**General Information:**

Competitors must sign in at the show office on arrival at Mullingar Equestrian centre.

Show office hours: Thursday from 14:30-20:00, Friday-Sunday from 07:30 to 18:00

Please remember to bring your horse's passport and your premises number (postal code for NI riders). Passports will be available for collection when you are leaving the premises and must be signed for by the rider or their designated representative.

Riding is not permitted, in any arena, at the venue before 15:00 on Thursday 21st and only after signing in at the show office which will open at 14:30pm. Failure to observe this rule will result in automatic elimination from the event.

Riding is limited to the warm up arenas other than designated Arena Walk times and during the actual competitions.

Arena walks will be permitted after all five competition arenas are set up on Thursday until 19:45. A team will be on site from 15:00 to set out the arenas and any assistance with this task would be gratefully appreciated. Further Arena Walks will take place from 07:00-08:00 on Friday, Saturday and Sunday mornings and from 18:30-19:30 on Friday and Saturday evenings. During these times riders may ride, in walk only, around the outside of the arena boards. Walking horses in hand by grooms will be permitted for those competitors who have multiple rides

Competition numbers must be worn at all times, and must be on both sides, either on the bridle, the numnah or the rider’s sleeve.

Only the rider entered to compete the horse may ride the horse. Exercising of horses by grooms or any other rider is not permitted with the exception of para riders Grade I to III.

As per the DI rule book, arenas being used for Championship classes should not be hired or used for private schooling in the 48 hours before the start of competition.

## Warm Up Areas/Arenas

Lunging is not permitted in the warm up arenas. There is a designated lunging area beside the International Stables. No horse may be lunged for more than 30mins in any one day.

Horses may not be walked in hand in the warm up arenas.

In order to extend courtesy to other riders and to prevent accidents, it is customary to practice the following conduct:

* Pass left hand to left hand when meeting another rider coming in the opposite Direction, unless they are in counter canter in which case give way, by circling.
* Make tack adjustments outside the arena if possible or near the middle of the arena, without obstructing the outside track, diagonal or centre lines.
* Ensure that the use of the whip does not upset passing horses.
* Do not halt or walk on the outside track but always leave room for other riders to pass.
* Do not gallop horses in, or in the vicinity of, the collecting ring or test arenas.
* Trainers or other pedestrians should not stand in the warm up/collecting rings but remain outside and should minimize disruption to other riders when helping their clients.
* Riders of stallions must wear a sash to indicate they are riding a Stallion
* Earphones and electronic communication devices are prohibited while competing but are permitted in the warmup arena if they do not interfere with other electronic devices at the venue.
* Riders with impaired vision should wear a white armband whilst warming up as an indication to other riders
* Lack of compliance with any of these rules could lead to elimination of the rider.

**Specific National Competition Rules**

Whips are not permitted in Championship tests – they may be carried in the warm up but must be dropped before entering the space around the competition arena, failing to do so will result in elimination. The only exceptions are the Young Horse 4yr old Class, Trailblazers and carded Para Equestrian Riders.

Tests may be commanded – callers are asked to please be respectful of other riders and to position themselves on the side furthest away from the adjoining arena.

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**Prize Givings will take place in the Pavilion Bar & Café**

**Saturday 19:00:**

Preliminary Cat 3, Junior Preliminary Cat 1, Junior Preliminary Cat 2, Novice Cat 1, Junior Novice Cat 1, Junior Novice Cat 2, Junior Elementary Cat 2, Advanced Medium Cat 2, Advanced Medium Cat 3, FEI Pony, FEI COH, FEI Juniors, Prix St Georges, Inter I, Inter II, Grand Prix, National Champion.

**Sunday 16:00** – Trailblazers

**Sunday 17:15** – Preliminary Cat 1, Preliminary Cat 2, Novice Cat 2, Medium Cat 2, Medium Cat 3, Advanced, Freestyles and Special Awards and Trophies (Connemara Pony Breeders Society Trophy, Irish Draught Horse Breeders Association, Beezies Sue Trophy, Kilkea trophies & Equestrian Reality Unsung Hero)

Please note that competitors must be properly turned out to attend prize giving or send a representative to collect on their behalf, if they cannot be present themselves. Prizes will not be presented before Prize Giving, and prizes not collected during Prize Giving, will be forfeited.

