

COMPETITOR INFORMATION

THE JOCKEY CLUB RoR NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS
18 - 23 AUGUST 2026

WELCOME!

Thank you for entering The Jockey Club RoR National Championships 2026.

We are very much looking forward to welcoming you to Aintree.

Please take the time to read the information contained within this pack, as it includes everything you need to know ahead of the Championships, along with lots of useful information to help you make the most of your visit.



TRAVELLING TO AINTREE

Postcode - L9 5AS

Aintree Racecourse is located on the A59, just one mile from the M57 and M58, which link the M62 and M6. Follow the A59 to Liverpool and the AA brown racecourse signs as you approach the racecourse.

If you are coming from the M57/M58, please follow Ormskirk Road (A59), past Asda, McDonalds and the Industrial Estate. Please take the left turn at the traffic lights for the racecourse, just after KFC and by The Toby Carvery Restaurant.

To enter the racecourse, go underneath the barriers and turn RIGHT for the stables at the mini roundabout or LEFT if you are a day competitor not stabling.



ARRIVAL

DAILY COMPETITORS (NON-STABLING)

Daily horseboxes will be parked adjacent to the Equestrian Centre, with an overflow lorry park located alongside the racecourse track. All parking is on tarmac or hard standing.

Gates will open at 6.00am each day. Please do not arrive before this time. All passports and vaccines need to be checked in the show office, located in Tophams Cafe in the indoor arena before unloading.

STABLING COMPETITORS

Please check in at the Stable Manager's Office before unloading your horse.

Drive straight past the grandstands with the Parade Ring on your right. Continue up the slight incline alongside the outdoor arena, then turn right into the stable area. The Stable Manager's Office is located next to the entrance gates to the main stable yard.

Directional signage will be in place throughout the site, and parking stewards will be available to guide you to the stables.

STABLES

The parking stewards will direct you on where to park when you arrive. Please follow their guidance when parking. There will be busy periods, so we do ask that you are patient with them and follow their instructions on where to park. Please unload as quickly and safely as possible.

- Please ensure you keep to the arrival times you have stated on your booking. Arrival times are:
Monday 17th August: 2pm - 7.30pm
All other days (Tuesday 18th-Sunday 23rd August): 2pm - 7.30pm
Day stables - from 7.30am
- The latest time you can arrive on site for stabling is 7.30pm.

If you feel you cannot make these times, you will need to email us for prior permission to info@aintreeequestriancentre.co.uk so that we can inform security.

ALL HORSES ENTERING RACECOURSE PROPERTY, INCLUDING THE RACECOURSE STABLES, MUST HAVE BEEN FULLY VACCINATED CORRECTLY AND HAVE NOT RECEIVED A VACCINATION IN THE 6 DAYS PRIOR TO ARRIVING.

- Horses stabling on site - passports must be presented to the Stable Yard Manager for inspection before horses are unloaded. Please ensure your horse's vaccinations are up to date. If they are wrong, you will not be permitted to stable at the show.
- As per our terms and conditions, all horses **STABLING** at Aintree EC must have had a booster vaccination against Equine Influenza in the **PRECEDING 6 MONTHS**, and be 6 days clear of having had any vaccination. The last vaccination must have been between the **17th February 2026 and the 10th August 2026**. Previous vaccines including primary vaccines must be in the correct time order. **ALL PASSPORTS WILL BE CHECKED ON ARRIVAL**. Horses will not be permitted to stable at Aintree if they do not have the correct vaccinations.
- All horses **ATTENDING BUT NOT STABLING** at Aintree EC must have had a booster vaccination against Equine Influenza in the **PRECEDING 12 MONTHS**, and be 6 days clear of having had any vaccination. **PLEASE BRING YOUR PASSPORT TO THE SHOW OFFICE TO BE CHECKED.**
- **A £30 stable cash deposit per stable will be required when you arrive. This is to be paid at the Stable Managers office. THIS IS STRICTLY CASH ONLY**
- **ARRIVAL DATE AND TIME** - From 2pm each day, unless you have been emailed by Aintree to say otherwise.

