

EQUIPMENT FOR SHOW HUNTER

Allowed

A correctly fitted cavesson noseband

Spurs

Short Crop

Leg boots and/or bandages

Standing or running martingale

Breastplate

Any form of snaffle bit where the primary action is on the horse's mouth, including corners of the mouth, bars and tongue.

Pelhams and Kimblewicks if used in their *entirety*, where the primary action is on the horses jaw.

Pelhams must be used with either two separate reins or joiners. A slotted Kimblewick may only be used where the reins are not fixed in the rein slots.

Double Bridle

Stud Guards

Not allowed (use of "not allowed" equipment will result in a no-score for the performance)

Drop or any kind of noseband below the bit

Unconventional bits where the primary action of the bit is on the poll, including a leverage action causing downwards poll pressure eg. Butterfly bit, puzzle bit, gags, peassoas or Dutch gags, Filcher snaffles, hanging bits or fixed rein bits

Bitless bridle

Hackamore and Elevator bits

Unconventional bit used as an artificial turning aid

German Martingales, Market Harlboroughs

Chambon or other training equipment and draw reins

Rowel spurs (any spur with a moving part)

Dressage whip

Shadow roll, stone guard, fly screen or nets

Ear muffs

Bit Guard

Bell Boots and Fetlock Rings (unless the judge chooses to make an exception due to extremely muddy and/or deep footing) or a veterinary injury requiring protection **The judge must be informed of the injury before the class or result in a "no score".**

To Get Ready:

SH clinic in Hawera July 28 – 29

Winter SH series dates:

Saturday 11th August, Inglewood

Sunday 9th September, NPPC grounds at racecourse.

Saturday 22nd September, Inglewood

Next: Trial for your team, if you don't make it there still might be a way for you to compete...

Your branch will then set up training sessions.

Go have fun at PC SH Champs!

Then: Join NZEF, have your pony measured, then go out and enjoy the show season and qualify for HOY 2013!

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You can do it!



Show Hunter from Pony Club to Horse of the Year



Start at your Pony Club...

About Show Hunter



Show Hunter is the breeding ground of our stars of the future, both riders and horses. It is a jumping discipline, jumped over a course of a maximum of ten fences. Show Hunter is judged on balance, style and rhythm.

The main reasons for promoting Show Hunter in New Zealand is to develop better schooled, smoother, safer jumping, more balanced and confident horses. It is the ideal arena for young or green horses to experience competition. To provide a competitive arena for less experienced riders or riders who are coming back into the sport after a break from competitive riding. It helps to develop smoother, balanced, sympathetic analytical riders and trainers. It gives more experienced riders the opportunity to compete and improve their riding skills without over stressing their horses.

The Show Hunter horse should wear the minimal amount of tack and be well groomed and well turned out. The judging of Show Hunters is a positive procedure emphasizing style, manners of the horse and a quiet smooth way of covering the ground and jumping out of an even stride. The horse should arrive at each fence on a smooth flowing stride without noticeable adjustment from the rider. The horses knees should be tidy and above the horizontal from elbow to knee. The horse should show a proper bascule - head down, neck rounded into loose (not stiff) shoulders with the back following the arc of the jump and the hindquarters tipping generously to follow the same arc and the hind legs trailing tidily behind. Then moving off from the jump in a kind and steady pace.

A good Show Hunter round should look like it was a quiet, relaxed, pleasure ride for both the horse and rider, with no signs of tenseness or insecurity.

Show Hunter New Zealand has Horse of the Year titles for **Open Horse, Open Pony Category's A, B & C, Junior Hunter** and **Amateur Hunter**. Show Hunter New Zealand also runs a **'High Points series'** this competition runs throughout New Zealand to find the highest pointed Show Hunter of the season this includes **Open Horse, Junior Hunter, Amateur Hunter & Open Pony Hunter**.

Show Hunter

We promote show hunter events because it encourages style rather than speed.

"Show Hunter is an excellent training ground for the young rider today. It teaches them about pace, striding and distance, skills that they need to learn to jump more technical show jumping courses"

Two-time Olympian, John Cottle

NZPCA- What are the jumping heights per category?



The heights are approx:

Category A - 60-65cm

Category B - 70-75cm

Category C - 90cm

Hack - 90cm

At a Pony Club Event, we do not put a height restriction on the ponies as SHNZ do – any height pony can enter any Category, but a hack must jump in the hack ring. It is based on the striding – A is 10ft, B 10ft6, C 11ft and Hack 12ft. If you have a 14.2 pony that can do tight strides, they can ride in Cat A, and if you have a little 11hh pony that can really stretch it out they can ride Cat C.

For more information go to:

<http://mpcshowhunter.co.nz/>

NZEF- Heights for Pony Categories

A reminder that the heights for the pony show hunter categories are as follows:

Category A - Ponies 133cm and under

Category B - Ponies over 133cm up to and including 143cm

Category C - Ponies over 143cm up to and including 148cm

For rules go to: <http://www.nzequestrian.org.nz/Resource.aspx?ID=12577>

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL PONIES MUST HAVE A CURRENT HEIGHT CERTIFICATE BEFORE THEY ARE REGISTERED



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