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Sydney International Equestrian Centre
Thursday 27th to Sunday 30th August 2026

Incorporating the:

NSW Amateur Owner Rider Championships
NSW Pony Dressage Championships
NSW Para-Dressage Championships
NSW Virtus Dressage Championships

Including NON-CHAMPIONSHIP COMPETITIONS

Including State, Regional and Club Teams

ENTRIES VIA EQUESTRIAN HUB

ENTRIES CLOSE Monday 3rd August 2026

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FEI CODE OF CONDUCT FOR THE WELFARE OF THE HORSE

The Fédération Equestre Internationale (FEI) requires all those involved in international equestrian sport to adhere to the FEI's Code of Conduct and to acknowledge and accept that at all times the welfare of the horse must be paramount and must never be subordinated to competitive or commercial influences.

- At all stages during the preparation and training of competition horses, welfare must take precedence over all other demands. This includes good horse management, training methods, farriery and tack, and transportation.
- Horses and competitors must be fit, competent and in good health before they are allowed to compete. This encompasses medication use, surgical procedures that threaten welfare or safety, pregnancy in mares and the misuse of aids.
- Events must not prejudice horse welfare. This involves paying careful attention to the competition areas, ground surfaces, weather conditions, stabling, site safety and fitness of the horse for onward travel after the event.
- Every effort must be made to ensure that horses receive proper attention after they have competed and that they are treated humanely when their competition careers are over. This covers proper veterinary care, competition injuries, euthanasia and retirement.
- The FEI urges all those involved in equestrian sport to attain the highest possible levels of education in their areas of expertise relevant to the care and management of the competition horse.

Closing Dates

- ENTRIES CLOSE Monday 3rd August 2026
- LATE ENTRIES CLOSE Monday 10th August 2026 (a \$50 Late Fee will be charged per Horse from Tuesday 4th to Monday 10th August)

Event Bump In

SIEC will be open to horse arrivals from 10am on Wednesday 26th August 2026

Schedule of Competitions

The competition programme may be revised at the discretion of the Organising Committee. Competition days may need to be changed depending on entries received.

Thursday 27 August 2026				
Open	Pony	AOR	Non-Championship	Para Equestrian / Virtus
Intermediate II	Intermediate II	Intermediate II	Intermediate II	
Prix St George	Prix St George	Prix St George	Prix St George	
Intermediate A	Intermediate A	Intermediate A	Intermediate A	
Friday 28 August 2026				
Open	Pony	AOR	Non-Championship	Para Equestrian / Virtus
Elementary 3.2/3.3	Elementary 3.2/3.3	Elementary 3.2/3.3	Elementary 3.2/3.3	FEI GI–V Novice Test A
Advanced 5.2	Advanced 5.2	Advanced 5.2	Advanced 5.2	FEI GI–V Intermediate Test A
Intermediate I	Intermediate I	Intermediate I	Intermediate I	FEI GI–V Grand Prix Test A
Intermediate B	Intermediate B	Intermediate B	Intermediate B	Virtus III & II3 Riders– FEI Grade IV Novice A Test
Grand Prix	Grand Prix	Grand Prix	Grand Prix	Virtus II2 - Para Dressage Challenge Grade III Foundation Test
Saturday 29 August 2026				
Open	Pony	AOR	Non-Championship	Para Equestrian / Virtus
Novice 2.2/2.3	Novice 2.2/2.3	Novice 2.2/2.3	Novice 2.2/2.3	FEI GI–V Novice Test B
Advanced 5.3	Advanced 5.3	Advanced 5.3	Advanced 5.3	FEI GI–V Intermediate Test B
Intermediate I Freestyle	Intermediate I Freestyle	Intermediate I Freestyle	Intermediate I Freestyle	FEI GI–V Grand Prix Test B
Intermediate A/B Freestyle	Intermediate A/B Freestyle	Intermediate A/B Freestyle	Intermediate A/B Freestyle	Virtus III & II3 Riders– FEI Grade IV Intermediate A Test
Grand Prix Freestyle	Grand Prix Freestyle	Grand Prix Freestyle	Grand Prix Freestyle	Virtus II2 - FEI Grade III Novice A Test
Sunday 30 August 2026				
Open	Pony	AOR	Non-Championship	Para Equestrian / Virtus
Preliminary 1.2/1.3	Preliminary 1.2/1.3	Preliminary 1.2/1.3	Preliminary 1.2/1.3	FEI GI–V Novice Freestyle
Medium 4.2/4.3	Medium 4.2/4.3	Medium 4.2/4.3	Medium 4.2/4.3	FEI GI–V Intermediate Freestyle
Advanced Freestyle	Advanced Freestyle	Advanced Freestyle	Advanced Freestyle	FEI GI–V Grand Prix Freestyle
Grand Prix Special	Grand Prix Special	Grand Prix Special	Grand Prix Special	Virtus III & II3 Riders– FEI Grade IV Novice Freestyle
				Virtus II2– FEI Grade III FEI Novice Freestyle

