

PDRCs Team Funding Policy

Area Qualifiers:

All members who put their name forward to compete in a riding club qualifier are expected to pay the pre-entry fee upfront. This fee is not refundable, so even if the combination drops out before final entries are due or does not compete on the day for whatever reason, this fee will not be returned unless a replacement combination can be found. Riders are expected to pay the full entry fee minus the PDRC contribution. The PDRC contribution typically equals (approximately) the amount paid for pre-entry. Fees should be paid before the qualifying event takes place. PDRC does not normally pay for stabling for competitors in area qualifiers.

National Championships:

PDRC aims to make it financially possible for members who qualify at an area qualifier to travel down to a national riding clubs championship to represent their club. However, PDRC cannot pay all costs involved as these can be substantial and unpredictable given that it is not known beforehand how many members will qualify in a given year. As a minimum, PDRC will pay the entry fee for PDRC teams and individuals who have qualified, as well as stabling as far as essential to allow participation in the event. For a championship run over a single day at a distance of more than 5 hours driving this means stabling the night before and after the event; for a championship run over more days also the nights between start and end date of the event.

Any additional cost will need to be covered by the competitors. Competitors are strongly encouraged to organise fund-raising events and PDRC will provide support to make these a success, by means of advertising on the PDRC website and Facebook site, payment facilities, making jumping material available, etc; but not by wholly organising the events.

NOTE: this policy will be adhered to as long as PDRC's financial situation allows. There may be exceptional circumstances that will force a less generous contribution to each member's costs, for example a very large number of members qualifying and travelling to a championship, or the club getting into financial difficulties. In such case the PDRC committee will communicate to members who have qualified well before the championship what financial contribution can be expected from the club.

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