

Junior Driver and Backstepper/Groom Rules

These rules apply to ALL Oaks Driving Club competitions, training days, events and pleasure drives.

Juniors drivers are aged between 8 years and 18 years on the 1st of January of the current year.

Young drivers aged 8 - 10 years must have an adult groom (18 years or older) on the carriage using dual reins with ribbons.

Children under the age of 8 years are NOT allowed on a carriage.

Juniors may only drive singles until assessed capable of driving multiples.

Grooms for an adult driver for phase 3 obstacles must be capable of assisting and be at least 14 years old.

Body Protectors: All junior drivers and grooms MUST wear a body or back protector whenever on a carriage.

Hard hats and gloves are compulsory.

Insurance: By becoming a member of the Oaks Driving Club you are automatically covered by third party insurance to drive at Oaks Driving Club events only via the club's affiliation to British Carriagedriving. You will only be covered if you stay within the confines of the event, ie private farm or equestrian centre. This insurance will NOT cover you whilst driving at home, therefore we strongly recommend that you acquire private insurance for use at home or on the public highway. Non members will be required to produce evidence of insurance BEFORE participating at an Oaks event. (Photocopies accepted)

Before entering an Oaks event or drive, all junior drivers must be assessed - for a list of recommended assessors in your area, please contact our Training Co-ordinator Moira Evans on 01342 823232.

Young Driver Liaison Officer: Jason Fieldwick Tel: 07901 827500.

Level 2 UK Coaching Certificate (Driving) - Qualified Coach. Susan Skeggs, Tel: 07876 455237.