



# 2023 Sunshine Tour Championships



## DRESSAGE RESTRICTIONS

Sunshine Tour Championships are for **AMATEUR** competitors, professionals are excluded from competing in the Sunshine Tour. **Our definition of a 'professional' is someone who earns money from:**

1. Training, schooling, breaking or competing horses/ponies.
  - People who work with horses for care, e.g. grooms, vet nurses and only participate in exercising of horses, e.g. hacking & lunging for exercise but not schooling, training, competing or breaking client's horses can qualify.
2. Buying and/or selling horses for profit.
3. Teaching and/or training riders.
  - Instructors who only teach in a riding school with riding school horses/ponies and do not teach people on their own horses can qualify.
4. Judging affiliated classes in the same discipline as your competition (paid or unpaid).

### 2023 DRESSAGE QUALIFICATION

**Each Qualification Number allows you to enter one championship class:**

At the same level as your qualification test **OR** a level above your qualification test.

**Horse/rider combinations can compete in 6 championships, in 2 levels** (Intro, Prelim, Novice, Elementary) which must be consecutive, e.g. if you've qualified for Intro, Prelim & Novice, you can compete in Prelim & Novice championships but not Intro & Novice championships. Warm up classes can cover 3 levels, you can compete on one or more days.

**You DO NOT have to compete in exactly the same TEST as your qualification, only the same LEVEL or above.**

**TOURS are just groups of classes**, divided by competence and measurable points/winnings restrictions - please respect the spirit of each level as well as the letter of the law. **If you are outside the restrictions for the level that you qualified in, you can voluntarily move up to compete in a higher level.**

**SMALL TOUR** includes Intro, Prelim & Novice classes. **GRAND TOUR** includes Prelim, Novice & Elementary classes.

### RESTRICTIONS

#### SMALL TOUR

**Horse/Pony (with any rider): Not to have earned more than 20 BD points, with none earned at Novice level or above.** If horse/pony has more points than permitted, but NONE earned during the period 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021 to the date of this year's Sunshine Tour Championship, they are eligible.

**Rider (with any horse):** Not to have earned any points at BD Novice level or above; not to have competed at BE Novice or above. Riders who have not participated in this level of competition during the period 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021 to the date of this year's Sunshine Tour Championship, are eligible.

**Combination:** BD Intro Bronze restrictions apply.

#### GRAND TOUR

**Horse/Pony (with any rider): Not to have earned more than 50 BD points, with none earned at Elementary level or above.** If horse/pony has more points than permitted, but NONE earned during the period 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021 to the date of this year's Sunshine Tour Championship, they are eligible.

**Rider (with any horse):** Not to have earned any points at BD Elementary level or above; not to have competed at BE Intermediate or above. Riders who have not participated in this level of competition during the period 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021 to the date of this year's Sunshine Tour Championship, are eligible.

**Combination:** BD Prelim Bronze restrictions apply.