

## Rules for Outdoor Indoor Trials



## Wolverley & District Carriage Driving Club

### **Phase 1 - Precision & Paces**

1. Dressage to be judged by one judge.
2. The dressage will be scored on points only and no comments made.

### **Phase 2 - Cones**

- 1 Competitors will NOT be made aware of either the length of the course or the target time, which they are aiming to equal. There will be a maximum of 10 pairs of cones in an arena of 60m x 30m.
- 2 The target time will be calculated from a speed of 220 metres /minute.
- 3 A competitor will incur one penalty point for each second either above or below the target time, and 5 penalties for dislodging one or both balls of a single obstacle. There are no added penalties for refusals or disobedience.
- 4 Drivers may take whatever line they wish but must take each obstacle in sequence.
- 5 Drivers may cross their own line between obstacles without penalty.
- 6 Knocking down a previously driven obstacle will incur penalties.

### **Phase 3 - Marathon Obstacles**

- 1 Each competitor will drive four marathon type obstacles.
- 2 Two obstacles will be erected in the arena at anyone time and will have a maximum of 5 flagged gates.
- 3 Each competitor shall drive obstacles 1 & 2 from all classes.
- 4 Obstacles 1 & 2 may be re-flagged to form obstacles 3 & 4, which are then driven by each competitor or all four obstacles driven sequentially.
- 5 Obstacles may have any number of knock down elements.
- 6 The Start and finish gate will be positioned in the centre of the ring and will be common to both obstacles. (Having been driven as an Out gate of one obstacle, it must be driven again as the IN gate of the next obstacle)
- 7 At the Organizer's discretion, the obstacles may not be re-flagged, or each obstacle may be driven twice without leaving the arena.

### **Scoring**

- 1 One penalty point will be awarded for each commenced second spent in each obstacle. Each obstacle will be timed individually.
- 2 Each knock down incurs five penalty points.
- 3 A Wrong course may be corrected and attracts 20 penalties per occurrence
- 4 Not correcting Course elimination

### **Back-steppers**

- 1 Back-steppers may stand on the back step for all phases.
- 2 Back-steppers giving assistance, including verbal or physical directions; sliding, lifting or moving the vehicle in any way during phases 1 & 2 will incur 20 penalties for their competitor for each offence.
- 3 Back-steppers may ride on more than one vehicle.



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### Dress

1. Marathon dress to be worn throughout all phases of the competition.
2. Hard hats are required in all phases and body protectors must be worn in phase 3.

### Vehicles

1. The competitor will use the same vehicle for all three phases.
2. Vehicles will be a marathon type, pneumatic tyres are permitted but scurry vehicles are NOT permitted.
3. Width for all phases of the competition is a minimum of 125cms with a -2 cm allowance.  
**Scurry bars are permitted.** They must be no more than 10cms off the ground for phase 2, but may be slightly raised for phase 3.
4. Vehicles may be measured at any stage during the competition.

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