



## Mounted Games Association Ireland

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### **BREATHALYSER policy**

Testing of all Open, and Junior (Under 18) riders (plus their trainer if he/she goes into the arena). Breath test pass is set at zero alcohol.

Referees, and trainers of all age groups to take the breathalyser test also.

Testing to be done every day for all riders' first session (unless suspicion of alcohol taken before second session). Underage riders should be accompanied by a parent / guardian.

Attendance will be recorded as breathalyser tests are done.

Parents/supporters needed to hold their ponies.

It is the responsibility of the trainers to present their teams at the correct time for breath testing.

Rider to give her/his name to those doing breathalyser.

If rider blows positive (i.e., shows a reading above zero), they may not compete in that session. They may take a re-test before their session commences. A rider may not compete until he/she has blown a clear test. Likewise for trainers and referees they are NOT permitted in the ring until they show a clear test.

In the event of a positive result any rider, trainer or referee must pass a test later to enter the arena (or practice arena) for a subsequent session.

If the trainer blows positive she/he may direct operations from outside the arena or appoint a substitute trainer to go in the arena and who must also take the breath test.

If a referee blows positive, then an alternative must be found.

No electronic or paper records will be filed on personal data after the event.