



Endurance GB

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The Rules and Recommendations of Endurance GB

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1 Membership and registration

1.1 Membership

1.1.1 The annual membership period shall be 1 January to 31 December.

1.1.2 Table 1 – Membership and registration fees

Category	Initial registration fee	Full year membership fee	Half year membership fee – available from 1 July
Full Riding Member – aged 26 years old or more in the current year	£15	£67	£43
Non-riding Member	None	£35	£23
Young people aged 14 to 25 years old inclusive in the current year: Young Rider	£15	£57	£37
Children aged 8 to 13 years old inclusive in the current year: Junior Rider	£15	£45	£29
Life Member	£15	£655	N/a
Overseas Supplement – payable by all members resident outside the United Kingdom	–	£25	£25
Horse Membership – separate form and documents required	£16	£20	N/a
Associate Member*	None	£45	£30
Associate Member – Young Rider*	None	£35	£24
Associate Member – Junior Rider*	None	£28	£19
Club Member	None	Free (£10 per event)	Free (£10 per event)
Temporary Day Membership	None	£10 per event	£10 per event
Temporary Day Membership (inc Overseas Supplement)	None	£20 per event	£20 per event
Surcharge, per postal application (for members or horses)	–	+£5	+£5

*New Associate Members wishing to upgrade to Full membership will be liable to pay the £15 initial registration fee and the difference in membership fee; however the registration fee is a one off charge.
Please note membership categories may not be changed after 1st September.

1.1.3 New members joining for the first time will pay a one-off registration fee, in addition to the annual subscription.

1.1.4 Recognition of other current Endurance qualifications

Previous experience gained from any recognised endurance body will be taken into account to determine at what level a horse and/or rider comes into Endurance GB. Proof of qualification of horse and/or rider must accompany applications for new membership and/or new horse registrations where entry at a level above Novice is requested.

For members/horses resident overseas the host country's National Endurance qualifying criteria will be taken into account when the member's/horse's Endurance GB entry level is set.

1.1.5 Group/branch membership

Each member of Endurance GB may belong to a single Group/Branch. Each member may choose which Group/Branch they wish to belong to. If a member has not specified a preference, they will be deemed to be members of the Group/Branch that covers the area where they live. Members may only compete for trophies and awards organised by the Group/Branch of which they are currently a member. Members may subscribe to newsletters of any other Group/Branch as well as their own.

1.1.6 Non-members

All riders who are not members of Endurance GB or Scottish Endurance Riding Club must enter rides (whether riding under Endurance GB or FEI Rules) as a 'Temporary Day Member' of Endurance GB.

1.1.7 Temporary day members

Temporary Day Members may only compete at Novice level in rides of up to and including 40km on registered horses. Results achieved as a TDM will not be taken as part of the rider's upgrade sequence. Horses will achieve distance points only.

1.1.8 Overseas riders

Overseas riders may only ride at distances greater than 40km if they have permission from their National Federation. Overseas riders who are not members of Endurance GB or SERC but who are members of another country's National Federation must pay an overseas temporary day membership fee of **£20**.

1.1.9 Associate membership

The Associate Membership scheme will be administered by individual Branches/Groups but the benefits will be reciprocal amongst all Groups in Endurance GB. An Associate Member can elect to join an Endurance GB Group – not necessarily the closest group to their address. They can apply directly to the chosen Group who will provide enrolment forms and membership cards for new members or join online.

1.1.10 Associate members' benefits

- Can register online or by post with your local Group.
- May enter any Endurance GB Pleasure Ride (Group or National) or may enter any Group event at Endurance GB Members' rates.
- Young riders and junior riders receive discounted ride entry fees.

- Group Newsletter – free, email or charge as appropriate to each Group.
- Receive Endurance GB Magazine and Ride Programme.
- Insurance – a Grant of Temporary Day membership for Endurance GB Public Liability insurance cover and under the current Endurance GB Insurance Policy (Personal Liability) when participating in an Endurance GB Group Event or any Pleasure Ride organised by Endurance GB.
- An Associate Member can upgrade to Full Membership of Endurance GB either by going online or contacting the Endurance GB Office. An initial one-off registration fee is payable plus the difference in price between the Associate membership and the full membership. If the Associate Member has previously been a full member the one-off fee will not be charged.
- Associate Members are eligible to attend Group Annual Meetings – with voting rights decided by individual Groups. Associate Members can attend National Annual and Extraordinary General Meetings but cannot vote.
- Disciplinary and grievance – please see the full Disciplinary Code on the Endurance GB website.

Associate members' restrictions

- Insurance cover only applies when participating at an event, it does not apply at any other time.
- Associate Members under 14yo are not permitted to ride unless accompanied by an adult.
- Associate Members may not register a horse.
- Associate Members are not eligible for National Trophies except the Pleasure Pairs Trophy.
- Associate Members may only enter Pleasure rides at members' rates, for other types of rides they must comply with the rules for non members **and pay a day membership fee.**
- New Associate Members wishing to upgrade to Full membership will be liable to pay the £15 initial registration fee and the difference in membership fee; however the registration fee is a one-off charge.

1.1.11 Junior membership

Junior Riders with a 14th birthday in the coming season must become a 'Young Rider'.

Any riders under 18 must bring with them a parental consent form signed by their parent or other adult with parental responsibility for them.

Junior riders may not compete at distances in excess of 50km until they have reached their 11th birthday.

Junior riders may enter PRs and GERs but not CERs.

Whenever possible, unaccompanied junior riders will be sent out near the start of each class.

Table 2 – Types and categories of membership

Type	Category	Validity	Registration Fee	Subscription	Privileges	Voting rights	Age – as per the birthday in current season
Annual	Associate – Adult, Young rider or Junior	1st Jan – 31st Dec	No	Annual	Group rides, National PRs	As agreed by Branch	8+
Annual	Non-riding*	1st Jan – 31st Dec	No	Annual	All Endurance GB activities except national classes	Yes	22+
Life*	All	Non-expiring	Yes	Once only	All Endurance GB activities	Yes	22+
Annual	Junior Rider*	1st Jan – 31st Dec	Yes	Annual	All Endurance GB activities except CERs	No	8-13 inc.
Annual	Young Rider*	1st Jan – 31st Dec	Yes	Annual	All Endurance GB activities	U14 No 14+ Yes	14-25 inc.
Annual	Senior Rider*	1st Jan – 31st Dec	Yes	Annual	All Endurance GB activities	Yes	26+ Veteran – 60+
* Denotes Full Member of Endurance GB							
** Registration fee is a one off fee paid only when rider first joins as a full member.							

Escorts

Junior riders must be accompanied by a nominated adult (18 years old or over), mounted or on foot, until they have reached their 13th birthday. An adult may accompany no more than two junior riders. All adults accompanying junior riders who have not attained their 13th birthday must sign the entry form consenting acceptance of the responsibility. An Escort Agreement Form must be filled in by either the junior's parent or another adult with parental responsibility for them. The form must then be signed by the escort in front of the ride secretary, who must also sign the form.

In the event of the accompanying adult having to withdraw or retire from the ride, the junior rider(s) must also withdraw unless responsibility for the junior rider can be transferred to another suitable adult. In such a scenario, a fresh version of the Escort Agreement Form must be completed and signed by their parent or other adult with parental responsibility for them. The new escort must also sign the form. This will serve as a 'transfer of responsibility' form.

Escorts for junior riders can fall into three categories:

Category 1 – A pure escort who enters a GER Hors Concours, but horse and rider must be qualified for that class and abide by the rules for that class. They will pay 50% of the entry fee and will not gain points or awards from completing the distance. However, mileage will be recorded if appropriate on the horse's EGB record.

Category 2 – An escort who is entered into a similar GER class paying the full entry fee. Such riders are eligible for the appropriate trophy and mileage points but must take responsibility as escort for the junior rider.

Category 3 – An escort who is entered into a Pleasure Ride class paying the full entry fee.

1.1.12 Young Rider membership

Young Riders with a 26th birthday in the coming season must become a 'Senior' rider.

Whenever possible, unaccompanied young riders will be sent out near the start of each class.

Any riders under 18 must bring with them a parental consent form signed by their parent or other adult with parental responsibility for them.

1.1.13 Para-Equestrian membership

Riders with a disability can register with Endurance GB as a Para-Equestrian Endurance Rider and this will allow them to take advantage of the additional support in section 3.6 of this rulebook. Please contact the Endurance GB office for further details.

1.1.14 Volunteering

All Members should volunteer to help at rides or other events at least once in the season.

Endurance GB also has a volunteer scheme which allows non members to register an interest in helping their local Group and being involved – please see EGB website for details or email volunteers@endurancegb.co.uk.

1.2 Horse registration

1.2.1 Endurance GB organises Pleasure Rides and Endurance Rides.

1.2.2 Pleasure Rides may be entered by members or non-members, horses do not have to be registered for Pleasure Rides.

1.2.3 All horses have to be registered for Endurance Rides. For qualifications and details of all classes see Tables 4 - 12.

1.2.4 Horses may only be registered by a full member of Endurance GB. Horses must be registered before entering their first endurance ride of the season.

1.3 Endurance horse log books and mastercards

1.3.1 Each horse entered for an endurance ride must have an Endurance Horse Logbook and Horse Registration for the current year. Non-members may only ride up to 40kms in a Novice class on a registered horse. Experienced Foreign riders, will need the necessary permission of their National Federation, and should contact the office before entering a ride.

1.3.2 A horse shall have a Logbook for its lifetime. This may be obtained from Endurance GB or SERC. Any horse/rider found to have/use additional Logbooks will face an automatic 90 day ban from competition.

Note: Logbooks issued by EHPS and BERA are also valid.

1.3.3 If the horse is sold, its Logbook (including all past and current Mastercards and vetsheets) must be passed to the new owner.

1.3.4 The current Mastercard (with the first four columns completed) and any immediately previous Mastercard if less than 10 rides listed, shall be presented to the Ride Secretary upon Registration before the start of every endurance ride. First season riders must present their Green Mastercard to the Ride Secretary.

1.3.5 The card will be retained by the Ride Secretary during the ride and shall be collected by the rider on return of their rider number. The ride result details shall be completed on the Mastercard and signed by the Technical Steward (TS) before collection. If not collected at the end of the ride, the rider is responsible for its safe return.

1.3.6 The complete Logbook must be made available if requested at a ride.

1.3.7 In exceptional circumstances, at the discretion of the TS, a horse arriving at a venue without a Logbook may be permitted to start on payment of £25 deposit plus £5 administration charge. The Mastercard must be forwarded to the TS for completion within one week of the event. Failure to produce the Mastercard in this time will result in forfeiting the deposit, and possibly incurring disciplinary action.

1.3.8 On return of the Mastercard, riders should check that the information tallies with the Vet Sheet.

1.3.9 The Mastercard must not be defaced or amended by any other person apart from the TS or the Endurance GB Office under any circumstances. The penalty for falsification is that the person responsible will be subject to disciplinary action and may be suspended from Endurance GB Rides for a minimum of two months.

1.3.10 For every entry on the current Mastercard and any immediately previous Mastercard, whether pass or fail is recorded, a copy of the Vet Sheet or FEI vet card must be retained in the plastic wallets provided in the Logbook, in date order. These must be produced if requested by an Endurance GB ride official.

1.3.11 When there are two or fewer spaces remaining on the current Mastercard, it must be sent to the Endurance GB office with a S.A.E. (keeping a photocopy against its safe return) in order to obtain a continuation Mastercard.

1.3.12 Replacement of a lost Logbook will incur a charge of £25 plus £1 per sheet for each item of lost documentation. It is therefore recommended that members keep photocopies of their own Vet Sheets to save time and expense in case of loss.

1.3.13 A horse will be issued with a Green 'First Season' Mastercard when the Logbook is first issued. The 'First Season' Mastercard must be returned to the Endurance GB office (with a S.A.E.) at the end of the horse's first endurance season regardless of the number of rides competed or the level the horse has achieved. A horse is deemed to have started its first season when it is presented for vetting at its first endurance ride.

2 Endurance GB rules

2.1 General rules, interpretation and guidance

- 2.1.1** Throughout this section the words 'shall' or 'must' indicate a mandatory rule, whereas the words 'should' or 'may' do not indicate a mandatory rule. Failure to comply with a mandatory rule may result in a penalty including elimination from a competition being imposed and/or in disciplinary action. This Rulebook includes rules, guidance notes and procedures intended to assist in their interpretation and application. Throughout this Rulebook the word 'horse' should be taken as to also include pony, donkey or mule. The Rules can never cover every eventuality. Matters that cannot be solved by interpreting the Rules to the letter should be resolved by following the spirit of the text to obtain the solution that is fairest to all competitors. The Endurance GB Board of Directors shall be the sole interpreter of the Rules. Any member behaving in a manner likely to bring the sport into disrepute may be referred to the Disciplinary Panel.