- All stables must be completely emptied before you leave and left ready for the next competitor. Once your stable has been inspected by the Stable Manager, your **£30 stable deposit** will be refunded.
- It is likely your stable will have a same day turn around for another competitor to use, so you must stick to the stated timings.
- Tack/storage lockers are available near the permanent stables. These are available to hire for **£10 (cash only)** on a first come, first served basis. A refundable **£10 cash key deposit** is also required.
- Permanent stables have been allocated on a first come, first served basis. Due to large entry numbers temporary stables will be in use for this show, but will be located in the permanent stable yard. Each stable will have two bales of shavings in them on arrival.
- Please bring your own horse feed, as there is no feed store on site. Hay and haylage can be pre-booked through Horse Monkey before the Championships. Please ensure you place your order in advance to guarantee availability.
- Mucking out equipment and wheelbarrows are not provided, so please bring your own. Please also provide your own water and feed buckets.
- **Strictly no smoking** is permitted within the stable complex or any building on site.
- All equipment and personal belongings are left entirely at the owner's risk.
- The solarium will be closed for the duration of the Championships. The wash-down bays will be open throughout the event and provide both hot and cold water.
- The designated route between the stables and the Equestrian Centre is via the rubberised walkway in front of the grandstands, alongside the racecourse. Passing places will be provided along the route. **All horses must use this route at all times.** Please do not use the rear of the grandstands or the tarmacked service areas.
- The walk from the stables to the Equestrian Centre takes approximately 10 minutes, so please allow plenty of time to reach your class.
- A Stable Manager will be on site 24 hours a day throughout the Championships and can be found in the Stable Manager's Office at the entrance to the stable yard.
- The stable yard will close at 11.00pm each evening. The Stable Manager will carry out regular security and welfare checks overnight. To allow the horses to settle and rest, we kindly ask competitors not to enter the stable yard after this time unless absolutely necessary.
- The stable yard will reopen at 5.00am each morning. As the stable yard is overlooked by local residents, please keep noise to a minimum during the early morning.
- Dogs are not permitted within the stable yards at any time.
- Bicycles and scooters are not permitted within the stable yards. Electric scooters are not permitted anywhere on the racecourse estate, as parts of the site are classed as a public highway.

DEPARTURE TIMES

- Please vacate your stable by **2pm at the latest on your departure day**, as many stables will need to be prepared for incoming competitors.
- **All stables must be vacated by 8.00am on Monday. No exceptions.**
- When preparing to leave, we recommend emptying your stable earlier in the day and leaving a day bed for your horse. This will make departure much quicker and easier after a busy day of competing.

EQUINE HEALTH & BIOSECURITY

- The health and welfare of all horses attending the Championships is our highest priority. We ask all competitors to play their part in maintaining the highest standards of biosecurity throughout the event.
- Please avoid unnecessary contact with other horses and do not allow horses to touch noses. Avoid sharing equipment, water buckets, feed buckets or grooming kit with other competitors wherever possible.
- Disinfectant will be available at key locations around the venue, and we encourage all competitors to make regular use of these facilities, particularly after handling horses other than their own.
- If your horse develops any signs of illness, including a raised temperature, nasal discharge (a snotty nose), coughing or any other symptoms of a respiratory infection, please report this immediately to the Stable Manager or Show Office. Prompt reporting will help us protect the health of all horses attending the Championships.
- If requested by the Show Veterinary Surgeon or Organising Committee, competitors must comply with any additional biosecurity measures or horse health assessments that may be introduced during the Championships.
- Thank you for helping us maintain a safe, healthy and enjoyable environment for everyone.

