



OFFICIAL RULES

INTERNATIONAL SHETLAND PONY SHOW - 25TH & 26TH JULY 2020

IN HAND

SHETLAND PONY SHOW

ORGANISED BY FRENCH SHETLAND PONY SOCIETY AFPS-GEPS

January 2020

I. ORGANISATION OF THE SHOW

A. Place/dates/program

The International In Hand Show will take place on the 25th and 26th of July 2020 at the Pole Hippique, in Saint-Lo (in the Manche, region of Normandy, France).

The judging will take place in 4 rings, as set out below:

- Miniature ponies (maximum height 86cm);
- Intermediate ponies (86.1cm to 97cm);
- Black standard ponies (97.1cm to 107cm);
- Coloured standard ponies (97.1cm to 107cm).

Program summary:

(indicative timetables)

Saturday 25th July:

8h30 – 16h	Junior ponies classes: males, females, geldings aged 1 to 3 years old Foals classes
16h – 17h	Champion foal and reserve champion foal
	Junior championship from each ring

Sunday 26th July:

8h30 -16h	Senior ponies classes: males, females, geldings aged 4 years old and over
	Senior championship from each ring
	Supreme championship from each ring
16h-16h30	Progeny class
	Overall Supreme Championship In hand category: BEST IN BREED
16h30-17h15	Closing ceremony
	Overall Supreme Championship of the International Shetland Pony Show 2020: BEST IN SHOW

Saturday 25th July (indicative timetables):

8h30 – 16h	Judging of the Junior pony classes, 1 year old/2 years old/3 years old, males/females and junior geldings and foals classes
16h – 17h	Judging of the Champion foal and Reserve Champion foal, to be selected from the best 4 foals, one selected from each ring.
	Junior Championship by ring (selection of the Junior Champions: ponies placed first in their class compete in the Junior Championship, including foals)

Sunday 26th July (indicative timetables):

8h30 -16h	Judging of the Senior pony classes, 4 years and over, males/females and senior geldings
	Championship by ring (selection of the Senior Champions: ponies placed first in their class compete in the Senior Championship)
	Supreme Champion by ring (selection of Supreme and Reserve Champion by height, including Junior Supreme Champion and Junior Reserve Champion and Senior Supreme Champion and Senior Reserve Champion)
16h-16h30	1/Progeny class
	2/Judging of the 3 BEST IN BREED of in hand classes for miniature, intermediate, black standard, coloured standard rings
16h30 - 17h15	1/Closing ceremony
	2/ Overall Supreme Championship of the International Shetland Pony Show 2020: BEST IN SHOW The 3 ponies BEST IN BREED will go head to head with the 3 ponies BEST IN SPORT (see championships schedule at the end of the paper)

II. JURY

The Committee of the AFPS-GEPS has chosen the members of the jury.

These judges are listed on the Shetland Pony Stud Book Society's page of International Judges.

The judges should not be given a show catalogue.

A member of the jury should remove himself from judging if a pony with his affix is in a class in his ring. This should be mentioned to the secretary before the beginning of the class. In no case whatsoever should a judge be judging a pony born at, or carrying his stud affix.

The decision of the Jury is final and cannot be contested.

The jury have full authority to take any decisions necessary for the smooth running of the show.

The judges must sign the results at the end of the show.

Prospective jury ("judges 1" are head judges for each ring):

Ring	Judge 1	Judge 2
Miniature ponies	Mrs Johanna Vaurio (FI)	Mr André Lamandé (FR)
Intermediate ponies	Mrs Jilly Jones (GB)	Mr Ludovic Durand (FR)
Standard black ponies	Mr Robert Griffiths (GB)	Mrs Angela Glatthaar (CH)
Standard coloured ponies	Mr Steve Rendall (GB)	Mr Libertus Alderkamp (NL)
Ridden classes	Mrs Dorothy Griffiths (GB)	Mrs Yvonne Held (FR)
Driven classes and agility	Mrs Annette Van Boxtel (NL)	Steward : Mrs Nicky Beck (GB)

The judges from the sport classes will join the judges from the in hand classes to judge the Overall Supreme Championship (Best in Show).

III. REGISTRATIONS

A. Participation

This event is open to all Shetland ponies registered in a Studbook, which is recognised by International Shetland Pony Committee (ISPC). Each national society is allowed to apply specific requirements (checks, pre-sets, etc.) to its members for their participation.

For France, all ponies registered at the French Studbook are admitted for entries as long as their owners are fully members of the French Shetland pony Society, having paid their contribution for the year 2020.