Prize Money and Entry Fees

Comp #	Competition	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	Sash	Entry Fee
1 a/b	Preliminary 1.2/1.3 Open	\$160	\$140	\$130	\$100	\$80	\$60	1–8th	\$200
2 a/b	Preliminary 1.2/1.3 AOR	\$160	\$140	\$130	\$100	\$80	\$60	1–8th	\$200
3 a/b	Preliminary 1.2/1.3 Pony	\$160	\$140	\$130				1–8th	\$200
4 a/b	Preliminary 1.2/1.3 Non-Championship							1–8th	\$150
5 a/b	Novice 2.2/2.3 Open	\$160	\$140	\$130	\$100	\$80	\$60	1–8th	\$200
6 a/b	Novice 2.2/2.3 AOR	\$160	\$140	\$130	\$100	\$80	\$60	1–8th	\$200
7 a/b	Novice 2.2/2.3 Pony	\$160	\$140	\$130	\$100			1–8th	\$200
8 a/b	Novice 2.2/2.3 Non-Championship							1–8th	\$150
9 a/b	Elementary 3.2/3.3 Open	\$160	\$140	\$130	\$100	\$80	\$60	1–8th	\$200
10 a/b	Elementary 3.2/3.3 AOR	\$160	\$140	\$130	\$100	\$80	\$60	1–8th	\$200
11 a/b	Elementary 3.2/3.3 Pony	\$160	\$140	\$130				1–8th	\$200
12 a/b	Elementary 3.2/3.3 Non-Championship							1–8th	\$150
13 a/b	Medium 4.2/4.3 Open	\$160	\$140	\$130	\$100	\$80	\$60	1–8th	\$200
14 a/b	Medium 4.2/4.3 AOR	\$160	\$140	\$130	\$100	\$80	\$60	1–8th	\$200
15 a/b	Medium 4.2/4.3 Pony	\$160	\$130					1–8th	\$200
16 a/b	Medium 4.2/4.3 Non-Championship							1–8th	\$150
17 a/b	Advanced 5.2/5.3 Open	\$160	\$140	\$130	\$100	\$80	\$60	1–8th	\$200
18 a/b	Advanced 5.2/5.3 AOR	\$160	\$140	\$130	\$100			1–8th	\$200
19 a/b	Advanced 5.2/5.3 Pony	\$160						1–8th	\$200
20 a/b	Advanced 5.2/5.3 Non-Championship							1–8th	\$150
21	Advanced Freestyle Open	\$160	\$140					1–8th	\$130
22	Advanced Freestyle AOR	\$160						1–8th	\$130
23	Advanced Freestyle Pony	\$160						1–8th	\$130
24	Advanced Freestyle Non-Championship							1–8th	\$100
25	FEI Prix St George Open	\$250	\$180	\$160	\$140	\$100	\$80	1–8th	\$150
26	FEI Prix St George AOR	\$250	\$150					1–8th	\$150
27	FEI Prix St George Pony	\$250						1–3rd	\$150
28	FEI Prix St George Non-Championship							1–8th	\$110
29	FEI Intermediate I Open	\$250	\$180	\$160	\$140	\$100	\$80	1–8th	\$150
30	FEI Intermediate I AOR	\$250	\$150					1–8th	\$150
31	FEI Intermediate I Pony	\$250						1–3rd	\$150
32	FEI Intermediate I Non-Championship							1–8th	\$110
33	FEI Intermediate I Freestyle Open	\$250	\$180	\$150				1–6th	\$150
34	FEI Intermediate I Freestyle AOR	\$250						1–6th	\$150
35	FEI Intermediate I Freestyle Pony	\$250						1–3rd	\$150
36	FEI Intermediate I Freestyle Non-Championship							1–8th	\$110

Comp #	Competition	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	Sash	Entry Fee
37	FEI Intermediate A	\$250	\$160					1–6th	\$150
38	FEI Intermediate A AOR	\$250						1–6th	\$150
39	FEI Intermediate A Pony	\$250						1–3rd	\$150
40	FEI Intermediate A Non-Championship							1–8th	\$110
41	FEI Intermediate B	\$250	\$160					1–6th	\$150
42	FEI Intermediate B AOR	\$250						1–6th	\$150
43	FEI Intermediate B Pony	\$250						1–3rd	\$150
44	FEI Intermediate B Non-Championship							1–8th	\$110
45	FEI Medium Tour Freestyle	\$250						1–6th	\$150
46	FEI Medium Tour Freestyle AOR	\$250						1–6th	\$150
47	FEI Medium Tour Freestyle Pony	\$250							\$150
48	FEI Medium Tour Freestyle Non-Championship							1–8th	\$110
49	FEI Intermediate II	\$250	\$200	\$150				1–6th	\$150
50	FEI Intermediate II AOR	\$250						1–6th	\$150
51	FEI Intermediate II Pony	\$250						1–3rd	\$150
52	FEI Intermediate II Non-Championship							1–8th	\$110
53	FEI Grand Prix	\$250	\$200	\$150	Sash	Sash		1–6th	\$150
54	FEI Grand Prix AOR	\$250						1–6th	\$150
55	FEI Grand Prix Pony	\$250						1–3rd	\$150
56	FEI Grand Prix Non-Championship							1–8th	\$110
57	FEI Grand Prix Special	\$250	\$160	Sash				1–6th	\$150
58	FEI Grand Prix Special AOR	\$250						1–6th	\$150
59	FEI Grand Prix Special Pony	\$250						1–3rd	\$150
60	FEI Grand Prix Special Non-Championship							1–8th	\$110
61	FEI Grand Prix Freestyle	\$300	\$220	\$150	Sash	Sash	Sash	1–6th	\$150
62	FEI Grand Prix Freestyle AOR	\$250						1–6th	\$150
63	FEI Grand Prix Freestyle Pony	\$250						1–3rd	\$150
64	FEI Grand Prix Freestyle Non-Championship							1–8th	\$110
70 a–e	Para-Equestrian – FEI Grade I–V Novice Test A	\$120						1–3rd	\$100
71 a–e	Para-Equestrian – FEI Grade I–V Novice Test B	\$120						1–3rd	\$100
72 a–e	Para-Equestrian – FEI Grade I–V Novice Freestyle	\$120						1–3rd	\$100
73 a–e	Para-Equestrian – FEI Grade I–V Intermediate Test A	\$120						1–3rd	\$100
74 a–e	Para-Equestrian – FEI Grade I–V Intermediate Test B	\$120						1–3rd	\$100

