



Executive Summary

Rules & Fixtures Technical Committee Meeting

21st September 2026

1. Entry fees for championship events have been reviewed, taking into consideration the increasing costs faced by competitors and organisers. A staggered increase of entry fees across the next three years has been proposed.
2. An update was provided to the committee on the introduction of the marshal programme. Following a successful pilot programme, a wider roll-out is planned towards the end of the year.
3. The format and structure of the Welsh and Scottish Championships, and the U25 Championships has been reviewed, with plans to standardise these competitions and bring them under the British Dressage umbrella.
4. Work is ongoing regarding the development of major championship events.
5. The provision of class tickets was discussed; it is expected that this work will support the implementation of the new BD Open Series. It is expected that these proposals will offer greater value for money for the British Dressage membership.
6. Rules around tack/equipment were discussed, particularly regarding the due process around broken tack.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 3rd November 2026

BD Sport Operations Director, Derek Pullem

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