Endurance GB is fully committed to the principles of equality of opportunity and aims to ensure that no individual receives more or less favourable treatment on the grounds of age, sex, gender, disability, race, parental or marital status, pregnancy, religion or belief, sexual orientation or gender reassignment. This includes all those involved in whatever capacity - participants, employees, coaches, consultants, owners, officials, volunteers and spectators.

Endurance GB Membership is open to all nationalities. This Rulebook constitutes the full set of Ride Rules for Endurance GB and shall be available for inspection at all Ride Venues. Copies are available from the Endurance GB office.

2.2 Public liability insurance

Membership of Endurance GB provides public liability insurance as detailed in the policy document on the Endurance GB website.

Non-members taking part in a ride as a 'Temporary Day Member' will, for the duration of the event, benefit from the Endurance GB Public Liability Cover.

2.2.1 Disclaimer

Save for death or personal injury caused by the negligence of the Officials and Ride Organisers, Endurance GB does not accept liability for any accident, injury damage or illness to horses/ponies, owners, riders, crews, spectators or any other person whatsoever.

2.3 Clothing and equipment

Horses can be unpredictable. Anyone handling a horse at an Endurance GB event should consider using personal protective equipment (eg hard hat, gloves, etc) as appropriate to protect themselves from injury.

2.3.1 Rider

Riders must wear hats.

Permissible hat standards no longer include BSEN1384. All riders must wear one of the standards listed here. Failure to do so will invalidate your insurance.

- A** British PAS 015: 1998 or 2011 provided they are BSI Kite marked.
- B** European VG1 01.040: 2014-12 provided they are BSI Kite marked*
- C** American ASTM F1163: 2004a or 04a onwards provided they are SEI marked.
- D** SNELL E2001
- E** Australian and New Zealand AS/NZS 3838: 2006 onwards provided they are SAI global marked.

Any new standard will be accepted once approved by the appropriate regulators. Please refer to the Endurance GB website for the latest updates.

*Until any new standard hats are approved, and as per our 2017 interim guidance, Endurance GB will continue to accept VG1 01.040: 2014-12 hats without the Kitemark for the **2020** season.

- Footwear with at least ½ an inch of heel unless a stirrup cage is used to prevent the foot from being able to slip through the stirrup. Wellington boots are not permitted in any circumstances.
- A numbered bib.

Riders should wear

- Jodhpurs, riding breeches or riding tights, with chaps. Suitable foul weather clothing is permitted. Hi-Viz clothing is encouraged.
- It is recommended that riders wear shirts with sleeves and a collar.
- Riders with special medical conditions or needs should carry a medical card or similar, and leave a copy with the Ride Secretary for use in an emergency.

Artificial aids

- Whips of a maximum length not exceeding 75cm (30") are permitted.
- Whips (or the use of any other item as a whip) and other artificial aids are not permitted in National CERs from the last vet gate.
- Spurs are not permitted.

Registered Para-Equestrian Endurance riders may be given exemption from the above, by applying to the Endurance GB Para-Equestrian Classifying Committee.

Survival/first aid kit

It is recommended that riders carry a small First Aid Kit. At some rides this may be mandatory; riders should refer to the individual ride schedules. Suggested contents are as follows:

- Triangular bandage
- Wound bandage
- Vet-wrap or equivalent

- Space blanket
- Glucose tablets or equivalent
- Whistle
- Baler twine
- Mobile phone (switched on) or money for phone
- It is recommended that riders carry a drink and appropriate warm and waterproof clothing.

Riders must

- Be polite at all times.
- Give consideration to other riders and the general public.
- Comply with instructions given by the Ride Organiser or other Ride Officials.
- Be in control of their horse.
- Make sure crews are properly briefed on the general rules and ride specific rules – and the route.

2.3.2 Horse

Tack

Horses shall be ridden in a recognised form of bridle with or without a bit. Riding in a head collar, blinkers, draw-reins, Market Harborough or similar schooling aid is not permitted. Any suitable saddle may be used. Numnahs, saddle blankets and girth guards are permitted. It is the rider's responsibility to make sure:

- Their horse is under control at all times
- Their tack is safe and fits correctly

Any riders with horses that have special needs for tack that is excluded by the above should apply in writing to Operations for permission to use the tack. Registered Para-Equestrian Endurance riders who require special tack should contact the Endurance GB Para-Equestrian Classifying Committee.

Tail ribbons

Tail ribbons should be used in these circumstances:

- Red if a horse is nervous or bad tempered when other horses come too close to their hindquarters.
- Green if the horse is young and/or a novice.
- Blue is mandatory for a stallion.

Bridle discs

All Stallions must wear bridle discs. (These will be supplied by Endurance GB when the stallion is registered). Discs may be available for non-members' use during the ride.

Shoeing

A horse may be ridden with shoes, in hoof-boots, other hoof-wear or barefoot. If shod, the horse must be adequately and correctly shod before the start of the ride. Pads are allowed.

Leg protection

Horses may wear leg protection including grease when competing in any ride. All leg protection must be removed prior to any veterinary inspection.

2.4 General riding rules

The welfare of the horse shall be paramount. The horse should be prepared and educated to ensure a reasonable standard of behaviour, and must be under control at all times. Horses should not be left without adequate supervision. Riders should be fit and competent to undertake the class entered.

2.4.1 Order of starting

The allocated start/vetting time will be sent to the rider with the ride information. Combinations shall present ready to start at the time allocated.

Failure to do so may result in elimination or mandatory downgrade to a lesser distance. The Ride Organiser will draw up the order of vetting. If riders wish to ask for a certain vet time or to ride with particular companions, such requests should be made when they send in their ride entry form. Ride Organisers will try to accommodate these requests but are under no obligation to do so. Late entries cannot expect to be accommodated in this way.

2.4.2 Dismounting

Riders may dismount and proceed on foot leading their horse, but must be mounted to pass through the start and finish of the ride. Once on the course no other person may lead or ride the horse.

2.4.3 Assistance

It is permitted to assist a rider and to attend to **their** horse (groom, feed, water, etc.) before the start, after the finish and at compulsory halts or veterinary inspections. During the ride it is permitted to help the rider to water and wash down the horse. However, **it is not permitted for the rider to be** followed or accompanied on any part of the course, by any vehicle, bicycle, pedestrian or a horse that is not authorised or approved by the TS/Ground Jury. **Examples of approved assistance are where the TS/Ground Jury have agreed that the rider can be** headed for a distance from the start by a vehicle, **given assistance at an officially** manned road-crossing and **or given** guidance in the dark. A rider may also be assisted to recover their horse, re-mount and retrieve their equipment after a fall or any other incident that separates horse and rider involuntarily. The combination must resume the ride at the point at which they became separated.

2.4.4 Retirement on course

If a rider decides to retire on course they must inform the next Checkpoint and/or the Ride Organiser. It is their responsibility, and not that of the Ride Organiser, to arrange transport for the horse. The horse must be seen by an official Veterinary Surgeon immediately on their return to the Venue, prior to travelling home. This veterinary check must include an assessment of the horse's gait and metabolic health. If the horse is lame this should be recorded on the vet sheet and Mastercard together with the reason for the retirement on course.

2.4.5 Elimination of horse

If a rider is eliminated at a veterinary inspection they then may not re-mount and ride away, unless given specific permission by an official Veterinary Surgeon. The horse must be seen by an official Veterinary Surgeon before they leave. It is the rider's responsibility, and not that of the Ride Organiser, to arrange transport for themselves and their horse.

2.4.6 Completion of course

Combinations which may be penalised if they:

- Do not complete the entire course.
- Do not follow the route in the direction indicated on the master route map displayed at the venue.
- Do not pass through all checkpoints in the correct order.
- Arrive at a checkpoint, mandatory halt or the finish from any direction other than that indicated on the master route map, and do not correct their error.

2.4.7 Overtaking

Riders wishing to overtake shall first obtain permission from the rider in front and then overtake with due care and attention. Any rider who is about to be overtaken should quickly clear the way. Wilful obstruction of an overtaking rider or inconsiderate and/or dangerous overtaking may be penalised by elimination.

2.4.8 Crews

It is recommended that all riders should have a crew.

Ride Organisers may, at their discretion, require a rider to have a crew for all distances if one or more of the following apply:

- The route covers difficult terrain.
- Water is not available and cannot be made available on the route.
- The route is a complete circuit and does not return to the venue during the ride.

Each rider must have their own crew when competing in CERs. Vehicles used for crewing must not exceed 6m in length or have a GVW over 3.5t. A Ride Organiser may prohibit or restrict certain classes of vehicles from crewing at their ride, which will be stated in the online schedule. The ride information will include any changes to the crewing arrangements.

Where crew with transport is not available, and it becomes necessary to remove the horse from the course, the horse may be transported, at the rider's and/or the owner's risk, by a third party, e.g. the Ride Organiser, Horse Ambulance or fellow competitor. It is the rider's responsibility, and not that of the Ride Organiser to arrange transport for themselves and their horse.

Crews are the responsibility of their rider. Failure by crews to observe the rules and instructions of a Ride Organiser, including crewing restrictions, may incur a penalty which may include elimination of the rider, and/or reporting the rider to the Disciplinary Panel.

Crews shall not:

- Obstruct roads, other riders, houses, gateways or the route.
- Obscure riders' vision of Check Point location or markers.
- Race around the roads.
- Precede or follow their rider(s) on the route.
- Use a horsebox exceeding 3.5 tonne for crewing.
- Leave any litter, which includes horse droppings from horseboxes and trailers.

2.4.9 Gates and gate allowances

Unless otherwise indicated, gates should be left as found; leaving a gate other than as originally found may incur penalty.

Ride Organisers should declare the likely number of gates on the route that cannot remain open for the duration of the ride or be opened or closed by a Steward. If this number of gates exceeds 5, then a Gate Allowance of 1 minute for each gate thereafter will be allowed. The riders will normally be informed of the Gate Allowance for the class in the ride information sent to the competitors beforehand but it will be prominently displayed on the ride notice board. It is the responsibility of the rider to check such information prior to the start. This allowance is compulsory for Pleasure Rides and Graded Endurance Rides.

There is no gate allowance for Competitive Endurance Rides.

2.4.10 Travelling Horses after Competition

Horses must remain at the venue overnight after completing a distance of more than 120km in one day or 180km over 2 days.

2.4.11 Assistance in the Event of an Accident

In the event of an accident to a horse or rider other riders must offer assistance. Refusal to offer assistance may lead to elimination. Those riders that stop and give assistance may claim an allowance for the time they stopped. They should note the time at which they stopped and once all required assistance has been given, should also note the time at which they restart. They, or their crews, should report the facts and claim an allowance at the next reasonable opportunity, for instance at the next Checkpoint. The TS shall, if necessary after making investigations to verify the facts as far as reasonably practicable, grant a dispensation in the form of an appropriate time allowance.

This rule shall apply to all Endurance GB classes and shall not be overridden.

However, FEI rules do not have any provision for time allowances.

2.5 The Countryside Code

This sport of Endurance Riding by its very nature involves riding across land with the permission and/or goodwill of landowners and rural communities. The rules and guidance given in the Rulebook are intended to assist in the safe enjoyment of the sport and shall be observed by all members.

- Participants shall comply with the Countryside Code: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-countryside-code>
- Be safe, plan ahead and follow any signs
- Leave gates and property as you find them
- Protect plants and animals and take your litter home
- Keep dogs under close control
- Consider other people

Footpaths, Bridleways and Byways are all public highways where it is likely that participants will meet other users.

Whether on a public highway or not, participants should meet other users in a safe manner, for example, making them aware of their presence and slowing to a walking pace while passing if unable to give them a wide berth.

While using any public highway, participants should comply with the Highway Code at all times.

2.6 Entering a ride

2.6.1 Entries

Entries for most rides may be made online. Postal entries shall be made on the official entry form, one per horse, and shall include a large, ready to use (minimum A5 size) stamped, addressed envelope with adequate postage for the return of the ride details. Cheques or postal orders for the relevant entry fee must accompany a postal entry. Fax and email entries are not acceptable. Making an entry constitutes acceptance of the rules of Endurance GB. Note: Blank entry forms may be photocopied and new ones are available from the Endurance GB office or may be downloaded from the Endurance GB website (www.endurancegb.co.uk). A Ride Organiser has the right to refuse any entry.