Comp #	Competition	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	Sash	Entry Fee
75 a-e	Para-Equestrian – FEI Grade I–V Intermediate Freestyle	\$120						1–3rd	\$100
76 a-e	Para-Equestrian – FEI Grade I–V Grand Prix Test A	\$120						1–3rd	\$100
77 a-e	Para-Equestrian – FEI Grade I–V Grand Prix Test B	\$120						1–3rd	\$100
78 a-e	Para-Equestrian – FEI Grade I–V Grand Prix Freestyle	\$120						1–3rd	\$100
79	Virtus II1 & II3 Riders– FEI Grade IV Novice A Test	\$120						1–3rd	\$100
80	Virtus II1 & II3 Riders– FEI Grade IV Novice Freestyle	\$120						1–3rd	\$100
81	Virtus II1 & II3 Riders– FEI Grade IV Novice Freestyle	\$120						1–3rd	\$100
82	Virtus II2 - Para Dressage Challenge Grade III	\$120						1–3rd	\$100
83	Virtus II2 - FEI Grade III Novice A Test	\$120						1–3rd	\$100
84	Virtus II2– FEI Grade IV Novice Freestyle	\$120						1–3rd	\$100

Prize Money Notes

- The Organising Committee reserves the right to review the prize money allocation for competitions.
- Where a competition has fewer than 3 starters, prize money will be paid to 1st place only.
- Competitions with 3–6 starters: prize money paid to 1st and 2nd place.
- Competitions with 7–10 starters: prize money paid to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place.
- Competitions with 11 or more starters: prize money paid to 1st–6th place.
- Goods in Kind will replace prize money in some competitions.
- Prize money will be credited to competitors within 10 working days after the event via Electronic Funds Transfer. Please ensure you enter the correct bank details on entry.
- Non-Championship competitions do not receive prize money — ribbons only will be awarded.

Fees and Charges

Administration fee (non-refundable) per horse	\$60.00 per horse
Volunteer Levy	\$50 per Rider
Stable	\$40 per day
Stable Bond (Refundable if left clean)	\$50 per Stable
Tack Room	\$40 per Day
Initial Shavings per Stable (4 Shavings)	\$66 per Stable
SIEC Horse Fee (Horses not being stabled)	\$20 per day
Powered Campsite	\$35 per Night
Cabin	\$50 per Night

Non-Championship Competitions

- These are for riders who have not achieved qualifying scores for a level, or for those who wish to compete as part of the Championships.
- Performances are not required for Preliminary to Advanced competitions. Riders competing in FEI competitions must meet the requirements to compete at the relevant level. Refer EA National Rules (2026) 4.8.3.2.
- Ribbons will be awarded based on the number of starters. Refer to Rule 3.19.
- There will be no divisions in Non-Championship Competitions.
- Non-Championship Awards will be presented at the following levels: Preliminary, Novice, Elementary, Medium, Advanced, FEI Small Tour, FEI Medium Tour and FEI Big Tour.
- There will be no prize money or rugs awarded for Non-Championship competitions.
- FEI Intermediate Freestyle – a score of 60% in the Intermediate I is needed to ride the Freestyle.
- FEI Medium Tour Freestyle – a score of 60% in the Intermediate A/B is needed to ride the Freestyle.
- FEI Grand Prix Special – a score of 60% in the Grand Prix is needed to ride the Grand Prix Special.
- FEI Grand Prix Freestyle – a score of 60% in the Grand Prix is needed to ride the Grand Prix Freestyle.
- Non-Championship competition entry numbers may be limited as championship competitions take priority. Full refunds will be issued to riders not offered a ride.
- Competitions may be subject to day changes if needed.
- Riders entered in Championship competitions CANNOT compete in Non-Championship competitions at the same level. Consecutive level rules apply to all competitions.

Withdrawals and Refunds

- No competitor shall withdraw from a competition within 8 hours of commencement without the permission of the OC. A written statement must be provided to the Secretary (Refer Rule 10.4).
- Scratchings/withdrawals before the closing date will be refunded in full less the Non Refundable Administration Fee
- Entry fees will be refunded for scratchings/withdrawals advised after the closing date up to 5 days prior to the start of the event (i.e. up to and including 22 August) if a Veterinary or Doctor's certificate is provided within 3 days of the completion of the event. In such cases, 50% of entry fees will be refunded.
- Entry fees for scratchings/withdrawals received 5 days or later before the start of the event (i.e. from 22 August) will not be refunded.
- Refunds may be considered for withdrawals from competitors travelling long distances who are placed 5th or lower on the reserve list, provided the OC is notified no later than 17 August 2026.
- Fees for stables, tack rooms and camping sites will be refunded.

Competition Details

Competitions 1–20 (Preliminary to Advanced)

Limit on Numbers: 30 Horses. The OC will consider allowing a maximum of 35 entries depending on entries and time constraints.

Champions to be decided on points from both competitions at each level unless otherwise advised. Refer Rule 10.10 EA National Dressage Rule Book 2026.

