

## National Centre Equitation Competition 2021

The 2021 competitions will be held **ONLINE**

**A fun competition for Centre and Centre Plus Members to prepare for over the Summer & Autumn months.**

**Centre Team** competition comprises of - an Equitation Dressage Test and a Show Jumping round, marked on the rider's position and influence over the horse/pony.

**Centre Plus Team & Open** competitions comprises of - an Equitation Dressage Test and a Show jumping round marked on the rider's position and influence over the horse/pony.

Any queries about the competition should be sent to [fi.dallyn@pcuk.org](mailto:fi.dallyn@pcuk.org)

### Rules

#### Centre Member Team Competition

1. Teams must consist of current Pony Club Centre Members and **non-pony owning** Members of the Centre they are representing.
2. Two competitors may share a pony/horse which may only be ridden twice.
3. All horses/ponies used must be owned by the Centre or on long term loan to the Centre for use in the riding school.
4. Teams are made up of three or four Members; two must be 12 years and under, two must be 13 years or over. Ages to be taken from the 1<sup>st</sup> January of the current year.
5. The two 12 and under riders will perform the D Test Level Dressage Test and ride a round of 8 show jumps (max 50cm)
6. The two 13 and over riders will perform the C Test Level Dressage Test and ride a round of 8 show jumps, including 1 double (max 70cm).
7. The top three scores in each team will count towards the team placing. Teams of three may enter - all scores will count.

#### Centre Plus – Team Competition

1. Centre Plus Members must be current Pony Club Members of the Centre they are representing.
2. Members who have competed in Area Competitions at Regional, Novice, Intermediate or Open level in 2021 are not eligible. N.B. See Centre Plus Open Individual Competition
3. Ponies/horses may not be shared, must be owned/loaned/leased by a Centre Plus Member and have been regularly ridden at Centre activities.
4. Two 12 and under riders will perform the D level Equitation Test and ride a round of 8 show jumps (max 50cm)
5. Two 13 and over riders will perform the C Level Equitation Test and ride a round of 8 show jumps, including 1 double (max 70cm)
6. The top three scores in each team will count towards the final team placing. Teams of three may enter – all scores will count.

**N.B. For Centres unable to form a Centre Plus Team, individuals may enter, and their scores will be combined to make up an Area Team.**

### **Centre Plus – Open Individual Competition**

1. For Members who have competed in Area Competitions at Regional, Novice, Intermediate, Open or Regional levels in 2021.
2. Centre Plus Members must be current Pony Club Members of the Centre they are representing.
3. Ponies/horses may not be shared, must be owned/loaned/leased by a Centre Plus Member and have been regularly ridden at Centre activities.
4. All riders will perform the C Level Equitation Test and ride a round of 8 show jumps, including 1 double (max 80cm)

### **Arena**

- Competition to be organised on grass or on a surface.
- Dressage Tests – Arena 20m x 40m
- The Pony Club Dressage D level & C level Tests can be found on The Pony Club website.
- Show Jump Course Plan and Notes are at the end of this document.

### **Dress**

1. Hats must comply with current Hat Standards as per the Health and Safety Rulebook. The hat cover should be dark blue, black or brown only. Hats with vertical plastic/metallic strips are permitted. All hats must be fitted with a Pony Club hat tag.
2. Breeches/jodhpurs to be beige, cream or white.
3. Pony Club sweatshirts (no hoodies) or a jacket to be worn (together with a white shirt and Pony Club tie)
4. Pony Club Membership badges must be worn.
5. All competitors must wear gloves.
6. Long hair must be tidy and safely secured with a hairnet.
7. Riding or Jodhpur boots should be worn. Plain black/brown half chaps/gaiters worn with boots of the same colour are allowed.
8. Jewelry is not allowed.
9. Body protectors: The Pony Club does not make the use of body protectors compulsory, except for all Cross Country riding and Pony Racing whether it be training or competing. The responsibility for choosing body protectors, and the decision as to their use, must rest with the Members and their parents. Body protectors must comply with current Body Protector Standards as per the Health and Safety Rulebook.
10. Whips may be carried. If misused, in the opinion of the Judge, the rider will be eliminated.
11. No spurs to be worn for this competition.

### **Saddlery/Equipment**

1. Plain saddlery is preferred but not compulsory.
2. New equipment is not expected, but tack must be clean, neat and tidy.
3. Any normal riding bit is permitted.
4. Martingales may be worn in the Show jumping phase.
5. No “gadgets” are permitted.
6. Boots/ bandages must be removed prior to entering the Dressage arena.
7. Competitors must warm up in the same tack to be used for each phase.

**It is the responsibility of the competitor and Proprietor/Team Manager to make sure that all tack is safe and well cared for.**

### **Entries**

- Centres may enter more than one Team or Centre Plus Individual
- Entry Fee - £40 per team
- Centre Plus Individuals - £10
- Entries open on October 4<sup>th</sup> and close on November 8<sup>th</sup>
- Entries should be made online via <https://events.pcuk.org/>
- It is preferred that videos are submitted via a You Tube link

### **Videos**

- Dressage Tests – film from C, the judge’s position
- Show Jumping – film preferably from E (if not B)
- If filming on a smart phone, hold the device in the landscape orientation.

### **Team Photograph & Mascot**

- Optional (note - photos may be featured on the PCUK.org website or social channels, please seek parental permission for use)

### **Scoring**

- Marked as per the Equitation Dressage and Equitation Show jumping score sheets
- Scores of all competitors in Centre & Centre Plus Team Competitions will also count towards final individual placings
- **Individual** - Dressage and Show Jumping percentages are added together and an average score is calculated for final placings
- **Team** - final scores – the top three final scores are added together
- In the event of equality, the collective marks are added together and the individual/team with the highest collective marks will be placed higher
- If the total of the collective marks is equal, the individual competitors/teams will receive equal placing