

NEDTL TRAINING POLICY

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1) Statement

It is the intention of the NEDTL to have a structured Training Policy

2) General

It is a NEDTL requirement that all competitors are assessed before they enter their first NEDTL competition. This assessment is in accordance with BHDTA Guidelines.

Many types of training have been organised in the past and the following table would appear a reasonable balance of what is practicable

3) Range of Training required

	Type	Description	By NEDTL	By BHDTA	By Specialist	Days required
1	Absolute Beginner	Just started Needs individual instruction			Yes	
2	Novice in first year of Trials	Indoor competitions useful introduction. PLAE Days highly recommended	Yes Yes			6 Winter 3 Spring
3	Novice	At least two days a year to be organised at Escrick to cover basics of Dressage, Obstacles and Cones for drivers and grooms	Yes			2 Summer

4	Drivers in third or more years of competition Dressage and Cones Obstacles	At least one week-end a year to be organised at Escrick			Yes	2 Summer
5	Assessments	Basically at Escrick Play Days but can be arranged individually	Yes			
6	Stewards	Time keeping and Obstacle This can be on-site given by experienced members or At formal BHDТА Clinic	Yes	Yes		
7	First Aid	Basic Life-Support recommended			Yes	
8	Dressage judging	For Club Events at BHDТА Clinic		Yes		
9	Course Building	BHDТА recommends a refresher course every two years		Yes		
10	TDs	BHDТА recommends a refresher course every two years		Yes		
11	Scoring	Manual or Computer		Yes		
12	Child Protection	Very specialised			BHS	
13	Juniors	Generally at Unicorn Trust		Yes		
14	Para-equestrians	Specialised			Yes	

The club has a significant resource of experience and it is suggested that members contact the Training Co-ordinators to discuss their training needs

4) Training Facilities

Escrick has ideal facilities for training from April to September

At present no winter training is being organised but individuals have organised training at Tickhill with an external trainer.

5) Training Co-ordinators

Assessments	Pat Cooper	(and Para-equestrians)
Winter indoor Competitions	Pat Cooper	
PLAE Days	Douglas Strachan	(and Juniors)
Escrick Novice Days	Jane Wilson	
Escrick Week-end	Barry Hildich	using External Trainers
BHDTA/External Courses	Sue Oddy	

6) Costs

General

The Club pays an annual rental to Escrick Estate for the dressage area facility and so the Club encourages members to use it.

The Club Policy is to run all training activities at cost and where possible to seek funding from outside sources to minimise these costs