

## Generation Next

### Selection Criteria

The below information outlines the selection criteria taken into consideration for Generation Next:

- Athletes to be between the ages 18-30 years (Deemed the year that a rider turns 18 years of age until the end of 30 years of age)
- Athletes to be competent at riding courses at the required level and potential as a rider to achieve at a higher level
- Athletes competing currently at CSI2\*-3\* competitions with consistent performances in classes 1.40m and above.
- Athletes competing currently with consistent performances at 1.40m and above at domestic competitions at nominated benchmark events e.g. (From 2014 the National Championships, State Championships, Outdoor CSI-W, The Elms Show Sale, Hawkesbury Showcase of Showjumping) additional shows to be considered at the discretion of High Performance.
- Athletes to be considered exhibit the potential, technical competence, core skills, aptitude and mindset to be a world-class athlete
- To have aptitude, attitude, self-motivation, concentration and riding skills capable of retaining or progressing at this level of performance and beyond
- Athletes considered to have established flatwork basics and the ability to further develop jumping flatwork necessary to attain to a Championship level.
- Athletes agree to work within the program confines, to work towards optimal performance necessary for high performance at an international level.
- Athletes are able to self-fund development opportunities as defined in consultation with National Performance Director.
- Be a current Equestrian Australia member
- Remain in good standing with State Branches
- Sign an athlete commitment to program agreement

## **Additional Considerations**

The following outlines additional areas taken into consideration when considering candidates:

### Physical Capacities

Subject to medical screening and assessments, the rider must be able to indicate a physical condition that can compete at a high level for a period of up to two (2) Olympic cycles.

### Technical Competence

Technical indicates a level of ability as a show jumping athlete with potential competency at a high level in the following:

- Jumping Flatwork
- Technical Riding skill necessary for competition at a high level
- Course technicality knowledge and understanding

### Self-Management

Athletes to have the following attributes:

- Competitive Ability and Savviness:
  - For example mental toughness, maintain a positive attitude, determination, persistence and a high level of motivation and commitment,
- Ability to perform in adverse conditions, when under pressure and coping with setbacks/criticism.

### Horse Management

Athletes to have the following attributes:

- Ability to develop and maintain a horse to peak physical condition necessary for the demands of performance at a high level.
- Commitment to take and implement advice from HP Veterinary Program necessary for horses to reach full potential over a planned period of time.

### Rider Trainability

Athletes to have the following attributes:

- Potential to improve
- Attitude towards individual application to the program incorporating training, clinics and competition.
- Commitment to Strategy and Planning

### Team/Squad Orientation

- Athletes to have the ability to fit in and influence others in a positive manner.

### Coaching and Training

Athletes to have access and consistent exposure to a competent level of training that can assist with the development of the rider and combination to a high level.