

## SELECTION GUIDELINES 2025/26 NATIONS CUPS

This selection policy ('the policy') covers the discipline of Jumping.

### 1. OBJECTIVE

To select four athletes and horses who can achieve not only the best possible results at the Nations Cup event, but to gain exposure for combinations leading up to Aachen 26' World Championships.

### 2. PROCESS OF SELECTION

Subject to the terms of this policy and any additional FEI qualification/entry requirements:

- 2.1 The initial process will commence with the Jumping Selection Panel (**the 'JSP'**) calling for Expressions of Interest.
- 2.2 The JSP will select four (4) athlete and horse combinations and a reserve to participate in the Nations Cup Event.

### 3. ELIGIBILITY FOR SELECTION

- 3.1 For **Athletes** to be eligible for selection, all athletes must:
  - 3.1.1 Be current members of EA;
  - 3.1.2 Be eligible to compete for Australia as per FEI regulations Art. 119;
  - 3.1.3 have acted and at all times act in such a manner so as to not bring the athlete, the discipline of Equestrian or EA into public disrepute or censure;
- 3.2 For **Horses** to be eligible for selection, all horses must:
  - 3.2.1 have a current FEI passport

### 4. NOMINATION CRITERIA

#### 4.1 General Criteria

- 4.1.1 Athletes campaigning for Aachen 26' World Championships.
- 4.1.2 Combinations with performances at 1.50m and above
- 4.1.3 Development of Athletes campaigning for Aachen 26' World Championships.
- 4.1.4 The ability and experience of the Combination to compete successfully at international competition. Consideration will be given to:
  - a) The ability, or potential ability, of a Horse and / or Athlete to perform under the stress and pressure of a team competition;
  - b) The ability of the Athlete to prepare their Horse to peak condition for a major campaign;

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- c) The ability of the Athletes to contribute towards an effective team environment;
- 4.1.5 The JSP has the discretion to place a greater emphasis on one or more of the nomination considerations in considering Combinations for nomination.
- 4.1.6 Final selection will be at the sole discretion of the National Selection Panel – Jumping.