

TSR Amateur Rider of the Year!

at the 2020 Northern Ireland Festival (Friday 24th to Sunday 26th April)

The Showing Register will be talent spotting from the Equitation classes (6, 7, 8, 124, 125 and 126) for the TSR Training Pathway & Amateur Rider of the Year to be held on 18/19 July at the TSR Summer Show Onley Equestrian Centre, Rugby, Warwickshire

Judges will be looking at the riding ability of the rider and way of going of the horse/pony, conformation is not taken into account. Riders will be spotted into 3 ability groups New Star (Novice) Rising Star (Medium) Stella Star (advanced) the judges will award the talent spotting slips in the ring.

To be eligible for Talent Spotting riders must be 8 years old and riding OFF the lead rein PLUS an Amateur (as per TSR definition). If the rider is a Junior the parents must be classed as an Amateur. Riders and Ponies/Horses MUST not have qualified or competed at Horse of the Year Show in 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020

Full details of the Pathway & the TSR Amateur definition can be found at <u>www.theshowingregister.co.uk</u>

TSR Amateur definition

You are NOT an Amateur if :-

- Your main income is from working with horses or ponies either as a self employed person or as an employee
- You engage in breeding, livery, buying, selling or dealing in a commercial capacity.
- Receive remuneration for employment in the connection with horses in racing, showing, livery or riding school (inc teaching)
- Show a horse owned or sponsored by a company or commercial firm.
- The horse/pony is stabled in a professional show producer's yard during the current season. You may keep your horse or pony at part livery or DIY Livery as long as the owner of the yard does not fall under the definition of Professional Show Producer. You may receive lessons / training in either a clinic or one to one basis.
- If you teach or train horses or riders on a paid or unpaid basis you are not eligible.
- Junior Riders under 18 years can only be classed as amateurs *if both parents* are amateurs.

If you work with Horses /ponies but it is not your main income it must be on a 'hobby' basis and if this is the case you may have a ruling from the office on request. The definition by TSR of a Professional Show Producer is a person who derives income from keeping and training horses and ponies for the show ring even if this is not their sole or main source of income.