GRAZING

- For biosecurity reasons, the small grazing area within the stable yard will be closed for the duration of the Championships.
- A designated grazing area will be available in the centre of the racecourse, close to (but well away from) the dressage arenas. Please use the same designated route that you use when travelling to the arenas.
- For the safety of all competitors, **all horses must wear a bridle or chifney when being grazed** to minimise the risk of loose horses. Failure to comply with this requirement will result in you being asked to return your horse to the stables.
- Please do not graze horses on the racecourse track or alongside the horse walk, as these areas are regularly treated with chemicals.

HOOK UPS

- If you have booked an electrical hook-up, please advise the Stable Manager on arrival. You will be issued with a hook-up pass to display in your windscreen and directed to the hook-up steward.
- Competitors using hook-ups must provide their own leads and adapters. Aintree does not supply hook-up leads, adapters or extension cables.
- Please ensure that all of your hook-up equipment is in full working order before arriving. The electrical supply at Aintree is regularly tested and maintained. If your equipment is faulty or causes the electrical supply to trip, we may be unable to provide you with a hook-up for the duration of your stay.
- Competitors who have not booked a hook-up will be directed to park in the designated non-hook-up area.

KEEPING AINTREE TIDY

- Bins are provided throughout the stable yard and lorry park. Please help us keep Aintree clean and tidy. We are proud of our reputation for maintaining a well-presented racecourse and appreciate your support.
- Please ensure that all litter is disposed of correctly and that any droppings around your lorry are cleared up before you leave.

HOSTEL ROOMS

- Hostel room keys can be collected from the Stable Manager's Office. A **£10 cash key deposit** is required and will be refunded upon return of the key.
- Please be considerate of other guests staying in the hostel. Late-night parties and excessive noise are not permitted.
- **Cooking is strictly prohibited in the hostel rooms at all times.**
- Each room contains four beds, with bedding provided. However, many guests prefer to bring their own duvet or sleeping bag and pillow for additional comfort.
- Electrical sockets are available in each room for charging mobile phones & other personal devices. Televisions are not provided in the hostel rooms.
- **Dogs are not permitted in the hostel accommodation.**
- Hostel rooms must be vacated by 10.00am on the day of departure to allow sufficient time for cleaning and preparation for incoming guests.
- Please leave your room clean and tidy and as you found it - remember we know who stays in them!

SHOWERS

- Showers are located in the hostel, adjacent to the stable yard.
- These facilities are intended for competitors whose horseboxes or lorries do not have shower facilities.
- The showers are available throughout the day during the Championships.
- Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.
- The shower facilities are cleaned and disinfected regularly. If you have any concerns regarding their cleanliness, please inform a member of the cleaning team or a member of staff as soon as possible so that the issue can be addressed promptly.

TOILETS

- Toilets are located in both stable yards, the hostel and the Equestrian Centre.
- All toilet facilities will be cleaned and disinfected regularly throughout the Championships.
- If you have any concerns regarding the cleanliness of the facilities, please inform a member of the cleaning team or a member of staff as soon as possible so that the issue can be addressed promptly.
- Please help us keep the facilities clean and tidy by leaving them as you would wish to find them. And, of course, please remember to flush!

SPECTATORS

Friends and family are welcome to come and watch

Spectators are permitted to attend the show, all day's & evening's are free to come and watch.

TRADESTANDS

The following tradestands will be attending the Show.

- Sesro Horses
- RokHorse
- Majestic Photography
- Harry Hall
- Horse on Demand
- Horse & Rider Clobber
- Alan Thompson Digital Paintings
- Cheshire Trailers & Horseboxes
- Cyclossage
- Equiyd
- Maximise Social
- Spanish Sparkle
- RoR
- RoR Merchandise
- Tipple & Cheese
- Topspec
- Choc Spot
- Ged's Bar

SOUVENIR MERCHANDISE

A representative from Phillips will be on site at the show from Tuesday to Sunday.

