



Dressage Queensland State Squads Selection Criteria For 2024 Squad Selection



Dressage Queensland Squads

- FEI 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 Queensland, 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

For 2024 selection eligible scores will be taken from 1st January 2023. The qualification period will end on October 31st 2023.

Code of Conduct and Compliance

Riders and / or owners of the horse qualified for squad must comply, during the squad selection period, and whilst on the squad, with:

- Equestrian Australia rules
- Equestrian Australia Code of Conduct (including social media policy)
- Regulations and guidelines, including anti-doping and medication control
- Yellow card policy (i.e. a yellow card during the qualifying period)

In the event of a breach of one of the above during the selection period, then the combination may, at the discretion of Dressage Queensland and the Dressage Queensland Selection committee, forfeit their selection on the relevant squad.

Riders (and guardian, if applicable) and owners of horses (where not the rider) must be prepared to sign the Squad Contract by the due date.

General Selection Criteria for All Squads

- There is an expectation that, as ambassadors for Dressage Queensland, squad combinations will support Queensland events. As such scores will be taken from all Dressage Queensland Official Competitive events and only interstate scores from Australian CDIs, State Championships (any state) and National Championships (Open, Pony, Young Rider, AOR) will be considered for squad selection.
- A minimum of two appropriate-level EA accredited judges must oversee the scoring of a class for a score to be deemed eligible for selection.
- Selection is for one horse one rider combinations who have attained qualifying scores, and if selected must only be ridden at official competitive dressage competitions/events by the squad rider or their position is forfeit. This restriction does not apply to other disciplines (i.e. Interschool, pony club, eventing, show horse etc)
- Horses and riders must be sound and fit to satisfy competition standards from the signing of the contract or will be placed on a holding squad.
- Riders must be Australian citizens or permanent residents & MUST be eligible to and declare that they will represent Queensland & Australia (ie hold a current Australian passport).
- Riders MUST be current financial members of Equestrian Queensland and owners of horses must be current financial members of Equestrian Australia.
- No HC, Young Horse or Freestyle scores will be considered.
- Horses and ponies are eligible for selection on all squads.

Holding List for all Squads

- Riders must notify the High Performance Manager in writing 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.
- A combination may remain on the holding list for up to 6 months. If competition is not resumed by this time 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 may be suspended at Dressage Queensland's discretion until the combination is reinstated.

EQ Sports and Squad Special Considerations

Combinations that have not met the eligibility requirement set out in the Squad Selection Criteria may apply to the Selection Committee for "Special Consideration" under the provisions in section 4 of the "EQ Sport & Squad Selection policy". Special consideration will only be considered where riders have been unable to participate in events due to one or more of the following:

Injury to rider/horse

Illness of athlete

Bereavement of family member or relative

Travel delays which prevent an athlete from being present at the commencement of a competition

Special consideration will not be given to riders that have had adequate opportunity to compete and achieve scores but just haven't quite meet the criteria.

Click here to read the [EQ Sport and Squad Selection Policy](#)



Selection Criteria
Dressage Queensland
FEI Squad
For 2024 Squad Selection



Purpose

The FEI Squad is for recognition of excellent performances and combinations who have the potential to be selected on to the National High Performance and Recognition Squads. FEI Squad members will act as role models with the intent of raising the standard and profile of dressage in Queensland.

Selection Process

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

- Scores considered will be the combination's four (4) best qualifying % equal to and above the minimum qualification %.
- Scores must be achieved from a minimum of four (4) official competitive events, two (2) of which must come from two separate Equestrian Queensland-affiliated-club events.
- One score **MUST** come from either a CDI (including national classes at CDI events), State (any state) or National Championship (including AAOR).

Qualifying Percentages (unweighted)

- Grand Prix/Special incl CDI Under 25 - 64% or greater;
- Inter II incl CDI Under 25 - 65% or greater;
- Inter A - 65% or greater;
- Inter B - 65% or greater;
- Inter I - 68% or greater;
- Prix St Georges incl CDI-Y - 68% or greater.



Selection Criteria Dressage Queensland Performance Squad For 2024 Squad Selection



Purpose

The purpose of the Performance Squad is to encourage talented combinations by providing a pathway to National selection. This squad is to develop up-and-coming combinations.

Selection Process

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

- Scores considered will be the combination's four (4) best qualifying % equal to and above the minimum qualification %.
- Scores must be achieved from a minimum of four (4) official competitive events, two (2) of which must come from two separate Equestrian Queensland-affiliated-club events.
- One score **MUST** come from either a CDI (including national classes at CDI events), Dressage Queensland Star Championships, State (any state) or National Championship (including AAOR).

Qualifying Percentages (unweighted)

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| ○ GP incl CDI Under 25 | - 62% or greater; |
| ○ Inter II incl CDI Under 25 | - 63% or greater; |
| ○ Inter B | - 64% or greater; |
| ○ Inter A | - 64% or greater; |
| ○ Inter I | - 66% or greater; |
| ○ PSG incl CDI-Y | - 66% or greater; |
| ○ Advanced | - 68% or greater; |
| ○ Medium | - 69% or greater. |



Selection Criteria Dressage Queensland Young Rider Squad For 2024 Squad Selection



Purpose

The purpose of the Young Rider Squad is to encourage talented young riders by providing a pathway to National selection. This squad is to develop up-and-coming combinations.

Further Information

This squad is a rider development squad. If a veterinary certificate is supplied stating that the squad horse is not fit for the squad activity, that is, Young Rider camp and nominated Young Rider/DQ clinics, the Young Rider may ride a non-squad horse for these events if they wish.

Selection Process

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

- Riders are eligible to be on the Young Rider Squad from the beginning of the year in which they turn 8 years until the end of the year they turn 21 years. That is, a rider who turns 21 in the qualifying year, cannot be considered for YR squad the following year.
- Scores considered will be the combination's four (4) best qualifying % equal to and above the minimum qualification %.
- Scores must be achieved from a minimum of four (4) official competitive events, two (2) of which must come from two separate Equestrian Queensland-affiliated-club events.
- One score **MUST** come from either a CDI (including national classes at CDI events), Dressage Queensland Star Championships, State (any state Youth/Young rider/Pony) or National Championship (including Youth/Young Rider/Pony).
- A maximum of one (1) of the four scores may come from a National or Queensland State Interschool event.

Qualifying Percentages (unweighted)

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| ○ Inter II/Grand Prix incl Under 25 | - 60% or greater |
| ○ Inter A/Inter B | - 62% or greater |
| ○ PSG/Inter I incl FEI-YR | - 63% or greater |
| ○ Advanced | - 65% or greater |
| ○ Medium, incl FEI-J | - 66% or greater |
| ○ Elementary, incl FEI-P | - 67% or greater |
| ○ Novice (excl FEI-Ch) | - 69% or greater |