

Irish Sport Horse Showjumping Series 2011

Eligibility:

- Horses with the breed codes ISH, RID or ID that are registered in the Irish Horse Register, by a stallion APPROVED in the Main Section of the IHR, and with sire and dam documented on their passport are eligible to compete.
- Any stallion which has commenced the HSI Stallion Inspection procedure and has been awarded 'Preliminary Recommendation for Breeding' (PB) status is eligible to compete.

Series:

- Classes for 5 year olds and 6/7 year olds will be held at 7 venues throughout Ireland with the Grand Final taking place at the 7th venue. Horse/rider combinations who gain points throughout the Series will be invited to attend the Grand Final.
- All legs of the Series will run on a **PRE-ENTRY** basis.
- The Series may run at fewer legs depending on funding available in 2011.

5 Year Olds:

- At each of the 6 legs leading to the Grand Final, there will be a qualifier class leading to a final (to be held on the second day of the show).
- The qualifier class will run as a two phase class, i.e. two separate phases NOT against the clock (Article 274/5.1). The top 25 horses OR all double clears will qualify for the final.
- The final class will be run as a jump off class not against the clock (Article 238/1.1), with the second round being built at 5cm higher than the first round. The second round will be run as a jump-off but NOT against the clock. Horses must be clear in the first round to jump in the second round. The winner will be determined by faults. Where there are horses on equal faults, the win will be divided.
- Course builders will be asked to set the courses at 350 m/min.
- Up to and including first four legs, the suggested heights will be 1m10 (S) for the qualifier classes and 1m20 for the final classes. For the next 3 legs, the suggested heights will be 1m20 for the qualifier classes and 1m20 (S) for the final classes.
- Only non-performance enhancing hind boots as supplied by SJI can be worn in these classes. If riders do not wish to use the boots supplied by SJI, or the nominated boots are not available for any reason, then no boots or bandages of any kind will be permitted.
- **For 2011, at the first qualifier that each horse competes in, if required, they will be provided with a pair of specified boots from the SJI boot steward present. Each rider will be responsible for bringing these boots to each leg of the Series they participate in. SJI boot stewards will be present at each leg of the Series to spot check and swab test boots. If riders do not wish to use the boots supplied by SJI, or the nominated boots are not available for any reason, then no boots or bandages of any kind will be permitted.**
- Martingales are allowed but must be correctly fitted.

6/7 Year Olds:

- At each of the 6 legs leading to the Grand Final, there will be a qualifier class leading to a final (to be held on the second day of the show).
- The qualifier classes will be run as a two phase class with the second phase against the clock (Article 274/5.3). The top 25 horses will qualify for the final.

- The final class will be run as a jump-off class (Article 238/2.2, Table A with one jump-off).
- Course builders will be asked to set the courses at 350 m/min.
- The 7 year olds will be handicapped in all classes. The height bands of 1m20 (S) (6 year old qualifier classes), 1m30 (7 year old qualifier classes), 1m30 (6 year old finals) and 1m30 (S) (7 year old finals) will apply.
- Only non-performance enhancing hind boots as supplied by SJI can be worn in these classes. If riders do not wish to use the boots supplied by SJI or the nominated boots are not available for any reason, then no boots or bandages of any kind will be permitted.
- **For 2011, at the first qualifier that each horse competes in, if required, they will be provided with a pair of specified boots from the SJI boot steward present. Each rider will be responsible for bringing these boots to each leg of the Series they participate in. SJI boot stewards will be present at each leg of the Series to spot check and swab test boots. If riders do not wish to use the boots supplied by SJI, or the nominated boots are not available for any reason, then no boots or bandages of any kind will be permitted.**
- Martingales are allowed but must be correctly fitted.

Prize money: (SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE FUNDING IN 2011)

- At each of the 6 legs there will be €10,000 in prize money on offer. There will be €500 on offer for each of the qualifying classes and €4,500 on offer for each of the final classes.
- Prize money in all cases will be awarded down to sixth place. In the case of equal placings in the 5 Year Old classes, prize money will be divided.
- At the Grand Finals there will be a total of €15,500 on offer. There will be €5,000 for each of the Grand Final classes, €1,750 on offer for each of the Leagues (riders' prizes) and €2,000 in breeders' prizes.
- Prize money breakdown:
 - Qualifier prize money: 1st €165, 2nd €110, 3rd €75, 4th €60, 5th €50, 6th €40
 - Final prize money: 1st €1,485, 2nd €990, 3rd €675, 4th €540, 5th €450, 6th €360
 - Grand Final prize money: 1st €1,650, 2nd €1,100, 3rd €750, 4th €600, 5th €500, 6th €400
 - League prize money (riders' prizes): 1st €1,000, 2nd €500, 3rd €250
 - Breeders' prizes: €1,000 per Grand Final
- Prize money will be paid by cheque to the owner of the horse, as registered with Showjumping Ireland, unless otherwise requested with HSI (Article 248/7.2)

Points/League System:

- The Series will be run as a League. Horse/rider combinations that have gained points throughout the Series will be invited to attend the Grand Final. Points will be awarded in the final classes only (not in the qualifier classes).
- Points will also be awarded at the Grand Final, with the top three horse/rider combinations winning the League prizes.
- League points for 5 year olds: Double Clear – 5 points, Single Clear – 2 points.
- League points for 6/7 year olds: 1st 10, 2nd 8, 3rd 6, 4th 4, 5th 3, 6th 2, 7th 1, 8th 1, 9th 1, 10th 1.
- The League will strictly be run on a horse/rider combination basis. No substitution will be allowed at the Grand Final.

Grand Final:

- Both the 5 year old and 6/7 year old classes will be run as jump-off classes. (Article 238/2.2).

- The 5 Year Old Grand Final will run at 1m20 (S).
- In the 6/7 Year Old Grand Final, the 6 year olds will jump at 1m30 and the 7 year olds at 1m30 (S).
- Prize winners must take part in the prize giving ceremony (Article 248/5).

FEI World Breeding Championships for Young Horses, Lanaken 2011:

- The Irish Sport Horse Studbook Showjumping Series will be used as part of the selection process for horses selected to participate at Lanaken 2011.

Notes:

- Horse/rider combinations entered to compete in these classes are strictly limited to warming up in the designated practice arenas. Any rider found in breach of this rule by the SJI steward will be eliminated from the class.
- No Temporary Tickets are allowed in these classes.
- Supplementary Tickets will be allowed in these classes.
- In the case of eligibility in terms of age and breeding, 'Hors Concours' entries will NOT be allowed.
- In the case of eligibility in terms of the hind boot rules, any rider in breach of the rule will be considered as jumping 'Hors Concours'.
- For further information, please contact Laura Skelton or Catherine Farrell, Horse Sport Ireland – Tel: 045 854511/045 854512, Email: lskelton@horsesportireland.ie or cfarrell@horsesportireland.ie

Please note that these criteria are correct as of 17th November 2010 and may be subject to change prior to the commencement of the first leg of the Series.