

# Dressage Queensland

## Grading of Dressage Horse/Pony

**This Form becomes a Tax Invoice on payment. Please copy for your records. (ABN 79 598 577 242)**

Applications can only be accepted from the registered EA Owner.

I wish to apply for ☐ Downgrading of a horse/pony

Applications for downgrade **must** supply the following –

- Copy of horse/pony's current performance licence or proof of performances
- Assessment from an independent EA Coach and complete the section on the second page.

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

OWNER'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ MEMBER NO.: \_\_\_\_\_

POSTAL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

SUBURB: \_\_\_\_\_ POST CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

MOBILE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

RIDERS NAME IF DIFFERENT FROM OWNER

RIDER'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ RIDER'S AGE \_\_\_\_\_ MEMBER NO.: \_\_\_\_\_

EA REGISTRATION No.	EA REGISTERED NAME OF HORSE	
AGE OF HORSE/PONY	FOAL DATE	<input type="checkbox"/> Northern Hemisphere <input type="checkbox"/> Southern Hemisphere
HORSE/PONY CURRENT GRADED LEVEL OF PERFORMANCE (incl. international)		
DESIRED EA GRADING LEVEL (subject to DQ approval):		

**Applications will be considered at the next scheduled DQ Committee Meeting**

Downgrade applications must be submitted **at least 5 days prior** to the first competition at which it is proposed to officially compete the horse/pony at a downgraded level.

☐ Downgrading of a horse/pony \$100.00

Return: Email: [dressageqldsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:dressageqldsecretary@gmail.com) & [enquiries@equestrianqld.com.au](mailto:enquiries@equestrianqld.com.au)

{PLEASE NOTE: AN ADDITIONAL 1.5 % BANK CHARGE WILL APPLY TO ALL CREDIT CARDS}

Total Payable: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

CREDIT CARD DETAILS			
TYPE OF CARD	<input type="checkbox"/> VISA	<input type="checkbox"/> Mastercard	EXPIRY DATE /
NAME ON CARD:			
CARD NUMBER:			

(The section below is to be completed by applicants wanting to downgrade)

<b>Experience of Rider:</b>
<b>Name of EA Coach:</b>
<b>Experience/History of horse/pony:</b>
<b>Reason for Downgrading Request:</b>
<b>Intended Use:</b>

**Conditions of Downgrading of horse/pony (Refer page 51, rule 4.10 of the 2022 EA Dressage Rules)**

**4.10 Downgrading of horses/ponies**

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

- 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
- g) 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 4.8.2 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 fulfil any criteria regarding eligibility of horses/ponies for each level as outlined in 4.8.3.2