Souvenir Polo Shirts and other Merchandise is available to purchase via this link:

<https://rorshop.uk/>

Orders for Personalised Souvenir Merchandise, please note...

Orders for Personalised Souvenir Merchandise should be ordered by the **2nd August** at the latest for guaranteed postal delivery.

Order by the **2nd August** at the latest for guaranteed collection at Aintree.

Orders can still be submitted at any time and for up to three weeks post event for standard and personalised items.

BACK NUMBERS, GOODY BAGS & ROR SHOW OFFICE

Back numbers and goody bags are to be collected from the RoR Stand in the arena - remember to pack your number elastic!

The RoR Show Office will be open on the following times -

Monday: 4pm – 7pm

Tuesday - Saturday: 8am - 8pm

Sunday: 8am - 12noon

All competitors must wear a back number while competing. This helps our commentary team identify competitors, as bridle numbers can be difficult to read from a distance.

For dressage classes, bridle numbers may be attached to the saddle pad (numnah) if preferred.



WARM UP ARENAS

- The outdoor arena adjacent to the stables is available throughout the day. A maximum of 10 horses and riders may use the arena at any one time. We encourage competitors to make good use of this arena when preparing for the dressage phases.
- **Lunging is not permitted in the surfaced arenas at any time.**
- The walkway between the stables and the Equestrian Centre forms an important part of your horse's warm-up and cool-down. This route is strictly for walking only and provides an ideal opportunity to stretch your horse before competing and cool down afterwards.
- The outdoor warm-up arena located behind the indoor arena will also be available throughout the Championships. Due to its size, this area is limited to a maximum of six horses and riders at any one time.
- The indoor warm-up arena is available for use before and during your class.
- A large grass warm-up area will also be available in the centre of the racecourse between 8.00am and 6.00pm each day. For safety reasons, please do not ride in this area alone.
- Please be aware that dressage competitions are also taking place on the outdoor arenas. When warming up, avoid these areas and be considerate of fellow competitors. **Galloping is not permitted in any warm-up area.**
- The indoor warm-up arena is equipped with a speaker system linked to the collecting ring. The collecting ring steward will provide regular announcements, updates and call competitors forward for their classes.
- The main competition arena must not be used unless you are taking part in an official arena walk before a dressage test. Any competitor entering the main arena before permission has been given may be reported to the Show Organisers and **could be eliminated from the Championships.**
- With multiple arenas in use throughout the event, we would greatly appreciate your help in keeping the surfaces in excellent condition. Please ensure that droppings are removed promptly from all warm-up areas.
- Lunging is not permitted on any surfaced arena. A designated grass area in the centre of the racecourse will be available for lunging. Please ensure you lunge well away from all competition arenas.
- Please note that the racecourse track is strictly out of bounds at all times. The only exception is when using the designated course crossings, which will be clearly signposted.

GALLOPS

- Due to the competitions taking place outside, the gallops will not be in use this year.
- Any competitor seen using the gallops may be reported to the Show Organisers and could be eliminated from the Championships.

DRAWN ORDERS AND TIMINGS

- Drawn orders and times will be sent to you via Horse Monkey or can be accessed via the link below when they have been published.

PROVISIONAL TIMES will be available on Horse Monkey on the 14th August

CONFIRMED TIMES will be available on Horse Monkey the evening before your class starts. This is to allow for withdrawals which may affect the timings.

[CLICK HERE](#)



- Drawn orders and start times will be available on Horse Monkey throughout the Championships.
- Please check the timings regularly, as they may change during the event due to withdrawals or other amendments.
- Approximate start times for each class will be shown on the drawn orders.
- It is the competitor's responsibility to keep up to date with any changes to the drawn orders and class timings.

