

BSPS SCOTTISH BRANCH

COVID 19 RULES AND GUIDELINES

***PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES CAREFULLY
BEFORE ATTENDING BSPS SCOTLAND SHOWS***

BSPS SCOTLAND EXPECTS EACH MEMBER/EXHIBITOR TO TAKE PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR NOT SPREADING THE VIRUS AND OBEYING ALL RULES REGARDING SOCIAL DISTANCING. FAILURE TO DO SO WILL RESULT IN YOU BEING ASKED TO LEAVE THE SHOWGROUND. PLEASE DO NOT ATTEND THE SHOW IF YOU ARE CLASSIFIED AS BEING IN A VULNERABLE CATEGORY AS PER GOVERNMENT GUIDELINES.

**DO NOT ATTEND IF YOU ARE DISPLAYING THE CORONAVIRUS
SYMPTOMS:**

**NEW CONTINUOUS COUGH
FEVER OR HIGH TEMPERATURE
LOSS OR CHANGE TO YOUR SENSE OF SMELL OR TASTE**

Social distance from members other than your family group by 2 meters

Use hand sanitisers on regular basis.

Wash hands thoroughly after any contact with facilities.

Use lorry toilets where possible to minimise the risk.

Obey orders given by BSPS Scotland Officials regarding social distancing.

Wear face masks and gloves wherever possible to avoid spreading the virus.

Temperature checks MAY be taken during the show.

IN ADVANCE OF THE DAY OF SHOW

1. Only pre-entries will be accepted for shows. **NO ENTRIES ON THE DAY.** This will help reduce numbers in the office, enable effective timetabling and where necessary restrict entries and be able to track and trace all those who attend our events.
2. There will be a limit to entries to the number of competitors in each class. A timetable will be published, after entries have closed, giving an approximate time when each class will commence. This will help to reduce the numbers on site at any one time, classes will not be held before the scheduled start time.
3. All Shows are open to Non Members as well as BSPS Members.

4. All show organisers and helpers will wear appropriate PPE equipment. Numbers entering the Secretary's Office on Show Day will be restricted to one person at a time to ensure social distancing is adhered to. There will be clear signage and instructions visible for all exhibitors.
5. There will be a maximum of 3 people per pony/horse, who are not subject to social distancing, allowed to attend the Show. A **PARENT/GUARDIAN** must attend to accompany any child under the age of 18 years.
6. BSPS Scotland has appointed their Secretary as their Covid-19 Officer who has completed a Covid-19 course.

7. NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WILL BE ADMITTED TO SHOWGROUND

DAY OF SHOW

This guidance must be adhered to by all Competitors, Stewards, Judges and BSPS Scotland Officials attending the show.

1. All vehicles arriving at the show will be checked to make sure they have pre-entered and are eligible to access the site.
2. All names and addresses will be recorded including, the names of those attending the show with the exhibitor, at the entrance to the venue. This will be essential should there be a requirement to track and trace those who attended the event in support of COVID-19 Track and Tracing.
3. All cars and lorries must be parked with an adequate distance in accordance with social distancing as indicated by the parking attendant.
4. There will be no overnight stabling at present due to social distancing. **THIS MAY CHANGE WITH GOVERNMENT GUIDELINES AND WITH THE CONSENT OF VENUE.**
5. Toilet facilities will be managed in line with Government guidelines.
6. Refreshment facilities may be available at the show, these will be managed in line with Government guidance in place at the time.
7. Hand sanitisers will be available around the site. Exhibitors should use these frequently and wash their hands to stop the spread of virus.

8. First Aid Cover will be available during the show. In the event of an accident only the designated first aid official and those accompanying the rider who are not subject to social distancing, will attend to the incident.

SHOWING GUIDELINES

FLAT CLASSES

1. Only one Judge will be in attendance and no marks for Flat Classes. The numbers in the ring will be restricted according to numbers forward and will be dependent on the size of the ring and in accordance with government guidelines. If the class is judged in sections, the Judge may choose to mark the class or have an aide memoire to determine which ponies come in for final judging and placings. Judges will be required to mark for themselves or keep their own notes.
2. There will be only one steward in attendance in the flat ring and they will co-ordinate the line-up.
3. Only ponies due to enter a class will be allowed in the collecting ring and will only enter the show ring when called, keeping at a 2 metre distance from the pony in front.
4. The collecting ring and warm up area will be supervised, and all exhibitors must adhere to the instructions of the Steward.
5. Ponies in the line up must be at least 3 metres apart. If no markers are available as a guide, please follow the instructions of the Steward.
6. To minimise risk there will be no stripping of ponies in the ring.
7. The conformation section will be judged when ponies come out of the line for judging. Ponies will be asked to walk up and trot back past the judge. They must stand at least 6 metres away from the line allowing the judge to walk around the pony at a 2 metres distance.
8. If ponies are required to be called back into the ring for final judging, this will be done via instructions from the Steward.
9. The judge may decide to line ponies up and pull them forward in order from their mark sheet or notes or have a final go round to determine places.

10. In all lead rein classes the pony must be led by somebody who does not need to socially distance from the rider.

WHP CLASSES

1. The collecting ring and warm up area will be supervised, and all exhibitors must adhere to the instructions of the Steward.
2. Only 2/3 ponies will be allowed in the collecting ring at any one time to warm up over the practice fence and only those that are due to enter a class.
3. All exhibitor/trainer/parents using the practice fence, when putting the practice fence up and down and whilst in the practice arena, must wear face covering.
4. Only one per person is allowed with each competitor to alter the practice fence. Hand sanitiser must be used before and after handling the poles.
5. Only 2 people will be allowed to walk the course per pony (the rider, plus parent/trainer, who do not need to social distance) and when walking the course competitors must socially distance by 2 metres from other competitors and complete the task as quickly as possible.
6. Ponies should only enter the show ring when called.
7. All Course builders and assistants will wear face coverings and gloves and will keep to each end of any fence when erecting, loading, unloading, and putting up fences in the arenas.
8. All fences will be built at a reduced height to limit risk. ** .
9. All competitors must wear back protectors. **
10. The ring Steward will record marks staying 2 metres apart from the Judge.
11. Ponies who have been placed will be called back into the ring via instructions from the Steward. Ponies in the line-up must be at least 3 metres apart. If no markers are available as a guide, please follow the instructions of the Steward.

ALL CLASSES

1. There will be no rosette presentation in the ring. Rosettes can be collected from the Secretary's Office after the class on foot. Exhibitors must adhere to the instructions of the official in attendance and only approach the table when asked.
2. If a judge chooses to use an official BSPS mark sheet during a class, they will not be available on the day of the Show but will be published online after the show.
3. Competitors are requested to leave the showground as soon as possible when they have finished their classes.

*** The show will run in accordance with BSPS rules 2020 except where stated above*