**Postal entries should be sent to the Endurance GB Office:
Endurance GB, Abbey Park, Stareton, Kenilworth, Warwickshire, CV8 2RP**

2.6.2 Late entries

Late entries should be made on line. Late entries can only be made online until the **'Sign up closing time'** deadline or 'Ride Full'. A late entry fee will be charged according to the details in the **ride schedule**. Late entries are only accepted at the discretion of the Ride Organiser and not all Organisers accept late entries. However, if accepted, all late entries for endurance rides will carry a surcharge of £15.00 **and all late entries for Pleasure Rides will carry a surcharge of £5.00.**

Late entries as a result of the cancellation of another ride whose date is within 2 weeks of the ride being entered will be exempt from this surcharge.

2.6.3 Fees

All entry fees quoted by Ride Organisers shall show, where applicable, itemised fees for ride entries, stabling, corralling, camping, accommodation and any other obligatory charges.

Payment shall be made in full in advance by credit or debit card (on-line), cheque or postal order (posted entries) for any entry for any Endurance GB ride.

On the first occasion of a dishonoured payment the member may be charged an administration fee, and will be contacted by the Endurance GB Finance Committee to be given the opportunity to supply the necessary finances to cover the entry made. If there is a similar occurrence at a later date, the Member will be notified that his/her details are being forwarded to the Disciplinary Panel for disciplinary action. Any subsequent difficulties in obtaining payment from the Member will result in the immediate suspension of his/her membership.

2.6.4 Withdrawals and refunds

Before the 'Refund on Withdrawal' Date (closing date): The rider must withdraw online or contact the Ride Secretary (postal entries). The refund is made by the online system or the Ride Secretary. The online system will advise the Secretary of the rider's withdrawal.

100% of the ride entry fee will be refunded.

Any additional charges will be refunded unless it states otherwise in the online schedule.

After the 'Refund on Withdrawal' Date and before the rider's Vet Time: All riders must notify the Ride Secretary (postal or online). The Ride Secretary will require proof supporting the refund to be forwarded within 10 days of contacting the Ride Secretary. Supporting proof that can be considered is:

- A doctor's note or certificate.
- A veterinary, chartered physio, or farrier note or certificate.
- A copy of the horse's Mastercard showing that the horse was eliminated on veterinary grounds, not more than 16 days before the ride date.

If the refund is approved by the Ride Secretary then the online entries will be refunded against the original card, but if the original entry was by post then the Ride Secretary will forward a cheque.

100% of the ride entry fee will be refunded.

Late entry surcharge is not refundable.

If there are additional charges (stabling, camping, parking, forestry permit etc.), then it must be specified in the online schedule and the ride schedule which of these are not fully refundable.

Suitable proof must be received within 10 days of the notification of withdrawal for a refund to be made.

2.6.5 Change of class

Riders may not change to a higher distance on the day of the ride. However, they may downgrade to a lower distance before the start of the ride subject to informing the Ride Organiser and/or Ride Secretary no less than 30 minutes before the original allocated vet time. Earlier notice is appreciated.

2.6.6 Ride information

Ride details such as vetting/start times, map, crew card, route description and other details will be dispatched after close of entries, usually 7-10 days before the event or where specified they may be downloaded or viewed online but information may also be collected on the day.

2.7 At the venue

2.7.1 Dogs

Dogs are only allowed at a Ride Venue at the Ride Organiser's discretion and subject to being on a short lead and under control at all times, including when accompanying crews on course. Dogs shall not be allowed to cause a nuisance to other competitors and horses, particularly where riders have early start times and may easily be disturbed by barking. Dogs must not be left unattended in vehicles at the venue overnight or in vehicles during hot weather. Failure to observe may result in elimination and the owner may be reported to the RSPCA and/or relevant authorities.

2.7.2 Corrals

When corralling at rides it is compulsory for:

- The horses to have head collar plus ID tag on at all times.
- ID tag on corral or fencer unit.
- Corral size approx. 5m square depending on available space and appropriate size poles, and minimum of 2 strands of tape.
- Only one horse per corral.
- A responsible adult must be in attendance at all times if rider not present.
- It is the owner's responsibility to ensure their horse is left safely.
- Non-compliance could result in penalty.

Ride Organisers' guidance on the layout of corrals must be followed for Health and Safety reasons including, but not limited to, wide and clearly defined corridors for the safe passage of horses and riders between corrals. Please note you may be asked to move your corral in order to facilitate the general safety of all concerned.

2.7.3 Special ride instructions

Instructions that are particular to a specific ride, the contravention of which may lead to elimination, should be included in the ride information sent to competitors beforehand, and be prominently displayed on the ride notice board.

2.7.4 Distances

Ride distances will be quoted in kilometres and speeds will be quoted in kilometres per hour only.

2.7.5 Substitutions

A rider or a horse (but not both) may be substituted up to half an hour before the allocated

vet time of competition provided that the substitute rider or horse is eligible according to the conditions of the class and the rules of Endurance GB. A fresh, signed, entry form must be completed for any replacement rider.

2.7.6 Veterinary sheets

Details of horse, rider and class must be completed on the vet sheet in ballpoint pen, clearly legible, before the pre-ride vetting.

When an Open/Advanced horse is competing in a Novice class this **MUST** be indicated clearly at the top of the vet sheet prior to presenting for vetting. Failure to do so may result in the horse being classified as Open/Advanced.

2.7.7 Pre-ride declaration

A valid Horse Passport must be brought to the Ride and be available for inspection if required.

Current proof of Membership, Horse Registration and Endurance Horse Logbooks must be presented to the Ride Secretary before the start of the ride.

Replacements for lost membership or horse registration cards can be downloaded from the website or obtained from the Endurance GB Office.

2.7.8 Number bibs

Number bibs must be worn by the person in charge of the horse at all Veterinary/Farrier inspections and at all times by the rider when competing in the ride.

Duplicate bibs or numbered armbands may be issued for the use of the member of the crew attending the horse in vet gates in CERs and FEI rides.

Competitors who are eliminated at the pre-ride vetting must surrender their number and may not hack out from the venue. Failure to adhere to this rule will be referred to the Disciplinary Panel.

Para-equestrian riders and their escorts may be identified by their blue bibs where the number is prefixed by P (para), E (escort) or C (crew). Special consideration should be given when approaching or passing riders with this specification of bib.

2.7.9 Payment for services

All riders on Endurance GB rides are responsible for costs incurred for any special attention from the veterinary surgeons, farriers and use of a horse ambulance, etc. These services must be paid for on the day.

2.7.10 Vet stewards

At all joint FEI and National rides where there are FEI vets and vet stewards, there should be a National Vet Steward present as well.

2.7.11 Ground jury

All National rides must have a Technical Steward (TS), Major Rides and all those with CER classes will have a Ground Jury – minimum of 3 persons, one of whom may be the TS. All members of a Ground Jury must be over 18 and have been full members of Endurance GB for at least three full seasons.

2.7.12 Objections

Objections shall be submitted only by the owner, his or her authorised agent, or the rider of a horse taking part in the ride and shall be made in writing to the Ride Organiser, accompanied by a deposit of £20, on the day of the ride. The Ride Organiser will pass all objections to the TS or Ground Jury, who will inform the objector in writing of the decision and the reasons for it. The deposit shall be refunded if the TS or the Ground Jury upholds the objection.

2.7.13 Appeals

Should an owner or rider wish to appeal against a decision of the TS or Ground Jury then he/she shall follow the procedure laid down in Paragraph 3 of Endurance GB's Disciplinary Code, or in the FEI Regulations as appropriate.

2.8 Equine testing

Endurance GB strives to uphold the highest standards of horse welfare and clean sport.

Riders and horses shall comply with current rules issued by the BEF and FEI Veterinary Regulations. Failure to comply with Standard Sample Procedures laid out by these organisations constitutes a breach of the rules and will be referred to the Disciplinary Panel.

2.8.1 Equine anti-doping and controlled medication

Each person who becomes a member of Endurance GB agrees to be bound by the BEF Equine Anti-Doping and Controlled Medication Rules ('BEFAR') which are specifically incorporated by reference in, and form part of, the Endurance GB Rule Book. Copies of BEFAR can be found on the British Equestrian Federation website at www.bef.co.uk. Accordingly, by becoming a member, such person shall be deemed to have agreed, amongst other things:

- To be bound by, and to comply strictly with, BEFAR
- To submit to the authority of the BEF and/or of Endurance GB to apply, police and enforce BEFAR.
- To provide all requested assistance to the BEF and Endurance GB (as applicable) in the application, policing and enforcement of BEFAR in relation to any potential Anti-Doping or Controlled Medication Rule Violation(s).

And (except where the FEI has jurisdiction over the potential Anti-Doping or Controlled Medication Violation):

- To submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of any BEF first instance Hearing Body convened under BEFAR to hear and determine charges and related issues arising under BEFAR.
- To submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of any Sport Resolution UK Panel convened under BEFAR to hear and determine appeals made pursuant to BEFAR;
- Not to bring any proceeding in any court or other forum that are inconsistent with the foregoing submission to the jurisdiction of the BEF first instance tribunal, and Sports Resolution UK.

For more information regarding the testing procedure please see section 4

2.9 Health and safety policy statement

Endurance GB recognises the aims of the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974 and accepts its requirements and will, therefore, seek to provide a safe environment and endeavour to ensure that all its operations are carried out in a manner that avoids injury to our members, horses and the general public at events organised for and on behalf of Endurance GB. A written Health and Safety Policy Statement, Health and Safety Guidance Notes for Ride Organisers and Health and Safety Guidance Notes for Health and Safety Representatives can be obtained from the Endurance GB office and its website (www.endurancegb.co.uk).

Everyone at a ride or event has a responsibility for their own health and safety and for that of others. They have a duty of care to report immediately to a ride official anything that they believe may be unsafe or dangerous. Members should take particular care at ride venues as the vetting, vet hold and farrier inspection areas may be very busy. Pets and very small children must be kept away from busy vetting, vet hold or farrier inspection areas.

2.10 Equine influenza and tetanus vaccinations

Endurance GB requires all horses participating in Endurance GB events to be vaccinated against Equine Influenza.

The horse's 'flu vaccination records must be uploaded onto the Endurance GB website, emailed to the event organiser, or, in the case of paper entry, forwarded to the Endurance GB office with the event entry. This applies to national or social rides, training events, etc., where equines are present. Please note that the vaccination record and identification pages of the passport showing the horse name and UELN/ Passport Number must be forwarded.

Equines must undergo a primary course where the first and second vaccinations are no less than 21 days and no more than 92 days apart. For equines attending Endurance GB events, the vaccination following the second vaccination of the primary course must be carried out within 7 months; the BEF strongly recommend the window for vaccination being between 150 and 215 days after the primary course. Equines who have undergone the initial 2 vaccinations in the primary course are permitted to take part in the event.

Vaccination 1:

Vaccination 2: 21-92 days after vaccination 1

Vaccination 3: within 7 months of vaccination 2 (150-215 days after vaccination 2 preferred)

Vaccination 4: onwards within 12 months of the previous vaccination

Please also note the following:

- 1 The vaccination records will only be checked for the four calendar years preceding the event date; historic lapses which occurred more than four years ago will be disregarded.**
- 2 Horses may not take part in an event until 7 days have elapsed after any vaccination.**
- 3 The equine's passport must be with the driver of the vehicle on entry to a venue ready for examination and must be taken to the secretary on registration at the event.**
- 4 Venues may have individual protocols for vaccination and checking, and may put additional criteria in place. These will be detailed in the event information and must also be complied with.**
- 5 In cases where horses are unable to be vaccinated for veterinary reasons, these will be referred to the Endurance GB Welfare committee for consultation and advice.**

- 6 Owners of equines who also compete in competitions overseen by other organisations (ie SERC, the FEI, the Jockey Club, British Riding Clubs, the Pony Club, other disciplines, breed societies, etc) should check that their horse's vaccination records also comply with the criteria set out by those organisations as they may have different requirements.

Endurance GB recommends that horses are also vaccinated against tetanus.

2.11 FEI rides

Horses competing in international competitions must meet the health requirements of both the FEI and the country in which they compete. These requirements protect the welfare of competing horses and prevent the spread of disease between horses and/or countries.

For all FEI classes, the vaccinations must comply with FEI rules, please see 3.7 Table 13 for more details.

