RIDING CLUB SHOW CROSS RULES

- ❖ The correct attire must be worn. Details are available on the club website.
- ❖ **Rider numbers, if used, must be clearly visible.**
- ❖ All riders must walk the course prior to the start of their class.
- ❖ The ShowCross course will run as follows :-
The horse and rider will complete a number of RED numbered show jumps (no. dependant on class) in the school, before leaving the school over jump *A* in the bottom left hand corner. They will then complete a number of XC Jumps (Alphabetically ordered) before coming back in to the school. A second round of BLACK numbered show jumps must then be completed.
- ❖ No course changes will be permitted. Poles must not be removed.
- ❖ Any Show Jumps knocked down will incur 4 faults
- ❖ A refusal at a SJ jump will incur 4 faults. After 2 refusals (8 faults) the SJ jump **MUST** be bypassed. This will result in a 12 fault penalty.
- ❖ All jumps must be completed in numerical/alphabetical order
- ❖ Any XC jump may be missed deliberately but this will result in a 20 fault penalty for each one missed.
- ❖ A refusal at a XC jump will incur 4 faults. After 2 refusals (8 faults) the XC jump **MUST** be bypassed. This will result in a 12 fault penalty.
- ❖ If a XC jump is damaged to the point that it needs replacement/reconstruction, this will incur a 20 fault penalty.
- ❖ A rider may dismount and re-mount, if deemed necessary, but the clock will remain running.
- ❖ The competition will be run on an optimum time basis for all classes. The optimum time for each class will be confirmed prior to the start of the class. Time penalties will be awarded for riders finishing faster or slower than the optimum time.

- ❖ The use of stop watches by riders during the competition is prohibited.
- ❖ **FALLERS WILL BE ELIMINATED AND MUST NOT REMOUNT ON THE COURSE.** A Steward will come to you to see if you require medical attention. They will stop the competition so that you can safely leave the course, on foot, if you are ok to do so.
- ❖ Rules for use of the whip must be noted and adhered to as follows:
 - Whips must be between 45 & 75cm in length.
 - ANY use of the whip must be limited, so as not to compromise the welfare of the horse.
 - Stewards will have the final judgment on excessive, inappropriate or inhumane use of the whip and any rider deemed to be breaking these rules will be eliminated.
- ❖ Blatant use of bad language may result in elimination.
- ❖ Course times will be available at the end of the competition.
- ❖ No one apart from Stewards and official photographers will be permitted on the course whilst the competition is being run. **NO SPECTATORS ON COURSE.**
- ❖ **THE JUDGES DECISION IS FINAL**

Any objection must be made in writing within 30 minutes of the incident, accompanied by a deposit of £25 which will be refunded if the objection is sustained.

- ❖ The organisers reserve the right to eliminate any competitor who, in their opinion, places him/herself or others in any danger or who fails to observe these rules.