

Unofficial Riders Development Squad

The name of the Squad: First Steps to Official Development Squad.

The role of the Squad: Bring together a group of riders who are currently competing unofficial prep, prelim and novice who see as their goal to develop themselves towards competing at official levels.

Number of riders: 15

Criteria:

- DTas membership at a minimum.
- Actively competing at unofficial level with performances of a minimum 60% on the nominated horse
- 4 performances meeting the percentage required from the last season.
- Be prepared to compete at least 4 zone competitions, once of which can be state championships.
- Be prepared to assist with the organising and running of events within the zones.
- Attend Squad days which will be approximately every 6/7 weeks. Failure to attend consistently will see your application reviewed.
- Aged 18 years and over.
- Be prepared to have an official start at a competition within 2 years and to upgrade membership to ETas competition membership.
- Uphold the code of conduct towards riders, officials and members.

Coaching will be given by registered EA coaches. Squad members will be responsible for coaching fees and any relevant ground hire.

Predominantly this squad will be based in the south at TEC and other southern venues as required. However, any rider from any zone may apply if they meet the criteria and are prepared to travel. It may be that squad days can be conducted in other areas if numbers allow.

Squad days will consist of 45-minute private lessons or group of 2 semi-private. 30 minutes lessons and test practice will also be available. All entries will be via nominate. Riders may choose their activity.

Seminars relating to rules, medication control and ASADA will also be conducted

Due to the current climate this squad will be utilising local coaches. However, in the future mainland coaches MAY be utilised.

Kind regards

Tania

SZ Event Secretary