B. Entries

Entries should be done on the dedicated website: the link will be on <https://www.internationalshetlandpony2020.com/?lang=en>.

There are two phases to register:

1/ First phase: registration without naming the ponies entered (pre-registration)

Registration will be open from 1st March 2020 and will close on 1st May 2020. During this period, breeders are invited to state the number of ponies they wish to register in each class, **without having to give the ponies name**. They must also state the number of boxes they wish to book and can reserve places for the breeders' dinner on Saturday night. Payment takes place at this stage. After the 1st of May, registration is no longer possible.

2/ Second phase : final registration

The breeder must enter the name of their pony in each class to which they have previously registered. Particular attention should be given to the right size of the pony in the class.

This can be done between the 2nd May 2020 and 15th June 2020.

NB* Phase 2 can only be completed by participants if Phase 1 has already been done.

Registration can be paid by credit card directly on the dedicated website (cheques and bank transfers are not accepted). Registration of ponies is validated only after payment has been made in full.

Any incomplete, incorrect or late registration will be refused.

Any forfeits must be declared to the Show Secretary on the morning of the show at the latest.

No modifications can be made to the registrations after the closing date (1st May for Phase 1, 15th June for Phase 2).

By his registration, the breeder agrees to arrive before the start of classes and stay to the end of show, unless special authorisation is given by the President of AFPS-GEPS or his representative.

C. Health requirements

All ponies present on the site must be in good health and not show any signs of having a contagious disease or illness.

If necessary, a veterinarian (or member of the jury, or member of the organizing committee, after consulting with the president of the AFPS-GEPS or his representative), may decide to exclude a pony if its state of health is inadequate, this pony is obviously also excluded from participating in the show. In such a case, if a veterinarian is called out to confirm an illness, the costs will be payable by the ponies owner. There is no claim for refund of entries fees.

The person in charge of the ponies transport must adhere to regulations in place for the transport of live animals, in particular:

- that the ponies are in good condition to travel.
- that the vehicle is appropriate and conform to the safety and well-being of the ponies.

1/ For ponies stationed in France

All equines must be identified and conform to the rules in place:

- be microchipped,
- travel with their passport or similar identification document,
- registered to SIRE (French equines database).

Ponies must be vaccinated against horse-flu. The first vaccination and following ones must be done so in accordance with vaccination protocol.

2/ For ponies stationed outside of France

Ponies imported for less than 30 days on French soil do not have to have a microchip, but must be identified. Registration in SIRE (French database) is not compulsory.

These ponies should be accompanied by a certificate of good health.

- For owners with ponies coming from EU countries and Switzerland, they must provide this certificate having been issued less than 10 days before arrival.
- This date is extended to 90 days for ponies coming from Belgium, Luxembourg and the Netherlands (memorandum 2017).
- It is also 90 days for ponies coming from the United Kingdom and Ireland (tripartite agreement), unless new regulations come into place.
- If any of these time limits should lapse whilst on French soil, an extension should be sought.

All equines must be vaccinated against horse flu. The first vaccination and following ones must be done so in accordance with vaccination protocol.

IV. RUNNING OF THE SHOW

A. General proceedings

1/ Proceedings

The handlers should have an armband with their number and enter the ring in accordance to number order. The armband should be worn clearly on the right arm showing each ponies number for their class, for progeny classes and championships. A ring steward, will be present in each ring to help the jury. The ring steward will liaise between the handlers and the jury and help to place the ponies for the prize-giving line-up of each class.

Only one handler for one pony is allowed to enter the ring. External assistance are not allowed except with the jury's agreement.

The jury may proceed to check the height of a pony.

2/ Handlers

Ponies and their handlers are in the ring under the authority of the jury.

The handlers must follow directions from the judges or stewards.

The handlers must show respect towards each person present in the ring and not leave the ring before the end of judging, and only on jury's request.

The handlers will wear an elegant and suitable outfit, without any distinctive logos or stud names. White is allowed. Any casual-wear is prohibited.

3/ Ponies

Ponies should be well behaved, walk, trot and stand correctly.

Hooves should be trimmed correctly and ponies should be presented with full mane and tails and not clipped out. Light trimming of the ears and beard is tolerated.

Foals at foot must be lead at all times.

Males of 2 years and over must be presented in a bit, on pain of being excluded.

Each pony will have a registration number in the catalogue, which he will keep throughout the whole weekend of the show.