Advanced Freestyle to Music — Open, AOR and Pony

Open to horses/ponies who have qualified for the Advanced competitions. The 15 highest-ranked Open riders, 5 highest-ranked AOR riders and 3 highest-ranked Pony riders who have entered the Advanced Freestyle will be allocated a start. If AOR and Pony numbers are lower, these spaces will be filled from the next highest-ranking combinations.

FEI Prix St George, Intermediate I, FEI Intermediate A/B, Intermediate II, Grand Prix

Limit on Numbers: 30 Horses/Ponies including AOR. The OC will consider allowing a maximum of 35 entries across divisions depending on entries and time constraints.

FEI Intermediate Freestyle to Music

A score of 60% in the qualifying Intermediate I Open, AOR and Pony competition is required to be eligible to start. Competitions will be limited depending on time constraints.

FEI Medium Tour Freestyle to Music

A score of 60% in the qualifying FEI Intermediate A or B Open, AOR and Pony competition is required. Competitions will be limited depending on time constraints. Maximum 12 horses/ponies will be accepted.

FEI Grand Prix Special

The Grand Prix Special is limited to the best 15 combinations that gain at least 60% in the Grand Prix. Participation is not compulsory for combinations that qualify, and entry fees will be refunded to combinations that enter and do not qualify. This competition may be cancelled if fewer than 3 entries are received.

FEI Grand Prix Freestyle

The Grand Prix Freestyle is limited to the best 15 combinations that gain at least 60% in the Grand Prix Open, or 58% in AOR and Pony. Entry fees will be refunded to combinations that enter and do not qualify.

FEI Para-Equestrian and Virtus Riders

Please refer to the Para-Equestrian section for details on these competitions.

Performance Requirements

The qualifying period runs from 27 July 2025 to 27 July 2026. This applies to all competitions including Para-Equestrian and Virtus.

All entries for EA and FEI Level tests must be qualified by having gained at least the following during the 12-month period preceding the closing date:

Performance Requirements by Level

- EA & FEI Levels – Two official results will be needed to enter the championships. If the competition has more than 30 horses, then performances given will be ranked in order. Those riders outside the ranking will be placed in the non-championships competition. Once scratchings occur a move up system will apply. Those riders with only 1 official result will be ranked lower than those with two official results.
- The Organising Committee may rank a horse with one higher qualifying score above horses with two lower scores on approval of the DNSW Executive.

Performance Information

- At least one qualifying score MUST have been obtained by the nominated horse/rider combination. This also applies if there is a rider change.
- All riders must submit their performance via a link. Failure to submit performances will result in your entry being cancelled.
- Combinations must have at least 1 performance gained in Official Competitive competitions at the appropriate level between 27 July 2025 and 27 July 2026. Eventing, Closed Un-Restricted, Restricted, Participant, Freestyle and Young Horse dressage results are not considered.
- Only one HC (non-competitive) score is allowed to count at each level entered.
- Ranking (balloting) will be based on the average of the highest percentages of two tests at the designated level in the 12 months before the close of entries.

Championship Scoring

- Championships for EA levels are decided on points with all horses ranked in each of the two tests (as per EA Rule 3.19i)
- Championships for FEI Levels will be decided on points across the respective competitions.
- In the case of a tie for any of the first three places in EA competitions, the higher total of the 4 collective marks will decide the placing. Should there be a tie, the rider score will be the final decider. FEI rules apply should there be a tie for the first three placings in FEI Levels (Prix St George and Above)
- Championship Awards will be determined by final entry numbers. A minimum of 3 entries must be received for a championship to be awarded in a level and or Division.
- Championship Rugs will be presented using the championship point system (Rule 3.19i) unless otherwise advised.

Open Championship Awards

- Championships will be awarded: Preliminary, Novice, Elementary, Medium, and Advanced levels.
- Open Small Tour Champion — highest combined points across the Prix St George, Intermediate I and Intermediate I Freestyle.
- Open FEI Medium Tour Champion — highest combined points across the Intermediate A, Intermediate B & FEI Medium Tour Freestyle.
- Open Big Tour Champion — best combined points across the FEI Grand Prix & Grand Prix Special, or Grand Prix & Grand Prix Freestyle.

Amateur Owner Rider Championship Awards

- Championships will be awarded: Preliminary, Novice, Elementary, Medium, Advanced.
- AOR Small Tour Champion — highest combined points across the Prix St George, Intermediate I and Intermediate I Freestyle.
- AOR FEI Medium Tour Champion — highest combined points across the Intermediate A, Intermediate B & FEI Medium Tour Freestyle.
- AOR Big Tour Champion — best combined points across the FEI Grand Prix & Grand Prix Special, or Grand Prix & Grand Prix Freestyle.

• Pony Championship Awards

- Championships will be awarded: Preliminary, Novice, Elementary, Medium, Advanced.
- Pony Small Tour Champion — highest combined points across the Prix St George, Intermediate I and Intermediate I Freestyle.
- Pony FEI Medium Tour Champion — highest combined points across the Intermediate A, Intermediate B & FEI Medium Tour Freestyle.
- Pony Big Tour Champion — best combined points across the FEI Grand Prix & Grand Prix Special, or Grand Prix & Grand Prix Freestyle.
- Para-Dressage/Virtus Championship Awards — please refer to the Para-Equestrian section for details.