3 Rides

3.1 Ride entry fees

Table 3 – Ride entry fees – Senior Riders (Young/Junior Riders)

National rides	Before ride close date		After ride close date	
	Members	Non-members inc day member fee	Members	Non-members inc day member fee
Pleasure rides up to 16km	£20.00 (£18.00)	£30.00 (£28.00)	£25.00 (£23.00)	£35.00 (£33.00)
Pleasure rides 17-34km	£25.00 (£22.50)	£35.00 (£32.50)	£30.00 (£27.50)	£40.00 (£37.50)
Single day classes				
Graded endurance rides 20km-55km	£41.00 (£36.90)	£51.00 (£46.90)	£56.00 (£51.90)	£66.00 (£61.90)
Graded endurance rides 56km-79km	£52.00 (£46.80)	£62.00 (£56.80)	£67.00 (£61.80)	£77.00 (£71.80)
Graded endurance rides 80km+	£56.00 (£50.40)	£66.00 (£60.40)	£71.00 (£65.40)	£81.00 (£75.40)
Competitive endurance rides and FEI				
Competitive endurance rides 80km-99km	£75.00 (£67.50)	£85.00 (£77.50)	£90.00 (£82.50)	£100.00 (£92.50)
Competitive endurance rides 100km-139km	£85.00 (£76.50)	£95.00 (£86.50)	£100.00 (£91.50)	£110.00 (£101.50)
Competitive endurance rides 140km and over	£95.00 (£85.50)	£105.00 (£95.50)	£110.00 (£100.50)	£120.00 (£110.50)
FEI 1* not less than (not inc stabling)	£150			
FEI 2* not less than (not inc stabling)	£175			
FEI 3* not less than (not inc stabling)	£250			
Multi day classes				
Graded endurance rides – any distance, not less than	£71.00 (£63.90)	£81.00 (£73.90)	£86.00 (£78.90)	£96.00 (£88.90)

National rides	Before ride close date		After ride close date	
	Members	Non-members inc day member fee	Members	Non-members inc day member fee
Competitive endurance rides – up to 99km, not less than	£85.00 (£76.50)	£95.00 (£86.50)	£100.00 (£91.50)	£110.00 (£101.50)
Competitive endurance rides 100km – 139km, not less than	£95.00 (£85.50)	£105.00 (£95.50)	£110.00 (£100.50)	£120.00 (£110.50)
Competitive endurance rides 140km+, not less than	£105.00 (£94.50)	£115.00 (£104.50)	£125.00 (£114.50)	£140.00 (£124.50)
Please note that TBYB riders and Club members pay non-member rates. Entry fees for multiday classes vary, so please see relevant Ride Schedule for details. Cheques should be made payable to 'Endurance GB', and sent to the Endurance GB office with a SAE (minimum A5) for the ride information				

3.2 Qualification of horse & rider

There are three levels of horse and rider qualification:

- Novice
- Open
- Advanced

3.2.1 General qualification rules

A horse and rider must compete at the lowest qualification for the combination.

For example, an Open Level rider riding a Novice Level horse can only ride at Novice Level, whereas an Advanced Level rider riding an Advanced Level horse may ride at Novice, Open and Advanced Level.

The age of a horse is deemed to change on 1st January of the current year irrespective of the actual birth date during that year.

3.2.2 Where there is no evidence on the Endurance GB database to show that a horse has successfully completed a Graded Endurance Ride (or equivalent), Competitive Endurance Ride (or equivalent) or FEI Endurance Ride within the three years prior to the current registration year, their qualification level will automatically revert to novice. The horse will then be required to complete the qualification process again before entering an open or advanced level ride. However, a member may forward evidence to the Operations committee of relevant and recent experience which may allow the horse to be re-graded at Open or Advanced level; for example, evidence of successful competitive results that have not been recorded on the Endurance GB database.

3.2.3 It may be necessary to qualify for some Major Rides, e.g. Golden Horseshoe. Any specific qualification required will be confirmed in the Ride Schedule.

For rides of 160km or above, the horse and rider as a combination must have successfully completed a ride of at least 80km in a day in the 18 months prior to the ride. This applies to single day 160km rides and to single class multi day 160km rides.

3.2.4 Compulsory rest periods for FEI registered horses

All horses with a current FEI registration must comply with the FEI rules regarding compulsory rest periods.

During a compulsory rest period, FEI registered horses may not compete in national or Group rides.

If an FEI horse does not complete a national ride successfully, additional mandatory rest periods are applicable – see FEI rules for details.

3.2.5 Compulsory rest periods for non-FEI registered horses

Where a horse has been eliminated from a Competitive or Graded Endurance Ride or a National Endurance GB Pleasure Ride due to a metabolic incident requiring treatment or a lameness, that horse must not take part in another national or group ride for at least 8 days.

Horses competing in Competitive and Graded Endurance Rides must observe the mandatory rest period according to the distance completed as well as any additional days due to a metabolic incident requiring treatment or a lameness. **These mandatory rest periods are detailed on p60, Table 16.**

If these compulsory rest periods are not observed, any trophy or distance points from ride(s) completed during the rest period may be forfeited and the rider may be referred to the MLO or Disciplinary Panel.

These compulsory rest periods also apply to horses registered with Endurance GB who are taking part in equivalent SERC or Irish rides.

3.3 Ride classifications

There are three classes of Endurance GB Rides :

- Pleasure Ride (PR), may be a National or a Group ride
- Graded Endurance Ride (GER)
- Competitive Endurance Ride (CER)

For all rides, actual distance may vary by +/- 5%. Timings will be calculated on the most accurate known distance on the day.

However, where the actual distance exceeds or falls short of that required for national qualification purposes, qualification shall be determined on the distance published in the **online ride schedule**.

Please note FEI rides/qualifications do not have this allowance.

GERs of 56km and above will have at least one midway vetting conducted as a vet gate.

3.3.1 Pleasure rides

Associate members may enter group training rides and national Pleasure Rides at members' rates.

Table 4 – Pleasure ride rules

Ride	Distance (km)	Minimum rider	Qualification horse	Horse min age	Completion speed pass/fail range (kph)	Vet insp.	Award
Group rides							
PR	10-34km	n/a	n/a	4	8-12	n/a	Groups may give season distance awards, Rosette
TR	10-34km	Open or advanced	Open or advanced	6	8-15		
National rides							
PR	10-34km	n/a	n/a	4	8-12	Trot up	Groups may give season distance awards, Rosette
<p>Please note: 8kph is the optimum lower speed for the class. Within reason, riders will not be eliminated for failing to achieve this speed. Ride organisers may give a set time by which all Pleasure Riders must have completed the ride.</p>							

3.3.2 Pleasure ride veterinary inspection

Pleasure Rides which are not run in conjunction with endurance rides, do not require veterinary inspection or a trot up.

Horses taking part in PRs run in conjunction with endurance rides shall be presented for a trot-up before the ride without a saddle, and within 30 minutes of finishing the ride. The Veterinary Judge's decision is final.

Ride type	Pre ride	BPM	Vet gates	BPM	Final	BPM
PR	Trot up	n/a	n/a	n/a	Trot up within 30 mins of finishing	n/a

3.4 Graded endurance rides

3.4.1 Novice and first season horses

A horse of any age will be considered to be at Novice Level in the first season, unless evidence of relevant experience is provided. A horse in its first endurance season cannot start in more than ten endurance rides.

A first season horse may only start rides to a maximum distance of 450km whether or not the rides are completed successfully. (A horse is considered to have started the ride once presented to the pre-ride vetting). First season horses may complete their novice and open qualifications providing age requirements are satisfied.

Horses may not compete at Open level until they are 6 years old. Novice horses cannot upgrade or ride at advanced level in their first season. However, novice riders may progress to advanced level within one season.

Only Novice horses in their first season are eligible for the Novice Championship Mira Trophy (successful completion of GERs of 45km or less). Novice horses who have started in more than two GERs on a 'Try Before You Buy' or 'Club Membership' basis prior to their first season are not eligible for the Novice Championship Mira Trophy.

Novice horses may only enter GERs on two consecutive days if the total scheduled distance does not exceed 80km.

Novice horses can only take part in GERs of over 45km if they have already successfully completed three Novice GERs of between 30 and 45km

3.4.2 Upgrading process

The upgrading of horse or rider is not mandatory once qualification criteria have been fulfilled. However:

- The Technical Steward may upgrade the horse on the day of the ride if requested by the rider/registered owner.
- In circumstances where a horse and/or rider complete the necessary qualification to enable them to upgrade, but have not been formally upgraded by a TS, and they then compete in a class which necessitates that they have upgraded, the horse and/or rider shall be automatically upgraded by the Results Co-ordinator.
- Where a horse has reverted to novice level from open or advanced level, they will not be deemed to be a 'first season' novice. They will not be subject to first season distance restrictions nor will they be eligible for 'first season' novice trophies.

Rides used to upgrade horse or rider to open level do not necessarily have to be completed as a combination.

Table 5 – Minimum requirements for novice horse to progress to open level

Minimum age of horse	Ride types	Minimum No. of successful completions	Distance (km)	Conditions
5	GER	3	30-50	None

Table 6 – Minimum requirements for novice rider to progress to open level

Ride types	Minimum No. of successful completions	Distance (km)	Conditions
GER	5	30-50	None

Table 7 – Minimum requirements for open horse or rider to progress to advanced level

Minimum age of horse	Ride types	Minimum No. of successful completions	Distance (km)	Conditions
6	GER	2, single day classes	65-90 in one day	At least one must be 80km+

Table 8 – GER class rules

Ride	Distance (km)	Minimum rider	Qualification horse	Horse min age	Completion speed pass/fail range (kph)	Vet insp.	Award
GER	20-29 (Foundation)	Nov	Nov	5	8-15	Full metabolic vetting	Rosette: Completion + Grading Distance award No trophy points Optional: Performance Formula Rufus Scoring
	30-50	Nov	Nov	5	8-15		Rosette: Completion + Grading Points: National Distance + Grading Optional: Performance Formula Rufus Scoring
	30-90 1 day 130 2 day	Open	Open	6	10-18		Rosette: Completion + Grading Points: National Distance + Grading Optional: Performance Formula Rufus Scoring
	30+	Advanced	Advanced	6	10-18		Rosette: Completion + Grading Points: National Distance + Grading Optional: Performance Formula Rufus Scoring

Table 9 – GER veterinary inspections

Ride type	Pre ride	BPM	Vet gates	BPM	Final	BPM
GER	Pulse, Gait, Metabolics	64 max	Within 20 mins Pulse, Gait, Metabolics	64 max, 1 re-present	Within 30 mins of finishing. Pulse, Gait, Metabolics	64 max No re-present

3.4.3 Elevator rides

GERs of more than 100km may be run as 'Elevator rides'. A rider may exercise the option to retire from the ride at any of the vet gates nominated by the Ride Organiser, providing they have successfully completed at least 60% of the advertised distance.

They will then be credited with that distance if they:

- Are within the permitted time parameters and,
- Have passed the veterinary inspection including any compulsory re-examination.

3.4.4 Late presentation

Late presentation for vetting at GERs may incur a penalty which could mean downgrading or elimination.

3.4.5 Final vet inspection

Within thirty minutes after finishing the course the horse shall be presented without saddle and leg protection for final veterinary inspection. The final pulse should be taken over 60 seconds. There is no re-presentation at a final vetting.

3.4.6 Points for graded endurance rides (including multi day rides, excluding 20-29km GERs)

Distance Completion Points

First 40km 1 point per km i.e. 40km = 40 points

Next 20km 2.5 points per km i.e. 42km = 45 points (40 + 5)

60km = 90 points (40 + 50)

Next 20km 4 points per km i.e. 61km = 94 points (50 + 40 + 4)

80km = 170 points (40 + 50 + 80)

120km = 330 points (40 + 50 + 240)

160km = 490 points (40 + 50 + 400)

Bonus points for grading				
	30-45km	46-60km	61km-159km	160km+
Grade 1	30	60	120	240
Grade 2	25	50	100	200
Grade 3	20	40	80	160
Grade 4	15	30	60	120

Table 10 – Minimum requirements for advanced horse or rider to compete in CERs

Minimum age of horse	Ride types	Minimum No. of successful completions	Distance (km)	Conditions
7	GER	2, single day classes	65-90 in one day	At least one must be 80km+
6**	GER	2, single day classes	65-90 in one day	At least one must be 80km+
a six year old advanced level horse can enter a CEI* and a CEI ride, if ridden by a FEI 3-Star qualified rider.				

3.5 Competitive endurance rides

Advanced horses may not enter national CERs until they are 7 years old. Minimum speed for a CER may be adjusted on application to the Endurance GB Board of Directors by the Ride Organiser. Where possible, organisers of events hosting FEI classes should include similar distance National CER classes.

