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HORSE TRIALS PARTICIPATION POLICY 2009

INFORMATION FROM THE CANADIAN EVENTING COMPETITIONS COMMITTEE

Approved by Canadian Eventing Committee

During 2009, riders will have to qualify to enter the appropriate horse trials division; as well divisions will be split upon skill level. All competitions will be split between Open and Regular divisions and further split upon age if entries warrant.

Open Divisions will be for riders who have shown at a higher level or who have more experience as defined in the Table titled PARTICIPATION ELIGIBILITY IN HORSE TRIALS 2009. Regular divisions will be for people starting out, or upgrading to a new level.

An Organizer who holds 4 levels would, if entries warrant hold Pre-Training, Open Pre-Training, Training, Open Training, Preliminary, Open Preliminary, and Intermediate, Open Intermediate. In this way all levels will have an open & a regular division. Thus a horse needing a confidence boost can drop down to a lower level & compete in an Open Division without competing against people who are just starting out eventing. Also open divisions are where most careers riders will be placed.

In the 2009 season Training & above competitors must show that they have the required skill level to compete successfully in that division through completion of events at the previous level.

Each year published in the Omnibus is the table PARTICIPATION ELIGIBILITY IN HORSE TRIALS listing the qualifications to enter each division. On the entry form will be a section where the rider will list the qualifications. This information will be used to determine which division the entry competes & to verify that horse/ rider combination has the qualifications to compete at that level. The table will be adjusted annually to suit the needs of the eventing community. Riders must keep a record of each event results remembering to record all phases results - Dressage: Percentage & Penalties , Cross County : Time & Jump Penalties, Jumping - Jumping & Time Penalties PLEASE DO NOT CALL EQUINE CANADA FOR A LISTING OF YOUR RESULTS. Use the Equine Canada web site for a listing of National Competition results: results.equinecanada.ca

If you have questions or concerns please contact a Canadian Eventing Competitions Committee member so that your concerns, comments can be brought to the Committee.

PARTICIPATION ELIGIBILITY IN HORSE TRIALS TABLE - 2009

Level / Division	Minimum Age		Additional Qualifications
	Competitor	Horse	
Entry	Any age	4	- Open to competitors until they have completed 3 events at the Pre-Training level or above during the previous 2 calendar years
Open Entry	Any age	4	- Open to all competitors
Pre-Training	Any age	4	- Open to all competitors until they have completed 3 events at the Training level or above during the previous 2 calendar years
Open Pre-Training	Any age	4	- Open to all competitors
Training	12	4	- Open to all competitors and horses (not necessarily as a combination) who have completed a minimum of 3 events at the Pre-Training level, achieving a CAN Qualifying result in a minimum of 2 events. Competitors may have completed 3 events at the Preliminary level or above during the previous 2 calendar years
Open Training	12	4	- Open to all competitors and horses (not necessarily as a combination) who have completed a minimum of 3 events at the Pre-Training level, achieving a CAN Qualifying result in a minimum of 2 events.
Preliminary	14	5	- Open to all competitors and horses (not necessarily as a combination) who have completed a minimum of 4 events at the Training level, achieving a FEI/CAN Qualifying result at a minimum of 3 events. Competitors may have a maximum of 3 events at the Intermediate level or higher during the previous 2 calendar years
Open Preliminary	14	5	- Open to all competitors and horses (not necessarily as a combination) who have completed a minimum of 4 events at the Training level, achieving a FEI/CAN Qualifying result at a minimum of 3 events.
CIC 1 *	14	5	-See FEI Qualifications
Intermediate	16	6	- Open to all competitors who have completed a minimum of 4 events at the Preliminary level, achieving a FEI/CAN Qualifying result at a minimum of 2 events. Competitors may have a maximum of 3 events at the Advanced level during the previous two calendar years - Open to any horse that has completed a minimum of 4 events at the Preliminary level or higher (not necessarily in combination with the competitor)
Open Intermediate	16	6	- Open to all competitors who have completed a minimum of 4 events at the Preliminary level, achieving a FEI/CAN Qualifying result at a minimum of 2 events.
CIC 2 *	16	6	-See FEI Qualifications
Advanced - A	18	6	-Open to any competitor or horse, (not necessarily as a combination) that has completed 4 horse trials at the Intermediate level or higher
CIC 3 *	18	6	-See FEI Qualifications

Juniors have the option at their choice to compete in the Regular or Open divisions

Definition of a FEI /Canadian Qualification result. (QR) From 2009 onwards a qualifying result is achieved by completing a competition within minimum parameters of all round performance as follows:

- Not less than 50% of good marks in the dressage test (equals 75 penalty points in FEI and Equine Canada eventing competitions, 50 penalty points in USEF eventing competitions)
- **NEW: From 2009 onwards the results at obstacles at International events need to include, where possible, a minimum of one clear round at CIC and a maximum 20 penalties at a CCI**, not more than 90 seconds exceeding the optimum time in the cross time. At CIC 3* and all 4* events the maximum time by which the optimum time may be exceeded is 120 seconds as of 2005
- Not more than 16 penalties at obstacles in the Jumping Test.