Conditions of Entry and General Information

- The 2026 NSW Dressage Championships will be conducted in strict accordance with the current edition (including amendments) of: EA Dressage Rules & Official Procedures for Dressage Competition as at 1/1/2026, EA General Regulations. The EA Dressage Rules & tests may be downloaded from www.equestrian.org.au.
- Saddlery and Equipment — as per the current rules and rules pertaining to State Championships.
- The person making the entry is responsible for ensuring that the horse is eligible for the competitions entered, and that all details of the horse match the EA database as per registration. Refer EA Gen Regs Art. 114, 116, 137.
- Competitors are advised to be aware of Section 10 of the current EA Dressage rulebook. The State Championships are conducted under the same rules as for National Championships with some exceptions (Rule 10.13). The onus is on riders to know the rules under which they compete.
- Horses must have a current Dressage Performance Card/Competition Licence; horses, owners and riders must be registered and financial with EA. Horses must compete under their full registered name. EA Membership numbers must be shown on the Entry Form.
- All tests are for horses exceeding 149 cm with shoes or 148 cm without shoes. Ponies must not exceed 149 cm with shoes or 148 cm without shoes.
- Riders must be 10 years of age and over on the day of competition when riding horses, 8 years for Ponies (refer Rule 4.8.4).
- Only the nominated rider can compete. If the nominated rider needs to withdraw, the replacement rider must have at least one of the qualifying scores submitted at the time of close of entries.
- Non-Competitive (HC — Hors Concours): Competitors may not ride HC at this event.
- Divisions: Riders may enter one category only (e.g. you cannot enter both the Open and AOR divisions). AOR competitors riding ponies can enter either AOR or Pony competitions, but not both.
- Adult Amateur Owner Rider Division (AOR): Riders are eligible to enter AOR competitions providing they meet the requirements as set down for this division. Refer Rule 4.6.1.

- Para-Equestrian Competitions are for riders with disabilities. Refer to the Para-Equestrian section for more information.
- EA level Competitions are open to horses/ponies that have gained less than the following grading points at close of entries: Preliminary/Novice: less than 40 upgrading points at Elem or above; Elementary: less than 40 at Medium or above; Medium: less than 40 at Advanced or above; Advanced: less than 30 in FEI competitions.
- Bridle numbers must be worn at all times during warm-up and competition, and whenever a horse is out of its stable.
- EA Stallion Safe Guidelines apply — stallions must be identifiable by a green disc on the halter/bridle or saddle cloth at all times.
- Callers: No test may be commanded (EA and FEI Tests). Refer to the Para-Equestrian section for exceptions.
- Swabbing — random swabbing will take place in accordance with current EA Veterinary Regulations.
- Entries and competition programme may be limited and revised at the discretion of the Committee.
- Presentations will take place at various times during the 4 days of competition. A presentation schedule will be posted on the scoreboard at the commencement of the Championships. Riders who do not attend presentations without prior notice will forfeit their prize money at the discretion of the Organising Committee.
- Entries will not be accepted from riders with an outstanding debt with Dressage NSW.
- Freestyle Music: Details on submission procedure will be advised.

Dogs

- S.I.E.C. is located within a Regional Park under the control of the National Parks and Wildlife Service.
- Anyone bringing a dog onto the SIEC grounds agrees to adhere to the venue rules and regulations.
- All dogs must be on a leash at all times and in the direct control of a responsible adult.
- Dogs are not permitted in or around warm-up or competition areas, stable areas, the indoor arena (including concourse areas, as per SIEC rules), or in areas where food is served.
- People in breach of these rules will be asked to leave the area. Multiple breaches may incur elimination and/or expulsion. Noisy or nuisance dogs must be removed from the grounds.
- Owners are responsible for their animals. DNSW will not accept any liability.

Warm-Up Areas

- Outdoor warm-up arenas are available for use prior to competition. More information will be in the entry confirmation letter. Competitors will have access to competition arenas for familiarisation.

General

- The serving of alcohol to underage persons is not permitted. Competitors have a responsibility to ensure that grooms or family members under their care are supervised.
- Indemnity: Neither the Organising Committee (Dressage NSW Inc), Equestrian Australia, nor Sydney International Equestrian Centre accept any liability for any accident, damage, injury or illness to horses, riders, grooms, owners, spectators or any other person or property.

Insurances

The OC (Dressage NSW) has public liability insurance through Equestrian Australia (EA). Australian competitors have some personal accident and public liability insurance as part of their membership of Equestrian Australia.

All owners and competitors are personally responsible for damages to third parties caused by themselves, their employees, their agents, or their horses. They are strongly advised to take out third-party insurance providing full coverage for participation in equestrian events. All riders are advised to belong to a private health fund.

Objections and Appeals

Protests and Appeals to the Ground Jury or Appeal Committee must be in writing and accompanied by a fee of \$150.00. Attention is drawn to Rule 1.5 of EA Dressage Rules, and EA Gen. Regs. 165/166. No deposit is required for protests concerning an abuse.

EA General Codes of Conduct

EA Members should be aware of the EA Codes of Conduct for competitors, officials and EA Members. Refer to the EA website for more information: www.equestrian.org.au

Vaccinations

We recommend that horses are vaccinated for Hendra virus, in particular for horses that reside in high-risk Hendra areas. We also recommend that horse vaccinations for Strangles and Tetanus are up to date.

Biosecurity — Horse Health Declaration

- Competitors will be required to complete a Biosecurity Horse Health Declaration for all horses attending the event and hand in the form on arrival at the venue.
- Queensland competitors must obtain the correct permit to cross the border into NSW.
- More information and a link to the declaration form will be provided after the close of entries to accepted participants.

Sampling Procedure for Prohibited Substances

Horses will be subject to sampling for Prohibited Substances in accordance with EA and FEI Rules.

