

# **Series Rules for Horse Sport Ireland Jumping Challenge 2019**

### 1. Introduction

The **Horse Sport Ireland Jumping Challenge** is a link of Irish International Events which is sponsored by Horse Sport Ireland, the IRL National Federation. This is a Lower Level Series, as defined by the FEI, therefore the CIM (Concours International Mineur) events which are classified as 1\* and 2\* FEI Jumping events fall within the scope of the Series for 2019.

The Events in the Horse Sport Ireland Jumping Challenge (CIM) are:

- CSI1\* Grand Prix Millstreet, 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> April, Millstreet, Co. Cork
- CSI2\* Grand Prix Balmoral, 15<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> May Balmoral, Co. Antrim
- CSI2\* Grand Prix Mullingar, 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> June, Mullingar Co. Westmeath
- CSI2\* Grand Prix Millstreet, 15<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> August, Millstreet, Co. Cork
- CSI1\* Grand Prix Cavan, DATE TBC, Co. Cavan

HSI reserve the right to amend the above list of events to reflect changes of Irish International events in the Official FEI Calendar

### 2. Participating Athletes

All athletes participating in the above classes are eligible for the €10,000 prize bonus regardless of nationality.

## 3. Horse Sport Ireland Jumping Challenge (CIM) Bonus

To be eligible for the winning bonus the Athlete must be **Podium** placed (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup>) in three of the above events.

The Bonus will not be confined to specific horse/rider combinations i.e. an athlete can win the Bonus with 3 podium finishes on different horses in the specified classes.

If an athlete secures more than one podium place at an event only his/her best placing will be accounted for. Only one result can be taken into account per event/venue.

In the eventuality of more than one athlete securing 3 podium places from the above 4 classes the following points criteria will be applied to determine winner.

$$1^{st} = 100 \text{ pts}$$
;  $2^{nd} = 65 \text{ pts}$ ;  $3^{rd} = 45 \text{ pts}$ .

Possible Combinations	Points
3 first places	300
2 first places, 1 second place	265
2 first places, 1 third place	245
1 first place, 2 second places	230
1 first place, 1 second place, 1 third place	210
3 second places	195
1 first place, 2 third places	190
2 second places & 1 third place	175

1 second place, 2 third places	155
3 third places	135

In the eventuality of multiple athletes finishing on equal points the prize fund of €10,000 will be split in equal proportion

An additional €1,000 bonus will be paid to the groom of the series winner. If overall prize fund is split so too will grooms bonus.

The bonus will be paid out at the last event of the Horse Sport Ireland Jumping Challenge and the result is definitely confirmed. The bonus will be paid in Euro. The athlete will be invited to a prize giving ceremony at the last event or elsewhere if the athlete is unable to attend the last event. Horse Sport Ireland and the participating events will have the right to use the pictures/images of the winner for their own public relations and communication.

## 4. General

These regulations must be read in conjunction with the FEI approved schedules of each participating event in the Horse Sport Ireland Jumping Challenge (CIM). Horse Sport Ireland will decide on any unforeseen or exceptional circumstance, which is not addressed by these Series Rules. HSI will interpret them and render a decision in a manner compatible, to the fullest extent possible, with the provisions of these rules as well as sporting spirit.