3.5.1 Elevator rides

CERs of more than 100km may be run as 'Elevator rides'. A rider may exercise the option to retire from the ride at any of the vet gates nominated by the Ride Organiser, providing they have successfully completed at least 60% of the advertised distance. They will then be credited with that distance if they:

- Are within the permitted time parameters and,
- Have passed the veterinary inspection including any compulsory re-examination.

3.5.2 CER classifications

- A short CER is 80-119km in one day.
- A medium CER is 120-139km in one or more days.
- A long CER is 140km+ in one or more days.

Table 11 – GER veterinary inspections

Pre ride	BPM	Vet gates	BPM	Final	BPM
Short CER Medium CER Long CER	64 max	Within 20 mins Pulse (CRI), Gait, Metabolics	64 max, 1 re-present	Within 30 mins of finishing. Pulse (CRI), Gait, Metabolics	64 max No re-present

Table 12 – Criteria for all CERs run under Endurance GB rules

Ride	Distance (km)	Min. rider	Qual. horse	Horse min age	Completion speed pass/fail range (kph)	Vet insp.	Award
CER	Short	Advanced	Advanced	7	Minimum 10kph, unless agreed by the Board	Full metabolic vetting plus Cardiac Recovery Index at Vet Gates	Rosettes: Completion + Place Points: National distance + Placing Other awards: Ride Specific
	Medium						
	Long						
	120km	Advanced YR					YR National Champion
CER TYRO	1 day 80	Advanced					Only open to horses that have never competed in a CER, whether successful or not

3.5.3 CER vet gates

CERs of 160km or more in one day must have at least 5 vet gates.

At least one Vet Gate on all CERs must have a minimum hold of 40 minutes.

Vet Gate closure times may be introduced for the final Vet Gate. Where possible the last Vet Gate/Hold should be approximately 15-25km from the finish.

3.5.4 Late presentation

For CERs, presentation outside the allowed time for a particular class will incur elimination.

3.5.5 Gait (lameness)

In CER classes, if a second opinion is required for the gait of the horse, then the veterinary panel at the ride shall use a 'secret ballot' system to gain the opinion of additional ride Veterinary Surgeons.

3.5.6 Final veterinary inspection for CERs

Horses shall be presented for final veterinary inspection in CERs within the stipulated recovery time for the class after crossing the finish line.

There is no re-presentation at a final vetting.

Whenever possible the final trot up at CERs shall be in front of three vets voting by secret ballot, with no conferring.

3.5.7 CER final result

The winner will have:

- Passed the final vetting including a CRI, with the first pulse within the class parameters
- The least elapsed riding time

If two or more horses have a racing finish, then the first horse across the line takes precedence (provided it passes the post-ride veterinary inspection). No dead heats are allowed.

At the discretion of the Veterinary Surgeon, Cardiac Recovery Index (CRI) may be used to assist in the assessment of the horse.

3.5.8 Points for Competitive Endurance Rides (including multi day rides)

Points will be awarded for CER completion as follows:

- Distance Completion Points as per Graded Endurance Rides (3.4.4)
- Bonus points will be awarded if completed successfully at a speed of 12kph or above
- Short = 80 points (for definition see 3.5.2)
- Medium = 100 points
- Long = 100 points

Placing points as follows										
CERs 80-94km	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
15 or more starters	120	100	80	60	40	20				
10-14 starters	100	80	60	40	20					
7-9 starters	80	60	40	20						
3-6 starters	60	40	20							
1-2 starters	40	20								

All multi day CERs & 95-119km CERs	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
15 or more starters	160	140	120	100	80	60	40	20		
10-14 starters	140	120	100	80	60	40	20			
7-9 starters	100	80	60	40	20					
3-6 starters	80	60	40	20						
1-2 starters	60	40	20							
CERs 120-159km	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
15 or more starters	200	180	160	140	120	100	80	60	40	20
10-14 starters	180	160	140	120	100	80	60	40	20	
7-9 starters	140	120	100	80	60	40	20			
3-6 starters	100	80	60	40	20					
1-2 starters	80	60	40	20						
CERs 160km+	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
15 or more starters	240	220	200	180	160	140	120	100	80	60
10-14 starters	220	200	180	160	140	120	100	80	60	40
7-9 starters	180	160	140	120	100	80	60			
3-6 starters	140	120	100	80	60					
1-2 starters	120	100								

3.6 Para-Equestrian endurance

Endurance GB is giving people with mild to severe disabilities the opportunity to train and to ride on equal terms. Para-Equestrian Endurance riders will have available the additional support outlined in this section. They may compete at all levels of Endurance under the standard Endurance GB qualifications and grading rules.

3.6.1 Eligibility

Riders with a disability can apply for registration with Endurance GB as a Para-Equestrian Endurance rider and this will allow them to take advantage of the additional support available. Please contact the Office at Endurance GB for further details.

3.6.2 Endurance GB para-equestrian identification card

To participate in Endurance GB rides as a Para-Equestrian Endurance rider, the rider will be provided with a validated Endurance GB Para-Equestrian Identification Card from the Endurance GB Office, to show Endurance GB officials at all events.

Card details will be validated as correct by the Endurance GB Para-Equestrian Classifying Committee following discussion with the individual rider, taking into account relevant medical evidence, and will list the additional support/compensating aids required by the individual.

Para-Equestrian Endurance riders must have their Endurance GB Para-Equestrian Identification Cards with them at Endurance GB competitions and the Technical Steward may request to see the card at any time.

3.6.3 Identification

All riders competing under Para-Equestrian Endurance rules must be clearly identified by wearing the blue bib provided by Endurance GB.

Where an escort is riding with the Para-Equestrian Endurance rider, an escort bib must be worn at all times. Para-Equestrian Endurance riders will be provided with a Rider bib, Escort bib and Crew bib from the office. Blue Para-Equestrian bibs for the rider, escort and crew are held by rider. When entering a ride, the Para-Equestrian Endurance rider should include their personal blue bib number as a note on their entry.

3.6.4 Escort riders

Some disabilities may mean a Para-Equestrian Endurance rider needs an escort. These will fall into 2 categories and both escort horse and rider must be qualified for the distance and class entered. The horse being ridden by an escort must pass all veterinary checks required for that class.

Category 1 – A pure escort who enters Hors Concours, but horse and rider must be qualified for that class and abide by the rules for that class. They will pay 50% of the entry fee and will not gain points or awards from completing the distance. However, mileage will be recorded if appropriate on the horse's EGB record.

Category 2 – An escort who is entered into a similar class paying the full entry fee. Such riders are eligible for the appropriate trophy and mileage points but must take responsibility as escort for the Para-Equestrian Endurance rider.

Escorts must be able-bodied and aged 18yrs or over. Escorts take responsibility for the Para-Equestrian Endurance Rider and must stay with them in the event of any emergency.

Where the Endurance GB Para-Equestrian Classifying Committee have deemed it essential for a Para-Equestrian Endurance rider to have an escort, a Para Escort Form must be filled in by the Para-Equestrian Endurance rider or, if under 18, by their parent or person with parental responsibility. The form must then be signed by the escort in front of the ride secretary, who must also sign the form.

Where the Endurance GB Para-Equestrian Classifying Committee have deemed it essential for a Para-Equestrian Endurance rider to have an escort, then in the event of the escort having to withdraw or retire from the ride, the Para-Equestrian Endurance rider must also withdraw unless transfer of responsibility can be arranged to another suitable escort. The new escort can only be nominated by the Para-Equestrian Endurance rider, or if under 18, by their parent or person with parental responsibility. In such a scenario, a fresh version of the Para Escort Form must be completed and signed by the Para Rider or if under 18, by their parent or person with parental responsibility. The new escort must also sign the form. This will serve as a 'transfer of responsibility' form.

Where the Endurance GB Para-Equestrian Classifying Committee have not deemed it essential for a Para-Equestrian Endurance rider to have an escort, but have given them permission to have the option of using an escort to provide assistance on the route, the escort will not need to fill in a para escort form unless the rider is under 13.

All Para-Equestrian Endurance riders aged under 13 must have an escort.

3.6.5 The use of compensating aids

Riders are encouraged to be as able as possible and to only use compensating aids where necessary. The use of appropriate compensating aids will be discussed with individual riders during the classification process and will be documented on the Endurance GB Para-Equestrian Identification Card where they require an exemption to a particular Endurance GB rule. Use of any equipment which is not covered in the rules must be supported by medical documentation. Certain compensating aids may need special classification following discussion and review by the Endurance GB Para-Equestrian Classifying Committee and, where necessary, evidence of self-insurance.

It is the responsibility of each rider to ensure all compensating aids they use in competition have been approved and are documented correctly on their Endurance GB Para-Equestrian Identification Card. It is the responsibility of each rider to inform the Endurance GB Para-Equestrian Classifying Committee if their individual need for compensating aids changes

The Technical Steward, Chief Steward or Technical Delegate at any event has the right to inspect the aids and declare an aid unsafe for horse or rider. At no time should a rider be secured in any way to the saddle or the horse.

The rider must be able to fall free of the horse at all times.

3.7 FEI

3.7.1 Compulsory rest periods

All horses with a current FEI registration must comply with the FEI rules regarding compulsory rest periods. Where a horse has a current FEI registration, the FEI rules regarding compulsory rest periods will apply to any Endurance GB rides and to any FEI rides that the horse competes in.

Failure to observe FEI rest periods may result in the person responsible being penalised.

3.7.2 FEI rides

The table below provides an overview of the health requirements for FEI events. However, as the health and disease status of horses is also a national and governmental responsibility, there may be different requirements in each competition country. It is recommended to check with National Federations, show organisers and governmental veterinary authorities for the latest importation, vaccination and other health requirements. Failure to comply with the relevant import and export requirements can be a very expensive and disappointing experience.

Table 13 – FEI equine influenza vaccination regulations

Vaccination	Protocol	Eligibility to Enter Venue
Primary Course	1st Vaccination: day 0 (e.g. 1 January) 2nd Vaccination: day 21-92 (e.g. 1 February)	May compete 7 days after the 2nd Vaccination.
First Booster	Within 7 months of the 2nd vaccination of the Primary Course (e.g. 1 August).	May compete for 6 months +21 days after the 2nd vaccination of the Primary Course. Must not compete in the 7 days after receiving a vaccination (e.g. may enter venue after 7 August).
Boosters	MINIMUM: within one year of previous booster vaccination. COMPETING: must usually be in the 6 months +21 days of previous booster vaccination.	Must have been vaccinated within the 6 months +21 days before arriving at the Event. Must not compete in the 7 days after receiving a vaccination.

3.7.3 Entering FEI rides and competing abroad

All riders/owners should read the FEI rules which can be found on the FEI website <https://inside.fei.org/fei/disc/endurance/rules> Please note that useful clarifications to the rules can be found in the annexes.

It is the rider's responsibility to ensure that they comply with any relevant FEI rules.

If you have any queries please contact the EGB office.

3.7.4 Applying for permission

Permission to compete in a chosen FEI ride can be made by applying to the International Committee, via the Endurance GB Office. To enter any FEI ride both the rider and the horse must have met the FEI Novice Criteria or be at CEI* level which allows them to compete in the event (Article 816 of the FEI Endurance Rules). For clarification on this subject the Endurance GB office should be contacted.

3.7.5 FEI horse & rider registration

All horses and riders competing in FEI rides must be registered for the current calendar year. A registration form for each horse and/or rider can be downloaded from the website, or by application to the Endurance GB Office. A confirmation email will be transmitted by the Endurance GB office on completion of the registration. FEI registration status can be viewed on the FEI website on the FEI database <https://data.fei.org/>

The current cost is £15 for each rider and £15 for each horse. Registration covers a calendar year, from 1st January to December 31st. Payment for FEI registration can be made either by cheque or using the Endurance GB website, using the Shop > FEI Services.

3.7.6 FEI horse/pony passport

FEI passports are required for all CEI 3* to CEI 4* rides in Great Britain and for ALL FEI rides abroad. CEI2* rides are categorised as low-level rides under the FEI General Regulations and therefore come under the same passport rules as CEI1* events. If your horse is resident abroad the CEI 1* & 2* passport exemption applies to the country of residency only.

The passport application form can be downloaded from the website. At least FOUR WEEKS NOTICE must be given to allow for processing. All sections of the horse's existing passport must be correctly completed before an FEI passport will be issued e.g. ownership must be complete, and correct. The document of description/horse diagram must be amended (if required), signed, and dated by a vet (if the national passport has been issued within the EU and validated by the issuing authorised Passport Issuing Authority (PIO) then a vet's validation is not required) and the vaccination record must be up to date to meet current regulations.

To avoid delay ensure that all parts of the application form are fully and correctly completed. Incorrect completion will result in return for correction and thus delay receipt of a valid FEI passport. It is recommended that the Endurance GB office is contacted before the application is submitted.

