



# NSEA Eventers Challenge

**Felbridge Showground**

9<sup>th</sup> April 2021 (re-scheduled)

**70, 80, 90 & 1m qualifying classes for the**



**NSEA Eventers Challenge Final @ Hickstead  
May 2021**

**Top 4 teams & 6 individuals to qualify**

This competition is open to schools from all counties and will also count for RPL points



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**Book entries online on the NSEA website**

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Team Managers ONLY to contact secretary please

Entries close 7 days before, or earlier if classes are full.

The Course is made up of SJ & simulated XC fences with an optimum time & no style marks. Larger arenas may use secured XC portables. Riders will jump a series of show jumps and then proceed immediately into the XC phase which is run on an optimum time of 350- 375m/m.

**Class 1 Mini 70-75cm Team & Individual** (Hickstead qualifier)  
Single phase. All team riders automatically count as individuals.

**Class 2 Novice 80-85cm Team & Individual** (Hickstead qualifier)  
Single phase. All team riders automatically count as individuals.

**Class 3 Intermediate 90-95cm Team & Individual** (Hickstead qualifier)  
Single phase. All team riders automatically count as individuals

**Class 4 1m-1.05 Open Team & Individual** (Hickstead qualifier)  
Single phase. All team riders automatically count as individuals

Teams of 3 or 4, best 3 scores to count  
Entry Fee for classes 1 -4 =

Paramedic First Aid Cover

**Entries close**



## **NSEA Eventers Challenge Rules for Scoring 2021**

The intention of these rules is to reward riders who have a clear round and to penalise riders who have jumping penalties or who are significantly faster than the Optimum Time. Where there are several competitors with a clear round, then the nearest to the Optimum Time will win, rewarding an appropriate judgement of pace around the course.

EC1) Open to Teams and Individuals

- Riders will jump a course of 5-8 show jumps and then proceed immediately into the XC phase of 8-15 simulated XC fences, depending on the size of the arena
- The speed for the XC phase will be between 320m/m to 375m/m depending on the size of the arena – smaller arena = tighter turns which slow you down. A larger arena with flowing lines will ride on a quicker time. The speed for each class will be given in the schedule or on the noticeboard at the event. Times will be recorded to one-hundredth of a second if the timing equipment allows.
- NSEA/BE Eventing Rules for tack and rider equipment for XC.
- There will be no style mark. No age restriction on the mini (70/75) class.
- Top two teams and 4 Individuals at each height to qualify for the NSEA Eventers Challenge Championship to be held at Hickstead in May.

EC2) Dress: XC colours, body protectors are compulsory. Hair must be above collar length, long hair to be kept in place in a hair net. Rider must wear BE approved skull caps, no fixed peak SJ hats.

EC3) The competitor with the fewest penalties wins. In the event of a tie, the competitor closest to the optimum time will be the winner. In the team competition, the total of the best three scores is used to place the team. The combined difference from the Optimum Time of the 3 best scores is used to break any ties.

EC4) The top 2 teams & 4 individuals at each qualifier will qualify for the NSEA Eventers Challenge Championship.

EC5) Organisers are asked to ensure that the XC phase includes elements that give a choice about the track and therefore the time taken. Organisers are asked not to display a clock showing the time taken visible to the rider to as the aim is to educate riders to ride by feel.

Penalties are awarded as follows

Knockdown (to include SJ and knockable xc fences)	4 penalties
1st Refusal	4 penalties
2nd Refusal	8 penalties
3rd Refusal	Elimination
Rider Fall	Elimination
Horse Fall	Elimination
Starting before the bell, retaking an obstacle already jumped, error of course or outside assistance	Elimination
Where the Optimum Time is 120 seconds or less, for every commenced second in excess of 10 seconds under the optimum time	1 penalty
Where the Optimum Time more than 120 seconds, for every commenced second in excess of 15 seconds under the optimum time	1 penalty
Exceeding time limit (2 times the Optimum Time)	Elimination

## Disclaimer

*Except as otherwise stated below [or in our terms and conditions]:*

- *all participants undertake activities at NSEA events at their own risk. Please ensure that you seek and act upon any appropriate medical advice which you receive before undertaking any activity at NSEA events;*
- *you are strongly advised to acquaint yourselves with the terms of the NSEA insurance cover which is provided to all registered riders and the team manager of member schools; and*
- *we will not be liable for any acts or omissions of our employees, agents and sub-contractors in relation to any activity at NSEA events or for any loss or damage suffered by you as a result of taking part in any activity at NSEA events .*

*All warranties, conditions and other terms implied by statute or common law in relation to any activity at NSEA events are, to the fullest extent permitted by law, excluded. This does not exclude or limit our liability to you for death or personal injury caused by our negligence or any matter for which it would be illegal for us to exclude or attempt to exclude our liability or for fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation.*

*Notwithstanding the above, NSEA's total liability (including any liability for the acts or omissions of its employees, agents, consultants and subcontractors) in contract, tort (including negligence or breach of statutory duty), misrepresentation, restitution or otherwise arising in connection with your attendance or participation in any activity at NSEA events shall be limited to £5,000,000.*

### Your Responsibility

All persons attending the event must take all reasonable precautions to avoid and prevent accidents and must obey instructions given by the Organiser or by officials and stewards on its behalf.

