

Jumping Queensland Junior & Young Rider 2023 State Squad Selection Criteria



This criteria focuses on selection of Junior and Young Rider squads (does not address Senior Squads). They are:

- Young Rider Squad open to athletes from the beginning of the calendar year in which they reach the age of 16 until the end of the calendar year they reach the age of 21
- Junior Squad open to athletes until the end of the calendar year in which they reach the age of 18 years.

YR & Junior Jumping Queensland Squads

Jumping Queensland are committed to the ongoing development of young athletes within our sport and encourage all Juniors and Young Riders to strive for inclusion within the State Squad. To include as many events as possible which enable riders to qualify for inclusion (including those riders located in regional areas), for the 2023 squad the following selection process will take place:

Qualifying Period

The annual squad will be selected from performances from the horse and athlete combination at squad selection events from January 2022 to 30 November 2022.

Qualifying Events

Qualifying events are as follows:

- Junior Squad any class run at an endorsed EA event, which has a <u>published start height</u> of 120cm or more. One (1) Result gained at Interschool competitions in the 120cm class may be included.
- Young Rider Squad any class run at an endorsed EA event, which has a <u>published start height</u> of 130cm or more.
- The rider must have eight faults or less to qualify;
- The class must be a two round jumping class. Acceptable article numbers include: 238 2.2, 238 2.2 245.3,273,274

NOTE: If Junior or Young Rider class does not start at the required height, the rider may start in an open class at the appropriate height and list that class as a qualifier.

Squad Composition

There will be a maximum of 12 positions across the YR and Junior Squads.

An additional two positions may be offered to combinations that have not met the eligibility requirement set out in the Squad Selection Criteria upon application for Special Consideration under the provisions in section 4 of the EQ Sport & Squad Selection policy.

http://www.qld.equestrian.org.au/sites/default/files/P%20%26%20P%200014%20Selection%20Policy 1.pdf

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.

In the event, that the number of qualified applicants exceed the number of positions, the Selectors reserve the right to take into account factors such as the quality of competition, number of participants etc. in the selection process.

Performance Record Cards

If you are seeking Jumping Queensland Junior & Young Rider Squad selection, please request a 2023 JQ Squad Performance Card by emailing <u>enquiries@equestriangld.com.au</u>

We encourage members to complete the card at each qualifying event with full details of the performance.

The following items within the performance card are required to be completed:

- Date of event
- Name of event
- Horse name
- Class height
- Number of entries
- Overall place
- Faults

Where practical the card can be verified by either:

- The Judge;
- The Course builder;

A Jumping Queensland Committee member who is on the grounds during competition.

A database of riders who have requested a Squad card will be maintained and throughout the year if Squad members are unable to attend training sessions, their place will be offered first to those riders who have been issued with a card but have not yet been included on a squad.

Application Process

Applications for Jumping Queensland Junior & Young Rider Squad will be opened on 30 November, 2022. Completed applications including a copy of the Squad Performance cards (with no less than 6 results) are to be submitted via the platform utilised. The applications will then be provided to the Jumping Queensland Selectors for consideration.

General Selection Criteria for Squads

The following general requirements apply:

Automatic exclusion from the squad will apply under the following circumstances:

- Sale of squad horse
- Squad horse no longer being ridden by chosen athlete/horse combination
- Automatic exclusion from the squad will be updated immediately on the EQ website after informing the athlete of their exclusion via email. Additionally, it is the athletes' responsibility to inform Equestrian Queensland in writing in a timely fashion when horses are either sold or no longer being ridden by that athlete.
- 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.
- Athletes must commit to attending any High Performance clinics or Equestrian Australia (EA) 2022 Competitive Edge Off the Horse Seminars. Should an athlete not be able to attend the workshops or seminars provided by EA they may apply in writing for an exemption.
- Any athlete failing to meet their commitments to attend the Off the Horse Workshops/Seminars or Clinics may be subject to a review.

- Any squad horse that is injured when a squad clinic is being held may be substituted with another horse. Individual circumstances will be considered with applications being submitted in writing for substitutions at other levels to Jumping Queensland.
- If a substitute horse is not available, the squad member is required to attend all workshop/seminars during that clinic. Athletes are also welcome to attend squad clinics on foot.
- All squads may subject to a review period at the end of June 2022.
- Athletes must be Australian citizens or permanent residents.
- Athletes must be current financial members of Equestrian Queensland.
- Horses must be registered with Equestrian Australia and must have a current jumping competition licence.
- Athletes 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.