COURSE WALKING

- There will be a course walk at the beginning of each jumping class.
- Course walk timings will be detailed on Horse Monkey with the drawn orders.
- Course Walking - the first 8 horses to jump will be permitted to be held in the indoor warm up.
- Horses 9-14 to jump can be held in the outdoor warm up and there's a door into the main arena for easy access.
- Anyone else will be asked to hold horses outside the arena, keeping your distance with the horses.

PRESENTATIONS

- There will be mounted presentations for the Championship classes in the arena the class took place in for all classes. **All competitors must attend the presentations or prize money may be forfeited.**
- The presentations will be detailed in the times on horse monkey.
- The top ten will need to come forward for the mounted presentation. Top 6 are required for any open/have a go classes in the Indoor arena.

COMMENTATORS INFORMATION

Please click on the link below to complete the commentators information for your horse. This must be completed by Sunday 16th August.

[CLICK HERE](#)



DRESSAGE GUIDELINES

PLEASE REFER TO THE SCHEDULE FOR FULL GUIDELINES

- Final dressage times will be issued via Horse Monkey.
- All dressage classes will be judged in accordance with the current British Dressage Rules.
- Whips and callers are not permitted in Championship classes. Callers are not provided by the Show Organisers for non-Championship classes.
- For Dressage to Music classes, competitors must provide two CDs or two MP3 files, clearly labelled with the competitor's name, horse's name and class. Aintree holds a music licence.
- Competitors must wear two clearly visible bridle numbers and a back number while warming up and competing. Bridle numbers may be attached to the numnah if preferred.
- Draw reins and martingales are not permitted. Breastplates are permitted.
- Introductory, Preliminary and Novice classes must be ridden in a snaffle bridle only.
- **PROVISIONAL TIMES** will be available on Horse Monkey on the 14th August
- **CONFIRMED TIMES** will be available on Horse Monkey the evening before your class starts. This is to allow for withdrawals which may affect the timings.

SHOWING GUIDELINES

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- Competitors may be asked to come out in pairs for their individual shows.
- Back numbers must be worn in all classes, in the Glamour Stakes bridle numbers are permitted.
- All ridden showing classes to be judged in Riding Horse format unless otherwise stated. Judged on manners, way of going and individual show of no more than 1 ½ minutes to show walk, trot and canter, stand and walk off on a long rein, also adhering to each class description.
- All ridden show classes will enter in single file on the right rein and will demonstrate walk, trot and canter on both reins as directed by the Steward.
- Classes will be split if required due to numbers and space. If classes need to be split the division will be made by the use of a draw.
- A current standard safety hat with the chin strap fastened must be worn at all times by anybody mounted on or leading a horse.
- Grooms must dress appropriately for a Championship show and **must wear a hard hat with the chinstrap fastened whilst around horses at all times.**
- Spurs – please check the RoR Rules for competitor dress. Link:- <https://www.ror.org.uk/rules>
- The judge's decision is FINAL.
- Shoeing - The RoR rules regarding shoes applies to all RoR Ridden classes

- Not before start times are there as a guideline. If the class is ready to start at the not before start time stated, we will start at that time. Do not miss your class, it is the competitor's responsibility to keep an eye of the arenas. Do not rely on just announcements.
- Class clashes - unfortunately due to the number of entries we have received it is likely that some classes may clash. If you feel that your classes may clash, you need to make a decision on the day to decide which class you would prefer to compete in. There will be no refunds on clashing classes.
- The Showing timetable and entry lists will be available on the following link:



- The Saturday evening performance timetable will be available on Saturday afternoon. The first class for the evening performance will start at **5pm prompt** with most classes taking 20 minutes per class.

