



Land Rover Horse of the Year 2022 (LRHOY)

RAS SHOWING SECTION – REGULATIONS (SSR)

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY and QUALIFICATION INFORMATION

The Regulations and Conditions of Entry are based on four principles:

1. It is the sole responsibility of the person responsible for the entry to ensure that the Declaration of Entry form is emailed to enquiries@ras.org.nz by **22 February 2022**.
2. Any failure or omission by the person responsible for the entry will not be the responsibility of the Showing Section organising committee nor will it constitute an emergency on their part.
3. There will be no bending, suspending, or compromising of the rules of entry or competition.
4. It is the responsibility of the Rider / Handler / Person Responsible to know the conditions of entry, qualification information, and rules of the class or event in which they are competing in.

Note that:

5. This section is run under the Rules of the Royal A&P Society New Zealand (RAS) and Equestrian Rulebook – [www.ras.org.nz / equestrian section / rulebook](http://www.ras.org.nz/equestrian-section/rulebook) page.
6. Entries will be received on a first come, first served basis – Tier 3, regardless of any qualification, but if class numbers exceed 24, then entries will be prioritised by implementing the Tier 1 and 2 system equally.
Tier 1 and 2 - The period for any qualification gained for LRHOY 2022 is from **23 February 2020 and concludes at the end of 22nd February 2022**. Any qualification achieved after this date and before the end of the 2021.2022 Show season will transfer to LRHOY 2023.
Tier 3 - no qualification gained.
7. For LRHOY 2022 Tiers 1, 2 & 3 conditions apply above.

- **1 February 2022 - Entries via online close with EVOEVENTS.**
- **22 February 2022 - Declaration of Entry form (via email only) to be received by RAS Head Office (not by EVOEVENTS). Entries will be accepted from all competitors wishing to compete at LRHOY regardless of qualification status when entering – note Tier 3 above. However, in the event of class numbers exceeding 24, the event organiser/organising committee has the right to prioritise entries by implementing jointly the Tier 1 & Tier 2 system equally, therefore if you have gained qualification.**
- **COVID Vaccination Certificates (My Vaccine Pass) must be carried and produced by all riders/ handlers and any persons (12 years & over or any updates by Government), attending LRHOY 2022.**

ENTRY	
E 1.	All entries must be completed online through the LRHOY Service Provider – EVOEVENTS
E 2.	All entries must be in the name of the owner and also the rider/handler that will be competing at the show.
E 3.	All entries must have a 2022 'Declaration of Entry' (DOE) form completed for each exhibit and emailed to RAS Head Office – enquiries@ras.org.nz no later than 22 February 2022 . The Declaration of Entry form can be downloaded from www.hoy.co.nz or www.ras.org.nz – Equestrian - LRHOY
E 4.	Late Entries will not be accepted. Entries close 1 February 2022.
E 5.	The Showing Committee has the right to refuse any entry.

