

2YO Restricted Novice and Maiden Races 2021

In 2021, most auction and median auction races for two-year-olds will cease to exist. Instead, they will be replaced by a single race type – Restricted Races. These races are designed to be a simpler more straightforward alternative, with standardised conditions and horses organised into Bands.

Two-year-old horses will qualify for these races by means of an auction value at a recognised yearling sale or breeze-up sale. If they were not sold through the ring, horses will qualify through their sire's median auction value (N.B. A horse's auction value will always supersede their sire's median auction value, which will only be used if the horse did NOT go through the ring at a yearling sale or breeze-up). Additionally, horses will be organised into Bands, corresponding to their auction or median auction value. Any horse sold or bought in for more than £80,000 or whose sire's median auction value is £60,000 or higher will only be eligible for open races as normal.

Band	Auction value	Median auction value
Open	N/A	N/A
Band A Restricted	£50,001-£80,000	<£60,000
Band B Restricted	£30,001-£50,000	<£40,000
Band C Restricted	£15,001-£30,000	<£25,000
Band D Restricted	£1- £15,000	<£12,500

Restricted races will be framed as follows:

- For Horses in Bands A, B, C and D
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- For Horses in Band D

Where applicable, a lower Band horse will receive a 2lb allowance from a higher Band. So, a Band B horse will receive a 2lb allowance from a Band A. In turn, Band C will receive 2lb from Band B and, correspondingly, Band D a 2lb allowance from Band C. Allowances will be

cumulative, so a Band D horse will receive 6lb from a Band A horse in a race open to Bands A, B, C and D.

Example Race Conditions:

**THE RESTRICTED EBF NOVICE STAKES (CLASS 4)
(for horses in Bands A, B C and D)**

Total race value £7,900

Distributed in accordance with the Stakes and Prize Money Code

£4266 to the winning horse

The second to receive £2002, the

third £1001 and the fourth £500

**for novice two yrs old, which are E.B.F. eligible,
which are in Bands A, B, C and D**

FIVE FURLONGS (5f)

Enter by noon, June 4th and pay £39 stake

Declare by 10.00 a.m. June 8th

Weights: Colts and geldings.....9st 2lb; fillies.....8st 11lb

Penalties, for each race won.....6lb

(Sellers and Claimers excluded for the purposes of penalties)

Allowances:

Band B from Band A....2lb

Band C from Band B... 2lb

Band D from Band C....2lb

(Allowances cumulative)

The number of restricted races will correspond to the total number of median auction and auction races previously staged. The relative proportions of races will be as follows:

- Races for Bands A, B, C and D 10%
- Races for Bands B, C and D 20%
- Races for Bands C and D 50%
- Races for Band D 20%

FAQs:

1. My horse has an auction value that corresponds to Band A, but a median auction value in Band B. Is my horse in Band B?

No. The auction value will always apply where a horse has been sold or bought in at a recognised yearling sale or recognised breeze-up sale. So, the median auction value is only relevant to horses that did not pass through the ring or were unsold at auction.

2. Will this apply to races open to three-year-olds?

Not in 2021. Median auction and auction races will continue to be programmed for three-year-olds in 2021, with a planned introduction of Restricted races for this age group in 2022, ie, when this year's crop of two-year-olds become a year older.

3. How do I know which Band my horse is in?

On the Racing Admin website, your horse's Band qualification will appear on the Qualifications tab under your horse's profile.

Official ratings Last updated

Flat: n/a

AWE: n/a

Steeple: n/a

Hurdle: n/a

EBF qualification

EBF: Eligible

Median Auction value

No Median Auction value

Auction results

Date	Sale	Lot	Value (£)	Status
12/10/2020	Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Book 2) 2020	708	23,100	

Restricted Races

Band C

4. My horse is a Band A horse according to its yearling sale, but was sold for £100,000 at a Breeze-Up sale. Is it still qualified for Band A?

No. The latest sale will always apply, provided it was a recognised yearling sale or recognised breeze-up sale.

5. My Band A horse sells for £100,00 as a 2yo at the Horses-In Training Sale at the end of its 2yo season. Is it still qualified for Band A as a 3yo?

Yes. Only sales at recognised yearling sales and recognised breeze-up sales will have a bearing on which Band the horse falls into. If the horse qualified via its median auction value, it will still qualify for Band A in this scenario.

