

SELECTION POLICY 2022 YOUTH EQUESTRIAN GAMES - JUMPING

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

1. OBJECTIVE

To select one (1) athlete (born between 1 January 2004 and 31 December 2007) who is able to achieve the best possible result at the 2022 Youth Equestrian Games (YEG).

2. PROCESS OF SELECTION

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

2.1 On or before 28th March 2022, the JSP will select a **Short List** of athletes from which the 2022 Youth Equestrian Games will be primarily selected,

- a) Four (4) Athletes will be selected to attend the final selection to be held in Camden NSW on 19th and 20th April 2022.

At the final selection, athletes will be required to demonstrate their ability on four (4) borrowed horses provided by EA under the following conditions:

DAY ONE:

- Each Athlete is to ride each of the four (4) borrowed horses provided for a total of 20 minutes each, two (2) horses in the morning and two (2) horses in the afternoon
- Athletes are permitted to jump a total of six (6) fences, vertical and oxer in any combination, during the 20 minute period
- A cross rail will be supplied with a max limit of six (6) jumps

DAY TWO:

- Each athlete will ride each horse over a course of 8-10 fences with one combination, two (2) horses in the morning and two (2) horses in the afternoon.
- Warm Up – a limit of Six (6) jumps, Vertical and or OXER in any combinations and a max limit of six (6) Cross Rails

2.2 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; and
- The experience of the athlete and their demonstrated ability to compete successfully in classes at 1.20m-1.30m and above competitions.
- Penalties (or lack thereof) will be taken into account but will not automatically position one rider ahead of another

- 2.3 On or before **21st April 2022**, the JSP will select one (1) athlete to be "**the YEG Competitor**". A list of reserve athletes will be maintained through the short list, the reserves will be ranked according to the scoring system in 2.2.
- 2.4 Athletes who have fulfilled all selection criteria as per this document may be eligible for the Short List or YEG Selection.
- 2.5 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 the Policy.

3. SUBSTITUTION

- 3.1 Following selection of the YEG Athlete, if:
- 3.1.1 In the opinion of the JSP (in consultation with the High Performance Director and the High Performance Jumping Manager), there has been a loss of form or fitness by the nominated YEG, the loss of form must be assessed to be likely to be ongoing and affect performance at YEG; or
- 3.1.2 the nominated YEG athlete contravenes the EA Rules and policies; or

The nominated YEG athlete may be replaced by another reserve meeting the requirements for selection.

4. ELIGIBILITY FOR SELECTION FOR THE SHORT LIST

- 4.1 For **Athletes** to be eligible for selection, all athletes must:
- 4.1.1 Be current members of EA;
- 4.1.2 Be eligible to compete for Australia as per FEI General Regulations Art. 119;
- 4.1.3 Demonstrate to the satisfaction of EA that they are not suffering any physical or mental impairment that would prevent them from competing in the Youth Equestrian Games to the highest possible standard;
- 4.1.4 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
- 4.1.5 Have agreed and sign the Athletes Agreement and comply with the Covid Plan

5. APPEALS

- 5.1 Appeals concerning non-selection of athletes for the Youth Equestrian Games 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 HPD of EA within three (3) working days from the date of the announcement of the YEG Selected Athlete.

6. NOMINATION CRITERIA

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

6.1 FEI Qualification Process for the Youth

[https://inside.fei.org/system/files/FEI Youth Equestrian Games 2022 Qualification System.pdf](https://inside.fei.org/system/files/FEI_Youth_Equestrian_Games_2022_Qualification_System.pdf)

Qualification period: Start: 1 April 2021

End: 25 May 2022

The Jumping Nomination Process offers athletes the opportunity to qualify for the 2022 Youth Equestrian Games by obtaining a Certificate of Capability confirming that the athlete has fulfilled the minimum eligibility requirements for the 2022 Youth Equestrian Games. Athletes must have achieved a combined score of not more than eight (8) penalties in the first and second rounds of an FEI Jumping World Challenge Category A Competition 3 and or Competition 1

6.2 General Criteria

All athletes vying for selection to the 2022 must have met the FEI MER requirements

7. DISCRETIONARY CONSIDERATIONS

7.1 Additions to the YEG Short List

The JSP may, in its absolute discretion, add an athlete to the YEG Short List at any stage subject to the athlete satisfying the relevant FEI qualification criteria and prior to close of Nominated Entries.

7.2 Removal from a List

Athletes who:

- 7.2.1 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
- 7.2.2 contravene the FEI or EA Codes of Conduct, or EA Rules and policies; or
- 7.2.3 do not meet any other stated requirement communicated to them in writing by EA, may be removed from the YEG Short List.

Removal from the YEG Short List by the National Jumping Selection Panel may only be with the prior written approval of the HPD of EA.

8. NOMINATION TIMELINE

DATE (on or before)	EVENT	COMMENTS
1 st April 2021	FEI Qualification Period Commences	
28 th March 2022	Short List Announced	Four (4) Athletes
21 st April 2022	YEG Athlete Announced	One (1) Athlete plus a list of reserves
15 th May 2022	FEI Qualification Period Ends	
1 st June 2022	YEG Final Entries	