ENTRIES - QUALIFICATION

Q 1.	No Attendance at RAS affiliated Shows/Events is required.
Q 2.	LRHOY 2022 Show Qualification (Placement) for Tier 1 and 2 can be gained only at affiliated RAS Shows/Events that are running a HOY qualifying schedule – the list of qualifying shows can be found at www.ras.org.nz – Equestrian section – HOY Page – this is the official list despite what may be stated in a Show Schedule or Catalogue. Refer to this list at all times.
Q 3.	Entries will be accepted from all competitors wishing to compete at LRHOY regardless of qualification status when entering – Tier 3. However, in the event of class numbers exceeding 24, the event organiser/organising committee has the right to prioritise entries by implementing jointly the Tier 1 & Tier 2 system equally. A ‘Supreme Champion of the Show’ does NOT count as a qualifier. Refer to ‘Qualification’ for each event for entry criteria in the “RAS Showing Section Qualification & Attendance Information”.
Q 4.	A horse/pony may only compete in the section in which it has been nominated to compete in – see Rule CDE 1.
Q 5.	Declaration of Entry form plus a copy of both sides of the horse/pony’s height certificate must be received at the following email enquiries@ras.org.nz no later than 22 February 2022 . Any forms received after this date will be returned and entries cancelled.
Q 6.	Any Declaration of Entry form received must be completed in full, signed and dated. Any form that is seen to have been partially or wholly falsified for any reason, may result in disciplinary action being taken by the RAS to the person submitting the form and/or exhibit/competitor. Receipt of forms received will be made within 48hrs.
Q.7	<p>QUALIFICATIONS gained at a Qualifying a RAS affiliated Show/Event – Tiers 1 and 2.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WORKING HUNTER PONY CLASSES – see CO. 5, 17 & 18 RAS SSR C of E <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To have won TWO (2) First Places in Open Working Hunter classes, or - To have won ONE (1) First Place and ONE (1) Reserve Champion in Open Working Hunter Pony classes/section, or - To have won ONE (1) Open Working Hunter Pony Champion, or - To have won TWO (2) Open Working Hunter Pony Reserve Champions. • WORKING HUNTER HORSE CLASSES - see CO. 5, 17 & 18 RAS SSR C of E <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To have won TWO (2) First Places in Open Working Hunter classes, or - To have won ONE (1) First Place and ONE (1) Reserve Champion in Open Working Hunter Horse classes/section, or - To have won ONE (1) Open Working Hunter Champion or - To have won TWO (2) Open Working Hunter Reserve Champions. • RISING STAR WORKING HUNTER HORSE / PONY CLASSES – see CR. 8 RAS SSR C of E <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To have won TWO (2) First Places in Novice or Open Working Hunter classes, or - To have won ONE (1) First Place and ONE (1) Reserve Champion in Novice or Open Working Hunter Horse classes/section, or - To have won ONE (1) Champion in Novice or Open Working Hunter, or - To have won TWO (2) Reserve Champions in Novice or Open Working Hunter. • WIRE JUMP, HORSES & PONIES - No wins required. • HUNTER JUMPING PONY CLASSES – see CO. 5, 17 & 18 and CR. 3 RAS SSR C of E <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To have won TWO (2) First Places in Open Hunter Jumping classes, or - To have won ONE (1) First Place and ONE (1) Reserve Champion in Open Hunter Jumping Pony classes/section, or - To have won ONE (1) Open Hunter Jumping Champion (a Champion from two or more classes) or a Champion Round, or - To have won TWO (2) Open Hunter Jumping Reserve Champions (as above). • HUNTER JUMPING HORSE CLASSES - see CO. 5, 17 & 18 and CR. 3 RAS SSR C of E <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To have won TWO (2) First Places in Open Hunter Jumping classes, or - To have won ONE (1) First Place and ONE (1) Reserve Champion in Open Hunter Jumping Horse classes/section, or

- To have won ONE (1) Open Hunter Jumping Champion (a Champion from two or more classes) or a Champion Round, *or*
- To have won TWO (2) Open Hunter Jumping Reserve Champions (as above).

- **GEE WHIZ MEMORIAL EQUITATION TURNOUT CLASS - see CR.9 RAS SSR C of E - No wins required**

- **WONDER MEMORIAL EQUITATION TURNOUT CLASS -see CR.10 RAS SSR C of E - No wins required**

- **JUNIOR & SENIOR SHOW RIDER - 11 years & under; 12 – 14 years; 15 & 16 years; YOUTH or GIRL; and SENIOR RIDER - see CR. 4, 5 & 11 RAS SSR C of E**

- To have won TWO (2) First Places in an Open Rider classes or
- To have won ONE (1) First Place and ONE (1) Reserve Champion in Open Rider classes, or
- To have won ONE (1) Champion in Open Rider Classes or
- To have won TWO (2) Reserve Champions in Open Rider Classes.

- **RAS LED PONY CLASSES – see CO. 13 RAS SSR C of E - No wins required**

- **RAS LED HORSE CLASSES - see CO. 13 RAS SSR C of E – No wins required.**

Led Showing Horse of the Year: Open to Show Hacks, Saddle Hunters & Show Riding Horse types.

- **NZ RIDING PONY SOCIETY CLASSES – No wins required**

Open to all youngstock (yearlings, two year olds, and three year olds) who are foal recorded or permanently registered with the NZ Riding Pony Society. Registration number must be stated with entry.

