



**Given the changes to the Coloured Horse and Pony of the Year HOYS qualifiers for 2017, please find below frequently asked questions regarding the classes. Should you have any further questions that are not detailed in this document please do not hesitate to contact Grandstand Media Limited on 02476 858205.**

**Please ensure that you refer to the Horse of the Year Show rule book, available to download from [www.hoys.co.uk](http://www.hoys.co.uk), for further rules regarding Horse of the Year Show qualifiers and the final.**

**Who do I need to register my animal with to enter the Coloured Horse and Pony of the Year HOYS qualifiers?**

Animals need to be registered in the studbooks, or as an ID registered coloured animal, of the Coloured Horse and Pony Society - CHAPS (UK) or the Traditional Gypsy Cob Association – TGCA.

Only animals identifiable as eligible for entry into the Traditional Gypsy Cob Association Studbook (full or partbred traditional gypsy cob register) are able to be registered with TGCA.

**Do I need to register my animal in each year of competing?**

No, once your horse is registered or over stamped by the society then it does not need to be registered again or annually.

However, should the animal be sold it is a DEFRA requirement that the passport must be in the name of the legal owner. Therefore a transfer of ownership must be completed to the current owner's name.

**I have a stallion who does this need to be graded with?**

All stallions must be registered and graded with CHAPS (UK), and must wear a CHAPS (UK) stallion disc to compete.

**Who needs to be a member to enter the Coloured Horse and Pony of the Year HOYS qualifier?**

Riders and owners need to be members prior to the qualifier in which the animal is entered.

**Which Society do I need to be a member to enter the Coloured Horse and Pony of the Year HOYS qualifier?**

Riders and owners need to be members of either CHAPS (UK), TGCA or The Showing Register (TSR).

This membership needs to be the relevant Showing Membership applicable to the society.

**Can my solid coloured TGCA registered Horse/Pony compete in the HOYS Coloured Horse/Pony class?**

No, the HOYS qualifier will maintain that the class is open to animals defined as being “coloured”. Coloured animals must be black and white or white and any other colour with a patch of naturally occurring white above the level of the stifle or elbow, excluding any face markings. Any white marking below this does not qualify. Manes and tails may also be white or have white in them. Solid colours, appaloosa or spotted animals with belly markings do not qualify.

**Do I need a JMB certificate/number?**

All exhibits wishing to compete in any height restricted HOYS Coloured Ridden qualifier will be required to lodge an initial JMB measurement with CHAPS UK Admin or TGCA at time of registration.

If the exhibit in the height restricted class qualifies for Horse of the Year Show then a valid/full JMB height certificate/number for the year in question will be required to be submitted to Horse of the Year Show Admin at the time of entry.

If your horse is already registered with TGCA and is not registered with CHAPS (UK) then you will need to ensure that a height certificate is on file with TGCA for the exhibit.

Height Restricted HOYS Coloured Qualifiers:

Ridden Non-Native Pony up to and including 138cm (CHAPS Championship Show only)

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Ridden Native/Cob/Traditional Ponies up to and including 138cm (CHAPS Championship Show only)

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**Do I need to be a CHAPS member to compete in the HOYS Coloured Horse/Pony class at CHAPS regional shows or the CHAPS Championship? / Do I need to be a TSR member to compete in the HOYS Coloured Horse/Pony class at the TSR Spring or TSR Summer Show? / Do I need to be a TGCA member to compete in the HOYS Coloured Horse/Pony class at the TGCA National Show?**

No, all HOYS classes are run under HOYS rules therefore at any qualifier the Rider and Owner can be a member of either CHAPS (UK) or TGCA or TSR.

**Do I need a CHAPS competition number to compete in the Coloured Horse/Pony of the Year qualifier?**

No, for 2017 you do not need to obtain a CHAPS competition number to enter a HOYS qualifier. If this is something that you have already obtained for 2017 then there are a number of options which you have available to you from CHAPS (UK) as follows:

- Reimbursement of the £20 HOYS competition number
- Reimbursement of the difference between the membership fee you have paid and the new HOYS category fee of £20. Any qualifier card issued MUST be revoked before refund is given, and you will receive no further journals
- You can choose to donate any reimbursements into the CHAPS HOYS sponsorship pot.

Please contact CHAPS (UK) Administration in writing by 31<sup>st</sup> March to declare the route you wish to choose regarding your reimbursement.

**Do I need a HOYS ID number to enter the Coloured Horse/Pony of the Year qualifier?**

Yes, when entering a HOYS qualifier you must provide your ID number for the Horse, Rider, Owner and Exhibitor (person making the entry). These are available by registering for free on [www.grandstandentries.com](http://www.grandstandentries.com). For more information on obtaining a HOYS ID number please see the link to our website

[http://hoys.co.uk/files/4414/5701/3818/Grandstand\\_Entries\\_System\\_Guidelines.pdf](http://hoys.co.uk/files/4414/5701/3818/Grandstand_Entries_System_Guidelines.pdf)

**What qualifier do TGCA have at their show?**

TGCA will host the Horse of the Year Show qualifier for the Coloured Native Ridden Traditional Pony of the Year. This is an additional qualifier for the traditional animal in 2017 and therefore does not affect the number of animals qualifying in any other section. Other sections will remain with the same number of qualifiers as in 2016, please see the full list of qualifiers on the HOYS website <http://hoys.co.uk/competitor-zone/showing-qualifiers/coloured-horse-and-pony-year-sponsored-chaps-uk/>

**For more information please contact Horse of the Year Show Press Office on 02476 858 205 or email [press@hoys.co.uk](mailto:press@hoys.co.uk)**

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