

## NEW RULES FOR 2021

- 44a. At BSPS Championship Shows, BSPS Area Shows no animal can be brought onto the showground unless it is entered in a BSPS Class or another class within the schedule run by the Society or BSPS Area.
47. In the interest of Health & Safety the B.S.P.S. Council are determined that riders must comply with Rule 45. The B.S.P.S. will authorise spot checks at certain Shows and riders breaking this Rule will not be allowed to compete. Hat Tagging may be carried out at the Championships Shows
- 49a. Body Protectors **MUST** be worn when jumping in any WHP and WH classes including the practice ring at B.S.P.S. Affiliated Shows (Including Tiny Tots, Cradle and Nursery Stakes, WSP, LRWSP and Training Stakes)

### SECTION D.

#### DOPING and DOPE TESTS

##### WARNING TO MEMBERS

In common with other similar bodies, the B.S.P.S. takes a very serious view of doping, whether intentional or unintentional, having particular regard to the safety of children and welfare of horses and ponies. Members should be aware that many proprietary feeds and preparations contain Prohibited Substances (as defined below) as do many foods such as chocolate. Prohibited Substances can be absorbed through the skin and they are also contained in some homeopathic and herbal remedies including calmers.

**It is the responsibility of the Member having custody of a pony, particularly in the twenty four hours before a Show, to ensure that nothing is fed, administered or applied to a pony that contains a Prohibited Substance. Ignorance is not an adequate defence.**

The B.S.P.S. Office is not authorized to give guidance but the B.S.P.S. Office follows the Equine Prohibited Substances List ('EPSL') as published from time to time by the Fédération Equestre Internationale ('FEI'). Where appropriate the B.S.P.S. will adopt threshold levels published in the EPSL. Please note that the EPSL includes any other substance with a similar chemical structure or similar biological effect(s) as substances specifically mentioned on the list. All substances on the list, whether indicated as 'Banned' or 'Controlled, are prohibited substances under the B.S.P.S. Rules. Also prohibited are 'metabolites' of the substances and 'markers', both terms being defined below.

- 63(1) a) Any pony taking part in classes judged under B.S.P.S. Rules and any other pony present at a Show (whether or not competing at the Show) will be liable to Dope Testing (as defined below) in accordance with the Dope Testing procedure laid down by this Rule 63. A refusal or failure, after request, to submit a pony for Dope Testing, or obstruction of an Authorised Person (as defined below) in carrying out Dope Testing, by an Owner and/or Producer or other person having control of the pony shall constitute a breach of this Rule 63.

- b) The presence in the tissues, body fluids, excreta, hair or skin of a pony of a Prohibited Substance (as defined below) shall constitute a breach of this Rule 63 by the Owner and/or Producer and/or any other person within Rule 63(1)(f).
- c) "Authorised Person" means a person authorised to carry out Dope Testing pursuant to Rule 63 (2)(a).
- d) "Dope Testing" means the examination of a pony by a duly qualified person appointed by the B.S.P.S. and includes the taking of samples for subsequent analysis of all or any body fluid, tissue, excreta, hair or skin scrapings at the discretion of the person conducting the examination.
- e) "Prohibited Substance" means any quantity of any substance listed as a 'Banned' or 'Controlled' substance on the Equine Prohibited Substances list ('EPSL') as published by the FEI and in force from time to time excluding any quantity of any substance under any threshold level specified in the EPSL but including any other substance with a similar chemical structure or similar biological effect(s) as any substance on the EPSL and also including any metabolites of such substances and any markers. The terms 'metabolite' and 'marker' shall have the same meaning as in the FEI Anti-Doping and Controlled Medication Regulations as published by the FEI from time to time. Please follow this link for further details:  
(<https://inside.fei.org/cleansport>)
- f) Any person who administers or attempts to administer, or allows or causes to be administered, or connives at or promotes or encourages the administration, to a pony of a Prohibited Substance or has in their possession or control a Prohibited Substance at a Show, shall be guilty of a breach of this Rule 63.
- g)(i) Whenever a positive dope test occurs, the matter shall be referred to the Disciplinary Committee of the B.S.P.S. within 14 days of either the expiration of the period for requesting confirmatory analysis of Sample B (as defined below) or the receipt by the B.S.P.S. of a positive analysis of Sample B whichever is the later.
  - (ii) The Disciplinary Committee shall investigate the matter and decide within fourteen days of referral pursuant to Rule 63 (1)(g)(i) whether or not to institute disciplinary proceedings for a breach or breaches of this Rule 63 against the Owner and/or Producer and/or any other person within Rule 63(1)(f).

#### SHOW PONIES AND INTERMEDIATE SHOW RIDING TYPE

80. **MARKING** - To be used at the H.O.Y.S. qualifying shows, and are optional in Blue Riband classes and the Winter & Summer Championships for Open Lead Rein, First Ridden, Show Ponies and Intermediate Show Riding Type classes. **Marks will not be used at the qualifiers or the Final for the R.I.H.S.**

## WORKING HUNTER PONIES

201. At the B.S.P.S. Championships Shows, and the R.I.H.S. Course Builders are permitted an extra 5cms - 10 cms increase to the maximum heights of fences, for the OPEN classes and an extra 10cms – 15cms, for the Desert Orchid Blue Riband and Blue Riband Nursery Stakes Classes. **For the R.I.H.S. and HOYS qualifying classes Course Builders must be selected from B.S.P.S., British Showjumping, British Eventing or NPS Course Builders Panels.**

## CHANGE OF HEIGHTS

Novice 153cms.WHP	max 95cms	Spreads 90cms.
143cms. Rest.	min 80cms	80cms.
	max 95cms	95cms.

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## SHOW HUNTER PONIES AND INTERMEDIATE SHOW HUNTER

231. **MARKING** - To be used at the H.O.Y.S qualifying Shows, and optional for Blue Riband qualifying Shows and the Open SHP/SH classes at the Winter and Summer Championships. **Marks will not be used at the R.I.H.S. qualifiers or the Final.**

## HERITAGE MOUNTAIN & MOORLAND

312. **MARKING** - To be used at the OLYMPIA qualifying shows and optional at Winter , Summer and Heritage Championships for the Open Heritage Lead Rein, First Ridden and Ridden Classes. **Marks will not be used at the R.I.H.S. qualifiers or the Final.**

## NOT A CHANGE – JUST A MISTAKE IN PREVIOUS RULE BOOK

387. THE B.S.P.S. HERITAGE YOUNG RIDERS MOUNTAIN & MOORLAND SMALL BREEDS RIDDEN

Registered Pure Bred Dartmoor, Exmoor, Shetland, Welsh Section A or B, Mare or Gelding 4 years old or over. Suitable to be ridden by a rider not to have attained their 14<sup>th</sup> birthday before 1<sup>st</sup> January in the current year.

## ANGLO AND PART BRED ARAB

401 **Marks will not be used at the R.I.H.S. qualifiers or the Final.**

503. All Judges are requested to explain to the mark steward the correct method of filling in the mark sheets, and it is advisable to have the marks checked before the final placings are made.