- **NZ BRED PONY – PBSNZ CLASSES – No wins required**

Eligibility – Must be fully registered with the **Pony Breeders Society of New Zealand (Inc)** that is to have a permanent registration number, to be stated on entry. **Ponies from imported parentage are eligible as long as they were born in NZ and registered with the Pony Breeders Society of NZ.**

- **RISING STAR HORSE or PONY CLASSES – see CR.8 RAS SSR C of E**

➤ **Criteria – see CR.9**

- To have won TWO (2) First Places in Novice or Open Conformation classes in their respective sections, or
- To have won ONE (1) First Place and ONE (1) Reserve Champion in Novice or Open Conformation classes in their respective sections, or
- To have won ONE (1) Champion in Novice or Open Conformation classes in their respective sections, or
- To have won TWO (2) Reserve Champions in Novice or Open Conformation classes in their respective sections.

- **OPEN - SHOW PONY, SADDLE HUNTER PONY CLASSES - see CR.12 RAS SSR C of E**

- To have won TWO (2) First Places in either Open Show Pony classes or Open Saddle Hunter Pony classes, or
- To have won ONE (1) First Place and ONE (1) Reserve Champion in either Open Show Pony classes or Open Saddle Hunter Pony classes, or
- To have won ONE (1) Open Show Pony Champion or ONE (1) Open Saddle Hunter Pony Champion, *or*
- To have won TWO (2) Open Show Pony Reserve Champions or TWO (2) Open Saddle Hunter Pony Reserve Champions.

- **PACED AND MANNERED HORSE / PONY CLASSES (NOT LEAD REIN OR FIRST RIDDEN) - see CR.13 RAS SSR C of E**

- Two (2) First Places in open P&M, or
- Two (2) First Places in open Paces and One (1) First Place in open Manners, or
- Two (2) First Places in open Manners and One (1) First Place in open Paces, or
- One (1) Open Paced and Mannered Champion, or
- Two (2) Open Paced and Mannered Reserve Champions.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LEAD REIN - see CR.14 RAS SSR C of E <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To have won TWO (2) First Places in Lead Rein applicable open classes, or - To have won ONE (1) First Place and ONE (1) Reserve Champion in Lead Rein applicable open classes, or - To have won ONE (1) Lead Rein Open Champion, <i>or</i> - To have won TWO (2) Lead Rein Open Reserve Champions. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Paced & Mannered <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To have won TWO (2) First Places in Lead Rein Open Paced and Mannered classes. ➤ Rider <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To have won TWO (2) First Places in Lead Rein Open Rider classes. • FIRST RIDDEN - see CR.15 RAS SSR C of E <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To have won TWO (2) First Places in First Ridden applicable open classes, or - To have won ONE (1) First Place and ONE (1) Reserve Champion in First Ridden applicable open classes, <i>or</i> - To have won ONE (1) First Ridden Open Champion, <i>or</i> - To have won TWO (2) First Ridden Open Reserve Champions. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Paced & Mannered <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To have won TWO (2) First Places in First Ridden Open Paced and Mannered classes. ➤ Rider <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To have won TWO (2) First Places in First Ridden Open Rider classes. • OPEN SHOW - HACK, PARK HACK, SADDLE HUNTER, RIDING HORSE - <div style="text-align: right;">see CR.16 RAS SSR C of E</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To have won TWO (2) First Places in your open respective classification eg. Open Show Hack/Park Hack/Saddle Hunter/Riding Horse - To have won ONE (1) First Place in your open respective classification as above and ONE (1) Reserve Champion in your respective classification as above, <i>or</i> - To have won ONE (1) Open Champion in your respective classification as above, <i>or</i> - To have won TWO (2) Open Reserve Champions in your respective classification as above. <p>RAS LIVAMOL SERIES – HORSES ONLY – see CR.17 RAS SSR C of E - No wins required Must be registered with RAS Head Office and registration number stated at time of entry.</p>
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CRITERIA	
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CR 1.	The age of all riders is as of 1st August 2021. See Rule CDE 12 - Rider/Handler's age and eligibility is determined as per the 1 August i.e. Riders/handlers who are of age for any division/section on the 1 August complete the show year/ season in that division/section.
CR 2.	All competitors must be a New Zealand citizen or a New Zealand resident for at least six months immediately preceding the first day (8 March 2022) of the 2022 NZ LRHOY competition.
CR 3.	One horse/pony per rider/handler/leader per class, except for Hunter Jumping classes.
CR 4.	A substitution of a horse/pony will be permitted for a rider class only, and on the condition that the horse/pony being substituted takes no further part in the show. Veterinarian certificates will not be required. Substitutions must be made no later than 4.30pm on the day before the class begins.
CR 5.	If you wish to change or substitute a rider, the change must be lodged no later than 4.30pm on the day before the class begins (exemptions may be given if a rider has had an illness, accident or injury after that timeframe stated). If a rider is changed without approval, the horse will be eliminated.
CR 6.	Exhibits under three (3) years of age are not permitted in any ridden or driven (harness) class no matter what the rules of any affiliated Breed Society or Kindred Society may prescribe.
CR 7.	It is compulsory for all stallions and colts, except foals, to wear two (2) official 'S' identification badges, one attached to each side of their bridle, at all Shows/Events at all times. The rider/handler must also wear two RAS official (2) armbands (one on each arm) when in the ring. 'S' badges to be purchased from RAS Head Office or ESNZ; armbands from RAS Head Office. Handlers and Riders of stallions/colts must wear an approved Hi Viz vest at Shows/Events when outside the showing ring. Vests can be purchased from RAS Head Office.

