

## HORSE ELIGIBILITY (Regulations 32, 33 and 34)

### - Amendments to last year's Regulations highlighted in red

These are provisional until confirmed by BHA Board but there is no reason to believe that they will not be agreed. Changes from last year are in red

32 Horses are only eligible to be entered:-

(i) In Hunt Members Steeple Chases for which they either have a registered hunter certificate for that hunt or hunts, or with an unregistered Hunters Certificate, issued by that hunt or hunts, which must be submitted at entry providing that it fills one or more of the following criteria:

- (a) The horse is the property of either the Master(s) Members, Subscribers or Farmers of the Hunt(s) concerned, and does not hold a registered Hunter Certificate
- (b) The horse has been hunted with the hunt(s) concerned, where it is stipulated in Conditions of race that a horse has been hunted with that hunt or hunts.
- (c) The horse is a non/part thoroughbred or unregistered thoroughbred

(ii) and (iii) as before

33 A horse may only be registered to one Hunt at any one stage. If a horse is registered twice, the second Hunter Certificate will take precedence. A horse may only run in a maximum of two Hunt races using different registered Hunter Certificates

Regulation 34. No Horse shall be eligible to be entered or run in a Point-to-Point Steeple Chase in the current Point-to-Point Season which:-

- (i) Is less than 4 years old.
- (ii) On or after October 1st, ~~2021~~ 2022 has won any race under the Rules of any Recognised Racing Authority other than:-
  - (a) A Steeple Chase run between March 1st, ~~2022~~ 2023 and June 1st, ~~2022~~ 2023 which is confined to Amateur Riders;
  - (b) A Hunters' Steeple Chase; or
  - (c) The Grand Military Gold Cup or the Royal Artillery Gold Cup.
- (iii) During any of the 28 consecutive days prior to the day of closing of entries for the race for which the horse is being entered, has run in any race run under the Rules of any Recognised Racing Authority other than:-
  - (a) A Steeple Chase run between March 1st, ~~2022~~ 2023 and June 1st, ~~2022~~ 2023 which is confined to Amateur Riders;
  - (b) A Hunters' Steeple Chase; or

(c) The Grand Military Gold Cup or the Royal Artillery Gold Cup

(iv) During any of the 28 days prior to the day of registering the Hunter Certificate,

(a) has been in the care of a trainer licensed under the Rules of any Recognised Racing Authority unless the horse is, or was at the time the property of himself, his spouse, civil partner, co-habitant of the trainer by reason of a personal relationship, parents, grandparents, sons, daughters, grandchildren, brothers, sisters (or the Executors of such persons), free of all lease or other joint arrangement, except partnerships between such persons.

(b) has been in the care of a person holding a permit to train under the Rules of any Recognised Racing Authority unless the horse is or was at the time the property of himself, his spouse, civil partner, co-habitant of the trainer by reason of a personal relationship, parents, grandparents, sons, daughters, grandchildren, brothers, sisters (or the Executors of such persons), free of all lease or other joint arrangement, except partnerships between such persons.

unless, in either case, it has only run in jump or flat point to points in the current Season.

(v) On or after October 1st, ~~2020~~ 2021 has been placed first, second or third in a Grade 1 or Grade 2 Steeple Chase in Great Britain or Ireland or in any other steeple chase run outside Great Britain or Ireland which in the opinion of the Authority is the equivalent of a Grade 1 or Grade 2 steeple chase.

(vi) On or after October 1st ~~2019~~ 2020, it has won a Class 1 or 2 steeple chase, or the foreign equivalent, which was not confined to Amateur Riders.

(vii) Has been disqualified or is not qualified to Regulations 150, 151 or 152.

(viii) Following adherence to Regulation 34 (iii) and (iv), runs in a Point-to-Point Steeple Chase and then subsequently returns into the care of a licensed trainer or a person holding a permit to train.

(ix) During the current season has run in one or more races under the Point-to-Point Regulations and subsequently run in any race under the Rules of any Recognised Racing Authority other than:

(a) A steeple chase run between March 1st, ~~2023~~ and June 1st, ~~2023~~ which is confined to amateur riders;

(b) A Hunters Steeple Chase; or

(c) The Grand Military Gold Cup and the Royal Artillery Gold Cup