



# Equestrian Queensland Application for Downgrading Horse/Pony

(Only applicable to a specific combination of horse/pony and rider where the  
Horse/pony is currently graded Elementary or above)

To: State Dressage Authority (where the horse/pony is domiciled, registered, or to be transferred to)

I wish to apply for the downgrading of the following horse/pony.

The person lodging the application must be the owner or registered lessee of the horse/pony.

Downgrade applications must be submitted at least 30 days prior to the first competition at which it is proposed to officially compete the horse/pony at a downgraded level. Applications will be dealt with at the next available Committee meeting.

## BLOCK LETTERS please

Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms	Surname	Given Name:	
Address:			
Town:			Post Code:
Phone:	BH:	AH:	Mobile:
Email:			

Horse/pony's EA Reg Name:	
Horse/pony's EA Reg Number:	
Age of Horse/pony:	
Horsepony's Graded Level & Points:	
Owners Name:	
Owners EA Number:	
Rider Name:	
Rider EA Number	
Rider Age:	

**PAYMENT : This becomes a tax invoice upon payment- please copy for your records \*\*NON REFUNDABLE\*\***

**COST: \$100.00**

Card Type:	____ Visa / MasterCard / Amex		
Card Number:	____/____/____		
Expiry Date:	____ MM/YY	Amount:	\$ _____
Cardholder Name:	_____		
Cardholder Email:	_____		
Signature:	_____		Date: _____

Please supply the following information.

- Please attach the original Performance Card of the horse/pony.
- **Original Dressage Performance Card**
- **Assessment from an independent EA NCAS Instructor** – please attach a written assessment

**Application Fee:** (inc. GST) payable on application – processed if application is approved.

Please attach separate sheet of information if necessary

<b>Experience of Rider:</b>

<b>Name of Instructor/Coach:</b>
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<b>Experience/History of the horse/pony:</b>

<b>Reason for Downgrading Request:</b>

<b>Intended Use:</b>

<b>Applicant's Signature:</b>	<b>Date:</b>
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**EA Rule 1.17**

Applications for downgrading of horses/ponies for any category of competition must be directed to the relevant SDA and the following applies:

- a. applications for downgrading must be made in writing with supporting documentation
- b. an application to downgrade a horse/pony must be made or endorsed by the registered owner or lessee
- c. each request will be considered separately and on its merit
- d. the decision to downgrade and to what level is entirely at the discretion of the SDA
- e. downgrading may occur only once in the duration of a rider's partnership with the horse/pony
- f. downgrading may occur more than once in a horse/pony's lifetime but must not occur more than once in a 2-year period
- g. downgrading will only apply to those graded at least Elementary level and above
- h. must not exceed a maximum of three levels (e.g: Advanced to Novice refer to rule 1.15.2 for definition of levels)
- i. if the horse is ridden by someone other than the rider for whom the downgrade is requested, it must compete at its previous level and any grading points earned will be awarded in relation to that previous level
- j. when a downgrade is granted the combination must fulfill any criteria regarding eligibility of horses/ponies for each level as outlined in 1.15.3.2.

- **Rule 1.19.a:** A horse may compete Hors Concours (HC) at any level