

CALCULATION OF GRADING POINTS

On 14th April 2014, British Showjumping changed from awarding notional prize money to a points based system for the purpose of grading horses.

In respect of horse classes, no grading points are recorded for classes up to 0.85cm in height. Thereafter points are allocated on placings, based on the 1:5 starters ratio, and double clear rounds are also rewarded: (See Appendix 1)

Also, with effect from 14th April all horses registered with British Showjumping had their notional money winnings converted to points on a 1:1 basis and the grading limits for National Championships were increased to reflect the achievement of double clears within the system.

Furthermore, British Showjumping introduced three NEW regional league tables where horse and rider combinations' points are recorded on a regional basis with the opportunity for leading riders in each region to compete for a place in the league finals to be held at the Horse of the Year show (see Appendix 2)

GRADING LEVELS IN THE CHANNEL ISLANDS

Following discussions with our BS Area representative, Anne Newbury and our counterparts in Guernsey it was agreed that we review the grading system, points limits and levels for the Channel Islands

There are a number of benefits associated with this, specifically

- 1) BSJA Jersey and BS Guernsey being more closely aligned to our parent organisation
- 2) Creation of a level playing field between Guernsey and Jersey with horses being graded and winnings recorded in the same way
- 3) The opportunity for those local members who are also National members of BS to have their results recorded and entered in appropriate league table results with the possibility of qualification for the Horse of the Year Show
- 4) Complete transparency on horses' winnings whether gained in the Channel Islands or UK so that there is no confusion when importing, exporting or taking horses to the UK or Guernsey to compete

Traditionally, when horses and ponies have been imported from the UK, in Jersey we have divided the notional prize money by three and our limits for upgrading purposes have been considerably lower than that of the UK.

HORSES:

Upon discussion with Anne and representatives of BS Guernsey, we have agreed the following horse upgrading levels:

Restricted Grade C	0 – 125 points
Open Grade C	0 – 374 points
Grade B	375 – 699 points
Grade A	700 points plus

These points equate to those limits for National Championships, i.e.

British Novice	not to have won a total of 125 points
Newcomers	not to have won a total of 375 points
Foxhunter	not to have won a total of 700 points

NB: these limits have been increased by BS to reflect points awarded for Double Clears.

With effect from June 1, 2014 all points currently awarded to Jersey registered horses will be multiplied by 3 to give equivalent UK notional points and all recorded winnings will be measured using the same system as in the UK.

With the amended grading limits it may be that some horses and ponies will be downgraded. Those affected by this will be given the choice of remaining in their higher grade should they so wish BUT once the decision is made it is **not reversible**.

PONIES:

At present, there are no similar leagues for ponies, however both Jersey and Guernsey clubs have agreed to review the grading levels and align them as follows:

JD	0 - 150 points
JC	151- 300 points
JA	301 points plus

Again, Jersey ponies (including those competing in 128cm classes) will have their Jersey points multiplied by three to give the new points.

In discussions with Ann it was agreed that the local limits for grading purposes being recommended may be subject to change in future years if deemed necessary but this would be in consultation with our Guernsey counterparts

APPENDIX 1

REGIONAL LEAGUE TABLES

ALLOCATION OF POINTS FOR GRADING PURPOSES

BRITISH SHOWJUMPING HORSE LEAGUE POINTS TABLE

The table below illustrates how points are allocated based on class height and horse performance.

Key Notes:

- Points are accrued for both Placings (down to 6th place) and for Double Clears achieved in the classes listed below
- Points are based on 1:5 ratio, in accordance with rule 76.5. All riders being placed in 7th position or more will receive the same points as those allocated to 6th place

First Round Heights	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	DC
0.90m	10	8	6	4	3	2	5
0.95m	10	8	6	4	3	2	5
1.00m	10	8	6	4	3	2	5
1.05m	10	8	6	4	3	2	5
1.10m	10	8	6	4	3	2	5
1.15m	20	16	12	8	6	4	10
1.20m	20	16	12	8	6	4	10
1.25m	20	16	12	8	6	4	10
1.30m	30	24	18	12	9	6	15
1.35m	30	24	18	12	9	6	15
1.40m	40	32	24	16	12	8	25
1.45m	40	32	24	16	12	8	25
1.50m	50	40	30	25	20	10	30
1.55m	50	40	30	25	20	10	30

APPENDIX 2

REGIONAL LEAGUE TABLES

LEVELS

Full information on the regional league tables can be found on the BS website,

<http://www.britishshowjumping.co.uk/media/news/british-showjumping-league-structure--an-overview>

but essentially, these leagues are as follows:

GOLD

A national league reflecting results for horse/rider combinations who have winning or double clears at 1.30m and above.

SILVER

A regional league tables consisting of points awarded to **National** members competing in all classes with 1st round heights between 1.10 – 1.30m

BRONZE

A regional league tables consisting of points awarded to **National** members competing in all classes with 1st round heights between 0.90 – 1.10m