



GREAT BRITISH BONUS SCHEME RULES

Together with the Terms and Conditions of Website Use and the FAQ's, the Great British Bonus Scheme Rules (the **Rules**) govern your registration with, and participation in, the Great British Bonus Scheme (the GBB).

The GBB pays a Bonus to the Connections of a Registered Horse that wins a Categorized Race. Full details and FAQs can be found at www.greatbritishbonus.co.uk (the Website)

1. Definitions

Bonus – the Bonus amount paid to the Connections of a Registered Horse that wins a Categorized Race, as further detailed in Section 3. **Connections:**

- Registered Stud Book Breeder of the horse as at the foal's registration to the GBB
- Registered Stud Book Owner at time of yearling registration to the GBB
- Registered Racing Owner at time of race win*
- British-based Trainer of the horse at time of race win*
- British-based Professional Jockey*
- British-based Stable Staff*

*Payable only when all three stages of registration have been completed.

Eligible Horse — a Thoroughbred filly born in Great Britain and registered with the General Stud Book being the progeny of a registered Thoroughbred stallion that is domiciled in Great Britain, or abroad.

- a stallion domiciled in Great Britain is a Thoroughbred stallion that is recorded in the General Stud Book as standing in Great Britain at the time of covering ("**Category A**").
- a stallion domiciled abroad is a Thoroughbred stallion that is recorded in a Stud Book approved by the International Stud Book Committee at the time of covering ("**Category B**").

Flat Categorized Race-

- Class 2 - 5 Maiden, Novice, Conditions
- Open to 2YO, 3YO, 3YO and up
- **Only wins by 2YOs and 3YOs earn bonuses**

Note: Open, Auction and Median Auction races are included. Selling and Claiming races are excluded.

Jumps Categorized Race:

- Class 1 - 5 Standard NH Flat
- Class 1 - 4 Novice, Maiden, Juvenile Hurdles and Chases
- Class 1 - 2 Open Hurdles and Chases

Note: WFA and Handicaps each qualify for GBB Bonuses. **Only wins by 3YOs to 8YOs earn Bonuses**

Registered Horse — an Eligible Horse that has been successfully registered for the GBB. A **Fully Registered Horse** is registered for all three stages. A **Part Registered Horse** is registered for Stage 1, or Stage 1 and 2.

Categorized Race - a race run under the BHA Rules of Racing and which is designated in the race conditions as a GBB race.

Great Britain, Britain or GB - means - England, Scotland and Wales.



2. Categories for Eligible Horses — there are two Bonus categories:

Category A: A Registered Horse born in Great Britain and sired by a stallion domiciled in Great Britain.

Category A Fully Registered Horses win 100% of the payable Bonus.

Category B: A Registered Horse born in Great Britain and sired by a stallion domiciled abroad that is recorded in a Stud Book approved by the International Stud Book Committee at the time of covering. Category B Fully Registered Horses win 50% of the payable Bonus.

3. Bonuses

- Maximum Bonus of £20,000 for Category A wins in a Fillies/Mares-only Categorised Race.
- Maximum Bonus of £10,000 for Category A wins in Any Sex races.

The exception to these maximum Bonus levels is Standard NH Flat races where the equivalent Bonus amounts are £10,000 and £5,000. Maximum bonuses for Category B wins are 50% of the bonuses stated above.

Bonus amounts may be changed from time to time by the GBB Management Group.

4. Registration

Eligible Horses must be registered for GBB at **all three stages** by the registration deadlines (found in the FAQs) to be eligible for the maximum Bonus amount

- Stage 1: as a Foal
- Stage 2: as a Yearling
- Stage 3: as 2YO (Flat) / 3YO (Jumps)

An Eligible Horse can win Bonuses on the Flat and over Jumps so long as two separate registrations are initiated at the Foal Stage 1 and continued at the Yearling Stage 2. However, the Jumps registration Stage 3 (normally expected when the horse is a 3 Year Old) must be paid before the horse races under any Rules of Racing (Flat or Jumps). Accordingly, a horse that has raced under the Rules of Racing cannot be registered for Stage 3 of the Jumps element, although it may retain any registrations for the first two stages.

No fees will be refunded in the event of injury, death, export, selling or retirement of a Registered Horse.

The registration dates and registration fees are as set from time to time by the GBB Management Group and published on the Website. **If a registration stage is not paid by the stipulated deadline, a horse becomes ineligible to be Fully Registered for the GBB and retrospective payment from subsequent owners is not permitted.**

Note that in the unlikely situation that the Website does not accept registration and/or payment, you can call the Weatherbys Helpline to register and pay over the phone which must be done prior to the deadline expiring. There must be evidence that attempts to register on the Website and emails or calls to the Weatherbys Helpline have been made, prior to the deadline. Please do not delay making your registration until the registration deadline – traffic to the Website and Weatherbys' phone line increases during these periods. If you miss the deadline, neither Weatherbys nor the TBA are responsible for your failure to register, unless Section 5 applies.

