



TREC GB SUMMER COMPETITIONS 2026



Bolnhurst Trec

British TREC competition

Qualifier for the TREC GB National Championship 2026

Organised by Keysoe & Three Shires Trec Club

8 & 9 August 2026

To be held at

Rally Field, St Neots Field

Bolnhurst, Bedfordshire MK442ER

Technical Delegate – Jenny Snowdon

Tracer – Karen Barker

Level 1, 2 & 2a Affiliated British TREC Competition – Everyone welcome.

This competition gives you the chance to ride across picturesque countryside along a route that has been checked for accessibility. The competition will take place almost entirely off road. The PTV will be situated in part of the corraling field

Classes for individuals and pairs.

There are classes available to those who have little or no TREC experience.

**All classes carry points for the
TREC GB Summer League & the KTS members league**

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Opening date for entries will be 15 June 2026 and entries will only be accepted online with payment. Entries will close when competition is full, on or before 31 July 2026. Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the organiser and may be subject to a surcharge. Please enter early as places will be limited. In the event the competition is full, a waiting list will be kept.

Equine Flu Requirements: TREC GB requires that all equines must be vaccinated against Equine Influenza and that organisers of any events, involving equines, insist that vaccinations are up to date (12-month cycle) and check passports before horses are unloaded. Full details of the TREC GB Equine Flu Vaccination requirements are available on the website (<https://trecgb.com/trec-gb-equine-flu-requirements/>)

Your horse can be registered on the TREC GB central register by sending a copy of the full vaccination record and horse registration details from the passport to admin@trecgb.com. Alternatively, your horse will be registered by the Entries Secretary for this event, please include a copy of the vaccination certificate and horse registration details when sending your completed entry in.

For more information visit our website www.trecgb.com / ktstrec.co.uk

Classes:

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| Class 1 | Level 1 Individual , suitable for first timers |
| Class 2 | Level 1 Pairs , suitable for first timers
POR route length up to 15km, PTV Obstacle height up to 60cms |
| Class 3 | Level 2 Individual
POR route length up to 20km, PTV Obstacle height up to 70cms |
| Class 4 | Level 2 Pairs , suitable for first timers
POR route length up to 20km, PTV Obstacle height up to 70cms |
| Class 5 | Level 2a Individual
POR route length up to 20km, PTV Obstacle height up to 70cms |
| Class 6 | Level 2a Pairs , suitable for first timers
POR route length up to 20km, PTV Obstacle height up to 70cms |

Classes 1-6 will be qualifying classes for the TREC GB National Championship 2026. (Riders DO NOT have to be TREC GB members at time of qualification but will be required to join as Red or Blue members before the closing date for entries for the Championships). Full details about eligibility and qualification criteria can be found at <https://trecgb.com/summer-series/qualification-criteria/>.

Classes 1 - 6 will count towards the 2026 TREC GB Summer League. Full details about eligibility and the calculation of league placings can be found at <https://trecgb.com/summer-league-2026/>.

Riders who are under the age of 14 must ride in the pairs classes, with a pair who is 18 or older on the day of the competition. Parents/guardians of competitors under the age of 18 on the day of the competition will be required to complete a Parental Consent Form (available on the TREC GB website: <https://trecgb.com/parental-consent-form/>).

Entry fees (per rider):	<i>Club members</i>	TREC GB Red members/ members of any other TREC GB club	Non-members (must have 3 rd Party Public Liability Insurance)
Class 1 - 6	£70.00	£75.00	£85.00
Saturday social includes meal & dessert	£13.50	£13.50	£13.50

All competitors must have their own Public Liability Insurance cover (suggested minimum cover of £10 million), be a TREC GB Red or Blue member, or be members of a TREC GB Affiliated club to participate in TREC events.

Only current Red or Blue members of TREC GB will have their scores counted in the TREC GB Summer League.

The organisers have the right to refuse entries.

All entries must be in writing and accompanied by the correct entry fee. All classes are subject to sufficient entries and the organisers reserve the right to cancel or amalgamate classes, as necessary.

Entries will NOT be taken before the opening date and both entry form and payment must be received to secure a place. Entries will be on a strictly first come basis, so enter early to secure a place. If entries are full before the closing date, a waiting list will be held based on the date the entry was received. All valid entries will be treated equally.

Entry closing dates and refunds/withdrawals

Entries close on 31 July 2026 or before, if full. Withdrawals up to this date will receive a full refund.

Any refunds for withdrawals after the closing date will be entirely at the discretion of the organiser. For full details on KTS (Clubs) refund policy, please see the KTS (Club) website. Any eligible refunds will not be made until after the competition.

Start times and directions

Starting times and full directions will be sent via email by the Wednesday prior to the competition. If you have not received your info by 5 August please phone the organiser on 07974291217

Toilets

There are toilets on site but no showers.

Water provision.

There is horse water on site.

Farrier

A farrier will be on call, for emergencies. Riders needing the services of a farrier should contact the organiser to confirm where and when he will attend. Riders must pay for any required shoeing at the time.

Vet

A local veterinary practise will be on call, in case of an emergency. Please contact the organiser if the vet is required during the event.

