## Qualification information for the 2016 NSW Dressage Championships

The schedule will not be finalised till mid June. As a guide, competitors can expect the performance qualifications to remain the same as for the 2015 Championships.

- 1. **Performance eligibility:** the qualifying period runs from the **28 July 2015 to the 27 July 2016.** All entries for EA and FEI Level tests must be qualified by having gained at least the following:
  - Prelim & Novice: Open: one performance of 68% or higher; AOR & Pony: one performance of 65% or higher;
  - Elementary: Open: one performance of 65% or higher; AOR & Pony: one performance of 62% or higher
  - Medium and Advanced: **Open**: one performance of at least 62% or higher; **AOR & Pony**: one performance of 60% or higher
  - FEI PSG & Int I: Open, AOR & Pony: one performance of 60% or higher;
  - Inter II & GP **Open, AOR & Pony:** one performance of 58% is compulsory at the level they are entering during the 12-month period preceding the closing date.

**CDI-W**: As per EA Rule 8.18.3 Competitors must have two results of 62% or higher in at least two competitions at Grand Prix level.

- 2. At least one qualifying score MUST have been obtained by the nominated horse/rider combination (refer rule 8.2).
- 3. All combinations must submit their best three performances gained in Official Competitive competitions (at the appropriate level, between 28 July 2015 to the 27 July 2016. See above re minimum performance requirement. Eventing, Restricted, Participant, Freestyle and Young Horse dressage results are not considered.
- 4. Only one HC (non-competitive) score is allowed to count at each level entered.
- 5. Ranking (balloting) will be based on the average of the highest percentages of three tests at the particular level, in the 12 months before the close of entries. Riders who submit 3 performances, (only one of which may be HC (Hors Concours) will be considered ahead of those who submit one or two performances. In exceptional circumstances, consideration may be given for a horse that has two high qualifying scores to be ranked above horses with three lower scores on approval of the DNSW Executive.

Full conditions of entry and the schedule will be on the DNSW website by middle of June 2016

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