4/ Exclusion

May be excluded or refused entry to the ring if:

- the participant arrives late for the class, enters the ring after the class has started, or leaves the ring before the end of the judging;
- anyone lacking in fair-play or politeness;
- anyone who's behaviour is deemed excessive;
- Any pony deemed to be in poor condition, or whose behaviour is deemed dangerous or unsettling to the smooth running of the class;

- Anyone who does not accept and respect the rules and regulations in their entirety.

Each breeder is also responsible for the people representing their stud. The disciplinary commission may take further action if necessary.

B. Classes

The ponies presented are put into different classes depending on their height, age and different sexes.

In each class, the judges will evaluate each pony. They will then place the ponies in order of their choice. Ponies who are first in their class will qualify to participate in the championships.

Classes will proceed by numerical order and each class will be judged at the same time in each ring. E.g. classes 2/10/18 and 26 (yearling colts) will start at the same time. In this case, the jury must wait for the end of a class in another ring, before starting the next class on the schedule.

If a class has a huge amount of participants, it may be divided into sub-sections. The ponies classed 1st and 2nd in these sub-sections will confront each other in the class final.

E.g. if 27 filly foals are registered in the same class, they could be judged in three sub-sections of 9 foals in each section. The first two ponies from each sub-section, 6 foals, coming together to compete in the final line-up.

NB: 3 year old brood mares (with a foal at foot) are not authorised.

CLASSES ORDER

JUNIOR PONY CLASSES (1 year old/ 2 years old/ 3 years old and foals):

Nº	Miniature Shetland ponies	maximum height
1	Fillies 1 year old	84 cm
2	Colts 1 year old	84 cm
3	Fillies 2 years old	86 cm
4	Colts 2 years old	86 cm
5	Fillies 3 years old	86 cm
6	Colts 3 years old	86 cm
7	Geldings 1 to 3 years old	84 cm (1 yo), 86 cm (2 and 3 yo)
8	Foals (colts and fillies) out of a miniature Shetland mare	/ from 1 month of age

Nº	Intermediate Shetland ponies	maximum height
9	Fillies 1 year old	95 cm
10	Colts 1 year old	95 cm
11	Fillies 2 years old	97 cm
12	Colts 2 years old	97 cm
13	Fillies 3 years old	97 cm
14	Colts 3 years old	97 cm
15	Geldings 1 to 3 years old	95 cm (1 yo), 97 cm (2 and 3 yo)
16	Foals (colts and fillies) out of an intermediate mare	/ from 1 month of age

Nº	Standard black Shetland ponies	maximum height
17	Fillies 1 year old	105 cm
18	Colts 1 year old	105 cm
19	Fillies 2 years old	107 cm
20	Colts 2 years old	107 cm
21	Fillies 3 years old	107 cm
22	Colts 3 years old	107 cm
23	Geldings 1 to 3 years old	105 cm (1 yo), 107 cm (2 and 3 yo)
24	Black foals (colts and fillies) out of an standard mare	/ from 1 month of age

Nº	Standard coloured Shetland ponies	maximum height
25	Fillies 1 year old	105 cm
26	Colts 1 year old	105 cm
27	Fillies 2 years old	107 cm
28	Colts 2 years old	107 cm
29	Fillies 3 years old	107 cm
30	Colts 3 years old	107 cm
31	Geldings 1 to 3 years old	105 cm (1 yo), 107 cm (2 and 3 yo)
32	Coloured foals (colts and fillies) out of an standard mare	/ from 1 month of age

SENIOR PONY CLASSES (4 years old and over):