Helpers

All TREC competitions rely on the support of volunteer judges and helpers. Can you or anyone coming with you lend a hand?

Please contact the organiser on 07974291217 or by e-mail, ktstrec@gmail.com if you can assist us with judging or stewarding on the day. Competitors can also help us with setting up, clearing equipment away, collecting scores etc. No judging experience necessary – we are grateful for all offers of help and you will learn lots from the inside! Even a couple of hours help can make a difference and there are lots of jobs suitable for non- horsey mums/dads/partners. We provide all judges with free refreshments.

Health and Safety

The event manager/organiser will take all reasonable precautions to ensure the health and safety of everyone present. For these measures to be effective, everyone must take all reasonable precautions to avoid and prevent accidents occurring and must obey the instructions of the officials and stewards on the day.

Trained First Aiders will be present at the event and should be summoned through an official in the event of an accident. The event manager/organiser may provide contact telephone numbers for emergency veterinary and farriery services.

Competitors are asked to safeguard valuable tack and possessions. Young children must be supervised at all

times. Neither the event manager/organiser nor the land/course owners can accept responsibility for loss or injury to persons or animals howsoever caused.

TREC GB has adopted a Safeguarding Policy and expects every adult working or helping at, or taking part in, TREC GB events to support it and comply with it. The TREC GB Safeguarding Policy is available at <https://trecgb.com/wp-content/uploads/TREC-GB-Safeguarding-Policy-V1.1.pdf>

The Designated Safeguarding Officer as advised in the pre event information or the TREC GB Designated Safeguarding Lead can be contacted by email safeguarding@trecgb.com or telephone 07926 980022

What is TREC?

TREC is a fun riding event usually comprising three phases. The competition involves the skills and situations a rider might encounter on a hack, including map reading (usually using Ordnance Survey maps usually 1:25 000 scale)

For more information about TREC, please visit the TREC GB website <https://trecgb.com/about/>

Competition Rules

All competitors must comply with the TREC GB Rules as per the 8th edition TREC GB rulebook (plus subsequent amendments), which can be found at <https://trecgb.com/rules/>

In addition, pay particular attention to the following:

- 1) Horses must be a minimum of four years old to compete at Level 1, 2 and 2A and five years old to compete at levels 3 and 4 (i.e. for levels 1, 2 and 2A, a horse born in 2022 may compete in 2026). Mares more than four months pregnant may not compete.
- 2) The welfare of horses competing in British TREC competitions is paramount. No horse may compete if it is unsound or unfit to carry the rider for any reason. Any rider who continues on a horse that they know to be unsound or that has been definitively stopped by the veterinary surgeon or designated competent official on fitness and/ or welfare grounds will be eliminated from the competition.
- 3) Riders under the age of fourteen on day of competition may only compete in Pairs classes and must be accompanied by a rider of **18 years or older**. Pairs ride together for POR and separately for the MA and PTV. Parents/guardians of competitors under the age of 18 on the day of the competition will be required to complete a Parental Consent Form (available on the TREC GB website: <https://trecgb.com/parental-consent-form/>)
- 4) All competitors (including TREC GB Blue Members) must have 3rd Party Public Liability Insurance cover (suggested minimum cover of £10 million) or be members of a TREC GB Affiliated club (if they do NOT have 3rd Party Public Liability Insurance cover elsewhere) or be RED members of TREC GB itself.
- 5) Clearly visible coloured tail wraps/ribbons should be worn to advise other riders of a potential hazard – Red = kicker, Green = young/inexperienced horse, Blue = stallion. If the horse/pony is a stallion then stallion discs must also be worn on both sides of the bridle.

It is your responsibility to familiarise yourself with the basic rules. The TREC GB Rulebook (8th edition issued in 2026 and the changes to it) can be found on the TREC GB website, <https://trecgb.com/rules/>

Required Equipment

Tack and equipment will be checked. Please see Appendix 3: Equipment List starting on page 60 & 61 in the

Safety Helmet Standards

A safety helmet conforming to one of the following standards must be worn, with the chinstrap fastened, at all times when mounted.

The approved standards for British TREC are

- PAS 015 (2011) provided it has a BSI Kitemark OR an Inspec IC Mark
- VG1 01.040 (2014-12) provided it has a BSI Kitemark OR an Inspec IC Mark
- SEI ASTM F1163 (2015 or 2023) providing it has an SEI mark
- SNELL E2016 (or later), providing it has a SNELL label and number
- AS/NZS 3838 (2006 onwards), providing it has an SAI Global mark
- EN 1384 : 2023 (provided it has a BSI Kitemark OR an Inspec IC mark
- Any hat used must conform to one or more of these standards.

Hat cameras

A camera may not be worn on the hat when mounted. Body cameras may not be worn on the MA or PTV phases. A camera may be worn on the body for the POR, for safety purposes only

Body protectors

The approved standard for body protectors for British TREC is

BETA Level 3 **turquoise/ blue 2018 label**.

It is recommended that body protectors are replaced every 3-5 years, even if they are apparently undamaged.

