

# RULE CHANGES 2018

## Rule Changes for 2018: - Amendments & Changes are bold and underlined

### **Rule 2.(A)(ii) Cobs**

The Cob is a type rather than a breed. A short-legged animal, with bone, substance and quality, capable of carrying a substantial weight. The Cob should be well mannered and ideal for nervous or elderly riders. Cobs should have sensible heads, (sometimes roman nosed), a full generous eye, shapely neck, well muscled, with a hogged mane (**showing no significant growth**) and well defined wither. The Cob should also have clean, strong hocks and all the attributes of a good hunter; low movement and a comfortable ride.

### **Rule 2.(A)(ii) Maxi Cobs:**

**Maxi Cob:** mare or gelding, 4 years old and over, exceeding 155cms – **with a recommended height limit of 160cms** - to be judged as Cobs. Judges must pay particular attention to type (i.e. short legged animals of COB type). To be shown hogged (**showing no significant growth**).

### **Rule 2.(F) Change of Type/Category:**

A Horse may not be registered in more than one Type at the same time (e.g. as both a Hack and a Riding Horse) **or in more than one Category at the same time (e.g. as both a Small Hack and a Large Hack)**. On payment of a further fee (£25.00), the Registration may be changed once in a season if the Horse has **not qualified for either the Royal International Horse Show or the Horse of the Year Show, in the current season.** A Horse may not revert to a Novice in the new Type or Category. **Should a Horse be re-measured by the JMB and measure out, then it will be required to change Type or Category on payment of the Change of Section Fee; qualification will be forfeited and the horse may not revert to a Novice in the new Type or Category.**

### **Rule 3.(C) Hat Rule:**

Correctly secured Skull Caps/Riding Hats that meet **one of the following** current Safety Standards/specifications **MUST** be worn by all Riders between the ages of 15 to 17 inclusive. When jumping in the Ring, the practice or collecting areas, all Riders must wear protective headgear, according to the current standards as listed below:

All PAS 015; VG1; **(BS)EN1384 2017**; ASTM F1163 04a onwards; SNELL E2001; **SNELL E2016**; AS/NZS 3838 2003 onwards;

Skullcaps must be of, or worn with, a dark coloured plain peaked cover.

**The most recent updates to the list are the addition of SNELL E2016 and EN1384 (2017); the newest version of the SNELL Standard could have begun to appear in 2017 and is accepted to the list; the newest version of the EN1384 Standard will begin to appear during 2018 and is also accepted to the list.**

### **Rule 6(B)(i) Sampling Procedure:**

Dope testing should take place as soon as possible after the participation of the Horse in its class provided that it does not interfere with its programme in which case the dope test should take place as soon as possible after the Horse has completed its programme on that day. **The BSHA reserves the right to conduct drug testing by any authorised representative from the following societies: BSPS, CHAPS, NPS & SHB (GB).**

### **Rule 11(A)(ii) Conduct and Discipline:**

**The BSHA will not condone any form of abusive behaviour whatsoever; this includes intimidation, bullying, harassment and any form of communication that is deemed to be aggressive, damaging or inappropriate.**

**Rule 11(A)(iii) Conduct and Discipline:**

**Any Owner, Rider, Producer and/or Horse that is banned for any period of time as a result of any disciplinary action taken by the BSPS, CHAPS, NPS or SHB(GB), may not compete in BSHA Affiliated classes at the discretion of the BSHA Board.**