



# Sunshine Tour Championships



## DRESSAGE RESTRICTIONS

**The spirit of this competition as an amateur & unaffiliated championship is very important** to us as organisers, to our sponsors and to our competitors, so we request that all participants **respect the spirit of restrictions not just the letter of the law**. If you find that you are overqualified for the class that you qualified in, you can voluntarily upgrade to a higher-level class. Horses/riders that have more than the allowed points or placings, but **NONE** earned in the previous 3 years (from 30th September 2018) are eligible to compete. If in doubt, contact HQ for clarification.

**This championship is for unaffiliated and amateur riders with unaffiliated and novice horses/ponies.** Professionals and professionally produced combinations are excluded from competing in the Sunshine Tour. Our definition of a 'professional' is someone who makes some or all their living:

- Riding, training, schooling or competing horses/ponies.
- Buying and/or selling or breaking in horses.
- Teaching and/or training riders (see exception below).
- Judging showing classes (see details with each Tour).

People may work with horses primarily for care, which might involve day to day exercising of horses (e.g. grooms, vet nurses) or teaching in a riding school, however if your job involves professional coaching, schooling, training, breaking or production of horses you will not be eligible for this championship. If you participate in any 'professional' activities on a regular basis, please respect the amateur nature of this championship and help your clients instead!

### DRESSAGE CHAMPIONSHIPS

**You CAN compete across Tours if you fit the relevant restrictions**

**Horse/rider combinations can compete in up to 4 championship classes**, up to twice in each level and you can compete on one or more days. You must record a valid qualification for each championship class that you wish to contest. Your classes must not exceed 2 levels (Intro, Prelim, Novice, Elementary) and the levels must be consecutive; e.g. If you qualify for Intro, Prelim & Novice you can compete in Prelim and Novice but not Intro and Novice.

All points/winnings restrictions refer to the previous 3 years from 30th September 2018 so if horse/rider is over qualified provided NONE of the points/wins have occurred within the past 3 years then you could be eligible – if in doubt please check with Sunshine Tour HQ on [enquiries@sunshinetour.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@sunshinetour.co.uk)

### SMALL TOUR CHAMPIONSHIPS

**Small Tour Intro:** Horses/ponies not to have earned any BD or BE points. Riders not above BD Group 8 or have earned any BE points or foundation points within 3 years from 30th September 2018.

**Small Tour Prelim:** Horses/ponies not to have earned any BD or BE points. Riders not above BD Group 8, not to have earned any BE points or within 3 years from 30th September 2018

**Small Tour Novice:** Horses/ponies not to have earned more than 20 BD or any BE points or more than 49 foundation points. Riders – not above BD Group 7, not to have competed at BE Novice or above within 3 years from 30th September 2018.

### GRAND TOUR CHAMPIONSHIPS

**Grand Tour Prelim:** Horses/ponies not to have earned more than 20 BD or 10 BE points. Riders not above BD Group 7, not to have competed at BE Novice or above within 3 years from 30th September 2018.

**Grand Tour Novice:** Horses/ponies not to have earned more than 49 BD or 20 BE points. Riders not above BD Group 6, not to have competed at BE Open Novice or above within 3 years from 30th September 2018.

**Grand Tour Elementary:** Horses/ponies not to have earned more than 99 BD or 30 BE points. Riders not above BD Group 6, not to have competed at BE Intermediate or above within 3 years from 30th September 2018.