The national passport along with the application form and payment should be sent to the Endurance GB office. The current cost is £200. Payment can also be made on the Endurance GB website, using the Shop > FEI Services.

The Office will process the application and return it for you to sign, and/or make any corrections. The passport must then be returned to Endurance GB office for final validation by the BEF. Each part of the process can be expedited on payment of an additional fee (£80). You

can authorise a member of the Endurance GB staff to sign the FEI recognition card on your behalf as owner which speeds up the process.

It is recommended that the passport and application form are sent to Endurance GB using the Royal Mail Special Delivery service which gives higher levels of insurance cover ('signed for' can be used but only gives basic insurance cover). Endurance GB will use the Royal Mail Special Delivery Service for all its passport postage.

The cost of FEI registration and passports may change from year to year dependent on the charges made by the FEI to the BEF (mainly controlled by the exchange rate of the Swiss Franc).

3.7.7 FEI ride entry procedure

You should obtain FEI Ride Schedule for your chosen ride from the FEI database <https://data.fei.org/> - the schedule is normally available some 8 to 10 weeks before the ride. If the ride is overseas it is always advisable to contact the office in good time so they can best assist you.

The FEI online entry system will only allow one horse to be entered per rider per class at an event, so you should always enter your preferred combination. However, horse substitutions can be made up to the day before the ride on the FEI online entry system (subject to acceptance by the OC).

The Endurance GB Mastercard must be presented at all FEI CEI rides run under the Endurance GB banner for signing.

Where a horse competing in an FEI CEI ride run under the Endurance GB banner has an Endurance GB/SERC/Irish Mastercard, this must be presented at the ride for the Endurance GB Technical Steward to sign.

3.7.8 After the ride (foreign rides only)

All persons competing abroad or in other non EGB FEI Rides MUST:

- Endeavour to get their horse's Mastercard signed by a member of the Ground Jury or Ride Organisation.
- Team members competing abroad under the British Flag may have their Mastercard signed by the Chef d'Equipe.
- On their return, send a photocopy of their vet sheet/card and their original Mastercard to the Endurance GB office.
- Failure to do so may affect future permissions being granted.
- The EGB office will endeavour to add the ride results to the EGB results system.

3.7.9 Critical notes for all competitors in CEI starred rides

- Person Responsible – The rider is reminded that, when riding the Owner's horses, the Rider is considered the "Person Responsible" (PR) in the event of the horse being tested positive in any drugs test.
- Public Liability Insurance – following is the exact wording stated on all FEI schedules. "All owners and athletes are personally responsible for damage to third parties caused by themselves, their employees, their agents or their horses. They are therefore strongly advised to take out third-party insurance providing full coverage for the participation in equestrian events at home and abroad, and to keep the policy up to date."

- Members riding in EU countries – whether for pleasure or competition will be covered against Public Liability claims which might arise when they are temporarily abroad with their horses. Members riding outside the UK or the EU will not be covered in this way and so should make alternative arrangements.
- Withdrawal after a Definite entry made – following is the exact wording stated on all FEI schedules. "Withdrawals after the date of definite entries or no-shows will be held liable to reimburse the OC for the actual financial loss incurred by the OC (ie stabling and hotel expenses) as a result of the late withdrawal or no show."

3.7.10 Championships

A British Team competitor at a championship event will only be financially responsible for the cost of accommodation and travel expenses for the vet, Chef d'Equipe, physiotherapist and farrier.

A full breakdown of these costs will be provided to each competitor.

Competitors are allowed to arrange their own travel and/or accommodation for championship competitions.

3.7.11 Team selection

During Team Selection, provision should be made for riders with more than one horse up for selection to participate in the ridden parts of selection criteria with the rider who has put themselves up for team selection doing the riding.

Team Selection and/or team training rides should not be held at competitive rides unless the team is taking part in a specific class at that ride. Otherwise they should be held at a suitable venue such as training gallops. Venues chosen for training and selection must be of a suitable standard to accommodate the number of people involved, and permit the type of training or assessment required with the welfare of the horse being foremost.

3.7.12 FEI horses competing in a team abroad will be awarded distance points only.

4 Veterinary procedures & information

4.1 Veterinary inspections, vet gate procedures and holds

4.1.1 Horse welfare

Where the Logbook/Mastercard shows evidence that the horse has:

- been eliminated due to a recurrent problem, or
- developed a significant metabolic problem at a ride

– the TS and the senior Veterinary Surgeon, after discussion jointly with the rider, may prohibit the horse from further EGB rides for a period of 30 days or more.

An entry to this effect will be made on the horse's Mastercard. The vet sheet must also be annotated and signed by the Veterinary Surgeon.

4.1.2 Lesions (injuries)

Horses with saddle sores, girth galls, severe brushing injury or other lesions thought likely to be further aggravated by continuing to compete, or who are generally in poor condition may be deemed to be unfit to compete/continue by the Veterinary Surgeon.

The TS and the senior Veterinary Surgeon, after discussion jointly with the rider, may prohibit the horse from further EGB rides for a period of 14 days or more. An entry to this effect will be made on the horse's Mastercard. The vet sheet must also be annotated and signed by the Veterinary Surgeon.

4.1.3 Prohibited substances

Endurance GB reserves the right to carry out, at any time, random testing for Prohibited Substances in accordance with the standard sampling procedure of the current FEI Veterinary Regulations. A refusal to submit a horse for sampling will constitute a breach of this rule.

The purpose of this rule is to ensure that the normal performance of a horse during an Endurance GB ride is not affected, either deliberately or unintentionally, by the influence of drugs or medications or any form of veterinary treatment. It is a contravention of this rule if the analysis of a sample taken from a horse participating in a ride shows the presence in its tissues, body fluids, excreta of Prohibited Substance or a metabolite of such a substance or an isomer of the substance or an isomer of a metabolite. Specific groups of substances prohibited under this rule are listed in the current FEI Veterinary Regulations.

Maximum threshold levels have been set for substances that may innocuously be found in samples taken from horses. Details of these may be found in the current FEI Veterinary Regulations.

The use of inhalation oxygen and the use of hypodermic injections, nasogastric intubation or rectal infusions for the administration of saline fluids, electrolytes, glucose etc., are forbidden during the ride. The administration of glucose and electrolyte solutions by voluntary consumption or by oral administration using a syringe is permitted.

Anti-ulcer oral treatment with ranitidine, cimetidine, and omeprazole is permitted. Treatment of mares for oestrus-related behavioural problems with altrenogest (Regumate) only is permitted provided, a) the manufacturer's recommended dose rate and duration of treatment

are used, b) the horse's Logbook contains a signed letter on headed notepaper from the rider's or owner's vet confirming that the drug has been prescribed for oestrus-related behavioural problems only.

Mares are not allowed to compete after their fourth month of pregnancy or with a foal at foot. If it is subsequently confirmed that a mare competed under either of these conditions, she will be disqualified from all events to which these conditions apply and the owner/rider will be referred to the Disciplinary Panel.

4.1.4 Cross contamination

Riders should be aware of the risks of cross contamination and try to prevent it, either between their own horses or other people's, whether at home or at rides. For example special care is needed when Ventipulmin or Regumate is in use. Ingredients in feed and supplements may be checked using the search facility on the FEI website.

4.1.5 Withdrawal times:

Where controlled medication has been prescribed, riders must ensure that sufficient time has been allowed on completion of treatment for the drug to clear from the horse's system. The Veterinary Surgeon prescribing for the horse should be made aware that the horse competes and should be able to advise the rider on approximate withdrawal times.

4.1.6 Permitted treatment

Minor skin lesions may be treated using topical antibiotics only. Such treatments should only be applied after a Ride Veterinary Surgeon has inspected the lesion. Many topical (including herbal) preparations, some natural or herbal 'calming' feed supplements e.g. Valerian and some fly repellents e.g. lavender, contain Prohibited Substances. Riders are recommended that, if in doubt, veterinary advice should be sought.

4.1.7 Emergency treatment

If, during a ride, it is necessary to treat a horse or pony with a drug the permission of a ride Veterinary Surgeon must be sought. He/she will investigate the reason for treatment and make a report to the TS/Ground Jury who shall decide whether the horse is to be allowed to continue or shall be eliminated. Note that the ride is deemed to have started if the horse has been presented for initial vetting prior to the start of the ride itself.

4.1.8 Limb sensitivity

Horses are not eligible to participate in Endurance GB events when a limb, or part of a limb, is hyposensitive or hypersensitive. Hyposensitive limbs include any alteration in sensitivity induced by a neurectomy or chemical desensitisation for as long as the alteration in sensitivity persists. Hypersensitive limbs have an excessive or abnormal reaction to palpation.

4.1.9 Purpose of the veterinary inspection

To make sure by thorough clinical examination, that the animal is fit to start and is capable of carrying the rider. Later veterinary inspections are to make sure the horse is fit to be ridden after a normal rest period and, at the final vetting, the criteria shall be that the horse is fit to continue and requires no treatment to ensure its health and well-being. There is no appeal against a veterinary decision.

4.2 Preparation for preliminary vetting

Riders shall take with them to the veterinary inspection, at the appointed time, their completed veterinary sheet. If the crew presents the horse, then the rider shall be present. Rider numbers must be worn when presenting the horse for inspection.

4.2.1 Presentation for veterinary/farriery inspection

All horses at a national ride shall be presented for veterinary/farrier inspection before and after a ride. For each veterinary/farriery inspection except the mandatory re-examination at a Vet Gate, horses shall be presented without a saddle, leg protection, oil on the hooves or grease on the legs and in either a bridle or a head-collar under control.

4.2.2 Farriery inspection

Hoof-wear and/or hooves must be inspected prior to the veterinary inspection. Where possible this should be carried out by the Farrier, but may be carried out by the Veterinary Surgeon.

The Farrier and/or the Veterinary Surgeon have the authority to prevent the horse from starting if the horse's hoof-wear or hooves are not considered to be adequate for the class entered.

If used, hoof-boots or other hoof-wear must be well fitted. Vets/farriers may ask that hoof boots are removed at any time should they wish to inspect the hoof.

4.2.3 Emergency farriery work

Emergency work may be carried out if agreed by the Ride Organiser or TS. Emergency re-shoeing en-route and prior to post ride vetting is allowed, provided the farrier is available and able to do so. Hoof-boots may be used as a temporary measure in the event of a lost shoe for horses that are normally shod. Any work undertaken by the farrier must be paid for by the rider/owner on the day of the ride.

4.3 Vet gate procedures for all endurance rides

All GERs over 56km must have at least one vet gate.

- On arrival at the Vet Gate, a card showing the arrival time will be given to each rider.
- The horse must be presented for veterinary inspection within 20 minutes of arrival. Late presentation will result in elimination.
- The presentation time will be recorded on the card when a request for vetting is made. The examination is carried out during the hold time.
- If a horse fails the first veterinary inspection on the initial pulse parameter it shall leave the vet area without any further examination. It may be re-presented at any time provided this is still within the 20 minutes of arrival.
- The re-presentation time will be recorded on the card when this second request for vetting is made.
- After passing the vetting, the earliest departure time will be recorded on the card and this must be handed to the timekeeper before leaving the Vet Gate.
- If the horse fails the veterinary inspection on lameness then it is eliminated and no re-presentation is allowed.

- A horse may be eliminated if the Veterinary Surgeon judges that horse is not fit to continue for any other reasons e.g. poor gut sounds, dehydration etc.
- In multiday endurance rides the last veterinary inspection at the end of the day will be run as a Vet Gate into an overnight hold. Horses may be required for re-examination 15-30 minutes before the start of next day.
- Retirement of a horse during a hold/vet gate may only be made after passing all vet checks for that hold/vet gate.

Table 14 – GER and CER vet gates

Ride type	Distance	Recommended maximum distance between vet gates	Recommended number of vet gates
GER	56-70km	35km	1
	71-80km	40km	1-2
	2-day 80km+	40km	3-5
Short CER 1*	1-day 80-119km	40km	2-3
Medium CER 2*	1-day 120-139km	40km	3
Long CER 3*	1-day 140-160km	40km	4-5

4.4 Hold times

The minimum hold time per vet gate/vet hold is 30 minutes, and any ride of 80km or more should have at least one vet hold which is at least 40 minutes in length. However, the TS/Ground Jury, in conjunction with the Senior Veterinary Surgeon, may modify the length of hold times according to extreme weather conditions or other exceptional circumstances. Every rider must be officially and personally informed of the modification before the start of the phase prior to at least one Vet Gate.

