

8.2 Show Horse

The Equestrian Victoria State Championship classes offer a pathway to the Australian Interschool Championship competition and are run in a standard format with all riders having three phases, with workouts, as individuals. Cumulative scores decide Championships and placings. The top four competitors in Primary, Intermediate and Senior divisions of Show Horse, Show Hunter and Working Hunter classes are selected in the Victorian team. Placing 5th and 6th in these events will be the Team Reserves.

Some smaller regional events and Agricultural Shows may offer Interschool classes which are run in a similar manner to open rings, but fall in the categories and clothing relevant to Interschool competition. Age groups are run in school year levels. The ISV calendar will include competitions with Interschool Show Horse classes.

Equestrian Australia publishes a set of National Interschool Show Horse Rules which include details and sample workouts. These rules can be found on the Rules, Regulations and Policies section.

8.2.1 General rules - State Championships format

- a.** Riders must complete all three phases in the class on the same horse.
- b.** Each class will have a timed draw and all riders will complete an individual workout. Placing 5th and 6th in those events will be the Team Reserves.
- c.** Prizes will be awarded for Led, Rider and Ridden classes and



Championships (combined score across 3 phases).

- d.** Rider and horse/pony combination may compete in one division only. They must choose between Show Horse, Show Hunter or Working Hunter.

- e.** **Show Horse** will comprise of three separate phases:

Phase 1 – In-hand phase, **Phase 2** – Rider class (judging the rider, not Smartest on Parade or Turnout), **Phase 3** – Ridden workout (judging the horse as a Show Horse).

- f.** **Show Hunter** will comprise of three phases:

Phase 1 – In-hand phase, **Phase 2** – Rider class (judging the rider, not Smartest on Parade or Turnout), **Phase 3** – **Ridden Workout** (judging the horse as a Show Hunter).

- g.** **Working Hunter** will comprise of three separate phases:

Phase 1 – In-hand, **Phase 2** – Rider class (judging the rider, not Smartest on Parade or Turnout), **Phase 3** – Jumping and Ridden workout (Judging the horse as a Working Hunter) with height of 65cm for Senior, for Intermediate and 45cm for Primary.

8.2.2 Scoring system

Each phase will be scored based on a points system. The riders will then be ranked based on the scores within each phase. The total points earned across the three phases will determine the Championship Ranking.

To place in the championship riders must complete all 3 phases.