Veterinary and Farrier Services

- Veterinary Services: To be advised.
- Farriers: To be advised.

Stabling, Tack Room & Camping

- All horses staying overnight must be stabled. For safety reasons, we recommend that competitors book a stable for their horses. All stables will be empty on arrival and must be completely cleaned out on departure. Please note any special requests for stabling near other horses/riders on the entry form. Changes to arrival/departure days will incur a fee.
- Shavings – Each stable will come with 4 shavings. You may purchase extra shavings at when you enter.
- Competitors may not bring their own bedding unless approved prior by the venue management. Please email: equestriancentre@sport.nsw.gov.au
- All stables have rubber flooring and the number of shavings will be dependent on the length of stay and preference. 6-8 Bales should be sufficient for a 4 day stay. Please place your order for shavings with your entry to avoid unnecessary delay in getting stables ready for horse arrivals. Placing orders for bedding on the day of arrival creates additional work for the stable manager and venue staff at a very busy time. Shavings Ordered after the 10th August cost will be \$20
- Owners/riders who have booked stables for more than one day but are taking their horses home at night must advise the stable manager.
- All stallions must be stabled. Stallion safe guidelines apply (e.g. stallions should be identifiable by a green disc on halter/bridle or saddle cloth).
- No horses are to be moved without permission from the stable manager.
- A compulsory \$50 stable bond applies with each stable booking which will be refunded after the event. All stables must be inspected prior to departure by the stable manager for a “clean pass”.
- No temporary yards of any kind are allowed.
- Charges for stable hire at SIEC apply to use of stables per day not per night, eg. from midnight to midnight. If you arrive before midnight and leave at 6am the following day, this is classed as 2 days. Please take this into account when booking stables.
- A late booking fee will apply for all stables not booked at the time of entry.

Camping & Cabins

- Camping facilities:
 - These are available on the grounds. All sites are powered.
 - There are good shower and toilet facilities with hot and cold water for males and females in both north and south camping areas.
 - Sites nearest the stables will be allocated firstly to competitors staying for the longer periods.
 - All camping vehicles must have an approved lead connecting to power outlets. Please note SIEC charges for every power lead connected to power so if you have more than one lead connected to a power outlet you will need to pay for 2 camp sites and camp in the North Camping area due to lack of power outlets in the South Camp Area.
 - Please indicate the number of outlets you require in the camping notes section on the entry form.

- Large semi-trailers will be located in the North Camp area or P3 parking area.
- Cabin Accommodation on grounds:
 - Small cabins are available for hire. Rooms contain 2 bunk beds with mattress, small hanging cupboard, 2 chairs, wall heater, power point and lights - linen is not provided.
 - Rooms must be left clean and tidy and no cooking in rooms.
 - Cabins are popular so we suggest you book with your entry or you could miss out.
 - Preference for cabins is given to long distance travellers, competitors staying for longer periods, competitors with more than one horse and for stallions.
- A “Riders Retreat” with cooking, BBQ, TV, Video facilities is available for competitors to use during event.
- Competitors who don’t comply with the instructions of persons delegated by the OC to manage the camping areas or the venue staff will be re-located in the north camp area. Competitors with a history of not following instructions will be allocated a North Camping area site.
- Local Caravan Rental:
 - Discovery Caravan Hire 0413 455 161;
 - 2U Caravan Hire ph 0427 302 336 em: enquiries@2uch.com.au
 - Camplify 1300 416 133 www.camplify.com.au .
 - Please make sure you obtain your site number and advise the caravan company before delivery of your van.
- Accommodation: There are plenty of options for accommodation, from budget motels through to more upmarket hotels in nearby Parramatta. Some Motels/Hotels available in the near vicinity are listed below.
 - We recommend the Mercure Hotel, Hoxton Park Rd, Liverpool (easy access of the M7) 02 8777 0600 e-mail: hotel@mercuresydneyliverpool.com.au (easy access from M7, 10 mins from SIEC). Mention Dressage NSW for our corporate rate.
 - Novotel, Rooty Hill: Cnr Railway & Sherbrooke Sts, Rooty Hill. Tel: 02 9832 3888 Fax: 02 9832 1347
 - Alpha Hotel, Eastern Creek. 4.5*, corner Brabham & Peter Brock Drive, Eastern Creek. Tel: 02 8889 7700
 - Atura Blacktown: 32 Cricketers Arms Rd, Prospect Tel: 02 9421 1000.
- Moderately priced motels:
 - Voyager Motel, Minchinbury Tel: 02 9625 9902
 - Blue Cattle Dog Motel, St Clair Tel: 9670 3050
 - Travelodge Blacktown - Tel: 02 8822 2000
 - Motel Formule 1, Wentworthville. Tel: 02 9769 1240;
- Parramatta area:
 - Holiday Inn Tel: 02 98911277
 - Rydges Tel: 02 9897 2222
 - Crowne Plaza Tel: 02 9689 3333
- Caravan Parks:
 - Penrith Caravan Park 02 4735 4425
 - Casa Paloma, Leppington 02 9606 5470
 - Fairfield West Caravan Park 02 9604 8981
- Catering facilities
 - Breakfast, morning and afternoon tea and lunch available from Wednesday
- Transport: There is no public transport to the venue.

Volunteer Levy

To help source volunteers for this event, a volunteer levy has been added. Events of this scale rely on many volunteers to run successfully. This event will be using Nominate Scoring.

