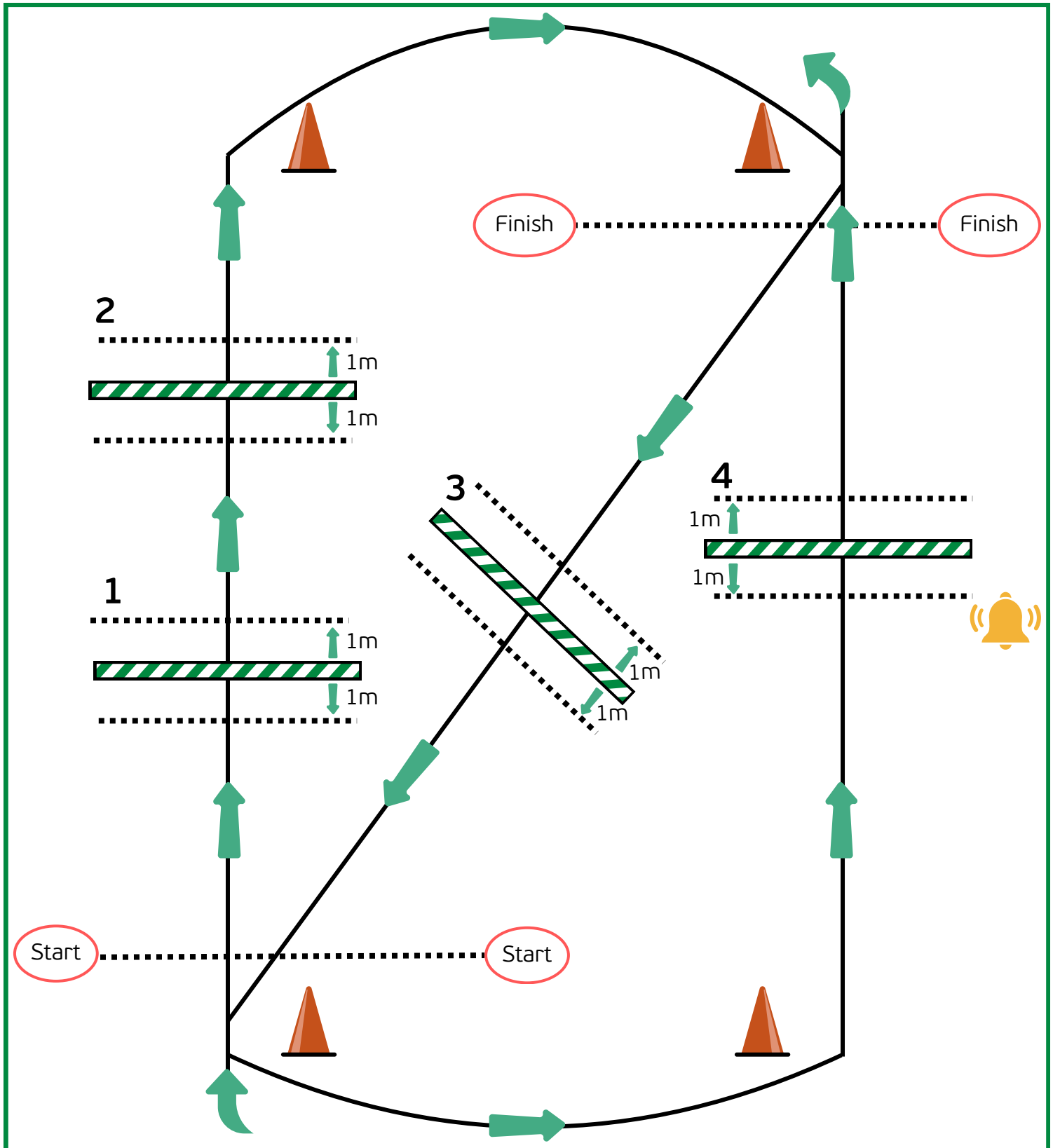


RDA Level 1 Showjumping Course Plan

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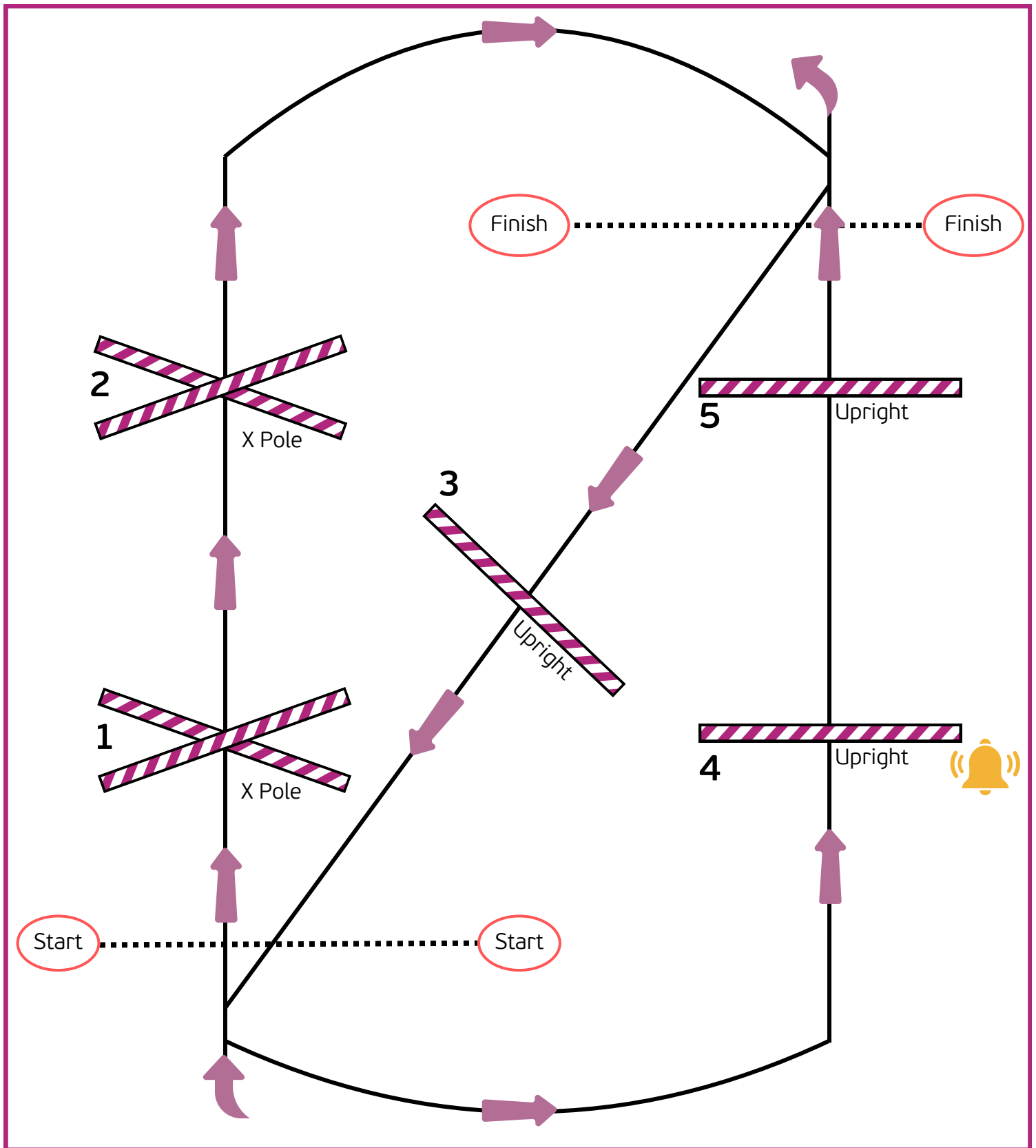
Level 1 poles on the ground. The jumps should have a short wing or cone each end, this is to differentiate between polework and jumping. Leaders and sidewalkers to go round the jump. The cones (as seen above) are used to guide the rider on to the jumping line; avoiding cutting corners. The dots that are shown before and after the jump indicate the area, 1m each side of the fence, where the rider must hold a balanced light seat position.

This is an equitation class and will be judged on style, lines, way of going and equestrian ability etc.

This standard course design will be used for all regional and virtual competitions, to ensure that each RDA rider is able to follow the same criteria. It is recommended where practical, that judges sit on the long side of the arena for visibility of position over fences. The Start and Finish markers should not aid the rider to ride the correct line so must be placed on the centre line and the edge of the arena.

