



# Dressage Queensland State Squads

## Selection Criteria

Effective 1<sup>st</sup> April 2015

For 2016 Squad Selection



## Dressage Queensland Squads

- High Performance Squad
- Performance Squad
- Young Rider Squad

These squads are designed to be the goal of dressage riders throughout our State and combinations selected onto these squads are the best performing Queensland combinations of the year. Only the most consistently high performing combinations will be selected for the squads.

As well as identifying the best performing combinations in Qld, the selection of the Queensland Squads has the dual intent of:

1. Providing pathways to the National Squads, and
2. To promote and develop the Sport within the State of Queensland.

## Qualifying Period

Eligible scores for each year will be taken from immediately after the National Championships up to and including the National Championships in the qualifying year.

## General Selection Criteria for All Squads

The following general requirements apply to all three squads:-

- Squad selection is from specific rider and horse combinations who have attained qualifying scores
- No HC scores will be considered
- No weighted scores will be considered ( weighted scores applies ONLY to DQ Trophies)
- Only scores from nominated Squad Selection Events (identified in DQ competition calendar), relevant State/National championships and CDIs will be considered
- AOR qualifying scores from nominated Squad Selection Events are considered for squad selection
- Freestyle scores are not considered.
- Horses and ponies are eligible for selection
- Riders must be Australian citizens or permanent residents
- Riders and owners of the horses must be current financial members of Equestrian Queensland
- Horses must be registered with Equestrian Queensland and must have a current Dressage Performance Card
- Horses must be sound and fit to satisfy competition standards from the signing of the contract
- Riders must be uninjured and fit to satisfy competition standards from the signing of the contract
- Riders with dual citizenship (one of which is Australian) must declare that they will ride for Australia and Queensland
- At least one result must be from a nominated Squad Selection event in QLD for a rider to be eligible for a Queensland squad
- Results will be taken from the official Equestrian Australia results database and will also be independently verified
- Riders or their nominated representative e.g. owners of horse must be prepared to sign the Squad Contract by the due date or forfeit their position on the relevant squad.
- The squad selected horse and rider combination must be the only combination to compete in Official events. It is permissible for other riders to compete the horse in Closed (Club Member Only) events.

- Combinations selected are expected to compete at 1 x nominated Squad Selection Event or higher in Queensland by the 30 June in the year they were selected
- Riders must notify High Performance Manager as soon as possible of any injury or illness to horse and/or rider which may impede competition attendance. All correspondence will be confidential. (The High Performance Manager will in turn notify the Selection Panel.)

## Selection Procedure for all Queensland Squads

To be eligible for selection combinations must meet the General Selection Criteria and relevant contract.

The combinations 4 x best qualifying percentages % from three qualifying events (CDI, National/State Championships, Squad selection events) are then averaged ( to one decimal place) to get their final score

The highest ranking combinations are then self-selected into the allocated places in the appropriate squads.

Where there are combinations that have the same average % and are competing for the same position on the particular Squad, the Selectors use the following considerations to make their final Squad selection.

- The average % scores are trending up in the qualifying year
- Where the qualifying scores were obtained will be considered – e.g. State/National championships/CDI or Squad Selection Events (specific to YR extra competitions are identified on page 5)

## EQ Sports and Squad Special Considerations

Combinations that have not met the eligibility requirement set out in the Squad Selection Criteria but feel they may be eligible for selection, may apply to the Selection Committee for special consideration under the provisions in section 4 of the "EQ Sport & Squad Selection policy" (follow link)

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## Holding List for all Squads

Combinations may be placed onto the holding list should they incur a short term impediment to their participation on the squad that will have a recovery of 2 to 3 months post injury/impediment. (e.g.: horse or rider injury). All other squad positions will be reviewed throughout the year and combinations will be removed if they are unable to fulfil their commitments as stated in their relevant contract.

- The holding list members remain part of the Queensland Squads; however their benefits are suspended, as decided by the Selection Panel and Dressage Queensland.
- Riders must notify the High Performance Manager in writing (or in the case of Young Riders the Young Rider High Performance Manager) when the horse or rider becomes unfit to compete due to injury or illness as soon as possible with an anticipated recovery time and regularly communicate with the High Performance Manager with progress updates.
- The High Performance Manager in turn liaises with the Chair of Selectors regarding the combinations recuperation progress and expected return to competition standard and also notifies Dressage Queensland of same.
- The selection panel may reinstate any member to any squad at any time when provided with a doctor's/veterinary certificate supporting their assessment as fit to compete and/or they re-commence competition and obtaining a qualifying % at a Squad Selection or higher event.
- A combination may remain on the holding list for up to 6 months. If competition is not resumed, gaining at least qualifying results, their place on the squad may be vacated as decided by the Selection Panel and ratified by Dressage Queensland.
- If a combination is placed on the holding list, all squad benefits will be suspended until the combination is reinstated.



