

## SELECTION POLICY YOUNG RIDER TRANS TASMAN BORROWED HORSE COMPETITION

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

### 1. OBJECTIVE

To select four (4) athletes (Age requirements as per Article 255.4 of the Australian Jumping Rules) who are able to achieve the best possible result at the Trans Tasman Young Rider Borrowed Horse Competition.

**Article 255.4:** *Athletes may take part in Competitions and Championships for Young Riders 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.*

### 2. PROCESS OF SELECTION

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

2.1 Selection will be based on the athletes ability to ride a range of horse types at a high level based on but not limited to the following factors:

- Riding ability, presentation, manner, ability to receive instruction and communicate well;
- The experience of the athlete and their demonstrated ability to compete successfully in classes above 1.20m (greater weight will be placed on competition performances achieved at 1.30m and above);
- Penalties (or lack thereof) will be taken into account but will not automatically position one rider ahead of another.

2.2 On or before the date specified in the Expression of Interest form, the JSP will select Four (4) athletes to be the Australian Young Rider Team. A list of reserve athletes will be maintained with the JSP.

2.3 Athletes who have fulfilled all selection criteria as per this document may be eligible for Selection.

2.4 This policy may be varied, amended or supplemented by EA from time to time, including where matters arise for which there is no explicit provision in the criteria. Any variation, amendment or supplement, must be in writing. EA will endeavour to give as much notice as possible to all persons affected by any variation, amendment or supplement to this Policy.

### 3. SUBSTITUTION

3.1 Following selection of the Trans Tasman Team, if:

- 3.1.1 In the opinion of the JSP (in consultation with the High Performance Jumping Manager), there has been a loss of form or fitness by any of the nominated Athletes, (the loss of form must be assessed to be likely to be ongoing and affect performance); or

3.1.2 a nominated athlete contravenes the EA Rules and policies

then the relevant nominated athlete may be replaced by another reserve meeting the requirements for selection.

## 4. ELIGIBILITY FOR SELECTION

4.1 For **Athletes** to be eligible for selection, all athletes must:

4.1.1 Be current members of EA;

4.1.2 Demonstrate to the satisfaction of EA that they are not suffering any physical or mental impairment that would prevent them from competing to the highest possible standard;

4.1.3 Have acted and at all times act in such a manner so as to not bring the athlete, the discipline of Jumping or EA into public disrepute or censure

## 5. APPEALS

5.1 Appeals concerning non-selection of athletes for the Trans Tasman Event will be heard by an EA Appeal Tribunal in accordance with the EA Appeal By-Laws.

5.2 There will be one level of appeal only with the sole grounds for an Appeal being that this Selection Policy was not properly followed and/or implemented.

5.3 Only athletes (and/or their nominated guardian) may appeal their non-selection. An athlete (or guardian) must lodge the notice of intention to appeal in writing with the HPM and EAJC of EA within three (3) working days from the date of the announcement of the Selected Athletes.

## 6. NOMINATION CRITERIA

The nomination criteria combines the EA requirements, the Competition Criteria and the General Criteria.

### 6.1 General Criteria

All athletes who wish to be considered for selection must have met the EA requirements in this Selection Policy and have competed and gained performances at 1.20m level and above.

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### 6.2 Competition Criteria

As stipulated in the relevant Expression of Interest and or Competition Schedule.

## 7. DISCRETIONARY CONSIDERATIONS

In assessing the performance of Riders, the selectors may consider competition based factors. These factors include, but are not limited to:

- The performance of Riders in relation to the quality and number of competitors; and
- The technical features of the competition

- 6.1.2 The Selectors may, in their sole discretion, place greater emphasis on:
- 6.1.2.1 Riders who have achieved competitions results at 1.30m and above; and
  - 6.1.2.2 Riders that have achieved competition results on multiple horses above 1.10m.

### 7.1 Removal from a List

Athletes who:

- 7.1.1 by reason of illness or injury to themselves are unable to perform to the required standard as determined by the Selection Panel (after having received advice from a medical practitioner); or
- 7.1.2 contravene the EA Codes of Conduct, or EA Rules and policies; or
- 7.1.3 do not meet any other stated requirement communicated to them in writing by EA

May be removed from being part of the Selected Team.

Removal from the Selected Team by the National Jumping Selection Panel may only be with the prior written approval of the HPM and EAJC of EA.