RDA Level 2 Showjumping Course Plan

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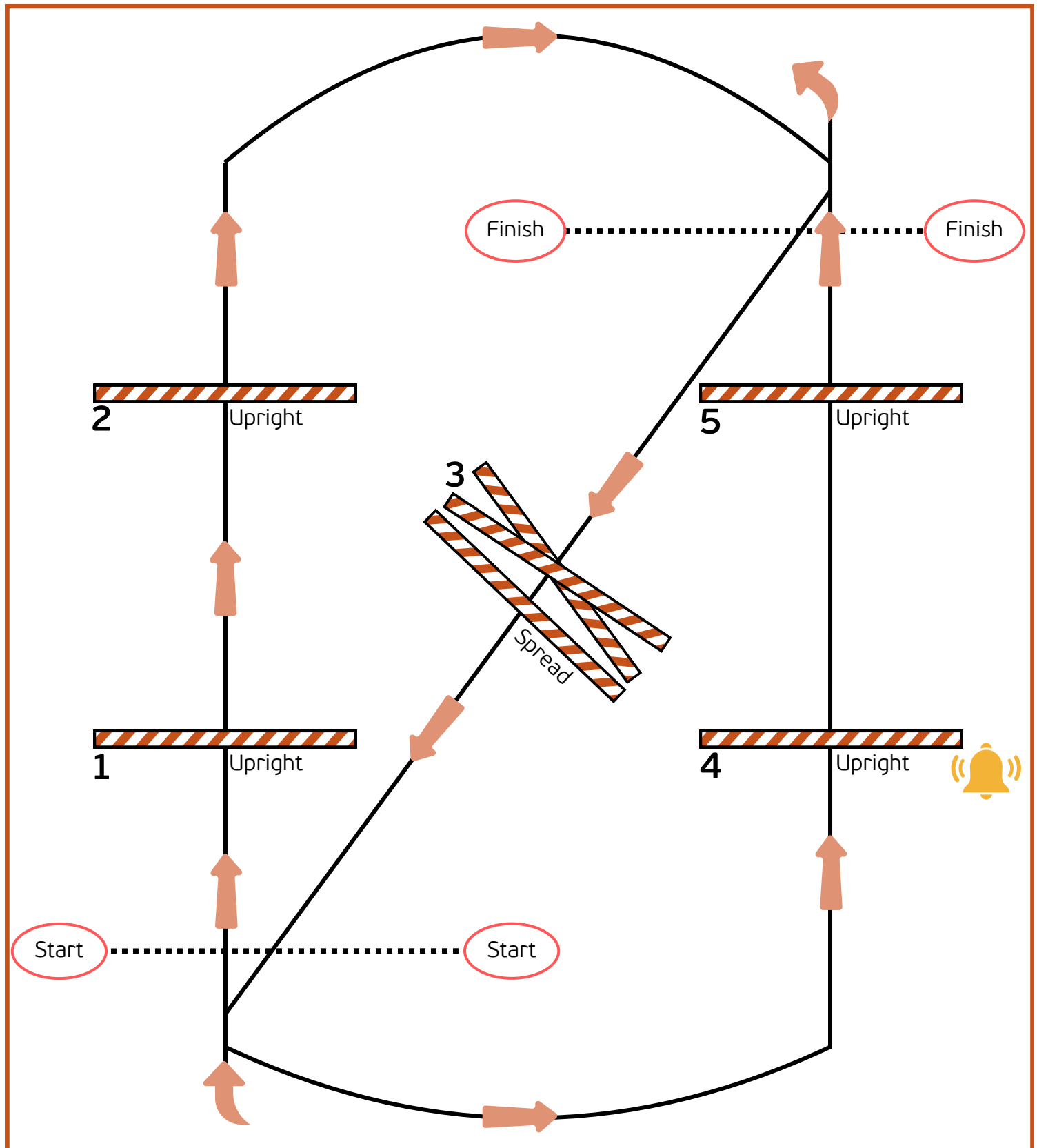
Level 2 Jumps number 1 and 2: cross poles, jumps 3, 4 and 5: uprights.
 Maximum height of jumps, 6" - 12" / 15cm - 30cm at the centre of the jump.
 Note no corner cones at this level. The Start and Finish markers should not aid the rider to ride the correct line so must be placed on the centre line and the edge of the arena.

This is an equitation class and will be judged on style, lines, way of going and equestrian ability etc.

This course design will be used at Regional and National competitions, to ensure that each RDA Group/rider follows the same criteria at this level. It is recommended where practical, that judges sit on the long side of the arena for visibility of position over fences

