

# **Eventing Queensland State Squads Selection Criteria**



# For 2018 Squad Selection

## **Eventing Queensland Squads**

All current squads are reviewed after completion of the Adelaide International Horse Trials (17 – 19 November 2017). Two Eventing QLD committee members collate the results from all 2017 events and riders who reach achieve the below minimum criteria are invited to join the Eventing QLD State Squads by formal invitation by 20 November 2017. To be accepted on the State Eventing Squad all riders must return their squad agreements no later than 23 November 2017, with squads being formally announced on 25 November 2017.

In 2018 there will also be the addition of the Eventing QLD Development Group.

#### **Qualification Criteria/Squad Selection Events**

# Elite Squad

- Riders competing at CNC3 and above
- CCI2\* 70 penalties or less
- CIC2\* 60 penalties or less
- With a minimum of competing in 4 events during 2017 calendar year Australia wide
- With one event meeting the squad criteria

#### **Futures Squad**

- CCI2\* completion with no xc Jumping Penalties
- CIC2\* 70 penalties or less
- CNC2\* 60 penalties or less
- CCI1\* 60 penalties or less
- CIC/CNC1\* 55 penalties or less
- With a minimum of competing in 6 events during 2017 calendar year Australia wide
- With one event meeting the squad criteria

#### Young Riders Squad

- Riders are invited to join the Young Riders Squad if they are under 25 years of age
- CCI2\* automatic inclusion if completed an event regardless of the penalties
- CIC/CNC2\*\* 75 penalties or less
- CCI\* 65 penalties or less
- CIC/CNC1\* 60 penalties or less
- EvA105 50 penalties or less
- With a minimum of competing in 6 events during 2017 calendar year Australia wide
- With one event meeting the squad criteria

### **General Selection Criteria for Squads**

The following general requirements apply to the Elite, Futures and Young Rider squads:

- Any Young rider who qualifies for both the Futures or Elite Squad will be included into both squads and receive the benefits of the higher squad.
- Automatic Exclusion from the squad due to the following:
  - Sale of squad horse
  - o Squad horse no longer being ridden by chosen rider/horse combination
- Automatic exclusion from the squad will be updated immediately on the EQ website after informing the rider of their exclusion via email. Additionally, it is the riders' responsibility to inform the squad co-ordinator in writing in a timely fashion when horses are either sold or no longer being ridden by that rider.
- There are 4 squad clinics during 2018, riders must commit to attending at least 3 of these clinics
- Squad clinics will be held on; January 19 21<sup>st</sup>, prior to Melbourne 3DE in May, end of July/beginning of August, and prior to Adelaide 3DE.
- There is an additional 'On-Horse' super clinic which squad members must attend this is to be held 17-18<sup>th</sup> March 2018.
- Attendance at the Equestrian Queensland 2018 High Performance Seminar, held on Sunday 25 February is compulsory. Should a rider NOT be able to attend this seminar they may apply in writing to the EQ Sport Development Officer (High Performance) for an exemption. Any rider granted an exemption will then need to attend the June Off the Horse Seminar to meet their squad agreements. Any rider failing to meet their commitments to attend the Off the Horse Seminar may be subject to a review at the disciplines next squad review
- Any squad horse that is injured when a squad clinic is being held may be substituted with another horse competing at; One Star level for Futures and Elite squads, and Pre-Novice level for Young Rider squads. If a substitute horse is not available the squad member is required to attend all lectures/seminars during that clinic. Riders are also welcome to attend squad clinics on foot.
- Throughout 2018, if a rider meets the qualifying criteria at one event they will be invited to attend the squad clinic but will not formally named on the squad list until the review period at mid-season in June and end of season.
- All squads are subject to a review period at the end of June 2018. The squad criteria will remain the same, however the number of events attended will be amended to:
  - Young Rider: 4 events in the first 6 months of 2018
  - Futures: 4 events in the first 6 months of 2018
  - o Elite: 2 events in the first 6 months of 2018
  - These events are to be attended as a horse/rider combination
- 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 eventing competition license
- Riders and/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

# **Eventing QLD Development Group**

Riders will need to apply to be part of this group, applications open at the beginning of December and close by 1<sup>st</sup> January 2018. The following criteria applies for the Eventing QLD Development Group:

- Open to horse/rider combinations competing at Intro level (EvA80) and above.
- The minimum age to apply to join this squad is the year the rider turns 8, there is no maximum age limit
- This squad is for the entirety of 2018
- To be eligible, riders must have competed at 3 eventing competitions during the 2017 calendar year
- 4 clinics will be held in 2018, riders must attend a minimum of 3 clinics
- Development Group members will be eligible to purchase Qld Development Group shirts and caps
- Development Group riders will be on a user pays basis
- The clinics for the Development Group will be held in conjunction with the Squads clinics for the Elite, Futures and Young Riders Squad clinics
- Development Group riders will benefit from being involved with the Qld Squad clinics and will have access to veterinary talks, sports psychology, sports nutrition etc