



Guidance notes on Class formats - Split, Combined, and Concurrent & Consecutive

Split A split class is where two classes are run at the same time over the same course with one course walk. In a split class two sets of prize money **MUST** be awarded in line with the schedule or Rule 76.6. Riders competing in different sections may come forward from either section for judging.

Seniors - Can ride up to 4 competitive rides in each section, so could effectively ride 8 horses in the class. However horses may only compete in one section and they must identify which section each horse is in prior to competing.

Juniors - Can ride up to 3 competitive rides in each section, so could effectively ride 6 ponies in the class. However ponies may only compete in one section and they must identify which section each pony is in prior to competing.

Combined A combined class is where two classes are run at the same time over the same course with one course walk. In combined class only one set of prize money will be awarded in line with the schedule or Rule 76.6. However most combined classes will state at what point they must be split, for example, a Senior Newcomer/1.10 Open 1st Rd can be run as a combined class, but must be Split at 30 and then two sets of prize money must be awarded. (Please check the Official BS schedule for individual class details). However be aware there are some combined classes that will not be split and will only ever carry one set of prize money.

Seniors - If the class has the “potential” to be split, Seniors can ride up to 4 competitive rides in each section, (even if the class has not been split), but must identify which section each horse is in prior to competing. So again could effectively ride 8 horses in the class. Once again, horses may only compete in one section.

If the class is combined and does not have the “potential” to split and will only ever carry one set of prize money, seniors can only ride up to 4 competitive rides.

Juniors - The same applies here. If the class has the “potential” to be split, juniors can ride up to 3 competitive rides in each section, (even if the class has not been split), but must identify which section each pony is in prior to competing. So again could effectively ride 6 ponies in the class and once again, ponies may only compete in one section.

If the class is combined and does not have the “potential” to split and will only ever carry one set of prize money, juniors can only ride up to 3 competitive rides.

Concurrent Similar to a split class but for scheduling reasons a show organizer may wish to schedule a concurrent class where a split class is not a given option. A concurrent class is where two classes are run at the same time over the same course with one course walk. In a concurrent class 2 sets of prize money **MUST** be awarded in line with the schedule or Rule 76.6. Whist riders will be competing in different Classes they may come forward from either class for judging.

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Juniors - Can ride up to 3 competitive rides in each section, so could effectively ride 6 ponies in the class. However ponies may only compete in one section and they must identify which section each pony is in prior to competing.

Consecutive A Consecutive class is essentially the same as a Concurrent class, but the two classes are run, one after the other, following each other, continuously, over the same course with one course walk. In a consecutive class 2 sets of prize money **MUST** be awarded in line with the schedule or Rule 76.6. Riders competing in different sections must come forward from the correct section for judging. Each section will be judged separately and not mixed. The section that carries a qualification award must be run as the first section.

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