SHOWJUMPING GUIDELINES

PLEASE REFER TO THE SCHEDULE FOR FULL GUIDELINES

- ALL CLASSES ARE STRICTLY DRAWN ORDER – Draws will be on the following link:



- Aintree tend to allow 2 minutes per showjumping round.
- Open classes will be run Single Phase. Speed 325 mpm (as British Novice)
- Penalties —
 - Knockdown - 4 faults
 - First Refusal - 4 faults
 - Second Refusal (at same fence or another on course) - Elimination
 - Turning a Circle - 4 faults
 - Circling Twice - Elimination
 - Fall of Horse and/or Rider - Elimination
 - Jumping Same Obstacle Twice - Elimination
 - Error of Course - Elimination
- Back numbers need to be worn. Please ensure you declare at the collecting ring before your class starts.
- BS rules apply.

BEST SHOD AWARD

Competitors need to enter on Horse Monkey (entries are still open) and report to the stable office where the farrier will be based Tues - Saturday (11am - 3pm). The farrier's will judge in three sections (Shod All Round, Shod In Front, Barefoot).

The winners will be announced on Sunday.

CATERING AND REFRESHMENTS

- Tophams, our café and bar overlooking the arenas, will be open for the duration of the show, offering breakfast & lunch with daily specials. There will also be a bar open in the evening in the arena for you to relax and enjoy watching the classes taking place.
- Tophams cafe will be open 7.30am - 7pm daily.
- Tipple N Cheese & Choc Spot will be open in the arena 11am - until the last class finishes each day.

ENTERTAINMENT

Due to classes running late into the evening, we encourage people to come and support fellow competitors in the Indoor Arena.

The bar will be open until the last class finishes and catering units will be serving food in the evening.

Tuesday night - Quiz Night & Social Evening in the arena, approx 8pm or after the last class has finished.

Wednesday night - Rock with RoR Dressage Members & Supporters Evening, approx 5pm.

Thursday night - Pop with RoR Showjumping Members & Supporters Evening

Friday night - Educational talk - Equine Body Language approx 7pm.

Saturday night - Shine with RoR Showing Members & Supporters Evening - open to all members and supporters of RoR, approx 5pm.

SPILLERS WEIGHBRIDGE

Spillers will be in attendance for the duration of the Championships with their weighbridge, located at the stables.

EDUCATIONAL TALK

Equine Body Language: Recognising Pain, Stress & Fear - Justine Harrison
Friday 7pm - In the indoor arena (once classes have finished)

Recognising obvious signs of pain, stress and fear in horses is relatively straightforward. The real challenge is identifying the subtle behavioural changes that often appear long before more overt signs become obvious. These early indicators are easy to overlook, dismiss or misinterpret, yet they can provide some of the most valuable insights into a horse's physical and emotional state.

In this talk, Justine will explore how to recognise the body language and behavioural cues that can reveal pain, stress and fear. Using real-world examples and the latest scientific evidence,, you'll learn how to distinguish normal behaviour from meaningful changes, improve your observational skills, and gain confidence in recognising when a horse is trying to tell us that something isn't right. By learning to see the small signs, we can make better decisions for welfare, training and performance.

NATIONAL RACEHORSE WEEK

For more information about
National Racehorse Week

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RACECOURSE GRAND NATIONAL TOUR

There will be behind the scenes racecourse tour on Friday 21st August at 3pm. Please meet up at the stable office if you would like to attend this tour. The tour is free to attend.



SOCIAL MEDIA

The RoR National Championships facebook page will be a hive of activity during the show with results and show updates.

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LIVE STREAMING

The International Arena is being Live Streamed through Clipmyhorse.tv



PRIZE MONEY

- Prize money will be paid through BACS, **please ensure your BACS details are added to Horse Monkey on your profile within 7 days of the show** in order to be paid. Prize Money is forfeited after this time.
- Payments will be processed within 30 days.
- NOTE - FOR THOSE WHO ARE SUBJECT TO ROUTINE TESTING, ANY MONIES DUE WILL BE PAID ASAP AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE TESTING PERIOD IF ALL CLEAR

WHATSAPP GROUP

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- Joining the group is optional but is strongly recommended to ensure you receive the latest information during the event.

Please click the link to join WhatsApp group.

