

2025 ROYAL ADELAIDE SHOW – HORSE IN ACTION

Performances of each horse, galloway or pony must be stated on the entry form for Harness, Hack, Show Hunter, Australian Stock Horse and Jumping classes.

The schedule of classes is divided into nine (9) main sections.

1. Rider/Driver Classes
2. Harness classes
3. Hack classes
4. Show Hunter classes.
5. Racehorse to Show horse Classes
6. Child's Classes
7. Australian Stock Horse Classes
8. Clydesdale Classes
9. Jumping contest (Groups A, B and C)

A separate entry and performance form is required for each section for each horse, galloway or pony nominated. Performances must only be obtained from within the same section for which the horse, galloway or pony is being nominated. For example: if entering as a Hack, performances gained as a Hunter will not be accepted.

The information contained on the entry form will determine which nominations will be accepted by the Society. If incomplete or inaccurate information is provided, the exhibitor may not be recognised. The Society will then notify all nominations of their acceptance or non-acceptance for competition at this year's Royal Adelaide Show. The Society will not consider any further performances or information which is provided after entries have closed.

HORSE COMPETITORS - PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

Minimum qualifying performances required to enter the Horse section at the 2025 Royal Adelaide Show are listed below:

AGRICULTURAL SHOW PERFORMANCES MUST BE OBTAINED FROM AFFILIATED AGRICULTURAL SHOWS.

PERFORMANCES RECOGNISED

The Society will only recognise performances from competitions which are affiliated with:

- Equestrian Australia
- Show Horse Council Australasia
- Federal Council of Agricultural Societies
- Or Affiliated Agricultural Shows

Exhibits entering Hack classes must qualify and compete as a Hack only.

Exhibits entering Hunter classes must qualify and compete as a Hunter only.

Exhibits may only enter and compete in EITHER Hack or Hunter classes.

Exhibitors are urged to read all information to ensure performances listed on entry forms meet the acceptance requirements.

HACK & HUNTER CLASSES

Competitors must obtain the minimum performances listed below to qualify for the Royal Adelaide Show competition for Hack, Galloway Hack, Pony Hack, Hunter, Galloway Hunter, Pony Hunter and Equestrian classes:

Two (2) first placings in an open height or weight or Lady's or Gentleman's class in the current season (i.e.) 23 June 2024 until 22 June 2025 at two (2) separate agricultural shows affiliated with the Agricultural Societies Council. No more than one (1) win per day per show will be accepted as a qualifying performance.

OR

One (1) first placings and two (2) second placings in an open height or weight or Lady's or Gentleman's class in the current season (i.e.) 23 June 2024 until 22 June 2025 at four (3) separate agricultural shows affiliated with the Agricultural Societies Council. No more than one (1) win/placing per day per show will be accepted as a qualifying performance.

OR

Four (4) second placings in an open height or weight or Lady's or Gentleman's class in the current season (i.e.) 23 June 2024 until 22 June 2025 at four (4) separate agricultural shows affiliated with the Agricultural Societies Council. No more than one (1) placing per day per show will be accepted as a qualifying performance.

Any Champion Hack, Champion Galloway Hack, Champion Pony Hack, Champion Show Hunter Horse, Champion Show Hunter Galloway or Champion Show Hunter Pony gained at any capital city Royal Show (including State and Territory capital city Royal Shows) in the 12 months prior to the closing date of entries will gain automatic acceptance to compete at the forthcoming Royal Adelaide Show.

Qualified Hacks and Show Hunters may also enter Smartest on Parade and Leading Rein classes.

- No more than two (2) Hack or Show Hunter rings at any one show will be considered for qualifications.
- To be accepted for Hack classes your performances must be from Hack Classes
- To be accepted for Hunter classes your performance must be from Hunter Classes

OBTAINING THE MINIMUM QUALIFYING PERFORMANCES DOES NOT GUARANTEE ACCEPTANCE FOR COMPETITION.

ADDITIONAL PERFORMANCES

Exhibitors are advised to list additional winning performances to nominate for acceptance in the Royal Adelaide Show competition for Hack, Galloway Hack, Pony Hack, Show Hunter Horse, Show Hunter Galloway and Show Hunter Pony classes. It is expected that entries will be high, and additional performances will be required in the event of a ballot.

Performances must be achieved at:

- Shows affiliated with the Federal Council of Agricultural Societies.
- Placings 1 to 6 in any ridden Hack or Show Hunter class (competing singly) at any Royal Show (including State and Territory capital city Royal Shows)
- Wins in any ridden Hack or Show Hunter class (competing singly) in the current season at EA or EA affiliated shows.
- Wins in any ridden Hack or Show Hunter class (competing singly) in the current season at Show Horse Council or Show Horse Council affiliated shows.

These performances will only be recognised as winning performances after the minimum qualifying performances have been achieved.

Events which do **NOT** count as acceptable performances (at shows other than State or Territory capital city Royal Shows) are:

- a. Maiden classes
- b. Hack or Hunter classes restricted by breed, colour or age.
- c. Hack or Hunter classes restricted by a district.
- d. Classes at unaffiliated events.
- e. Pleasure and/or education and/or paced classes.
- f. Riding and/or turnout classes
- g. Consolation Hack or Hunter classes
- h. Pairs, teams etc classes.
- i. Child's classes.
- j. Combined training classes
- k. Pony Club classes
- l. Novice Champion and/or Novice Hack or Hunter classes
- m. Elementary classes
- n. Intermediate classes
- o. Leading Rein and/or Smartest on Parade classes/ fancy dress
- p. Newcomer classes.

FROM THE PERFORMANCES LISTED ON THE ENTRY FORM, THE SOCIETY WILL AT ITS DISCRETION, DETERMINE ACCEPTANCE.

All rules and regulations relating to the Horse section are subject to change without notice.

LEADING REIN & RIDDEN SHETLAND PONY CLASSES

Exhibitors wishing to compete ONLY in Leading Rein class/es or Ridden Shetland Pony class/es are not required to obtain qualifying performances.

HARNESS, RIDER, STOCKHORSE AND CLYDESDALES

Exhibitors wishing to compete ONLY in Harness, Rider/Driver, Stockhorse or Clydesdales are not required to obtain qualifying performances.

JUMPING CONTEST (GROUPS A, B AND C)

Exhibitors must state their best six performances from 23 June 2024 until 22 June 2025 along with their best six performances prior to 22 June 2024 (maximum of 12 months prior).

All horses entered in competitive classes must be microchipped and have that chip recorded with a recognised National Registry.