6. Where are the recognised yearling sales and recognised breeze-up sales?

The conditions regarding auction sales and the list of recognised sales can be found under the Conditions of Entry on the BHA's Racing Admin website. The conditions are reproduced below:

*For the avoidance of doubt **horses which are unsold having failed to reach their reserves do not qualify, nor do private sales.***

(i) The "specified sales" referred to above for these races in 2021 comprise the following:-

a) Those yearling sales administered by Arqana (France), Baden- Badener Auktionsgesellschaft (BBAG) (Germany), Goffs UK Ltd. (G.B.), Fasig-Tipton Co. Inc. (U.S.A.), Goffs Bloodstock Sales Ltd. (Ireland), Goresbridge Horse Sales Ltd. (Ireland), Keeneland Association Inc. (U.S.A.), Ocala Breeders Sales Co. Inc. (U.S.A.), Osarus Vente (France), Societa Gestione Aste (SGA) (Italy), Tattersalls Ltd. (G.B.), Tattersalls (Ireland) Ltd. (Ireland), Tattersalls (Ireland) Ltd. Cheltenham (G.B.), Tattersalls (Ireland) Ltd. Ascot (G.B.),

b) *As two years old at any sales administered by the above mentioned sales companies, up to and including May 31st , 2021*

or, for the races where the closing date is before June 1st, up to and including the day prior to the closing date of the race.

ii) *The last sale will govern the price if the horse is sold more than once, up to and including the relevant qualifying date as stated above.*

(N.B. A differential sales price will be applied for qualification purposes for those horses sold as yearlings prior to July 1st of the relevant year. Please refer to the individual race conditions for details).

iii) *A horse will only be considered as having been sold by public auction (under the hammer) if that sale is subsequently published, or notified in writing to the Racing Calendar Office, by the Sales Company. The auction price used will be the first published/notified sales price from the relevant auction, unless notification is subsequently received from the Sales company indicating that, for a reason acceptable to the British Horseracing Authority, a different Sales price should be used. An amended Sales price will only be used to calculate a horse's weight in an Auction race if such notification has been received by the Racing Calendar Office and accepted by the British Horseracing Authority no later than 24 hours prior to the first scratching stage deadline in the case of an early closing race or no later than 24 hours before the declaration deadline in the case of a normal closing race.*

A horse initially sold under the hammer but whose sale was subsequently cancelled for whatever reason will still be qualified for Auction races. Such instances include the horse failing a veterinary examination, a void sale, disputed bids, etc. The auction price used will be the initial price unless notification has been received from the Sales companies indicating that the horse has been re-submitted as the result of a void sale. If the horse was not re-submitted it will still be qualified but will be assessed on the auction price of its void sale.

iv) *In the case of any dispute the official sale return will be used to determine the validity of the sale. The Authority will be the final arbiters of qualification for entry.*

v) *Any sale conducted outside the sales ring (private sale) will not be considered to qualify the horse for an auction value.*

vi) *Where horses are sold through the ring at specified sales outside Great Britain, the following procedure will apply:-*

1. *The purchase price in local currency will be converted to pounds sterling using the rate of exchange published in the Racing Calendar of Thursday, January 21st 2021. The rate of exchange at the time of the sale will not be used.*

2. *Since practices differ between sales in Great Britain and those staged overseas in the inclusion or otherwise of Buyers'*

Premiums within the published sales price, and in order to reflect more fairly the total price paid, the appropriate Buyer's Premium, as set out below, will then be added to the converted sterling price. This resulting figure will then be used to determine eligibility, weights, etc., for any relevant race.

vii) For sales staged in Great Britain which sell horses in pounds sterling with an additional Buyer's Premium, in order to reflect more fairly the total price paid, the appropriate Buyer's Premium, as set out below, will be added to the price. This resulting figure will then be used to determine eligibility, weights, etc., for any relevant race.

(viii) For sales staged in Great Britain which sell horses in guineas sterling, the purchase price will be converted to pounds sterling. This resulting figure will then be used to determine eligibility, weights, etc., for any relevant race.

Sales Company	Country	Buyer's Premium %
Arqana	France	6
Baden-Badener AG (BBAG)	Germany	6
Goffs UK Ltd	Great Britain	6
Fasig-Tipton Co. Inc	U.S.A	0
Goffs Bloodstock Sales Ltd	Ireland	6
Goresbridge Horse Sales Ltd	Ireland	7
Keeneland Association Inc	U.S.A	0
Ocala Breeders Sales Co. Inc	U.S.A	0
*Osarus Vente	France	6
Societa Gestione Aste (SGA)	Italy	6
Tattersalls Ltd	Great Britain	0
Tattersalls (Ireland) Ltd	Ireland/Great Britain	6
*Osarus Vente (Sales price of 15,000 Euros or below)	France	7