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| **Class** | **Sponsor** | **Placings** |
| 1 | Preliminary Cat 1 | Childeric | 1-10 |
| 2 | Preliminary Cat 2 | Childeric | 1-8 |
| 3 | Preliminary Cat 3 | Childeric | 1-6 |
| 4 | Junior Preliminary Cat 1 | Childeric | 1-6 |
| 5 | Junior Preliminary Cat 2  | Childeric | 1-6 |
| 6 | Novice Cat 1 | Leinster Region | 1-8 |
| 7 | Novice Cat 2 | Drumindoo Stud | 1-8 |
| 8 | Novice Cat 3 | North Munster Region | 1-6 |
| 9 | Junior Novice Cat 1 | M&S Simply Dressage | 1-6 |
| 10 | Junior Novice Cat 2 | Howden Insurance | 1-6 |
| 11 | Elementary Cat 2 | JS Horsetrucks | 1-10 |
| 12 | Elementary Cat 3 | SVS Equine | 1-6 |
| 13 | Junior Elementary Cat 2 | KSB Equine | 1-6 |
| 14 | Medium Cat 2 | Howden Insurance | 1-6 |
| 15 | Medium Cat 3 | Howden Insurance | 1-6 |
| 16 | Advanced Medium Cat 2 | Northern Region | 1-5 |
| 17 | Advanced Medium Cat 3 | Midlands & Western Region | 1-6 |
| 18 | Advanced | South Munster Region | 1-6 |
| 19 | PSG | E.I.S. | 1-6 |
| 20 | Inter I | E.I.S. | 1-6 |
| 21 | Inter II | E.I.S. | 1-3 |
| 22 | Grand Prix | E.I.S. | 1-5 |
| 23 | FEI Ponies | E.I.S. | 1-5 |
| 24 | FEI Children on Horses | E.I.S. | 1-2 |
| 25-29 | Novice, Elementary, Medium, Adv Medium, FEI Pony, FEI Junior & PSG/Inter I Freestyles | Botanica International | 1-6 |
| 30 | Inter II/GP Freestyle | Sandra Blake Farrell Dressage | 1-3 |
| 32-35 | Young Horse 4yr old | Eastern Region | 1-3 |
| 33 | Young Horse 5yr old | South East Region | 1-6 |
| 34 | Young Horse 6yr old | Para Equestrian Ireland | 1-6 |
| 35 | Young Horse 7yr old | Para Equestrian Ireland | 1 |
| 36 | Mini Trailblazers | TRI Equestrian | 1-5 |
| 37 | Under 12s Trailblazers | TRI Equestrian | 1-6 |
| 38 | Trailblazers Prelim | TRI Equestrian | 1-6 |
| 39 | Trailblazers Novice | TRI Equestrian | 1-6 |
| 42-46 | Para Equestrian Grade I, III & IV | Para Equestrian Ireland | 1-3 |
| 47 | FEI Juniors | E.I.S. | 1-3 |

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| **Special Awards / Trophies** |
| Beezies Stud highest placed Irish Bred Rosettes in each Championship Class  | Treo Eile - highest Placed Thoroughbred Rosettes in the Preliminary, Novice & Elementary classes |
| Connemara Pony Breeders Society Trophy for highest placed Connemara  | Irish Draught Horse Breeders Association Trophy for highest placed Irish Draught |
| Beezies Sue Trophy for highest placed Traditional Irish Horse | Kilkea trophy for the highest percentage awarded in Freestyle Classes kindly sponsored by Marian Greene |
| Kilkea pony trophy for the highest percentage awarded to a pony in Freestyle classes kindly sponsored by Marian Greene | Equestrian Reality Unsung Hero award of a customised Spacer Rug for highest placed horse with no recorded breeding in the Preliminary to Medium Championships sponsored by Tara Equestrian  |

Please ensure to let the secretary know if you are eligible for any of the above awards/trophies when signing in at the office with your horse’s passport