CR 8.	<p>TRIMMING OF WHISKERS: RAS advised on 26 July 2021 – That they have followed the lead of ESNZ and NZ Pony Club.</p> <p>As from 1 January 2022 there is to be no trimming of whiskers, eye or inner ear hair/whiskers of horses/ponies competing at RAS affiliated A&P Shows/Events, including LRHOY. For further information please click on the following link – https://www.ras.org.nz/equestrian/whisker-trimming/</p>
CR 9.	<p>RISING STAR HORSE/PONY CLASSES – A horse/pony that was a Novice as of 23 February 2021. Excludes a Lead Rein Pony or a First Ridden Pony, OR was in their first season of competition in the 2020/21 show season and has not competed/ will not compete at an RAS affiliated A&P show/event between 1st August and 31st December 2021.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Not to have competed more than twice in the Rising Star section at a HOY Show. - One that has not won a Rising Star Title at any previous HOY Show. A Rising Star may also compete in open title classes. - Note - Novice Pony Exhibits (except Novice Pony Stallions) may be ridden by a rider of any age, in novice pony classes only. Novice pony stallions must be ridden by a rider, 14 years and over.
CR.10	<p>GEE WHIZ MEMORIAL EQUITATION TURNOUT CLASS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Competitors to be 17 years or over - Mount - over 148cm. - Costume: Formal.
CR.11	<p>WONDER MEMORIAL EQUITATION TURNOUT CLASS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Open to competitors 16 years and under - Mount – not exceeding 148cm. - Riders competing in Lead Rein and First Ridden classes are NOT eligible to enter the Wonder Memorial. - Riders must be in child's attire. - Costume: Formal.
CR. 12	<p>JUNIOR & SENIOR SHOW RIDER - 11 years & under; 12 – 14 years; 15 & 16 years; YOUTH or GIRL; SENIOR RIDER.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Age of Rider is as of 1 August 2021. - Junior Rider 11 years & under. - Junior Rider 12, 13 and 14 years. - Junior Rider, 15 and 16 years. - Youth or Girl Rider, 17 years and under 21 years. - Gentleman Rider, 21yrs & over or Lady Rider, 21 yrs. & over or Rider, 21 yrs. & over. - Restricted wins (e.g. Novice Rider etc.) do NOT count. The win must be from an Open Rider (flat) event - age group wins allowed as are wins in Open Rider classes held within a section (e.g.: Show Pony, Saddle Hunter Pony, Show Hack, Saddle Hunter Horse etc.).
CR. 13	<p>OPEN - SHOW PONY, SADDLE HUNTER PONY CLASSES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A Pony may only be entered in the Open Show Pony Section or Open Saddle Hunter Pony Section – not both. - Qualification can only be gained in the section at affiliated Shows/Events that they entered in – i.e. competed in the Open Show Pony section – Show pony section qualification / competed in the Open Saddle Hunter Pony section – saddle hunter pony qualification.
CR. 14	<p>OPEN PACED AND MANNERED HORSE / PONY CLASSES (NOT LEAD REIN OR FIRST RIDDEN)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Paced & Mannered sections in Unity or Equitation events do not count as qualifiers. - Restricted wins (e.g. Novice Paced & Mannered) do NOT count. The wins must be from Open Paced and Mannered, Open Paced, or Open Mannered classes.
CR. 15	<p>LEAD REIN</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Age of Rider is as of 1 August 2021. Riders under eight (8) years of age with a minimum age of four (4) years. - Ponies not exceeding 128cm - Lead Rein Riders may not compete in any other showing classes/sections at the 2022 NZ LRHOY show, including the Wonder Memorial class. - Lead Rein Riders may not compete in other disciplines at the 2022 NZ LRHOY show. Lead Rein Riders cannot enter or compete on more than one pony at 2022 NZ LRHOY and must be

