

# Area 12 SJ/XC Combined Challenge

## Teams and Individuals



**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2025**

**Downe Farm, Witheridge EX16 8QF** (easily accessible from the A361 –  
North Devon Link Road)

**Refreshments on site**

**Medical cover in attendance (£3 per person medical cover)**

**Photographer in attendance**

**All entries via Equo**

**Closing date: Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2025** (pre-entries must be sent to BRC office 21 days in advance  
of the competition)

**Event Secretary: Nicky Day** [nickyday917@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:nickyday917@hotmail.co.uk) / 07809 262218

**Kindly hosted by Witheridge Riding Club**

Cost: £30 individual – teams to be emailed to Nicky by team managers after entering on  
Equo – pre-entries for those aiming to qualify must be made directly with BRC.

Please specify on Equo entry notes section what club you are riding for. Team managers to  
email Nicky with team lists by Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July

Individual rosettes to 6<sup>th</sup> place, team rosettes to 3<sup>rd</sup> place

## **Classes**

Class 1a – 70cm Teams & Individuals – BRC Members – JUNIOR (under 18 on 1<sup>st</sup> Jan 2025)

Class 1b – 70cm Teams & Individuals – BRC Members – SENIOR

Class 1c – 70cm Open to All

Class 2a – 80cm Teams & Individuals – BRC Members – JUNIOR (under 18 on 1<sup>st</sup> Jan 2025)

Class 2b – 80cm Teams & Individuals – BRC Members – SENIOR

Class 2c – 80cm Open to All

Class 3a – 90cm Teams & Individuals – BRC Members – MIXED Junior & Senior

Class 3b – 90cm Open to All

Class 4a – 100cm Teams & Individuals – BRC Members – MIXED Junior & Senior

Class 4b – 100cm Open to All

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|---|---|
| Withdrawals before the 7 <sup>th</sup> July | Refund less 15% admin fee   |
| Withdrawals after 7 <sup>th</sup> July      | No refund   |
| Cancellation/abandonment of the show        | Alternative dates will be scheduled at no additional cost<br>OR<br>Refunds offered less 25% abandonment fee |

## **Scoring**

This qualifier will be run as a two-phase event, SJ and XC, the XC (on grass) will follow the SJ (on an all-weather surface) immediately without a break, separate times will be recorded for each phase. Linking the two phases will be a series of all weather tracks and ramps to the cross-country field.

Please refer to the BRC Rulebook for more information and eligibility -

<https://www.bhs.org.uk/british-riding-clubs/brc-handbook/>

The Course

Show Jumping:  
The show jumping course will:

consist of a minimum of 6 show jumps, including at least one double, and include a proportion with fillers (brushes, walls etc) be built to BS standards, have safety cups, to FEI standard on the back and centre of spread fences including practice fences. Black flag alternatives may be used, offset doubles may be used.

Cross-country:  
The Cross-Country course:

- will consist of a minimum of 6 jumping efforts
- will be strongly built with a good ground line and should look imposing
- will have all fences flagged and numbered
- will be fixed in accordance with BE guidelines and should be correct for the relevant levels
- will have any fence at which a pony/horse, in falling, is liable to be trapped or to injure itself, secured by cord in such a way that parts of the fence can be quickly dismantled and rebuilt exactly as before.

## The Time

### **CC1.6.2: Time Show Jumping Phase:**

The Time allowed will be based on a speed of 340mpm. (except for the 70cm where the speed is 300mpm) Every commenced period of 1 second in excess of time allowed will be penalised by 0.4 time penalties.

### **Cross-country Phase:**

For competitions running in a small arena the Optimum Time will be based on a speed of 340mpm (Challenge 70), 350mpm (Challenge 80), 360mpm (Challenge 90), 375mpm (Challenge 100). For competitions running in a big arena the Optimum Time will be based on a speed of 375mpm for all heights. Competitions running using the old format (i.e. using a cross country course) the Optimum Time will be based on HT speeds (Challenge 80, 90, 100) and 400mpm for Challenge 70. Organisers in accordance with the Official Steward will decide on which speeds to use, which must be in the schedule or communicated to all competitors.

Timing display boards must not be used.

Cross country speed will be using the 'big arena' format where all classes will be 375mpm.

