



Merit awards for RID, Class 1 and Class 2 stallions in Great Britain

If you wish to apply for merit awards for your stallion, 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 stallion's and/or his progeny's achievements.

Class 1 and RID stallions are eligible for merit awards based on their own performance or that of their progeny.

Class 2 stallions 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).

Gold merit award criteria

Category	Own Performance – Class 1 and RID stallions only	Progeny Performance Criteria (minimum) – Class 1 and Class 2 stallions
GOLD	Show Jumping: A stallion that achieves four double clear rounds at 1.30m. Please see notes below for eligible classes.	Show Jumping: A stallion that produces three progeny that each achieves four double clear rounds at 1.30m. Please see notes below for eligible classes.
GOLD	Dressage: A stallion that achieves four scores of above 64% in British Dressage affiliated, at advanced medium level.	Dressage: A stallion that produces three progeny that each achieves four scores of above 64% in British Dressage affiliated, at advanced medium level.
GOLD	Eventing: A stallion that has completed four events at CNC** with a clear round SJ and clear jumping XC OR on completion of 2 CNC** events & 1 CIC** with a clear round SJ and clear jumping XC.	Eventing: A stallion that produces three progeny that each complete 4 events at CNC** with a clear round SJ and clear jumping XC OR on completion of 2 CNC** events and 1 CIC** with a clear round SJ and clear jumping XC.
GOLD	Driving: Level equivalent	Driving: Level equivalent.
GOLD	In-hand showing not applicable.	*In hand Showing (including Hunter classes): A stallion that produces five distinctive progeny that each achieve 1 st 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 Show, Royal Bath and West, the Three Counties Show and Horse of the Year Show (HOYS).
GOLD	**Riding: A stallion that achieves 1 st at the IDHS(GB) National Breed Show, the Great Yorkshire Show, the Royal Show (up to 2009), Royal Bath and West Show, Royal Bath and West, the Three Counties Show and Horse of the Year Show (HOYS) on three occasions.	**Riding: A stallion that produces five distinctive progeny that each achieve 1 st 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).
GOLD	Endurance: Criteria to be finalised with ILDRA.	Endurance: Criteria to be finalised with ILDRA.

Silver merit award criteria

Category	Own Performance – Class 1 and RID stallions only	Progeny Performance Criteria (minimum) – Class 1 and Class 2 stallions
SILVER	Show Jumping: A stallion that achieves four double clear rounds at 1.20m. Please see notes below for eligible classes.	Show Jumping: A stallion that produces three progeny that each achieves two double clear rounds at 1.20m. Please see notes below for eligible classes.
SILVER	Dressage: A stallion that achieves three scores of above 64% in British Dressage affiliated, at elementary level.	Dressage: A stallion that produces three progeny that each achieves 3 scores of above 64% in British Dressage affiliated, at elementary level.
SILVER	Eventing: A stallion that has completed three events at CNC* 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.	Eventing: A stallion that produces three progeny that each have completed 2 events at CNC* 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.
SILVER	Driving: Level equivalent	Driving: Level equivalent
SILVER	In-hand showing not applicable.	*In hand Showing (including Hunter classes): A stallion that produces three progeny that each achieves 1 st 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 Show, Royal Bath and West, the Three Counties Show and Horse of the Year Show (HOYS).
SILVER	**Riding: A stallion that achieves Champion 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 two occasions.	**Riding: A stallion that achieves three progeny that each achieves 1 st at the IDHS(GB) National Breed Show, the Great Yorkshire Show, Royal Bath and West Show, the Royal Show (up to 2009), Royal Bath and West, the Three Counties Show and Horse of the Year Show (HOYS).
SILVER	Endurance: Criteria to be finalised with ILDRA.	Endurance: Criteria to be finalised with ILDRA.

Bronze merit award criteria

Category	Own Performance – Class 1 and RID stallions only	Progeny Performance Criteria (minimum) – Class 1 and Class 2 stallions
BRONZE	Show Jumping: A stallion that achieves two double clear rounds at 1.0m. Please see notes below for eligible classes, OR: jumps 1m level under saddle as a four year old or older at the stallion inspections and achieves a score of above 70%.	Show Jumping: A stallion that produces three progeny that each achieves two double clear rounds at 1.0m. Please see notes below for eligible classes.
BRONZE	Dressage: A stallion that achieves two scores of above 64% in British Dressage affiliated, at preliminary level.	Dressage: A stallion that produces three progeny that each achieves two scores of above 64% in British Dressage affiliated, at preliminary level.
BRONZE	Eventing: A stallion that has completed two events at Pre Novice level with a clear round	Eventing: A stallion that produces two progeny that each has completed two events at Pre

	SJ and clear jumping XC.	Novice level with a clear round SJ and clear jumping XC.
BRONZE	Driving: Level equivalent.	Driving: Level Equivalent.
BRONZE	In-hand showing not applicable.	*In hand Showing (including Hunter classes): A stallion that produces two progeny that each achieves 1 st in any showing class in the IDHS (GB) National Breed Show, the Great Yorkshire Show, Royal Bath and West Show, the Royal Show (up to 2009), Royal Bath and West, the Three Counties Show and Horse of the Year Show (HOYS).
BRONZE	**Riding: A stallion that achieves 1 st at the IDHS(GB) National Breed Show, the Great Yorkshire Show, Royal Bath and West Show, the Royal Show (up to 2009), Royal Bath and West, the Three Counties Show and Horse of the Year Show (HOYS).	**Riding: A stallion that achieves two progeny that each achieves 1 st at the IDHS(GB) National Breed Show, the Great Yorkshire Show, Royal Bath and West Show, the Royal Show (up to 2009), HOYS & the Three Counties Show.
BRONZE	Endurance: Criteria to be finalised with ILDRA.	Endurance: 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 - 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.