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## HORSE TRIALS PARTICIPATION POLICY 2010

### INFORMATION FROM THE CANADIAN EVENTING COMPETITIONS COMMITTEE

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During 2010, 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, however for participation eligibility purposes, Training eligibility will be based on age and broken down by **Junior** and **Senior** criteria.

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 2010. 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 2010 season Junior competitors wishing to move up to 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: Penalties, Cross Country: 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](http://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.

#### **Definition of a Canadian Qualification result. (QR)**

A qualifying result is achieved by completing a competition within minimum parameters of all round performance as follows:

- Not more than 75 penalty points in the Dressage phase of Equine Canada Eventing competitions or not more than 50 penalty points in US competition
- 0 jumping penalties at obstacles on the Cross Country Test, not more than 90 seconds exceeding the optimum time or no more than 36 time penalty points.
- Not more than 16 penalties at obstacles in the Jumping Test.

#### **In addition:**

- For the purposes of Junior Competitors wishing to upgrade to training – Competitors must have completed a minimum of two events at the Pre-Training level. One event must have 0 jumping penalties in the Cross Country phase, and one event may have no more than 20 jumping penalties in the Cross Country phase. All other qualifications shown above must also be met.

**Please note – there will be no exemptions to the above qualifications.**

**PARTICIPATION ELIGIBILITY IN HORSE TRIALS TABLE - 2010**

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 - Junior Competitors	12	4	- Open to all competitors and horses (not necessarily as a combination) that have completed a minimum of 2 events at the Pre-Training level, achieving the CAN QR defined below. Competitors may have completed 3 events at the Preliminary level or above during the previous 2 calendar years
Open Training Junior Competitors	12	4	- Open to all competitors and horses (not necessarily as a combination) that have completed a minimum of 2 events at the Pre-Training level, achieving the requested results defined below.
Training - Senior Competitors	12	4	- Open to all competitors and horses (not necessarily as a combination) until they have completed 3 events at the Preliminary level or above during the previous 2 calendar years
Open Training Senior Competitors	12	4	- Open to all competitors
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 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 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 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 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

**NOTE:** Juniors have the option at their choice to compete in the Regular or Open divisions however for the purpose of qualifications will qualify as per their age.