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WELFARE STEWARDING TEAM

- Our Welfare Stewarding Team will be present throughout the show, have access to a weighbridge and will award Suitably Mounted Certificates to those meeting the guidelines.
- For more information regarding the guidelines, please visit the RoR website blog, or speak to an RoR representative on the stand or the following link.

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PHOTO MONTAGE

Help us capture a record-breaking Championships

This year, we're delighted to have a record-breaking number of horses entered at the RoR National Championships, and we'd love to create a special photo montage after the event celebrating all the horses who were part of it.

If you'd like your horse to be included, please upload a photo to our Google album:
<https://bit.ly/RoRAAlbum>

If you would like guidance on how to do this please email us at news@ror.org.uk and we can send you some guidance notes.

Please choose a clear photo, ideally a fairly close-up shot of your horse, and make sure you have permission to share the image if you didn't take the photograph yourself.

We'd love to include as many of our 2026 competitors as possible and create a fantastic visual celebration of this year's Championships.



IMPORTANT ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

As you will see when you arrive at Aintree, we are in the middle of a large housing estate surrounding the racecourse and they will notice we have an equestrian event on, especially in the stables lorry park area. Please be respectful of our neighbours when you are at the show.

- Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.
- The poo picking equipment will be available to use and we do ask that you clean up any mess in the arena and lorry park before you leave. We like to keep Aintree tidy. Please ensure you sanitise your hands before and after using the equipment.
- We have a Vet on call. Please speak to the Show Office or the Stable Manager's office if required.
- We have a farrier on site based at the stables 8am - 5pm, Tuesday to Sunday. There will not be a farrier available outside of these times. The farrier will need to be paid at the time for any shoeing (cash only).
- The Show office will be manned throughout the show. This is located in the Tophams Cafe in the Indoor arena, overlooking the warm up area. If you need to speak to the show office, please call 0151 522 2949. This will be manned 8am – 6pm.
- There may be routine testing for prohibited substances taking place throughout the show. For more information about prohibited substances and routine testing, please read the Rules of RoR. .
- Please see the schedule for the withdrawal and refund policy.
- Do not attend if feeling unwell.
- Please ensure that you lock vehicles and do not leave items unattended at all times
- If you have a spare couple of hours, there is a great shopping centre right next door to Aintree which includes the following shops:- Next, TK Maxx, Home Sense, Boots, The Range, M and S, Hobbycraft, Curries and many more. Liverpool One in the centre of the city is also a must!



LAYOUT



- D** Outdoor Dressage arenas **P** Parade Ring (In Hand Classes) **I** International Indoor Arena
- ↗** Dressage arena crossing **G** Grazing Areas **S** Showers **T** Toilets
- L** Lunging Area

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Aintree Show/Secretaries Office – 0151 522 2949 (general enquiries)

Stable Manager's Office – 0151 522 2938 (show days only)

Aintree Security – 07525 735 757 (for access to the racecourse only)

Margaret O'Sullivan (RoR) - 07760362180 (**emergencies only**)

Aintree EMERGENCY NUMBER – 0151 522 2959– direct to Equestrian Centre Manager (**emergencies only**)

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us on info@aintreeequestriancentre.co.uk

Please note that if you have withdrawn from the show and have received this email, this is a circulation email sent to all competitors who have entered the show.

The Aintree team and I will be on site for the show ensuring that everyone is adhering to the rules in place. If you have any concerns during the show, please do not hesitate to speak to myself or a member of the Aintree team.

We hope that you find the information useful and reassuring as we know many of you have not competed at Aintree before.

We wish you a safe journey to us, an enjoyable experience whilst you are here and the very best of luck at this special show.



