



THE BCPS DRESSAGE CHAMPIONSHIPS 2026 – RULES



The Finals will be held at the BCPS Breed Show on Friday & Saturday 17 & 18 July 2026, to be held at Morton Morrell, Warwickshire CV35 9BP. All dressage will be held on a surface.

1. British Dressage Tests for Intro, Prelim & Novice must be used for all qualifiers but there is no restriction as to which particular test is used at the qualifier.
2. The qualifiers are open to all registered pure bred (over heights are included) and part bred Connemaras.
3. To qualify at Intro level the combination of pony and rider must not have competed at British Dressage affiliated level.
4. To enter the Final, all pure-bred ponies must be registered with or have had their passports over stamped by the British Connemara Pony Society. Any Connemara pony imported from Ireland or elsewhere since 2016 must by law be registered with the British Connemara Pony Society and on the British Connemara Pony Society's registered database. The correct owner must also be recorded on the BCPS database.
5. At the Final the Prelim and Novice Finals will be split into Open and Restricted (where the combination of pony and rider must not have competed at British Dressage affiliated level). Rosettes (1st-3rd) for the highest placed Juniors (18 years and under on 1st January 2026) will be awarded in each section. The BCPS hopes that more juniors will enter so that separate section/s can be run for them. Please include the junior rider's age when you send your email with proof of qualification.
6. To qualify for the 2026 Final, you must achieve a first or second place in your test arena or achieve a score of 65% or above at an unaffiliated dressage competition, up to and including 1st July 2026. Please send evidence of your qualifying place or score to gillefans721@gmail.com. making sure that your pony's registered name is given. Gill will acknowledge receipt and confirm your qualification. All qualifications achieved after 1st July 2026 will be eligible for the 2027 BCPS Dressage Championships.
7. The Final will be run based on the British Riding Club Rules.
8. All ponies must be ridden at the Final by the qualifying rider.
9. The owner or rider must be an Adult, Joint, Family or Junior member of the British Connemara Pony Society 2026 to compete at the Final.

As well as the BCPS Dressage Finals, unaffiliated Intro, NPS 2027 Qualifiers at Prelim & Novice will be run. Performance Pony and Sports Pony In Hand & Ridden are included in the schedule.