RDA Level 3 Showjumping Course Plan

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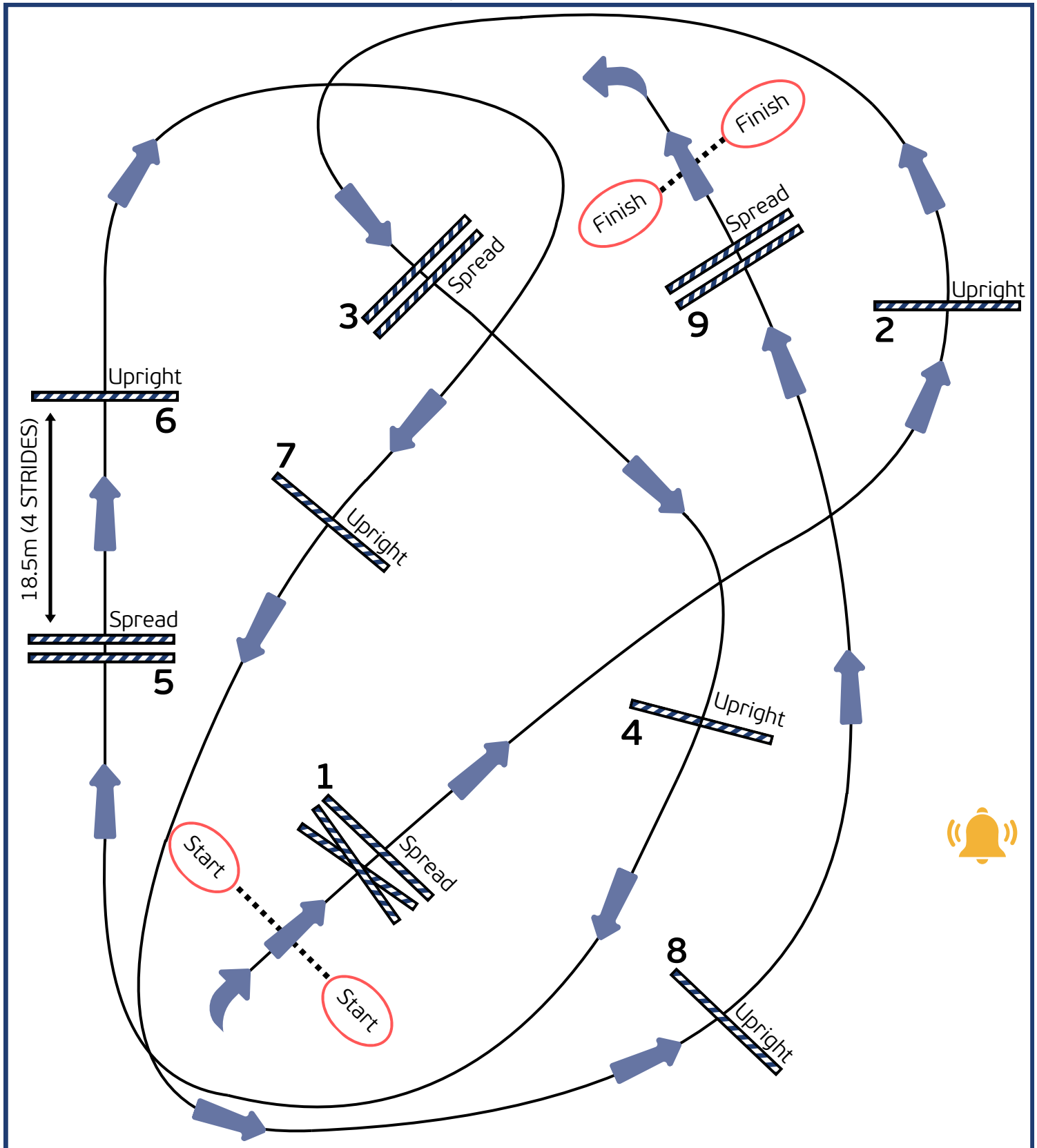
Level 3 Jump 1 upright, 2 upright, 3 spread (cross pole front with straight pole behind) 4 and 5 upright. Maximum height of jumps: 2ft / 60cm at the centre of the upright jump, jump 1 must not exceed 50cm. Spread Maximum width and height must not exceed 50cm. The Start and Finish markers should not aid the rider to ride correct line so must be placed on the centre line and at the edge of arena.

This is an equitation class and will be judged on style, lines, way of going and equestrian ability etc.

This course design will be used at Regional and National Competitions, to ensure that each RDA Group/rider follows the same criteria at this level. It is recommended where practical, that judges sit on the long side of the arena for visibility of position over fences.

RDA Level 3+, 4 and 5 Showjumping Course Plan

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- For levels 3+ and 4 this is an equitation class and will be judged on style, lines, way of going and equestrian ability etc.
- Level 5 will be judged under BS Table A7 with RDA adaptations. This is a 2 round competition. The first round will not be timed. an equality of faults in round 1 will lead to a timed jump off over fences 2, 3, 6, 7, 9.
- For Regional Competition where your arena is smaller fence 8 & 9 may be removed; making the jump off course fences 2,3,6,7.
- The distance between fence 5 and 6 will be 4 strides (20 yds, 18.5m)
- Riders have 45 seconds to start after the bell has been rang.

Level 3+

- Uprights Height: 60cm
- Spread: Height 50cm and 50cm wide
- At least 1 filler on the course

Level 4

- Uprights Height: 70cm
- Spread: Height 60cm wide and 60cm high
- At least 3 fillers on the course

Level 5

- Upright Height: 80cm
- Spread: Height 70cm high x 70cm wide.
- Jump off up to 10cm higher and wider at judges discretion.
- There must be at least one set of planks with flat cups. There must be at least 3 fillers on the course. All back poles to have collapsible cups.