5. Late Registration

Late registration will only be accepted if one or more of the following conditional precedents apply:

- Access to the Website **and** the Weatherbys' Helpline is not available. Should this apply, registrants must show evidence of genuine attempts to register online and call via appropriately dated emails or calls to either the TBA or the Weatherbys Helpline prior to the registration deadline.

- Delayed foal registration to The General Stud Book and, therefore, the foal does not appear as eligible on the Website. This will only apply if the delay is demonstrably outside the control of the breeder or registrant. Please note, Weatherbys should be allowed fair time to process registrations and blood samples should be received by Weatherbys at least 21 days before the deadline. Covering certificates should be submitted to Weatherbys at least seven days before the deadline. In the case of fillies called for anti-doping checks, the BHA must have been contacted at least 21 days before the deadline.

Applications for late entry must be made via email to the Scheme Manager with full details of the breeder/registrant, together with a short explanation of the circumstances that apply and supporting evidence.

No applications for late registration will be considered more than 28 days after the original closure date.

Any successful GBB registration appeal will take effect as from the registration deadline date and can only be processed by the same owner at the time of registration and the appeal date. Registration is not transferable if between those dates ownership has changed.

6. Payment of Bonuses

Bonuses to Connections of a Registered Horse that wins a Categorised Race are split as follows:

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| • Registered British Stud Book Breeder at the Stage 1 registration | 10% |
| • Registered Stud Book Owner at time of the Stage 2 registration | 10% |
| • Registered Racing Owner at time of race win* | 65% |
| • British- based Trainer of the horse at time of race win* | 7.5% |
| • British- based Professional Jockey * /** | 5% |
| • British- based Stable Staff* | 2.5% |

***Payable only when all three stages of registration have been completed.**

**** Conditional, Apprentice or Amateur Jockeys - A Bonus due to a conditional or apprentice jockey shall be distributed in line with the BHA Rules on distributing prize money to participants at the time. If an amateur jockey wins an eligible race, the jockey element of the Bonus is not paid and the Bonus will be retained by the GBB.**

Bonus amounts will vary depending on the type of Categorised Race (see Section 3 above) and whether the Registered Horse is Category A or B (see Section 2 above). Bonus money is payable in pounds sterling.

The Connections of a Part Registered Horse will still be eligible to their share of the Bonus if they paid the Stage 1 and/or 2 registration fee, even if the horse is not fully Registered.

In the event of:

- **Dead heat for first place** – Bonus money will be paid in full to both Registered Horses as if they had won the race.
- **Divided race** — Bonus money will be paid in full to the winners of both divisions if they are both Registered Horses.
- **Void race** — no Bonus money payments will be made.

The GBB administrators make the Bonus payments. If the Connection has a BHA Invoice Account or a Weatherbys Bank Account, payment will be made automatically. If the Connection has neither of these accounts, Weatherbys will contact the Connection within 7 days of the race win and the Connection must claim their Bonus payment via the GBB Scheme administrators at info@greatbritishbonus.co.uk within 180 days of the race win. The GBB Scheme Administrators will request reasonable proof of identity. **Any payments which are not claimed within this 180 day time period will be forfeited and retained by the GBB.** If a Connection has not received a Bonus notification from Weatherbys after 7 days of the win, the Connection must promptly contact the GBB Scheme administrators at info@greatbritishbonus.co.uk.



7. Trainer, Jockey or Stable not based in Great Britain

In the event of a Categorised Race being won by a Registered Horse trained outside of Great Britain, no Bonus will be payable to the trainer or stable, and the Bonus will be retained by the Scheme.

A Bonus will only be payable to the jockey if that jockey is currently licensed in Great Britain.

8. Termination of the GBB

The GBB may be terminated at any time, after which no further Bonuses will be paid. In this event, provided you are not in breach of the GBB Contract, the GBB administrators will seek to make refunds to registrants for fillies which have not won a bonus at the rate of:

Age (in years when final Bonus can be won)	Scheme	Fees to be returned
Foals/yearlings	Flat and Jump	100%
2YOs	Flat	50%
2YOs, 3YOs, 4YOs	Jump	100%
5YOs	Jump	50%

The GBB Management Group may review and amend the GBB Contract from time to time.

9. Role of Weatherbys

Weatherbys administer the GBB Scheme.

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