Northallerton EC Ltd Terms and Conditions of Use and Hire

All persons entering onto the premises by virtue of admission agree to be bound by these Terms and Conditions and the General Rules of the Competition.

1. These Terms and Conditions apply to all competitors and spectators and must be adhered to at all times. Entry into any competition, including the hire at the Centre, shall be deemed an acceptance of these Terms and Conditions.
2. Northallerton Equestrian Centre reserves the right to refuse entry/hire without stating the reason, to cancel the competition and all rights of admission.
3. Northallerton Equestrian Centre do not accept any responsibility or liability for any injury, accident, damage or illness to any person, property or animal whatsoever, or for any loss whatsoever, arising out of, or occurring at any competition, show or event. It shall be a condition of entry/hire of the Centre that each entrant shall indemnify the organisers against any legal action whatsoever arising from any accident.
4. Everyone must take all reasonable precautions to avoid and prevent accidents occurring and must obey the instructions of the officials and stewards.
5. All entry fees include VAT@20%.
6. No entry or stable fees will be refunded following the publishing of times unless cancelled by NEC.
7. Any individual seen to be causing distress or suffering to any animal will be asked to leave and may be reported to the appropriate authorities.
8. No horse or pony under the age of 4 years shall be ridden at any competition.
9. BRITISH STANDARD APPROVED HARD HATS MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES WHEN MOUNTED. Full and correct attire must be worn by all competitors when competing or hiring the Centre. For show jumping all competitors and grooms, when mounted, must wear a British Standard skull/hard hat, which must be fastened. Failure to do so will incur elimination.
10. Any competitor who is considered by the organisers, stewards, judges to have received outside assistance without prior permission, will be eliminated from their Class.
11. It is the owners/riders responsibility to ensure that horses/ponies are the correct height for their Class.
12. The decision of the Judge on the day in all Classes will be final.
13. Horses and/or ponies must not be left unattended at any time when tied outside Horseboxes or trailers.
14. No horse and/or pony may be lunged in any area. Please also note that the Collecting Ring area is for the purpose of warming up. It is strictly not a viewing or standing area, nor is it to be used by anyone other than those entered in the current Class.
15. Competitors are requested, prior to leaving, to clean up any droppings or hay, straw or shavings around their horsebox/trailer and to dispose of these at home.

16. Northallerton Equestrian Centre reserves the right to alter any schedule at any time without prior notice.
17. Cancellation of any hire within 24hours of the booking will be charged for in full.
18. All areas must be left clean and tidy following any hire. If not left clean & tidy an invoice will be sent.
19. Advise NEC in advance if bringing a Stallion. Stallion Discs & Ribbons MUST BE WORN PLEASE
20. NEC ADVERSE WEATHER POLICY (in line with industry standards)

- **NEC will refer to** current regional alerts on the Met Office Weather Warnings Guide.
- **Yellow Warning:** Competitions proceed normally. NEC will prepare and communicate a clear weather mitigation strategy. Competitors should plan ahead for potential travel delays. **NO REFUNDS & BOOKINGS TO BE PAID IN FULL**
- **Amber Warning:** NEC will review safety and publish specific risk mitigation, or decide to cancel if conditions are unsafe. Case-by-case cancellation decisions apply.
- **Red Warning:** Automatic and immediate competition and training cancellation, full refund given
- **Key Rules & Policies**
- **Timing of Decisions:** Cancellation choices are typically made at least 48 hours prior to the event based on venue location forecasts.
- **Refunds and Transfers:** Entry fee refunds or rescheduling or transfer options for existing entries.
- **Competitor Responsibility:** Riders and competitors retain personal responsibility for their own travel safety and individual circumstances.

MAKE SURE THAT YOUR VEHICLES ARE LOCKED AT ALL TIMES.