Where the hold time is 40 minutes or more, an additional veterinary inspection (re-examination) may be performed 15 minutes before departure. This should be indicated in the Ride Programme or as announced at the Pre-Ride Briefing.

4.5 Gait (lameness)

Lame horses will be eliminated at all inspections. If the ride Veterinary Surgeon or competitor is in any doubt over the presence of lameness the opinion of one or more additional ride Veterinary Surgeons will be sought. If these Veterinary Surgeons, by simple majority, cannot confirm the lameness after three satisfactory trot-ups the horse is deemed to have passed the lameness inspection.

4.6 Spot checks

The Ride Organiser or other Officials may carry out spot checks at any time prior to or during a ride to ensure that all riding rules are complied with regarding the horse or the rider. Failure to comply with the rules may result in penalty and/or disciplinary action.

Veterinary judges, accompanied by a ride official, may make spot checks out on course or at the venue on individual horses. Riders must comply with the veterinary judge's advice given at the time. Horses may be eliminated as not fit to continue. There is no appeal against elimination at a spot check. A Veterinary Judge has an absolute right to inspect any horse at any time.

4.7 Final vetting procedure for graded endurance rides

The following procedure will be followed:

- The horse shall be positioned at the end of the 30 metre trot up.
- The horse's heart rate is taken over 60 seconds. No further examination likely to irritate or distress the horse should take place until after the pulse has been taken.
- The horse is trotted away 30 metres and back 30 metres.
- Further examination of the horse can then take place.

4.8 Cardiac Recovery Index (CRI or Ridgway Test) procedure

The following procedure will be followed:

- The horse shall be positioned at the end of the 30 metre trot up.
- The horse's heart rate is taken and if it is within the parameters for the class, it will immediately be subject to a one minute Cardiac Recovery Index (CRI or Ridgway test).
- The horse is trotted away 30 metres and back 30 metres. A stopwatch records one minute from the time the horse starts to trot.
- No further examination likely to irritate or distress the horse should take place until after the 2nd pulse has been taken.
- The heart rate is re-taken starting at exactly 60 seconds (one minute) from the start of the trot. This 2nd heart rate will not necessarily incur elimination.

4.9 Authorised veterinary surgeons at rides

Horses may only be inspected and treated by an official ride Veterinary Surgeon. If other Veterinary Surgeons are present, or are in attendance of a competitor, they must not treat the horse during the competition without the express authorisation from the senior ride Veterinary Surgeon.

4.10 Destruction of a severely injured horse

If, in the opinion of a ride Veterinary Surgeon, a horse is so seriously injured that on humanitarian grounds it ought to be destroyed, the following procedure will apply:

If the owner, or his or her authorised representative, is present, a ride Veterinary Surgeon will first obtain his or her agreement. If the owner or his or her representative is not available, the Endurance GB TS, acting on the advice of a ride Veterinary Surgeon, may order the destruction of the horse.

Owners should be aware that this rule is slightly at variance with the Protection of Animals Act 1911, Section II, which states that in the absence of the owner, a Police Constable, acting on the advice of a registered Veterinary Surgeon, may order the destruction of a horse. This rule is framed to avoid unnecessary suffering to a severely injured horse.

5 Officials

5.1 Ride organiser

Ride Organisers must be over 18 and be current full or associate members of Endurance GB.

The Ride Organiser is responsible for the smooth running of the ride and must be available at the Venue on the day of the ride. Ride Organisers are not normally permitted to ride in their own rides. However, where Joint Ride Organisers are named at least one must remain at the venue at all times. A named Joint Ride Organiser may not compete in a CER class at their ride.

Organisers of all Endurance Rides over 100km are encouraged to present additional awards or rosettes to the crews of successful riders to recognise the importance of proficient crewing. These additional awards or rosettes may be given to limited placings or to all the crews of successful riders, at the discretion of the Ride Organiser.

5.1.1 Getting started

If members wish to organise a National ride in their area they must contact the Chair of the Operations Committee at an early stage.

Ride Organisers must ensure that the Operations Committee receives completed proposal forms by the deadline (see Key Dates) so that the Committee can ratify a logical, well planned fixture list in good time for publication.

New Ride Organisers should either begin with a PR or seek an experienced Organiser to act as a Mentor.

Volunteers' Conferences for Ride Organisers and other officials will be held before the start of the season when Ride Organisers' paperwork may be collected and rule changes are publicised. Other paperwork may be downloaded or sent out by the Office. Please sign in to the Endurance GB website and look under **Information > Document Downloads > Ride Organisers** for all the latest information.

5.1.2 Accountability

Ride Organisers are accountable to the Operations Committee of Endurance GB and their importance to the success of the Organisation cannot be over-emphasised.

5.1.3 Responsibilities

The Ride Organiser is responsible for the following:

- Ensuring that the ride is run efficiently and courteously to reflect the high standards to which Endurance GB aspires.
- Notifying the Operations Committee of the choice of TS or asking the Operations Committee to appoint one.
- Preparing a Ride Budget prior to the event and completing all post-ride accounting within two weeks of the ride.
- Ensuring that the Risk Assessment for the ride is sent to the Chair of Health and Safety at least 6 weeks before the ride.

- Sending copies of the Ride paperwork and Health and Safety assessments to the TS before the Ride.
- Communicating with Landowners to ensure that they are happy about the Ride crossing their land. Communicating with Local Authorities or Special Bodies (e.g. Forest Enterprise) to seek permission and filling in Indemnity Forms where appropriate.
- Ensuring that all marking material is removed as soon as possible after the Ride.
- Ensuring that signed hard copy entry forms for all entrants who did not enter through the Endurance GB online entry system are forwarded to the Endurance GB office after the Ride
- Ensuring that the Health and Safety checklist and incident reports are forwarded to the Endurance GB office after the Ride.

The Ride Organiser's handbook provides a more detailed list of requirements and recommendations; this should be read by all Organisers before their ride.

Rides which do not conform to the rules and recommendations of Endurance GB may not be covered by the Company's insurance.

5.2 Technical Steward

The TS assists the Ride Organiser in every aspect of the event both before and during the actual day of the ride. He/she is responsible for interpreting rules and arbitration on the day, final marking of Vet Sheets and annotation of horses' Mastercards.

Ride Organisers should liaise with their TS at an early stage, and must provide them with route and ride details in advance of the ride.

The Ride Organiser should inform the Operations Committee of their choice of TS or they may request that Operations Committee nominate a TS for their ride.

The TS must be 18 or over and be a current full or associate member of Endurance GB. All Endurance GB TSs are listed on the TS register on the website and may be recognised at rides by their blue waistcoats.

5.2.1 Duties

The TS is responsible for ensuring that all aspects of the ride are carried out in accordance with Endurance GB rules, including all and any special ride rules.

If the Ride Organiser so wishes, the TS will brief the Vets, Timekeepers and other officials to ensure that they are familiar with, and are able to comply with, the Guidelines/Rules.

The TS is responsible for the initial appraisal and completion of Mastercards.

Should unforeseen circumstances occur, the TS and the Endurance GB Board of Directors are empowered, in consultation with the Health, Safety, and Safeguarding Representative, Ride Organiser, and ride Veterinary Surgeons, to provide the most expedient solution.

All such decisions must be notified to the Chair of the Operations Committee for consideration/ratification.

The Results Sheets and all the Vet Sheets (including PR Vet Sheets) and Vet Gate Cards must be forwarded to the Results Co-ordinator within 7 days of the ride. A copy of the results sheets must be kept in case of loss.

The TS handbook provides a detailed list of requirements and recommendations; this should be read by all TSs to ensure correct procedures are being followed.

When completing the Mastercard the TS should:

- Record any placings/gradings, or a reason for elimination/retiring, and in rides 80km and above, the completed distance prior to elimination.
- Record the Vet's comment when the horse is lame. The Vet should endeavour to identify the particular leg on which the horse is lame, and this will be recorded. In cases of doubt the recording will read simply 'Fail – Lamé'.
- Use the term 'withdrawn' only if the horse is not presented for initial vetting.
- Note if the horse/rider retired on course and give a reason on the Mastercard.

Where the Mastercard and Vet Sheet do not tally, the mistake should be pointed out to the TS on the day. Only the TS may alter and countersign it. If the error is found later then the competitor should return the Mastercard to the Chairman of the Operations Committee with an explanation of the circumstances.

Alterations to the Mastercard may only be made by the TS:

- By putting a single line through the wrong entry.
- No correcting fluid may be used.
- Printing in block letters and signing with the TS name clearly printed beneath.
- When a Mastercard has been defaced or amended the TS will investigate on the day and where possible the TS will correct the Mastercard provided that there has been no falsification and will report this to the Operations Committee.
- If the TS has reason to believe that the Mastercard has been falsified he/she shall make a photocopy of the Mastercard before returning the original to the rider/owner, and shall report the matter to the Chairman of the Disciplinary Panel.
- If a horse does not complete the ride successfully, the start and finish times should still if possible be recorded on the vet sheet.

5.2.2 Assistant to TS

To permit the TS to circulate during the ride to ensure that everything is being properly conducted at larger rides an additional person may assist the TS in completing the Vet Sheet paperwork (briefed by the official TS), but may not sign the Mastercards. Mastercards must only be signed by the TS.

5.3 The Health, Safety and Safeguarding Representative

The Ride Organiser shall appoint a Health, Safety and Safeguarding Representative (HSSR), 12 weeks prior to the Ride. The RO and HSSR are required to prepare the Health & Safety Risk Assessment prior to the event and to send a copy to the main office 6 weeks before the

Ride. The HSSR will attend on the day(s) of the Ride to ensure that all risk control measures (including those relating to Welfare and Safeguarding) are in place and observed, in order to achieve a safe working environment.

On the day of the event, the Health, Safety and Safeguarding Representative will have absolute authority on all matters appertaining to the Health, Safety, Welfare and Safeguarding Policies, but decisions should be discussed with the Organiser and the Technical Steward (TS).

The Health and Safety Policy (which includes the Welfare and Safeguarding Policies) is issued each year; this must be circulated to ensure all are following the correct procedures.

6 Awards and AGM

6.1 Grading, distance awards and trophies

6.1.1 Grading system

The Grading System in GERs is designed to reward horse fitness and good horsemanship. Horses passing the final vetting shall be awarded a Grade based on the horse's finishing heart rate which shall be taken over a full 60 seconds. Grading Parameters will apply. Open and Advanced horses competing in Novice classes will be awarded distance completion points only.

6.1.2 Distance awards

Distance gained at SERC rides will be counted for Endurance GB distance awards. However, 60% or more of the total distance must have been achieved in Endurance GB rides in order to be eligible for the distance award. Photocopies of Vet Sheet(s) from the SERC rides must be sent to the Results Co-ordinator immediately after the ride. Vet Sheet(s) received after 19th October in the current competition year will not be counted.

6.1.3 Trophies

A list of national Endurance GB trophies can be found on the Endurance GB website. All full members will be considered for each award unless specified otherwise.

Trophy Points gained at SERC rides will be counted for Endurance GB trophies. However, 60% or more of the total points gained for the trophy must have been achieved in Endurance GB rides in order to be eligible for the trophy. Photocopies of Vet Sheet(s) from the SERC rides must be sent to the Results Co-ordinator immediately after the ride. Vet Sheet(s) received after 19th October in the current competition year will not be counted.

Novice trophy points are awarded for maximum 40km only.

Riders competing in the Home International or Celtic Challenge will be awarded trophy points and the distance. Endurance GB points will be calculated according to the Endurance GB rules and the current points table. This may therefore differ from the points awarded for their part in the competition.

Any queries regarding national ride results must be raised as soon as possible after the ride by emailing Operations. All queries for the current year must be raised by 19th October.

6.1.4 Prize money

Ride Organisers may, at their discretion, award prize money in addition to or instead of goods in kind.

6.2 AGM Procedures

Any rule brought before the AGM and subsequently amended in the rulebook shall remain in force for a minimum of two seasons unless the Board of Directors find the rule to be unworkable, to have Health, Safety, Welfare or Safeguarding issues or to have serious financial implications on the Company.

A proposal submitted for consideration at the Annual General Meeting or Extraordinary General Meeting should have a proposer and/or a seconder present at the meeting. If neither is present then the proposal shall be read by the Chair and voted on without discussion.

6.3 Travel fund

This is a discretionary grant made by the Board of Endurance GB to assist with the cost of long distance travel.

Applicants are required to be current members of Endurance GB/SERC and to have been members in the previous two years.

If riders are in World Class Squads and are partially funded by Endurance GB grants, they will not be eligible for travel fund grants.

It is necessary to apply in advance of the ride, stating intentions and objectives and to provide proof of attendance at the event in the form of copy vet sheet. This proof of attendance must be submitted before the AGM in November of the year of application.

