

## For 2020 Squad Selection

### Eventing Queensland Squads

All current squads are reviewed after completion of the Adelaide International Horse Trials. The collated 2019 Eventing results are reviewed by two EvQ committee members and riders who achieve the below minimum criteria are invited to join the Eventing QLD State Squads by formal invitation in November. To be accepted on the State Eventing Squad all riders must return their squad agreements strictly by the due date.

Please note: Whilst the names of the classes have been updated as per the FEI 2019 Eventing Rule Revisions which came into effect on 1 January 2019, the minimum eligibility criteria has not changed for the 2020 selection criteria.

### Qualification Criteria/Squad Selection Events

#### *Elite Squad*

- Riders competing at CNC3\* and above
- CCI3\*-L 45 penalties or less
- CCI3\*-S 40 penalties or less
- With a minimum of competing in 4 events as a horse/rider combination during 2019 calendar year Australia wide
- With one event meeting the squad criteria

#### *Futures Squad*

- CCI3\*-L completion with no xc Jumping Penalties
- CCI3\*-S 45 penalties or less
- CCN3\*-S 40 penalties or less
- CCI2\*-L\* 40 penalties or less
- CCI2\*-S/CCN2\*-S 35 penalties or less
- With a minimum of competing in 6 events as a horse/rider combination during 2019 calendar year Australia wide
- With one event meeting the squad criteria

#### *Young Riders Squad*

- Riders are invited to join the Young Riders Squad until and including the year they turn 25 years of age
- CCI3\*-L - automatic inclusion if completed an event regardless of the penalties
- CCI3\*-S/CCN3\*-S 50 penalties or less
- CCI2\*-L\* 45 penalties or less
- CCI2\*-S/CCN2\*-S 40 penalties or less
- CCN1\*-S 30 penalties or less
- With a minimum of competing in 6 events as a horse/rider combination during 2019 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
  - 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.
- Athlete selection and/or exclusion is subject to any yellow card, strict liability offence and/or medication control violations.
- Athletes must conform to the EA Code of Conduct, EA Social Media Policy and Welfare of the Horse or be subject to disciplinary procedures.
- There are 4 squad clinics during 2020, riders must commit to attending a minimum of 3 of these clinics with a minimum of two days being attended for the three-day clinics and a minimum of two days for all other clinics. Squad clinic dates; February, May, July and September.  
*\*These clinic dates may be subject to change pending coach availability*
- Attendance at the Equestrian Queensland 2020 High Performance Seminar held in 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 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. Individual circumstances will be considered with applications being submitted in writing for substitutions at other levels. Application to be in writing to [hp@equestrianqld.com.au](mailto:hp@equestrianqld.com.au) & [gldeventingsquad@gmail.com](mailto:gldeventingsquad@gmail.com). 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 2020, 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 2020. 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 2020
  - Futures: 4 events in the first 6 months of 2020
  - Elite: 2 events in the first 6 months of 2020
  - These events are to be attended as a horse/rider combination
- Riders must be Australian citizens or permanent residents.
- Riders must be current financial members of Equestrian Queensland.
- Horses must be registered with Equestrian Australia 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 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019 and close 11<sup>th</sup> January 2020. Registrations will be strictly via [nominate.com.au](http://nominate.com.au) The following criteria applies for the Eventing QLD Development Group:

- Open to all 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 We encourage participation from riders of all ages and levels of experience.
- This group is for the entirety of 2020.
- To be eligible, riders must have competed at 3 eventing competitions during the 2019 calendar year.
- Cost of joining the group is \$50 for calendar year (one registration fee per rider is payable regardless of the number of horses).
- 4 clinics will be held in 2020.
- Development Group members will be eligible to purchase Qld Development Group shirts and caps.
- Development Group riders will be on a user pays basis, with each clinic costing approximately \$250 (not including camping, yarding & ancillary costs).
- 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.