n°	<i>Miniature Shetland ponies</i>	<i>maximum height</i>
33	Mares 4 to 9 years old, with foal at foot	86 cm
34	Mares 10 to 15 years old, with foal at foot	
35	Mares 16 years old and over, with foal at foot	
36	Mares 4 to 9 years old, without foal	
37	Mares 10 to 15 years old, without foal	
38	Mares 16 years old and over without foal	
39	Stallions 4 to 9 years old	
40	Stallions 10 to 15 years old	
41	Stallions 16 years old and over	
42	Geldings 4 years old and over	
n°	<i>Intermediate Shetland ponies</i>	<i>maximum height</i>
43	Mares 4 to 9 years old, with foal at foot	97 cm
44	Mares 10 to 15 years old, with foal at foot	
45	Mares 16 years old and over, with foal at foot	
46	Mares 4 to 9 years old, without foal	
47	Mares 10 to 15 years old, without foal	
48	Mares 16 years old and over without foal	
49	Stallions 4 to 9 years old	
50	Stallions 10 to 15 years old	
51	Stallions 16 years old and over	
52	Geldings 4 years old and over	
n°	<i>Standard black Shetland ponies</i>	<i>maximum height</i>
53	Mares 4 to 9 years old, with foal at foot	107 cm
54	Mares 10 to 15 years old, with foal at foot	
55	Mares 16 years old and over, with foal at foot	
56	Mares 4 to 9 years old, without foal	
57	Mares 10 to 15 years old, without foal	
58	Mares 16 years old and over without foal	
59	Stallions 4 to 9 years old	
60	Stallions 10 to 15 years old	
61	Stallions 16 years old and over	
62	Geldings 4 years old and over	
n°	<i>Standard coloured Shetland ponies</i>	<i>maximum height</i>
63	Mares 4 to 9 years old, with foal at foot	107 cm
64	Mares 10 to 15 years old, with foal at foot	
65	Mares 16 years old and over, with foal at foot	
66	Mares 4 to 9 years old, without foal	
67	Mares 10 to 15 years old, without foal	
68	Mares 16 years old and over without foal	
69	Stallions 4 to 9 years old	
70	Stallions 10 to 15 years old	
71	Stallions 16 years old and over	
72	Geldings 4 years old and over	

PROGENY CLASSES:

class 73 : Progeny prize "broodmare"

class 74 : Progeny prize "stallion"

C. Proceedings of championships in each ring

Championships will take in the four categories in each ring and are all run in the same way. All ponies who are first in their class will go forward to the championship.

1) Junior championships (Saturday 25th July)

1. Junior Female Champion: filly 1 year old, filly 2 years old and filly 3 years old, having finished first in their respective classes.
2. Junior Male Champion: colt 1 year old, colt 2 years old and colt 3 years old, having finished first in their respective classes.
3. **Junior Supreme Champion and Junior Reserve Champion:** will be selected from the Junior Female Champion, the Junior Male Champion, the Junior Gelding Champion (having finished first in their class) and best Foal (having finished first in their class)

The Junior Supreme Champion and Junior Reserve Champion will compete against the Senior Supreme Champion and Reserve Senior Champion of their respective rings, to crown the ring Supreme and Reserve Champions.

2) Senior championships (Sunday 26th July)

1. Senior Mare with foal at foot Championship: will be selected from mares with foal at foot 4 to 9 years old, 10 to 15 years old, and 16 years old and over, having finished 1st in their class.
2. Senior Mare without foal Championship: will be selected from mares without foal 4 to 9 years old, 10 to 15 years old, and 16 years old and over, having finished first in their class.
3. Senior Female Champion: will be selected from the Senior Mare with foal at foot Champion and Senior Mare without foal Champion.
4. Senior Male Champion: will be selected from the stallions 4 to 9 years old, 10 to 15 years old, and 16 years old and over, having finished first in their class.
5. **Senior Supreme Champion and Senior Reserve Champion:** will be selected from the Senior Female Champion, the Senior Male Champion and the Senior Gelding Champion (having finished first in their class).

The Senior Supreme Champion and Senior Reserve Champion will compete against the Junior Supreme Champion and Junior Reserve Champion of their respective rings, to crown each ring Supreme and Reserve Champions.

D. Special prizes, supreme championships and Best in Show

In the main ring:

Progeny prize

- Progeny prize “Broodmare” : broodmare with at least 2 offspring aged 1 year old or over, OR 3 offspring from the same broodmare aged 1 year old or over;
- Progeny prize “Stallion”: stallion with at least 2 offspring aged 1 year old or over, OR 3 offspring from the same stallion aged 1 year old or over.

Best in Breed (in hand supreme championship)

- Choice of the three (first, second and third) BEST IN BREED ponies: selection of champions from the Miniature Ring, Intermediate Ring, Black Standard Ring and Coloured Standard Ring.

Best in Show (overall supreme championship)

- Choice of the three (first, second and third) BEST IN SHOW ponies: selection from the three BEST IN BREED ponies and the three BEST IN SPORT ponies.

The BEST IN SHOW will be judged with a scorecard: each judge will attribute points to the place he wishes the pony to be classed. He will give 1 point to the 1st place, 2 points to the 2nd place and so on. The pony who obtains the least number of points is deemed Best in Show 1st; the pony with the next lowest score is Best in Show 2nd, then Best in Show 3rd.

The judges should deliberate on their own, complete their scorecard individually, and hand it to the ring steward so that the show secretary can add up the points.

In the case of a tie of points, the president of the jury will choose the three (first, second and third) BEST IN SHOW ponies.
