



## Merit Awards for RID, Class 1 mares and geldings and Class 2 mares in Great Britain

*If you wish to apply for merit awards for your mare or gelding, please complete the online form post it to the IDHS (GB) Office along with documentary evidence (for example, print outs from British Dressage/British Eventing websites) of your mare/gelding's achievements.*

**Class 2 mares** are eligible for merit awards based on the performance of their progeny only. This is in line with the recommendation of the Task Force for the Irish Draught Breeding Policy Review (2014).

Geldings must have been inspected and classified as Class 1 to be eligible for merit awards in their own right.

Older geldings who, historically, were assigned their dam's grade without inspection are not eligible, because they have not been inspected.

### Gold merit award criteria

Category	Own Performance - Class 1 Mares and geldings	Class 1, RID and Class 2 Mares - Progeny Performance
<b>GOLD</b>	<b>Show Jumping:</b> A mare/gelding that achieves two double clear rounds at 1.20m. Please see notes below for eligible classes.	<b>Show Jumping:</b> A mare that produces two progeny that each achieves two double clear rounds at 1.20m. Please see notes below for eligible classes.
<b>GOLD</b>	<b>Dressage:</b> A mare/gelding that achieves two scores of above 64% in British Dressage affiliated at elementary level.	<b>Dressage:</b> A mare that produces two progeny that each achieves two scores of above 64% in British Dressage affiliated at elementary level.
<b>GOLD</b>	<b>Eventing:</b> a mare/gelding that has completed two events at CNC* (Novice) with a clear round SJ and clear jumping XC, or on completion of one CNC* and one CCI*/CIC* with a clear round SJ and clear jumping XC.	<b>Eventing:</b> A mare that has produced one progeny that has completed two events at CNC*(Novice) with a clear round SJ and clear XC, OR on completion of one CNC* and one CCI*/CIC* with a clear round SJ and clear jumping XC.
<b>GOLD</b>	<b>Driving:</b> Level equivalent.	<b>Driving:</b> Level equivalent.
<b>GOLD</b>	<b>*In hand Showing (including Hunter classes):</b> A mare that wins three times at the broodmare championships at the IDHS (GB) National Breed Show, the Great Yorkshire Show, the Royal Show (up to 2009), Royal Bath and West Show, the Three Counties Show and Horse of the Year Show (HOYS) on three occasions.	<b>*In hand Showing (including Hunter classes):</b> A mare that produces three progeny that each achieves 1 <sup>st</sup> in any showing class in the IDHS (GB) National Breed Show, the Great Yorkshire Show, the Royal (up to 2009), Royal Bath and West Show, the Three Counties Show and Horse of the Year Show (HOYS).
<b>GOLD</b>	<b>**Riding:</b> A mare/gelding that achieves 1 <sup>st</sup> at the IDHS(GB) National Breed Show, the Great Yorkshire Show, the Royal Show ( up to 2009), Royal Bath and West, the Three Counties Show and Horse of the Year Show (HOYS) on three occasions.	<b>**Riding:</b> A mare that produces three progeny that each have achieved 1 <sup>st</sup> at IDHS(GB) National Breed Show, the Great Yorkshire Show, the Royal Show (up to 2009), Royal Bath and West, the Three Counties Show and Horse of the Year Show (HOYS).
<b>GOLD</b>	<b>Endurance:</b> Criteria to be finalised with ILDRA.	<b>Endurance:</b> Criteria to be finalised with ILDRA.

## Silver merit award criteria

Category	Own Performance - Class 1 Mares and geldings	Class 1, RID and Class 2 Mares - Progeny Performance
<b>SILVER</b>	<b>Show Jumping:</b> A mare/gelding that achieves two double clear rounds at 1.10m. Please see notes below for eligible classes.	<b>Show Jumping:</b> A mare that produces two progeny that each achieve two double clear rounds at 1.10m. Please see notes below for eligible classes.
<b>SILVER</b>	<b>Dressage:</b> A mare/gelding that achieved two scores of above 64% in British Dressage affiliated, at novice level.	<b>Dressage:</b> A mare that produces two progeny that each achieves 2 scores of above 64% in British Dressage affiliated, at novice level.
<b>SILVER</b>	<b>Eventing:</b> Two events at BE 100 (Pre-Novice) both with a clear round SJ and clear jumping XC.	<b>Eventing:</b> A mare that has produced one progeny that has completed two events at BE 100 (Pre-Novice) with a clear round SJ and clear jumping XC.
<b>SILVER</b>	<b>Driving:</b> Level equivalent.	<b>Driving:</b> Level equivalent.
<b>SILVER</b>	<b>*In hand Showing (including Hunter classes):</b> A mare that wins the broodmare championships at the IDHS (GB) National Breed Show, the Great Yorkshire Show, the Royal Show (up to 2009), Royal Bath and West, the Three Counties Show and Horse of the Year Show (HOYS).	<b>*In hand Showing (including Hunter classes):</b> A mare that produces two progeny that each achieves 1 <sup>st</sup> in any showing class at the IDHS (GB) National Breed Show, the Great Yorkshire Show, the Royal Show (up to 2009), Royal Bath and West, the Three Counties Show and Horse of the Year Show (HOYS).
<b>SILVER</b>	<b>**Riding :</b> A mare/gelding that achieves 1 <sup>st</sup> at the IDHS(GB) National Breed Show, the Great Yorkshire Show, the Royal Show ( up to 2009), Royal Bath and West, the Three Counties Show and Horse of the Year Show (HOYS), on two occasions.	<b>**Riding:</b> A mare that produces two progeny that each have achieved 1 <sup>st</sup> at IDHS(GB) National Breed Show, the Great Yorkshire Show, the Royal Show ( up to 2009), Royal Bath and West, the Three Counties Show and Horse of the Year Show (HOYS).
<b>SILVER</b>	<b>Endurance:</b> Criteria to be finalised with ILDRA .	<b>Endurance:</b> Criteria to be finalised with ILDRA.