# Selection Criteria Dressage Queensland High Performance Squad



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## Purpose

The High Performance Squad will consist of the best performing combinations in Queensland and has the potential to be selected on to the National Elite (GP) Squad or the National Development (FEI) Squad in the same year. High Performance Squad members will act as role models with the intent of raising the standard and profile of dressage in Queensland.

## Squad Composition

The squad will consist of a maximum of **6 of the best performed combinations**. (Big Tour x 2 + Med Tour x 2 + 2 x Small Tour)

**Note:** if there are insufficient combinations with qualifying scores to fill the positions at each level then the selectors have the discretion to leave the positions vacant.

Or they may select additional combinations from the level below in the case of Grand Prix to Prix St Georges, if they fulfil the criteria

Combinations that have not met the eligibility requirement set out in the Squad Selection Criteria but feel they may be eligible for selection, may apply to the Selection Committee for special consideration under the provisions in section 4 of the "EQ Sport & Squad Selection policy" (follow link)

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## Qualification Criteria

### Competition

- Qualifying results:-

Inter II & Grand Prix /Special	64% or greater
Inter A & Inter B	66% or greater
Prix St Georges & Inter I	67% or greater

- No other levels or results will be taken into consideration
- Minimum requirement of at least four official qualifying results, per qualifying year from a minimum of 3 qualifying events
- Qualifying events are (CDI, National/State Championships, Squad selection events)

### Other

Qualifying scores can be accumulated across 2 consecutive levels to allow for horses transitioning through the levels



# Selection Criteria

## Dressage Queensland Performance Squad



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### Purpose

The purpose of the Performance Squad is to encourage talented combinations by providing a platform which provides a pathway to National selection

### Squad Composition

The Performance Squad will consist of a maximum of **12 best performed combinations** (Medium/Advanced x 6 + Small Tour x 2 Medium Tour x 2 + Big Tour x 2)

**Note:** if there are insufficient combinations with qualifying scores to fill the positions at each level then the selectors have the discretion to leave the positions vacant.

Or they may select additional combinations from the level below in the case of Grand Prix to Advanced and the level above for Medium, if they fulfil the criteria

Combinations that have not met the eligibility requirement set out in the Squad Selection Criteria but feel they may be eligible for selection, may apply to the Selection Committee for special consideration under the provisions in section 4 of the "EQ Sport & Squad Selection policy" (follow link)

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### Qualification Criteria

#### Competition

- Qualifying results

Medium	- 68% or greater
Advanced	- 67% or greater
PSG & Inter I	- 65% or greater
Inter A & Inter B	- 64% or greater
Inter II & GP	- 62% or greater

- No other levels or results will be taken into consideration
- Minimum requirement of at least four official qualifying results from any level from Medium to GP per qualifying year from a minimum of 3 qualifying events.
- Qualifying events are (CDI, National/State Championships, Squad selection events)

#### Other

- Horses and ponies are eligible for selection.
- Qualifying scores can be accumulated across 2 consecutive levels to allow for horses transitioning through the levels



# Selection Criteria

## Dressage Queensland Young Rider Squad



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### Purpose

The purpose of the Young Rider Squad is to encourage talented combinations by providing a platform which provides a pathway to National selection

### Squad Composition

The Young Rider Squad will consist of a maximum of **12 best performed combinations of riders between 12 and 21 years** (Novice / Elementary x 4 + Medium/Advanced x 4 + FEI x 4)

The age of rider is deemed to be the year they turn that age (e.g. if the rider turns 16 in May 2015 then they compete as a 16 year old rider for 2015).

A Young Rider may only take one position on the squad. (E.g. Rider may qualify more than one horse but will only be offered one position). At YR camp and nominated schools the YR can choose to ride a non squad horse for these events if they wish.

**Note:** if there are insufficient combinations with qualifying scores to fill the positions at each level then the selectors have the discretion to leave the positions vacant.

Or they may select additional combinations from the level below in the case of FEI – Elementary and the level above for Novice, if they fulfil the criteria

Combinations that have not met the eligibility requirement set out in the Squad Selection Criteria but feel they may be eligible for selection, may apply to the Selection Committee for special consideration under the provisions in section 4 of the "EQ Sport & Squad Selection policy" (follow link)

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### Qualification Criteria

#### Competition

Novice	- 66% or greater
Elementary	- 66% or greater
Medium	- 65% or greater
Advanced	- 64% or greater
FEI	- 62% or greater

- Minimum requirement of at least four official qualifying results from any level from Novice to GP per competition year from a minimum of 3 qualifying events.
- Qualifying Events are:
  - QLD/NSW/VIC/SA /WA Young Rider State Championships
  - National Young Rider Championships
  - National and State Interschool championship (only one Interschool qualifier can be considered) \
  - CDI, National/State Championships, Squad selection events

#### Other

- Horses and ponies are eligible for selection.
- Qualifying scores can be accumulated across 2 consecutive levels to allow for horses transitioning through the levels