	<p>accompanied by a leader/attendant 14 years and over at all times throughout the duration of the show.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The lead must be attached to the cavesson of a simple snaffle bridle – refer to Appendix B in Rulebook. - The attendant/leader, must be 14 years or over, and hold the rein with their left hand so that the right hand is free to assist the rider if necessary. - Spurs are not allowed. - A cane or a whip not exceeding 68cm in length, which includes a flap 2cm wide by 4cm long, may be carried by riders in the Lead Rein Section. - Running or bearing reins or similar tackle are not allowed. - Riders who have competed in the First Ridden, Novice and Open Pony Sections are no longer eligible to compete in the Lead Rein section.
CR. 16	<p>FIRST RIDDEN Age of Rider is as of 1 August 2021. Riders under ten (10) years of age with a minimum age of four (4) yrs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ponies to not exceed 138cm. - First Ridden Riders cannot enter or compete on more than one pony at 2022 NZ LRHOY. - First Ridden Riders may not compete in any other showing classes/sections at the 2022 NZ LRHOY show, including the Wonder Memorial class. - First Ridden Riders may not compete in other disciplines at the 2022 NZ HOY show. - First Ridden Riders are not eligible to compete in Lead Rein Pony classes. - All ponies to walk and trot in company and will be asked to canter in an individual workout. - A Rider who has moved from the First Ridden into the Open Rings forfeits the right to compete again in any First Ridden Events i.e. Riders that have competed in an Open Pony section at an affiliated Show/Event, may not compete in First Ridden classes even though that show did not provide a First Ridden section. - No spurs to be worn. - A cane or whip not exceeding 68cm in length, which includes a flap 2cm wide by 4cm long may be carried.
CR. 17	<p>OPEN SHOW - HACK, PARK HACK, SADDLE HUNTER, RIDING HORSE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A Horse may only be entered in the Open Hack Section <u>or</u> Park Hack Section <u>or</u> Saddle Hunter Section <u>or</u> Riding Horse Section. - Qualification Gained can only be from the section at affiliated Shows/Events that they entered in – i.e. competed in the Show, Hack section – Hack section qualification; competed in the Park Hack section – Park Hack qualification; competed in the Saddle Hunter section – Saddle Hunter qualification; competed in the Riding Horse section – Riding Horse qualification.
CR. 18	<p>RAS LIVAMOL SERIES – HORSES ONLY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Horse must be registered with RAS Head Office and registration number stated at time of entry.
COMPETITION	
CO 1.	The general conditions of the Horse of the Year show (LRHOY) also apply to the Showing section.
CO 2.	The Showing Committee will endeavour to run to the start times as listed in the programme but reserve the right to amend times. A competitor must be prepared to enter the ring at the stated time for the class they are competing in. No class will start before the stated time unless advertised well in advance. Classes will not be held up waiting for competitors. Competitors will be given one call to enter the competition ring – failure to present after the first call will result in elimination. No second call will be given.
CO 3.	In line with the RAS Resolution Process - https://www.ras.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/RAS-Resolution-Process-updated-2018.doc.pdf , protests must be lodged in writing and on the Protest Form at the office of the Showing section, within 30 minutes of the completion of the class or incident. A deposit of one hundred dollars (\$100) must be paid with each protest. All matters relating to protests will be referred to the RAS Showing Section Judicial Committee.
CO 3a.	In line with the RAS Resolution Process complaints of a behavioural nature must be lodged in writing preferably when the incident occurs but may be lodged within 10 calendar days of the Show. All matters relating to behavioural complaints will be referred to the RAS Showing Section Judicial Committee unless the matter involves an RAS Official – if it involves an RAS Official, please follow the RAS Resolution Process.
CO 3b.	Decisions on protests and complaints of a behavioural nature of the Showing Section Judicial Committee may be appealed to the LRHOY Appeal Committee with the exception of a complaint of a behavioural nature of an RAS Official (in the case of an RAS Official, the RAS Resolution Process applies). The decision of the LRHOY Appeal Committee will be final.