- Volunteer Levy is \$50 per rider.
- You must provide approximately 2 hours during the event to have your volunteer levy refunded after the event.
- Closer to the event, Signup will be used for volunteers to select their times. If times are not filled by Monday 17 August, they will be allocated to riders based on the draw. If you cannot do your allocated spot, you will need to find a replacement.

2026 NSW Dressage Annual Awards

REMINDER: Winners of previous perpetual trophies that have them in their possession are to return trophies to the office during the Championships. It would be appreciated if trophies could be cleaned and polished where appropriate before returning. In future, all perpetual trophies will be retained by Dressage NSW. Mementos will be presented to winners.

These Championships are the last opportunity for horses to gain qualifying performances for the 2026 Awards. The winners at each level will receive special monogrammed rugs and a Plaque. Perpetual Trophies will be presented for photographs only.

The Dressage NSW Annual Awards will be presented at a special 'Christmas Pirouettes' function during November 2026 at Hawkesbury Racecourse. Check the DNSW website for more news on this function.

State, Regional & Club/Group Team Competitions

Comp	Team	Events	Prizes
90	State Team – A (Open/AOR)	Elementary 3.3 (9b/10b) · Medium 4.3 (13b/14b) · Advanced 5.3 (17b/18b)	Sashes to 2nd
91	State Team – B (Open/AOR)	Prix St Georges (25/26) · Intermediate I (29/30) · Intermediate II (49/50)	Sashes to 2nd
92	State Team – A Ponies	Elementary 3.3 (11b) · Medium 4.3 (15b) · Advanced 5.3 (19b)	Sashes to 2nd
93	NSW Regional/Other Team – A	Elementary 3.3 (9b/10b/11b) · Medium 4.3 (13b/14b/15b) · Advanced 5.3 (17b/18b/19b)	Sashes to 2nd
94	NSW Regional/Other Team – B	Prix St Georges (25/26/27) · Intermediate I (29/30/31) · Intermediate II (49/50/51)	Sashes to 2nd
95	State Team – Para-Equestrian (3 riders, any Grade)	FEI Novice Test B (71a–e) · FEI Intermediate Test B (74a–e) · FEI Grand Prix Test B (77a–e)	Sashes to 2nd
96	Club/Group Team Challenge – EA (3 riders, different levels)	Preliminary (1b/2b/3b) · Novice (5b/6b/7b) · Elementary (9b/10b/11b) · Medium (13b/14b/15b) · Advanced (17b/18b/19b)	Sashes to 3rd
97	Club/Group Team Challenge – FEI (3 riders, different levels)	Prix St Georges (25/26/27) · Intermediate I (29/30/31) · Intermediate B (41/42/43) · Intermediate II (49/50/51) · Grand Prix (53/54/55)	Sashes to 3rd

Scoring

The winning team will be the team with the highest total percentage score. Refer EA Dressage Rule 10.7 for details on the requirements for State Team Competitions.

Where there are insufficient entries to enable a State Team to be entered, smaller states may combine to enter a mixed team.

Deadlines

- State Teams competition entries must be made by the appropriate State Branch in writing by the closing date of entries: Friday 1 August 2026. A Chef d'Equipe must be appointed for Official State Teams.
- Regional NSW Teams, State Teams, Club/Group Challenge: The names of the three horse/rider combinations must be lodged in writing with the Secretary at the office no later than 5:00 pm on Wednesday 13 August 2026.
- Regional/Other and Club/Group Challenge Team entries can consist of horse/rider combinations entered in Open, AOR or Pony divisions or a mixture thereof. More than one team per region/club can be entered.
- Declaration of all teams to be made in writing to the OC by the relevant Chefs d'Equipe or Team Managers by 5 pm Wednesday 13 August 2026. Declaration forms available from the event office.

STATE, REGIONAL & CLUB/GROUP TEAMS — ENTRY FORM

Team Entries close Friday 1 August 2026

✓	Comp	Team	Events / Entry Fee
	90	State Team – A (Open/AOR)	Elementary 3.3 (9b/10b) · Medium 4.3 (13b/14b) · Advanced 5.3 (17b/18b)
	91	State Team – B (Open/AOR)	Prix St Georges (25/26) · Intermediate I (29/30) · Intermediate II (49/50)
	92	State Team – A Ponies	Elementary 3.3 (11b) · Medium 4.3 (15b) · Advanced 5.3 (19b)
	93	NSW Regional/Other Team – A	Elementary 3.3 (9b/10b/11b) · Medium 4.3 (13b/14b/15b) · Advanced 5.3 (17b/18b/19b)
	94	NSW Regional/Other Team – B	Prix St Georges (25/26/27) · Intermediate I (29/30/31) · Intermediate II (49/50/51)
	95	State Team – Para-Equestrian	FEI Novice Test B (71a–e) · FEI Intermediate Test B (74a–e) · FEI Grand Prix Test B (77a–e)
	96	Club/Group Team Challenge – EA	Preliminary (1b/2b/3b) · Novice (5b/6b/7b) · Elementary (9b/10b/11b) · Medium (13b/14b/15b) · Advanced (17b/18b/19b)
	97	Club/Group Team Challenge – FEI	Prix St Georges (25/26/27) · Intermediate I (29/30/31) · Intermediate B (41/42/43) · Intermediate II (49/50/51) · Grand Prix (53/54/55)

STATE, REGION, CLUB/GROUP NAME:

Contact Person:

Tel: _____ **Email:** _____

Name of Chef d'Equipe:

Mob: _____ **Email:** _____

Email Entry Form to: karen@snafflebytes.net

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Equestrian Hub Online Entries

All competitors must provide the following information when entering online. A 5% transaction fee applies to all online entries.

