

Punchestown Horse Driving Trials 2026

Punchestown Racecourse, Naas Co. Kildare W91 VCX4

13-14th June

Organised by THE Committee of Carriage Driving Horse Sport Ireland

Class	Dressage Test
Very Small Equine (VSE)SE	BC Pre-Novice (2025) bc_pre_novice_2025.pdf
Crystal Combination	CDAI Novice test No.1 1997 Note this is a confined class.
Pre-Novice	BC Pre-Novice (2025) bc_pre_novice_2025.pdf
Novice Single Pony and Horse Classes (A and B Novice tests)	Entry Level – BC Novice A Test (2025) for Novice Single Pony and Novice Single Horse bc_novice_a_2025.pdf Exit Level – BC Novice B Test (2025) for Novice Single Pony and Novice Single Horse bc_novice_b_2025.pdf
Open Single Pony and Single Horse Classes (A and B Open tests)	Entry Level - BC Open A (2025) Dressage Test bc_open_singles_a_2025.pdf Exit Level – BC Open B Dressage Test (FEI Driven Dressage Senior – Test 2*HP1) FEI DRIVING 2*HP1
Novice Pony Pairs and Horse Pairs Classes	Entry Level – BC Novice A Test (2023) for Novice Pony pairs and Novice Horse Pairs bc_novice_a_2025.pdf
Open Pony Pairs and Horse Pairs Classes	Entry Level - BC Open Pairs A (2025) bc_open_pairs_a_2025.pdf Exit Level – FEI Test 2* HP2 (2025) CAI2HP2_FINAL
Advanced Single Pony or Horse Class	FEI Driven Dressage Senior – Test 3*HP1 FEI DRIVING CAI3* HP1
Advanced Pony Pairs and Horse Pairs Classes	FEI Driven Dressage Senior – Test 3*HP2 (2025) CAI3HP2_FINAL
Pony and Horse Team Classes	Novice: BC Novice A (2025) for single bc_novice_a_2025.pdf Open: FEI 2* HP4 CAI2HP4_FINAL_10.12.pdf Advanced: FEI 3* HP4 CAI3HP4_FINAL_10.12_0.pdf



- Crystal Combination League is confined to ponies under 11HH high
- The organiser reserves the right to combine or split any class
- PRIZES: 1st, 2nd and 3rd Rosettes for the overall competition in each class

Organisers: Grove Horse Driving Trials Committee care of Horse Sport Ireland carriage driving section

Event contact: Sarah Mullins

Technical Delegate: TBC

Course designer: John Kennedy

Dressage Judge: Aniko Foldszin

Cones Judge: Sarah Mullins

Scorer: TBC

Driven Dressage: Dressage tests for 2026 apply. see BC website:

<https://www.britishcarriagedriving.co.uk/dressage/index.htm>

Arena: Grass 80m x 40m.

Marathon:

Section A: 3.5kms within Punchestown

Section B: Roughly 6.5 km with 6 obstacles including one/two water obstacles

Obstacle Cone Driving: Obstacle Fault Competition. Axles to be extended to appropriate width.

Entries: Please enter using link to carriage driving events payments page on Horse Sport Ireland website. The link is available on the carriage driving landing page and will be available in advance of the event: <https://www.horsesportireland.ie/disciplines/carriage-driving/>

All competitors must be members of HSI/CDI or NICDA. All competitors must have their own personal insurance that covers competitive driving trials events and includes third party cover.

Close of entries: Wednesday 10th June at 2.00pm

Entry fee: €90 plus "Plain sailing" booking fee all classes except Crystal Combination. Crystal Combination €10.

Parking: Parking available on designated area as directed by organisers . Please park where directed to assist with organising. **Note access is only from Friday afternoon 12th June**

Catering:

Catering is NOT available .

Stabling:

Limited stabling available @ €20 per stable

Electric Hook up not available



Directions: **Punchestown Racecourse**

All the Emergency Contact numbers can be found at the Marquee, including the risk assessment.

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