Only one payment will be made in each year.

Application in writing to: Endurance GB, Abbey Park, Stareton Kenilworth, Warwickshire, CV8 2RP.

6.4 Motorcycle trail riders for route marking

We can mark your ride route, solve problems or report them to the Organisers, usefully explain about the ride to people we meet, check the route on ride days, respond to problems such as marker sabotage / vandalism, carry messages, find lost horse riders and horses, escort vets and farriers, locate injured riders and guide first aiders in and out, mark for different routes, remove all markers, and sort gates after the last horse rider.

All subject to availability – book early!

Ride Organisers find that a whole group of tasks are taken care of by the trail riders. Organisers also involve the trail riders so that they can raise safety to acceptable standards.

You may wish to ask other Organisers how they got on with the trail riders.

Contact Trail Riders Fellowship (TRF) members preferably via www.trf.org.uk and the 'groups' page (only active in England and Wales). Otherwise try the TRF's National Equestrian Events Liaison Officer - Mark Holland: tel. 01989 566 034.

In return for helping we ask for

- Acknowledgement, including website address and an entry in the event programme.
- Include "Trail Riders Fellowship" in the facilities section in your ride description in **your ride schedule**. Also mention the TRF in your ride information sent out to entrants. Many find it reassuring to know that the TRF will be helping.
- An appreciation that motorcycle trail riders and horse riders are both minority groups and both face being marginalised.
- You to correct peoples' misunderstandings and speak up for us – with other rights of way (RoW) users, with those who try to limit our access, at your Local Access Forum, and also at public inquiries for byways.
- An agreed donation mainly for byways research and conservation – remembering that our helpers are unpaid volunteers.

About the TRF

TRF members explore byways: (un-sealed roads with public vehicular rights, some wrongly signed as "bridleway" or "footpath" – we do not ride on bridleways)

- For recreation (not competition) and to enjoy the countryside.
- Riding in small groups using road-legal (usually 'trail') motorcycles.
- Following the TRF Code of Conduct – riding with responsibility and consideration for others.

Note that all of the 120,000 miles of RoW are open to walkers, but only 29% are bridleways and a mere 3% are byways. Foot traffic also has exclusive access to vast areas of 'open access'.

TRF members work and campaign effectively to protect and lengthen the byway network by:

- Doing maintenance mainly to clear overgrowth and attend to neglected drainage systems.
- Researching in the archives to support byway claims ('Byway Open to All Traffic' - vehicle, horse and foot traffic) on existing heritage highways. Claims merely give these ways the protection of a present-day title, and they are then recorded usefully on Ordnance Survey maps for all to share.
- Supporting responsible enjoyment by people riding motorcycles – helping to prevent the greatest threats of overgrowth, obstruction, rubbish dumping, neglect, encroachment, illegal ploughing out of the carriageway and destruction of bounding hedges or walls.
- Pushing to improve funding for RoW, and encouraging recognition of the vital enthusiasm of the vehicle users and the importance of byways for disabled peoples' access to the heart of the countryside.
- Supporting existing and recent laws giving the Police powers to curb the irresponsible or simply ignorant minority who may ride illegally or cause problems.
- Helping Defra / Natural England and the Countryside Council for Wales to publicise access rights and responsibilities for all types of users.
- Recognising the motives of those opposing our enjoyment of byways.
- Campaigning for correct signposting to reduce confusion.
- Helping Defra to sort out the utter mess they have made of highway law. There is much mis-information about 'Restricted Byways' - many actually remain legally open to people with mechanically propelled vehicles. Byways are vital safe links in the fragmented bridleway network open to horse-riders.
- Working with the motoring organisations' Land & Access Recreation Association (LARA - www.laragb.org) and Tread Lightly UK (see UK and other countries' websites) to increase understanding of the issues.

Keen to have our help but concerned at our enjoyment of byways?

Some problems may be due to motorcyclists typically getting a bad press, perhaps arising from:

- Residents/farmer/landowner groups opposing public access from the 'top' down by creating fear.

- Some foot user groups selfishly lobbying for their own interests and creating an unpleasant image of all others.
- The media feeding on propaganda from vested interest groups. Why do photographs of "4x4 abuse" show no vehicles, while a close look shows the chevron tyre tracks of tractors? They don't let facts spoil a good story!
- Highway Authorities caving in to prejudice and vested interest – little wonder few follow Government advice on managing byways.

We look forward to helping you and to having your support.

Please refer throughout the year to the Endurance GB website for any up-dates on working with motorcycle trail riders.

7 Policies and procedures

7.1 Complaints procedure

The Board of Directors of Endurance GB aims to do things well. Members can make complaints about any area of the organisation's activity. Members should follow the complaints procedure laid out in the Disciplinary Code.

7.2 Data Protection Acts 1998 and 2018

Endurance GB is registered under the Data Protection Acts 1998 and 2018, Registration Number Z6233732.

Endurance GB has put the necessary policies and procedures in place to be compliant with the GDPR, which includes the Lawful Basis under which Endurance GB processes personal data.

Any correspondence concerning the Data Protection Act and GDPR should be addressed to the Data Controller, c/o Endurance GB, Abbey Park, Stareton Kenilworth, Warwickshire, CV8 2RP.

7.3 Safeguarding policy

The protection of children, young people and adults-at-risk whilst participating in any sport is of the highest importance as they should be able to take part in a fun, safe environment and be protected from abuse.

Endurance GB is a member body of the British Equestrian Federation (BEF), and has accepted and abides by the BEF policy and support documents set out in 'Safeguarding Equestrian Sport' (<https://www.bef.co.uk/Detail.aspx?page=BEF-Safeguarding-Safeguarding>).

Endurance GB has a Lead Safeguarding Officer who represents the Board on the BEF Safeguarding Action Team (SAT) and has access to advice and support from the BEF Case Management Team. The Lead Safeguarding Officer is supported by a network of Group Safeguarding Officers. In addition it is the expectation of the Board that all events run on behalf of Endurance GB have a person acting as a named Health, Safety and Safeguarding Officer at the venue.

Endurance GB endorses the BEF statement that it is the responsibility of everyone involved in our sport to safeguard the welfare of all children, young people and adults at risk, by seeking to protect them from physical, sexual or emotional harm and from neglect or bullying. Any concerns or allegations of abuse or poor practice should be reported immediately to the event Health, Safety and Safeguarding Officer, and to your Group Safeguarding Officer or to the Lead Safeguarding Officer. You should not investigate any reports, just check you have the facts and inform the relevant people. All reports will be taken seriously and responded to swiftly and in accordance with BEF procedures.

7.4 Equal opportunities & equity policy

As a member body of the BEF the Board of Directors of Endurance GB has agreed to adopt the BEF Guidelines in respect of their Equal Opportunities and Equity Policy. Endurance GB is committed to ensuring that endurance riding is an activity that is open to anyone who wishes to be involved in whatever capacity and at whatever level and to actively encouraging more diverse participation.

Endurance GB is fully committed to the principles of equality of opportunity and aims to ensure that no individual receives more or less favourable treatment on the grounds of age, sex, gender, disability, race, parental or marital status, pregnancy, religion or belief, sexual orientation or gender reassignment. This includes all those involved in whatever capacity - participants, employees, coaches, consultants, owners, officials, volunteers and spectators. In addition, Endurance GB is committed to take action to encourage more diverse participants.

Equal Opportunities Complaints Procedures

To safeguard individual rights under this Equality Policy, any individual who believes they have suffered inequitable treatment within the scope of this Equality Policy may raise the matter through the Endurance GB complaints procedure

8 Disciplinary code

- 8.1 The Disciplinary Code forms part of the terms and conditions of membership of Endurance GB ("EGB"). It also forms part of the terms and conditions of participation in rides, competitions and other events organised and/or sanctioned by Endurance GB ("EGB Rides"). Anyone who applies for membership of EGB, and/or who participates in an EGB Ride, whether as a competitor, crew, trainer, owner, official or any person assisting any competitor, shall be deemed to have accepted the Code and agreed to be bound and to abide by its provisions and all decisions made hereunder.
- 8.2 EGB may from time to time supplement, amend or vary the Code. Such changes shall be deemed to be effective and binding from the date of publication of the changes by EGB.
- 8.3 The Disciplinary Code can be found on the EGB website and should be read before raising a complaint or grievance with EGB. A printed copy can be provided on request from the EGB Office.
- 8.4 The British Equestrian Federation (BEF) has responsibility for handling disciplinary matters for riders and their connections at all international events whether they are staged in the UK or outside it, subject to the rules and procedures set out in the BEF Rule Book. In addition, the BEF Equine Anti-Doping and Controlled Medication Rules apply to all EGB Rides, not just at FEI Rides in England and Wales. Positive tests from any EGB or FEI Rides will be handled by the BEF.

Key dates 2020

Annual General Meeting

28th November 12:15PM (unless otherwise advised)
Location TBC

Receipt of members' proposals for AGM

In writing to Company Secretary at the Endurance GB Office by 5pm on Friday 25th September.

Nominations for the Board of Directors

In writing to Company Secretary at the Endurance GB Office by 5pm on Friday 25th September.

Nominations for Unsung Hero, John Yeats Bursary & Young Volunteer of the year awards

23rd October

Receipt of FEI & major ride proposals

28th August

Receipt of national ride proposal forms

9th October

Claims for Distance awards

23rd October

Board of Directors meetings

1st Feb
14th March
9th May
1st August
10th October
28th/29th November

Volunteers conferences

(For Ride Organisers, Ride Secretaries, Health and Safety Representatives, Safeguarding Officers, Technical Stewards, Group Volunteers, etc.)

North – 8th February
South – 15th February

Groups meeting

24th October

Ride fixtures meeting

25th October

Endurance GB Board of Directors

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Directors of Endurance GB are volunteers, so please be patient and considerate with any queries. Most directors also work full-time elsewhere and so are not always available for calls during working hours. No calls before 9am or after 9pm please.

Representatives and Committees

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Phil Nunnerley & Esther Young

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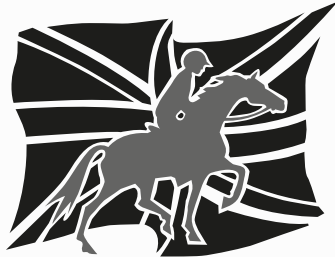
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Table 15 – Compulsory rest periods for non-FEI horses competing in CERS and GERS

Ride distance completed	Compulsory rest days
Single Day	
78-95km	12 days
96km-125km	19 days
126km-145km	26 days
146km+	33 days
Multi Days*	
96-125km	12 days
126km-145km	19 days
146km+	26 days
Additional compulsory rest period for lameness or a metabolic incident*	
Lameness or metabolic incident* at any ride	Minimum 8 days (plus the additional compulsory rest period shown above)
Starts at midnight of the day of the class and finishes midnight of the day before the next competition.	
*Metabolic incidents refer to a metabolic incident that has been diagnosed by the senior ride vet and treated as such at the ride; a Veterinary report must be completed and returned to the EGB office with the vet sheet.	
**Multi day includes all multi day classes, multiple classes at the same event and multiple classes at different events in the same five day period. This also includes classes which consist of both a CER and a GER.	
For the avoidance of doubt, the compulsory rest period will begin at midnight after the final day on which the horse competes at the event.	
Where the distance completed by the horse on one day of their multi day ride is of a distance that would have incurred a different rest period had that ride been a single day ride, the greater of the two rest periods will apply. For example, where a horse completes 80k on one day and a further 10km of their ride on the following day, the rest period for a single day 80km will apply.	
Please note that if a veterinary judge is concerned about a horse, it may be eliminated or suspended from EGB rides, see para 4.1.1/4.1.2.	

Table 16 – Grade chart for novice classes – ride distance 20 – 50k

Pulse BPM	Speed																				
	< 8	8-8.4	8.5	8.6	8.7	8.8	8.9	9	9.1	9.2	9.3	9.4	9.5	9.6	9.7	9.8	9.9	10	10.1-15	> 15	
36 or less	E	comp	4	4	3	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	E
37	E	comp	4	4	3	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	E
38	E	comp	4	4	3	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	E
39	E	comp	4	4	3	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	E
40	E	comp	4	4	3	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	E
41	E	comp	4	4	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	E
42	E	comp	4	4	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	E
43	E	comp	4	4	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	E
44	E	comp	4	4	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	E
45	E	comp	4	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	E
46	E	comp	4	4	4	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	E
47	E	comp	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	E
48	E	comp	comp	comp	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	E
49	E	comp	comp	comp	comp	comp	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	E
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