Before you start your entry, make sure you have all information ready.

Horse Details	Rider Details	Owner Details	Other Information
Horse's full Name	First Name	First Name	
Bridle number	Surname	Surname	
Horse EA number	Rider EA number	Owner EA number	
Sex	Rider full Address & State		
YOB	Rider E-mail	Owner E-mail	
Country of Birth	Mobile	Home Phone	Name of Groom
Colour & Height in cm			
Stud Book Initials (breed)			
Sire		Prize Money and GST declaration	Commentary Form (Freestyles)
Dam	Bank Account details (for prize money EFT)	ABN	
Breeder		Bank Account details (for prize money EFT)	
Property PIC number			
Hendra vaccination Status			

FEI Para-Equestrian and Virtus Competitions

The FEI Para-Equestrian and National Para-Equestrian Competitions will be conducted in strict accordance with the current edition (including amendments) of 2024 EA Dressage Competition Rules for Para Dressage (section 11), EA General Regulations, and FEI Rules for PE where appropriate. The onus is on riders to know the rules under which they compete.

Eligibility

- FEI Para-Equestrian Grand Prix Level — for riders classified and included on the FEI Master List for FEI Para Dressage. Current FEI Para Dressage tests are used; some FEI protocols (e.g. fitness inspection) will not be used at this event.
- National Para-Equestrian Riders — Intermediate Level — for riders classified and included on the EA Master List for EA Para Dressage. Current EA Para Dressage rules and tests are used.
- National Para-Equestrian Riders — Novice Level — for riders classified and included on the EA Master List for EA Para Dressage. Current EA Para Dressage rules and tests are used.
- Virtus Competitions — for riders eligible to compete in Virtus competitions.

Performance Level Tests — Virtus II1 & II3 Riders

- FEI Grade IV Novice B
- FEI Grade IV Intermediate A
- FEI Grade IV Novice Freestyle

Performance Level Tests — Virtus II2 Riders

- Para Dressage Challenge Grade III Foundation Test
- FEI Grade III Novice A
- FEI Grade III Novice Freestyle

Commanders

- FEI Para-Equestrian Grand Prix Level — tests must be carried out entirely from memory except for riders listed on the FEI PE or EA PE ID Card who may have tests commanded as a compensating aid.
- FEI Para-Equestrian Intermediate and Novice Levels — tests must be carried out entirely from memory except for those riders listed on the FEI PE or EA PE ID Card.

Riders

- No rider should be unaccompanied at the event. All riders must have pre-arranged support.
- Minimum age of rider is 12 years as per Rule 11.5.1 in EA Para Dressage, FEI Para Dressage or EA Dressage.

Horses

- Each horse may only compete in a maximum of two tests in one day.
- The organising committee will not provide loan horses.
- Horses must be a minimum of 5 years of age. Refer Rule 11.5.2.
- Total time allowed for exercise and warm-up on competition days is 60 minutes, including riding by a groom or other rider and all riders who share a horse.
- A horse/rider combination cannot compete across grades.
- Horses for Grades I, II and III may be ridden and/or schooled for up to 30 minutes per day by the trainer/coach/groom or another designated rider.
- Horses for Grade IV and Grade V may only be schooled by the competing rider after arrival at the venue.
- Horses competing in Grade I, II and III may not be trained/schooled by anyone other than the rider for 15 minutes before they enter the competition arena.

Saddlery and Equipment

- Compensating Aids — those listed on the rider's FEI Classification Master List may be used. All other saddlery and equipment — refer Rule 11.7.

Performances and Qualification Period

- The qualifying period runs from 2nd July 2024 to 2nd July 2025.
- PD FEI Grand Prix — at least 1 performance of 60% or above in FEI Grand Prix A or B tests, or FEI Intermediate A or B tests.
- PD FEI Intermediate — at least 1 performance of 60% or above in FEI Intermediate A or B tests, or FEI Novice A or B tests.
- PD FEI Novice — at least 1 performance of 60% or above in FEI Novice A or B tests, or any EA PD tests.
- PD EA — at least 1 performance of 60% or above in any EA PD level test.
- VIRTUS — at least 1 performance of 60% in the Performance Level team or individual test.

Awarding of Ribbons and Prizes

- The Organising Committee reserves the right to review the prize allocations based on entries.
- Goods in Kind will replace prize money in some competitions.
- FEI Para-Equestrian Grand Prix — Champions for each grade will be the combination achieving the best two scores in the Grand Prix Test B & Freestyle tests using the championship point score system. A minimum of two riders in a grade is required for a championship to be awarded.
- FEI Para-Equestrian Intermediate — Champions for each grade will be the combination achieving the best two scores in FEI Intermediate Test B & Intermediate Freestyle tests.
- FEI Para-Equestrian Novice — Champions for each grade will be the combination achieving the best two scores in the FEI Novice Test B and Novice Freestyle tests.
- Virtus — Champions will be the combination achieving the best two scores using the championship point score system. The freestyle is an optional test.
- Equal Placings — in the case of a tie for any of the first three places, the higher total of the 4 collective marks will decide. If these marks are tied, the placings remain tied.

Freestyles — Qualification Scores

- FEI Para-Equestrian Grand Prix Level — minimum of 58% in the Grand Prix B Test.
- FEI Para-Equestrian Intermediate Level — minimum of 58% in the Intermediate B Test.
- FEI Para-Equestrian Novice Level — minimum of 58% in the Novice B Test.