

At the latest Clubs meeting it was pointed out that the current Horse Identification Rules are to be followed at all competitions: ALL horses must be wearing ID numbers from the time they arrive at all dressage competitions. This includes Competitive AND Closed Unrestricted competitions. Horses are exempt while in stables as they do not need to wear halters in stable. As soon as you unload your horse, the number needs to be displayed. This includes horses tied to floats or being led on the grounds.

#### **4.8.5 Horse Identification numbers and Stallion ID at events**

Horse Identification numbers are compulsory for identification purposes and must be used at all times at an event so that the horse can be identified by all Officials including Stewards.

- a) Two numbers are required to be worn when competing – one on each side of the horse - preferably attached to both sides of the saddlecloth, or both sides of the bridle and must be clearly legible
- b) The Horse Identification Number must also be worn as described whenever the horse is being ridden/lunged/led/tethered or grazed from the time of their arrival on the grounds until the end of the event
- c) Identification numbers shall be discreet on white background, the colour of the numbers may vary
- d) Green stallion identification discs or number holders as issued by EA and must be worn by stallions at all times at an event
- e) Identification must be clearly displayed on both sides of the stallion's head (attached to bridle or halter) or both sides of the saddle cloth: as per EA regulations
- f) Horse Identification numbers must be worn in addition to stallion discs, either as the EA issued green bridle identification number holder or the green EA issued stallion disc identification plus horse ID number

*This means ALL horses at ALL DRESSAGE COMPS must have a bridle number. EA registered horses will already have an allocated bridle number so it's probably simpler to use that..*

*The simplest way for us to organise this is to allocate numbers for everyone, rather than sorting through each entry to identify whether each horse has EA bridle numbers or not.*

*You may either buy bridle numbers or make your own – the choice is yours.*

*The ID list for each comp is located on the Draw page of our website and will be updated as entries come in.*