	Once a Protest / Complaint is lodged, the conditions of confidentiality apply.
CO 4.	The Chairperson of the RAS LRHOY Showing Committee or their duly appointed delegate may issue a yellow warning card instead of fines or other penalties to the Person Responsible for abuse of animals or inappropriate behaviour as defined in the RAS Yellow Card System. www.ras.org.nz / About RAS / Rules, Regulations, Polices.
CO 5.	Breastplate number holders are compulsory for all classes, except working hunters and hunter jumping, and the competitor is responsible for making the number. Only large black numbers on a white background are acceptable. No other colour combinations or formats are acceptable. Working Hunters and Hunter Jumpers are exempt from wearing a breastplate number holder, for safety reasons. However, competitors in Working Hunter & Hunter Jumping classes must wear an armband number holder displaying their number. Competitors in Working Hunter & Hunter Jumping classes must provide their own armband holder and number which is to be worn on the <u>left</u> arm. The number will be black on a white background. In all classes the competitor number must be correct for that class or the competitor will be eliminated from the class.
CO 6.	Declaration of Entry forms must be accompanied by a copy (both sides) of the height certificate for horse/pony competing. It is expected that all details on the certificate are as on the RAS database - https://www.ras.org.nz/equestrian/horse-search/ . If they ARE NOT, the certificate needs to be updated prior to competing at LRHOY, or they will be refused entry to the ring.
CO 7.	If the Judges, Steward, or Ringmaster(s) determines that a horse/pony and/or rider/handler is misbehaving to the extent that they unduly disturb other competitors and/or horses/ponies, they will request that the horse/pony and/or rider/handler leave the ring and retire.
CO 8.	If a horse/pony leaves the ring for any reason, they are immediately disqualified from that class.
CO 9.	All horses or ponies must be in the Collecting Ring before Title classes commence.
CO 10.	No electronic devices are to be worn in the holding area or ring. No verbal instruction to, or discussion with competitors during competition is allowed except from a HOY Showing Section Official.
CO 11.	No tongue-ties or artificial transparent head restraints are to be used in any ridden or led classes.
CO 12.	No bandages or boots are to be worn in the ring, except in Hunter Jumping classes.
CO 13.	All horses/ponies with the exception of foals & yearlings must be presented in a bitted bridle. The bit must be in its original manufactured condition.
CO 14.	All Led horses/ponies must have a suitable halter or bridle with a fastened throat lash. Entire males over 6 months of age must be controlled by a bit, and all colts or stallions regardless of age must display two "S" stallion badges on either side of their halter or bridle at all times.
CO 15.	Any Lapels/Badges or similar that identify names, stud, showing team, or previous awards won, are banned from being worn on the rider/handler or horse/pony when in the Collecting Ring, Warm Up Ring, or Showing Ring.
CO 16.	Competitors riding a Pony must be in child's attire – no long boots, chaps or gaiters.
CO.17	In all cases current WorkSafe NZ rules prevail. All riders, including harness drivers/with the exclusion of heavy horse (Clydesdale) working classes, competing at RAS affiliated A&P Shows/Events must wear protective headgear, which includes a retaining harness secured to the shell at more than two points. Such headgear must be worn with the chinstrap properly adjusted and fastened when in the arena or ring, the practice area, collecting rings or anywhere else within a Showgrounds or the grounds of an affiliated Event. Hats/helmets must conform with one of the current approved safety standards. These standards may be subject to change, but the latest list can be found at http://www.ras.org.nz – equestrian. RAS will advise any changes via their website and Facebook. All hats/helmets that conform as per above must be identified by the current tag system implemented by NZPCA, ESNZ and RAS.
CO. 18	Working Hunter/Hunter Jumping classes – one baulk, run off or fall will result in elimination from the class.
CO. 19	Only Working Hunter, Hunter Jumping & Title classes will have set workouts (noted under Schedule with (#)
CO. 20	In Title classes (noted under Schedule with *) competitors will be asked to represent their horse/pony In Hand, stripped of all saddlery, after the workouts are completed. This will be subject to time and daylight conditions – if necessary, the stripping component of the conformation judging will not take place.