## Bronze merit award criteria

Category	Own Performance - Class 1 Mares and geldings	Class 1, RID and Class 2 Mares - Progeny Performance
<b>BRONZE</b>	<b>Conformation &amp; Movement:</b> Mares/geldings that on inspection, pass the clinical veterinary and achieve an above average score on conformation and movement (i.e. Above 80%) will receive a bronze merit.  Mares that are classified within the IDHS (GB) as a Select Hornby mare will also receive a bronze merit.	<b>Not applicable to progeny.</b>
<b>BRONZE</b>	<b>Show Jumping:</b> A mare/gelding that achieves one double clear round at 1.0m. Please see notes below for eligible classes.	<b>Show Jumping:</b> A mare that produces one progeny that achieves two double clear rounds at 1.0m. Please see notes below for eligible

	OR - a mare/gelding that loose jumps under the HSI inspection process to 1m level and achieves a score of above 70%.	classes.
<b>BRONZE</b>	<b>Dressage:</b> A mare/gelding that achieves two scores of above 64% in British Dressage affiliated, at preliminary level.	<b>Dressage:</b> A mare that produces one progeny that achieves two scores of above 64% in British Dressage affiliated, at preliminary level.
<b>BRONZE</b>	<b>Eventing:</b> A mare/gelding that has completed two events at BE 90 both with a clear round SJ and clear jumping XC.	<b>Eventing:</b> A mare that has produced one progeny that has completed two events at BE 90 with a clear round SJ and clear jumping XC.
<b>BRONZE</b>	<b>Driving:</b> Level equivalent.	<b>Driving:</b> Level equivalent.
<b>BRONZE</b>	<b>*In hand Showing (including Hunter classes):</b> A mare/gelding that achieves 1 <sup>st</sup> in any showing class in the IDHS (GB) National Breed Show, the Great Yorkshire Show, the Royal Show (up to 2009), Royal Bath and West, the Three Counties Show and Horse of the Year Show (HOYS).	<b>*In hand Showing (including Hunter classes):</b> A mare that produces one progeny that achieves 1 <sup>st</sup> in any showing class in the IDHS (GB) National Breed Show, the Great Yorkshire Show, the Royal Show (up to 2009), Royal Bath and West, the Three Counties Show and Horse of the Year Show (HOYS).
<b>BRONZE</b>	<b>**Riding:</b> A mare/gelding that achieves 1 <sup>st</sup> in any riding class at the IDHS (GB) National Breed Show, the Great Yorkshire Show, the Royal Show (up to 2009), Royal Bath and West, the Three Counties Show and Horse of the Year Show (HOYS).	<b>**Riding:</b> A mare that produces one progeny that achieves 1 <sup>st</sup> in any riding class at the IDHS (GB) National Breed Show, the Great Yorkshire Show, the Royal Show (up to 2009), Royal Bath and West, the Three Counties Show and Horse of the Year Show (HOYS).
<b>BRONZE</b>	<b>Endurance:</b> Criteria to be finalised with ILDRA .	<b>Endurance:</b> Criteria to be finalised with ILDRA

#### Included classes:

\*Showing: - all In Hand Breeding Classes

\*\*Riding: - Ridden ID, IDSH, and Cob Classes, Performance and Working Hunter Classes

#### Show jumping merit awards - eligible classes:

**1m** – Senior Discovery 1st round, Joshua Jones UK Discovery Championship, British Novice 2nd Round, 95cm Amateur 2nd round & Final, 1m Open

**1.10m** – Senior Newcomers 1st round, Senior Discovery Championship Final, 1.05m Amateur 2nd round & Final, 1.10m Amateur 1st round, 2nd round & Final, Winter Novice Qualifier, Winter 6yr old Qualifier, Blue Chip Power Championship, Blue Chip Star Championship, 1.10m Open

**1.20m** – Big Star Championship Qualifier, Foxhunter 1st Round, Blue Chip Karma Performance Championship, Winter 7yr old Qualifier, Silver League National Final, 1.20m Open

**1.30m & above** – International Stairway, International Trial, Area Trial, Big Star Championship Final, Talent Seekers Qualifier & Final, National 1.40m, National Grade B Qualifier & Final, HOYS Grade C Qualifier & Final, National 1.30m\*, Foxhunter 2nd round\*, Foxhunter Masters & Final, Newcomers Championship, Winter National 1.35m, Winter Grand Prix, Winter Grades B & C\*, Winter Grade C\*.

*\*A top four placing in these classes will be accepted as an alternative to a double clear round if the placing can be verified but the faults and times cannot.*

*Speed classes are only eligible for merits if they take place at F.E.I. CSI level.*

*# The list of classes eligible for merits may be amended by the IDHS (GB) to include additional affiliated classes run over two rounds for which verifiable results are available.*