All competitors and those associated with their school are the responsibility of the Team Manager whilst at the competition

### TV & Photography

Please note that professional photographers will be present at NSEA competitions. There may also be TV cameras at the Championships. Please indicate on the entry form if you do not wish to appear in press coverage/ TV or photos taken by our official photographers

### Child Protection & Safeguarding

If you have any concerns, please contact the NSEA on tel 07552 836032 / [competition@nsea.co.uk](mailto:competition@nsea.co.uk) to be put in contact with our designated Child Protection Officer. If you have immediate concerns, you can contact Childline tel 0800 1111 or NSPCC tel 0808 800 5000

### General information

Please ensure that you do not muck out your horsebox onto the Car Park. Take all litter home with you.  
All dogs must be kept on leads at all times. Any dog mess must be cleared up.

Outside assistance will not be tolerated- and could result in elimination.  
NSEA affiliated competitors only may warm up & compete horses on the show ground

All competitions, parents and representatives from every school must ensure that they act courteously to stewards and officials at all times. Rudeness will not be tolerated.

In the event of cancellation, your entry will be refunded on receipt of a sae, less £5 per cheque admin fee.  
Have a good day!

### Rules

NSEA / BE Eventing Rules for tack & rider equipment.

#### NSEA General & Competition Rules 2020/21

Note- NSEA Rules- hair up please.

**Start Times** will be available on the NSEA website 2 days before the competition on  
[www.nsea.org.uk](http://www.nsea.org.uk)

## NSEA Coronavirus Protocol – Returning to sport from April 2021



### HEALTH CHECKS

1. *If any competitor, or anybody in their household, is showing symptoms of Coronavirus or has tested positive in the past 2 weeks, they must not attend any NSEA event. On the morning of the competition, prior to departure, there should be the following simple health check conducted:*

1. *Take the temperature of everybody in the household. If anybody has a temperature of over 37.8 degrees, then please seek medical advice and do not attend.*
2. *Is anybody in the household quarantined because of foreign travel to a country which is not exempt? If so, please do not attend.*
3. *If anybody in the household has any of the following symptoms then please seek medical advice, and do not attend:*
  1. *A persistent cough;*
  2. *A loss of taste or smell;*
  3. *A temperature (see 1(1) above)*

2. *If any competitor lives, or stables their horse, in an area which has been made the subject of a specific geographical lockdown then please do not attend an event.*

3. *If the event is located within an area which is subject to specific conditions, we will review those, and may cancel an event at short notice if required to do so.*

4. *If the competitor's school is located in an area which is subject to specific conditions, even if the competitor lives outside that area, if they have physically attended the school in the two weeks prior to the competition, they should not attend.*

5. *For competitors who live near borders between England and Wales, or England and Scotland, please be mindful of the potentially differing rules once you cross a border, and familiarise yourself with those rules.*

## AT THE SHOW CENTRE

6. One person per squad should take charge of ensuring social distancing to ensure that everybody keeps their distance. They should familiarise themselves with one-way systems and protocols specific to each venue which will be available. Regular reminders will need to be given as it is easy to forget things when both on, and off, a horse. Remember to avoid sharing equipment. Household groups - or bubbles - should be maintained when moving around and please follow show centre instructions. Check in advance, for example, to see what, if any, catering facilities are available and plan accordingly.
7. Avoid touching surfaces like jumps or rails, and follow instructions given by show centres.
8. No spectators or supporters will be permitted. Just one parent/carer per competitor is encouraged wherever possible.
9. Do not forget to use hand sanitiser on arrival. Show centres will be providing this, but if there are shortages it is obviously sensible to bring your own which should be used regularly. Practise good hand-hygiene as often as possible throughout the day; show centres will all have soap and hot water available.
10. Any person at the event who becomes unwell should immediately isolate with their household, and if necessary should seek medical attention from the Paramedic team in attendance at NSEA events. The household with the unwell person in should leave the show centre to return home.
11. Please do not stay longer than is necessary for the competition. ARRIVE, COMPETE, LEAVE, in order to minimise the number of people at a show centre at any one time. All results will be published online.

## BREACHES OF THE PROTOCOL

12. If breaches of this protocol are brought to the attention of show organisers, they will be permitted to demand the entire school's team leave the show centre, and may eliminate competitors. The NSEA will then consider whether to allow that school or competitor to compete in future competitions.
13. Facemasks need to be worn in crowded areas for the time being.
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14. Government easing is currently as follows
  - 2.

### **Step 1 B March 29<sup>th</sup>**

Outdoor sports facilities to open, including training venues & competition centres. People are encouraged to stay local.

Organised competitions to commence- within strict COVID protocols. Therefore the NSEA protocols for competitions will be in place, once again.

### **Step 2 April 12<sup>th</sup>**

Self-contained accommodation and self-catering holidays are permitted. Therefore we anticipate that it will be possible to stay over at competitions from this point (one household per horsebox only)

Pubs can serve food & drink outdoors. Trade stands & catering outlets are permitted to open.

**Scotland** to return to the tier system, with the aim to move from tier 4 to tier 3. Some easing in March.

**Wales.** Easing starts from March 12<sup>th</sup>, after the next stage of restrictions are announced.

**HEALTH CHECK BEFORE YOU LEAVE**

**ONE PARENT PER COMPETITOR WHERE POSSIBLE**

**KEEP YOUR DISTANCE - DON'T BURST YOUR BUBBLE**

**PRACTISE GOOD HAND HYGIENE**

**ARRIVE, COMPETE, LEAVE**