

BRITISH CONNEMARA PONY SOCIETY

TRIMMING RULES

Connemara ponies should be shown in as natural a state as possible and the following rules should be observed.

1. MANES - ponies should be shown unplaited. However, very thick manes may be discreetly thinned but should look as natural as possible.
 2. TAILS - should look natural and should not be pulled but may be squared off at the bottom.
 3. HEAD - Ears may be trimmed flat (no trimming inside of the ears). Light trimming of long hairs in jawline is permitted. Whiskers should not be trimmed.
 4. LEGS - No trimming of feather on legs or trimming into heels.
 5. No false hair, artificial colouring or make-up should be used.
1. Ridden ponies ONLY may be clipped in the interest of welfare. Legs should not be clipped. Under no circumstances should foals be clipped.
 2. The Society does not object to ponies being freeze branded. This should not be detrimental to animals in the show ring and should be encouraged.