

# HEALTH AND SAFETY

## RULES AND CONDITIONS – HENDERSYDE 2020

### **Disclaimer of Liability**

Save for death or personal injury caused by the negligence of the Organisers or anyone for whom they are in law responsible, neither the Organisers of the Event to which these rules apply, nor any Agent, Employee or representative of these bodies accepts any liability for any accident, loss, damage, injury or illness to horses, owners, riders, spectators, land, cars, their contents and accessories or any other person or property whatsoever, whether caused by their negligence, breach of contract or any other way whatsoever.

### **Reservation of Right**

The Organiser has the right to: a) Cancel any class or event; b) Alter the advertised times; c) Refuse any entry; d) Divide any class; e) Alter the cross country course if necessary; f) To transfer competitors between sections of a class.

### **Health and Safety Statement**

The Organisers of this event advise that due to the uneven and, in parts, irregular terrain at this event, it may at times be difficult for spectators to move around freely and easily, as a result of which, it may not be suitable for those spectators who suffer from certain medical conditions. All spectators enter the Event at their own risk and are advised to wear suitable footwear. The Organisers shall not incur any liability, except as required by law, in respect of any injury or damage by or to any spectators howsoever caused.

### **General**

The Organisers of this event have overall responsibility for health, safety and welfare. They have appointed a safety adviser to advise on all matters related to health, safety and welfare, and to ensure that all the requirements of legislation are met.

### **Officials**

The Committee, judges and officials have the responsibility for the implementation of the safety policy throughout the event and must ensure that Health and Safety considerations are always given priority.

### **Spectators**

All reasonable and practical steps are taken to ensure your health, safety and welfare whilst attending the event. You are requested to take note of the following:

- a) Please take particular note of any fencing, stringing, whistle blasts from officials, public address announcements and signage displayed.
- b) Mobility vehicles are asked to report to the Secretary on arrival and be escorted to the designated safe viewing areas.

### **Contractors**

Contractors working at the event are required to observe best working practices, comply with all legislation relevant to their business and take all reasonable and practical steps to safeguard their employees and all those attending the event.

### **Exhibitors**

All exhibitors are responsible for the safety of their own stands and the risks that they may pose to other persons within the allocated space or immediate areas. This will also include adequate insurance cover for their stand which must be provided upon request. This is subject to monitoring by the Safety Adviser.

### **Emergencies**

The emergency services at the event include paramedics, ambulances, vet and fence repair personnel. They have access to all parts of the site and can be quickly contacted through any steward, judge or official – quickest through those with a radio.

Accidents involving horses and competitors are well catered for and the appropriate officials are ready to report these as they occur and call for the appropriate emergency services.

Emergencies not connected with the competition (i.e. in the Secretary/Catering tent/Trade Stand area) will be dealt with by the emergency services on site but outside emergency services (e.g. fire brigade) may be needed. Telephones for such emergency calls are located at the Secretary's tent.

**Forbidden Assistance**

Any intervention by a third party, whether solicited or not, with the object of facilitating the task of the rider or helping his horse, is forbidden, under penalty of elimination. In particular it is forbidden for a fence judge or official to call back or assist a competitor by directions, to rectify an error of course.

**Reporting to Doctor/Paramedic**

Any competitor who has had a fall at the event must see the Paramedic and be passed fit to ride, before either riding another horse or leaving the event site.

**Motorbikes, All-Terrain Vehicles, Electric Bikes and Scooters**

The use of any of the above mentioned vehicles are banned except for authorised officials. Anyone found riding such a vehicle without permission will be asked to leave the event. Only official vehicles are permitted on the cross country course over the duration of the event.