CO. 21	A "Best Presented" sash will be awarded in each Title Class, except P&M classes throughout the Show including Lead Rein & First Ridden.
CO. 22	Workouts will be available online from 20 February 2022 – www.hoy.kiwi or www.ras.org.nz and from the Showing Office at the Showing Section. There will be no alteration to the starting order as a result of not obtaining a workout.
CO 23.	The LRHOY Showing Committee reserve the right to combine classes (depending on sponsorship and Trophies), if there are insufficient numbers entered.
CO 24.	All scores for all classes in the Showing Section will be published. ANY abuse or bad behaviour regarding scores will not be tolerated. Be aware of the RAS Social Media Policy – http://www.ras.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2013/06/RAS-Social-Media-Policy-2.pdf
CO 25.	<p>For health and safety reasons, the new ring format that was to be in 2021 will be continued and the following rules will apply. Please familiarise yourself with the layout prior to your classes.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Any disputes or arguments with ring stewards/officials will result in a yellow card and/or elimination. Absolutely no public foot traffic or spectators will be permitted to enter competition, warm up or collecting rings. All rings are for competitors only. The only exception will be in the "stripping phase" of the Title classes. For the stripping phase, one groom per competitor will be called at the appropriate time by an official and only then will be allowed to enter via the collecting ring gate The groom is to be identified by the corresponding number of the competitor they will be assisting. Armband numbers must be worn by the groom. All competitors must provide their own corresponding groom number. Grooms must enter via the collecting ring gate. The ring official will check their number before access is permitted. Once the Stripping phase is complete, grooms are to immediately exit the ring via the same gate they entered. Ring familiarisation is open to all competitors competing that day including led/young stock from 7am-7.45am each morning subject to ground conditions and start times. If time allows 15-30 minutes may be available before the afternoon classes however don't rely on this. Numbers must be worn, and height cards carried for identification if requested. Times may be limited depending on "traffic". All riders MUST be considerate to other competitors in the ring. Ring familiarisation is the chance to get your horse/pony familiar with the surroundings. It is not to be used as a warm- up area. - NO cantering or galloping during ring familiarisation. Appropriate riding attire must be worn at all times during ring familiarisation. No nightwear or pyjamas. Any rider abusing or breaking these conditions, will be asked to leave and may result in being eliminated. Competition and/or collecting rings are closed for grazing or working your horse/pony at any time outside of showing hours.
GENERAL	
G 1.	Fraternisation between showing competitors, their connections and showing judges is not permitted during NZ LRHOY 2022 Show week, on or outside the show grounds. Breach of this condition may result in summary elimination/dismissal.
G 2.	Only Show Officials, Judges and Invited Guests are allowed in the Restricted Area surrounding the Officials' Marquee.
G 3.	All Showing queries are to be made through the Ringside Showing Office, not the scoring Office. Ringside Showing Office is sited adjacent to road beside Arena One.
G 4.	Ringside Showing Office Hours: 8.00am to 9.00am, and 3.00pm to 4.00pm daily. Competitors are not to visit the Ringside Scoring Office at any time.
G 5.	Trophies and Prizes polished and cleaned, were to have been returned no later than 1 February 2021. If you still have a LRHOY Trophy that is yet to be returned, please contact RAS Head Office – enquiries@ras.org.nz . A \$100 bond is to be paid if wishing to hold the trophy for 12 months – refundable once trophy has been returned by the due date.
G 6.	The LRHOY Showing Committee Chairperson, Ringmaster(s) and RAS LRHOY Showing Committee reserve the right to amend any rulings as necessary.