

# Australian Guidelines

## FEI Young Rider World Cup Dressage

### 2007 Season

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#### **FEI Young Rider World Cup Dressage (extract from FEI Rules)**

The FEI Young Rider World Cup Dressage is a competition at FEI Young Rider level comprising qualifying Young Rider events and a Final. The FEI Dressage Rules apply, except where stated differently in these rules.

Moreover these rules must be read in conjunction with current FEI Statutes, General Regulations and Veterinary Regulations.

#### **1. Regions/Leagues:**

The FEI Young Rider World Cup Dressage is divided into the following 5 Regions/Leagues \*: Western Europe, Central Europe, North America, South/Central America and Asia/Africa/Pacific.

From each Region/League the following number of rider/horse combinations may qualify for the Final:

1. Western Europe	6	Maximum 1 rider / NF
2. Central Europe	2	Maximum 1 rider / NF
3. North America	2	Maximum 1 rider / NF
4. South / Central America	2	Maximum 1 rider / NF
5. Asia / Africa / Pacific	3	Maximum 1 rider / NF
+ Defending Champion (if still YR)	1	(excluded from above)
+ FEI Wild Card:	1	(from an NF not already qualified)

#### **2. Riders and Horses:**

A rider can only gain qualification as a rider/horse combination and cannot use the total result with different horses. For the Final a rider may not replace the horse he/she has qualified with.

#### **3. Qualifying events:**

All CDIY/CDIOY events including CDI3\* with YR classes (Prix St Georges Ed. 2000 and YR Freestyle test 2006) CDI3\* - CDIY combined, for the period of **1 January 2007 - 30 October 2007**

Rider/Horse combinations belonging to the above Regions/Leagues may gain qualification points (counted in %) at any FEI CDIY/CDIOY event including CDI3\* with YR classes (CDI3\*-CDIY combined), in the FEI Young Rider Freestyle Test (Ed.2005).

## **Procedure for Australian League Selection**

### **4. FEI Young Rider World Cup Rules**

#### **Qualifying Competitions**

- Young Rider World Cup qualifying competitions at CDIY and CDI3\* events with YR classes will be offered in Australia between February and October each year. These competitions will be open to all young rider/horse combinations that have obtained a percentage of 58% in a Prix St Georges test during the 12 months preceding the CDIY.
- Organisers of Events wishing to obtain CDIY status in Australia must apply to the EFA Dressage Committee by the beginning of September of the previous year to be referred to the FEI for approval. A calendar of qualifying CDIY events shall be prepared by the end of October of the year prior to the season.

#### **Eligibility Criteria for Riders and Horses**

- Competitors must be Australian citizens
- Competitors may compete as Young Riders from the beginning of the calendar year in which they reach the age of 16 until the end of the calendar year in which they reach the age of 21
- Competitors must be members of the EFA
- Horses must be appropriately registered with the EFA and be at least 7 years of age and eligible under EFA rules to compete at the level of the competition
- Riders and Horse Owners must be current financial members of the EFA
- Horses must have a validated National Identification Document or FEI Passport

#### **Terms/Conditions for Participation**

- A rider may compete on more than one horse at qualifying CDIY throughout the season, but results for each horse are evaluated separately
- In the final invitation selection event, a rider can only ride one horse in the Prix St Georges Freestyle (unless special permission is sought and granted by the National Dressage Selectors through the EFA Dressage Committee)
- The horse/rider must compete in at least two CDIY events in the qualifying period in order to be considered for the final selection event at the Australian Dressage Championships
- In exceptional circumstances horse/rider combinations may be accepted in the final selection event without fulfilling the above criteria, but only with the approval of the National Selectors and/or the EFA Dressage Committee
- Australian riders may compete in CDIY events in another country
- At any event, the FEI Prix St Georges YR Test (Ed. 2000) serves as the qualifying test to the FEI YR Freestyle Test (Ed. 2006)
- Competitors may compete in other FEI Tests held in conjunction with a CDIY. These other classes are to be run under EFA/FEI rules. Conditions of entry will be determined by the Organising Committee
- If choosing to use European CDIY events to qualify, riders must declare this to the Equestrian Federation of Australia before the competitions and advise their intention to be considered for selection
- Australian representatives to the FEI Young Rider World Cup Final must have competed at the final selection event in Australia. In extreme circumstances, exceptions to this requirement will be considered by the National Dressage Selectors

## 5. Sampling for prohibited substances

At all qualifying CDIY events and at the Australian Final, current FEI veterinary regulations apply.

## 6. Fitness Inspections

At all qualifying CDIY events, horses will be inspected for soundness in accordance with current FEI Rules and Veterinary Regulations. There will be one horse inspection at each CDIY event.

## 7. Qualification System for the final selection event

### Minimum qualification criteria:

- All rider/horse combinations invited to the final selection event must have scored a minimum of 65% in two (2) FEI Young Rider Freestyle tests at a CDIY/CDI3\*-CDIY during the qualification period
- The percentage scores of horse/rider combinations in the YR PSG and YR Freestyle test at qualifying competitions will be considered
- The National Selectors may invite up to 10 riders to the final selection event, at their discretion, based on performance

### The final selection event

- The final selection event shall be conducted in accordance with the relevant FEI YR World Cup Rules
- The final selection event shall be held at the Australian Dressage Championships in Sydney in October
- In the final selection event, a rider can only ride one horse in the YR Freestyle (except where permission is given)

## 8. The FEI YR World Cup Final

- Following the qualification period the National Dressage Selectors will consider all results for the year for horse/rider combination and will accordingly select the combination to represent Australia at the FEI Young Rider World Cup Final to be held in Europe in December 2007
- Selection will be based on performance of the horse and rider combination throughout the year including the combination's fitness to compete (including a veterinary inspection by the EFA approved Veterinary Surgeon) and represent Australia
- In the event that the selected combination is unable to travel to Europe, the National Dressage Selectors may consider another horse/rider combination for the Final in Europe

## 9. FEI YR World Cup Qualifying Events - 2007

- CDIY Victorian Dressage Festival (CDI-W), 30 March 2007 – 1 April 2007
- CDIY Sydney (CDI3\*), 5 – 6 May 2007
- CDIY Queensland Dressage Championships (CDI-W), Toowoomba 25 – 27 May 2007
- Australian Dressage Championships CDI02\*, Sydney 25 – 28 October 2007

## 10. Supplementary Notes for Organising Committees

- Organising Committees of CDIY are to complete a "Draft FEI Schedule" and submit it to the EFA National Office at least 16 weeks before the start of the competition. This schedule will be sent by the National Office to the FEI for approval no later than 16 weeks prior to the start of the competition.
- **Ground Juries:** At least one FEI International judge from a country other than Australia shall officiate
- A minimum 3 judges be appointed (2 from the FEI list), and at least one of these (from the FEI list), to be of a nationality other than the host country. If 5 judges are appointed, at least 2 must be of a nationality other than host country (from the FEI list).