



Baileys Horse Feeds/British Breeding/BEF Futurity 2017

Factsheet 8 - Premium Definitions

Premium Definitions – what does your Premium mean?	Criteria
Elite (9.00 or above)	A horse or pony that has an average of scores over 9 and a vet score of B+ or above which means that it has the potential and the outlook to perform well at international level, if veterinary guidance is followed and the horse or pony is appropriately cared-for, produced and ridden.
Higher First (8.50 - 8.99)	A horse or pony that has an average of scores over 8.5 and a vet score of B or above which means that it has the potential and outlook to perform well at national level, if veterinary guidance is followed and the horse or pony is appropriately cared-for, produced and ridden. The main difference between a higher first and a first is that the evaluators believe it shows greater athleticism and a greater potential to obtain a higher number of points/prize money and/or be in the placings so as to set it apart from a First premium
First (8.00 – 8.49)	A horse or pony that has an average of scores over 8 which means that it has the potential and outlook to perform well at national/affiliated sport level, if veterinary guidance is followed and the horse or pony is appropriately cared-for, produced and ridden. Many first premium horses also go on to have successful careers in showing.
Second (7.50 – 7.99)	A horse or pony that has an average of scores over 7.5 which means that it has the potential and outlook suited to performing consistently within affiliated and riding club competition, if veterinary guidance is followed and the horse or pony is appropriately cared-for, produced and ridden. Many second premium horses also go on to have successful careers in showing.
Third (7.00 – 7.49)	A horse or pony that has an average of scores over 7 which means that it has the potential and outlook suited to performing up to a certain level in affiliated and unaffiliated competition if veterinary guidance is followed and the horse or pony is appropriately cared-for, produced and ridden.

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FUTURITY SCORE RANGE

Below 4 seriously compromising features 4-6 some compromising features

7 suitable features

8 good features

9 very good features 10 excellent features

VET SCORE RANGE

A range - very good

B range – require management but can be managed

C range – require substantial management/may mean permanent compromise

Futurity scores are an indicator on the day of assessment, not a guarantee of future potential