



2024 Information for Show Secretaries

Dear Show Secretary

Thank you for considering hosting classes for the Miniature Horse Club of Great Britain now in their 22nd year, we very much appreciate this. Please note for 2024 we have **waived our affiliation fee so now it is free of charge to affiliate**. We hope this is appreciated.

IMPORTANT – RESULT REQUEST

All that we ask in return is that **a full set of results are forwarded upon completion of your show**. This is a far more reliable way of checking who has qualified for our Championships and makes running our points scheme far less time consuming. Ring sheets can be scanned and emailed, copy of an annotated schedule posted, whichever is the easiest.

ADVERTISING YOUR SHOW

New for 2024 is that your affiliated show's full details will be shared on Facebook on our new 5 Regional pages by our 5 new very keen Regional Representatives, classes offered and closing dates reminders and your show results will also be shared. Your show will also feature on our new updated website on both the general EVENTS page and AFFILIATED SHOWS page sharing all the details you provide us on your affiliated form.

CLASSES TO OFFER – tried and tested.

For you to gain maximum entries we have put together 5 sets of **tried and tested class options** consisting of classes that our competitors are well used to entering. (Email attachment number 3). The wider the variety and number of classes available to enter does **greatly influence** exhibitors' decision to support a show.

PLEASE NOTE THAT MINIATURE HORSE CLASSES TAKE A SHORT TIME TO COMPLETE due to the way they are judged. So, the time it takes to judge a larger number of Miniature Horse classes would equal a far smaller selection of 'other' classes. MHCGB judges on our Judges Panel are aware how to judge in this way.

Unlike other breeds of horse or pony who enter classes age and sex related, Miniature Horses are shown in many different classes for a variety of reasons... type, breeding, weight, height, colour, show horse in miniature etc.

If classes are chosen well by the show, then competitors with just one horse can enter all, or nearly all classes you offer whatever type, age, or colour of their horse. Most Miniature Horse competitors bring at least two or three horses so you can see how entries in the classes can become well filled. Miniature Horse owners will travel good distances to a show if they feel it is worth their while with a good selection of classes on offer.

I hope the above has helped a little to understand the 'world of Miniature Horse showing'.

Kind regards & look forward to hearing from you.

Maxine Foulkes (Show affiliation co-ordinator).

OTHER EMAIL ATTACHMENTS. In addition to this introductory letter, you will also find...

2 SHOW AFFILIATION for you to complete, sign and return,

3 CLASS OPTIONS which includes a mandatory heading section and correct wording for our different class options for your schedule. Just cut and paste.

4 MHCGB JUDGING DIRECTORY listed in regions for ease of use. It is permissible however to use a judge already booked for your other classes (not Shetland Ponies or M&M's).

If you choose to use a non MHCGB panel judge this is totally fine, but a copy of MHCGB Judging guidelines should be forwarded to help them. Please email me with your chosen judge's name and email address.