## Penalties

|   | <b>Show Jump</b> | <b>Cross-Country</b>                 |
|---|------------------|--------------------------------------|
| First disobedience  | 10 penalties     | 10 penalties                         |
| Second disobedience on whole course   | 20 penalties**   | 20 penalties**                       |
| Second disobedience at same fence   | 20 penalties     | 20 penalties                         |
| Third disobedience  | Elimination      | Elimination                          |
| Knock down of obstacle  | 5 penalties      | 5 penalties (where top pole is used) |
| Fall of horse   | Elimination      | Elimination                          |
| Fall of rider   | Elimination      | Elimination                          |
| Every commenced period of 1 second of the time allowed (SJ)                           | 0.4 penalties    | N/A                                  |
| Every commenced period of 1 second in excess of 5 seconds under the optimum time (XC) | N/A              | 0.4 penalties                        |
| Every commenced period of 1 second in excess of 5 seconds over the optimum time (XC)  | N/A              | 0.4 penalties                        |
| Exceeding time limit  | Elimination      | Elimination                          |
| Error of course   | Elimination      | Elimination                          |
| Retaking obstacle already jumped  | Elimination      | Elimination                          |

## General Rules & Conditions

- Eligibility as per the 2025 Handbook:

| Championship                          | Class/Level | Horses |                             |        | Rider Eligibility (not permitted)  | Horse Eligibility   |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|--------|-----------------------------|--------|--|---|
|                                       |             | BD     | BE                          | BS (e) |  |   |
| Arena Eventing and Combined Challenge | 70          |        | 0 (10 BE Foundation Points) |        | Not to have completed a BE90, AE90, BRC HT90 or CH90 or above in the current competition year.<br>Rider not to compete at 90 or above in qualifier or championship (c) | Horses may be registered with BE but must not have any BE points. Not to have completed a BE 90 or above in the 12 months before pre-entry. |
|                                       | 80          |        | 0                           |        | (c)  | Horses may be registered with BE but must not have any BE points. Not to have completed a BE 100 or above in the 12 months before pre-entry |
|                                       | 90          |        | 5                           |        | (c)  | All horses may be currently registered with BE but must not have completed a BE105 or higher in the 12 months before pre-entry              |
|                                       | 100         |        | No Limit                    |        |  |   |

- Tack and turnout: see the BRC handbook. Number bibs must be worn, and competitors must print their own number – templates can be found on the BRC downloads page - [BRC Downloads | The British Horse Society](#)
- **No horse must run more than 2 classes.**
- This qualifier to be ran partially on an all-weather surface for the show jumping, followed by a course of cross-country fences on grass, linked by all weather ramps.
- Hats meeting current standards must be always worn when mounted. Body protectors are required for both phases, up to current standard, due to the challenge being ran as two-phase with no break in-between.
- All entries must be in advance where entries close on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July and times will be provided no later than Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July by 9pm. There will be no entries on the day. Any changes must be made in writing at least 30minutes before the start of the class.
- Please park where instructed by stewards and be considerate of others when loading/unloading. No horses are to be left unattended when tied to the box.
- Please be respectful of the venue and remove all hay and droppings from around the horseboxes when leaving.
- Space in the warmup will be limited to 8 riders to prevent overcrowding and reduce the risk of accidents. Please be considerate of other riders, especially children.
- There will be no farrier on site.
- There will be no vet on site – local vet details will be to hand on the day should there be an incident requiring the vet.
- Medical armbands are advised.
- Horse riding is a dangerous sport, and you participate at your own risk, and without any reliance on Witheridge Riding Club, Area 12 or Downe Farm Event Centre for the safety of yourself or property. Due care has been taken to maintain facilities in a safe condition, but riders must observe terms and conditions.
- The judge's decision is final. At all times, all competitors and other visitors must adhere to instructions provided by the stewards.
- Declarations/team lists must be emailed to [nickyday917@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:nickyday917@hotmail.co.uk) no later than Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July
- It is the team managers responsibility to check flu vaccination records prior to declarations being made. These will be checked on the day via the secretary and for qualifying entries may be spot checked randomly at any time during the competition.
- All accidents and near misses must be reported to a WRC steward.

- Dogs must be kept on a lead and under control at all times – it is inadvisable to bring a dog to this event.
- Witheridge Riding Club, Area 12 and Downe Farm Event Centre have taken every reasonable precaution to ensure the health and safety of everyone present. For these measures to be effective, everyone must take reasonable care and precaution to avoid accidents and obey instructions of organisers and other officials and stewards.
- Any individual using the facilities within these premises at this event does so at their own risk.
- We strongly encourage that you take out your own personal insurance for both yourself and your horse.