

Lancashire Game and Country Festival Horse Show Rules

1. In any dispute Miss Chloe Minto's decision is final.
2. Correct riding dress must be worn by all riders. In-Hand handlers must be dressed smartly and wearing a hat. 16 years and under must wear hard hat that complies with all health and safety requirements, on entering the ring.
3. Whips should not exceed 30"/76cms. Spurs may be worn by Senior riders only.
4. The excessive use of whips on the show ground is forbidden.
5. Non-Competitive entries are not permitted in any class.
6. Stallions may enter at the show and must be wearing a stallion bridle disk.
7. Non-Regulation Hats are worn by riders at their own risk.
8. Regulation Hard Hats and Safety Harness must be worn by all riders when always mounted.
9. Back numbers must be worn when mounted.
10. Once a class has been called, competitors have 5 minutes to enter the ring. Following this, the ring will be closed. Although we appreciate that classes do clash at times, every effort is made to avoid this. Where this becomes unavoidable, competitors will need to make a choice as to which class they enter. This rule will assist with the smoother running of the show.
11. It is up to the competitor to ensure that they are entered in the correct class.
12. A child who has not attained his/her 3rd birthday at the 1st January in the current year may not compete in any of the classes.
13. All horses/ponies ages are at the 1st January 2025. Any animal in poor condition will not be eligible to compete. No horse/pony 3 years or Under may be ridden on the field.
14. The Show cannot be held responsible to any member of the public for injury, damage, theft etc.
15. Galloping on the field is forbidden, unless at the request of the Judge.
16. Horses/ponies must be loaded/unloaded on the show ground.
17. Any abuse to Judge's, Stewards or Organisers of the show, by anyone, their representatives, handlers or grooms will result in being removed from the show ground.
18. Falling off rule will apply. Anyone falling from Horse/Pony will be eliminated from the class for Health & Safety reasons and must leave the ring.
19. The decision of the Judge on the day, in all classes will be final.
20. **No competitor is to complain to the Judge direct. Complaints must be given to Miss Chloe Minto.**
21. **Please note the classes will be announced over the public address system and it is the competitors responsibility to ensure they get to the rings at the correct time.**
22. Miss Chloe Minto reserve the right to alter or cancel any class or timing of classes if necessary - please listen for any public address announcements.
23. Lunch break will be taken when the judge decides.
24. Entries to 76, 77 & 78 will only be given one entry pass.
25. Entry to some classes may be limited.
26. Entry fees will **not** be refunded.
27. **Working Hunter Rules**

Marking: Phase One	
Jumping	50
Style whilst jumping	20
Marking: Phase Two	
Manners & Way of Going	10
Conformation, Freedom of Action, Breed type	20
Total	100

Penalties: Knock down = 10, First Refusal = 15, Second Refusal = 20, Third Refusal = Disqualification, Fall of horse or rider = Elimination.
28. 2 passes per horse/pony entered in a class then 1 extra pass will be sent upon 3 class being entered with the same horse/pony and 1 extra pass will be added up to 5 classes with the same horse/pony

TGCA RULES

- No known breeding required to enter these classes

- TGCA Breed classes are qualifiers for the Best of Breed Finals at the Traditional Gypsy Cob Association's (TGCA) National Breed Championship Show “TOYS”. Classes are open to all traditional gypsy cobs.
- Part Bred classes, are open to all part bred traditional gypsy cobs and are qualifiers for the part bred finals at “TOYS”. The exhibit must have one parent that is pure bred traditional gypsy cob.
- Stallions – All stallions (pure or part bred, four years and over) in order to enter any TGCA affiliated class MUST be TGCA registered, have passed TGCA stallion evaluations and their TGCA stallion disc displayed on their bridle. Stallions and colts over the age of two, MUST be shown in a stallion bridle with a metal bit and chain lead as per the current TGCA rulebook.
- Current TGCA members must present their Membership card and Qualification card to the judge in the ring for signature.
- Non-members MUST receive a qualification card from the judge and have 21 days to join the TGCA and register their horse to validate the qualification. Please refer to www.tgca.co.uk for further details including membership, horse registration and showing rules (contained within the members handbook).
- Championships
- Quest for a Star Championship - TGC - 1st, 2nd and 3rd from the TGCA classes above may go forward to the Quest for a Star Championship as per below rule.
- ONLY current TGCA members and horse/pony that is already TGCA registered can exhibit in this championship. Membership card and Members qualification card (specific to that exhibit) must be presented upon entry into the ring. The Champion and Reserve qualify for the Ultimate Star Championships at TOYS.
- Go for Glory Championship - PB -1st, 2nd and 3rd from the TGCA part bred classes may go forward to the Go for Glory Championship. For 2024 TOYS qualifiers, the handler/rider and exhibits (apart from stallions) do not have to be TGCA members/registered on the date of the show. The Champion and Reserve qualify for the Crowning Glory Championships at TOYS.