Carly Sage
Aintree Equestrian Centre Manager
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USEFUL CHECKLIST

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| ☐ WATERPROOF CLOTHING | ☐ PASSPORT & VACCINATION RECORD |
| ☐ JOHDPURS/BREECHES | ☐ HEADCOLLAR, LEADROPE & LUNGE LINE FOR GRAZING |
| ☐ SHIRT, STOCKS OR TIE | ☐ BRIDLE INCLUDING A SUITABLE BIT & REINS (SPARE TOO) |
| ☐ BODY PROTECTOR | ☐ TWO BRIDLE NUMBERS |
| ☐ RIDING HAT | ☐ MARTINGALE OR BREASTPLATE (IF REQUIRED) |
| ☐ GLOVES, WHIP, SPURS | ☐ NECK STRAP (IF REQUIRED) |
| ☐ RIDING BOOTS | ☐ SADDLE |
| ☐ YARD BOOTS | ☐ GIRTH AND A SPARE |
| ☐ JACKET - TWEED OR BLACK/NAVY | ☐ SADDLEPAD OR NUMNAH AND A SPARE |
| ☐ HAIRNET AND SCRUNCHIE | ☐ BOOTS - BRUSHING BOOTS & OVERREACH BOOTS |
| ☐ CLOTHES | ☐ STUDS AND STUD KIT |
| ☐ FLIP FLOPS (FOR SHOWERS) | ☐ COOLER RUG/LIGHTWEIGHT STABLE RUG |
| ☐ UNDERWEAR - INC BRAVE PANTS | ☐ LIGHTWEIGHT WATERPROOF RUG OR SHEET |
| ☐ NIGHTWEAR | ☐ BANDAGES OR TRAVEL BOOTS |
| ☐ TOWELS | ☐ GROOMING KIT |
| ☐ TOILETRIES, TOOTHBRUSH & TOOTHPASTE | ☐ PLAITING KIT |
| ☐ MEDICATION/HAND SANITISER/MASK/SUN CREAM | ☐ TACK CLEANING KIT |
| ☐ HAIRBRUSH | ☐ FIRST AID KIT |
| ☐ SLEEPING BAG OR DUVET | ☐ SHAMPOO |
| ☐ PILLOW | ☐ MANE AND TAIL SPRAY |
| ☐ TORCH | ☐ FLY REPELLENT & FLY MASK |
| ☐ PURSE/WALLET - CASH FOR DEPOSITS | ☐ HOOF OIL |
| ☐ GIN. LEMON, TONIC, FIZZ & CHOCOLATE | ☐ HAY NETS/HAY/HAYLAGE |
| ☐ PHONE CHARGER | ☐ FEED BUCKETS & WATER BUCKETS |
| ☐ DRESSAGE TEST SHEETS & 2 BRIDLE NUMBERS | ☐ FEED & SCOOP FOR FEED |
| ☐ MUSIC CD'S | ☐ SHAVINGS FORK, SHOVEL, BRUSH |
| ☐ SENSE OF HUMOUR | ☐ WHEELBARROW |
| ☐ DOG LEAD & POO BAGS IF BRINGING A DOG | ☐ HORSE |
| ☐ HUSBAND/PARTNER (IF THEY ARE JOINING THE FUN!) | ☐ EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS FOR STABLE DOOR |

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HAT WAIVER FORM

THE JOCKEY CLUB ROR NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS 08/2026

Evening Performance – Hat Waiver for evening classes
Concours classes – Hat Waiver for in hand and ridden classes

It is strongly advised that all riders and handlers wear a British Standard Approved hard hat.

PAS015:(1998 or 2011) with BSI kitemark, VG1 01.0404: (2014 -12) with BSI kitemark, ASTM F1163:(2004a or 04a onwards) with SEI mark, SNELL E2001: with Official SNELL label and number, AS/NZS 3838 (2006 onwards) with SAI Global Mark

Any rider that ignores this recommendation does so at their own risk.

SIGNED.....

DATE.....

PRINT NAME.....

COMPETITOR NO.....

PLEASE HAND THIS FORM INTO THE SHOW OFFICE ONCE COMPLETED