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Gauteng Dressage Team Selection Document 2025

- **Introduction**

The Gauteng Dressage Council will select Athletes to compete in the South African Adult Dressage Championships taking place in 2025.

- **Objectives**

The primary objective of participating at the South African Dressage Championships is for the teams to achieve the best possible results, as well as facilitate an opportunity for athletes to interact with their peers from other provinces.

- **Eligibility**

Athletes

1. Be a bona fide resident of Gauteng
2. Be a registered member of SAÉF and Dressage South Africa as well as a registered Club.
3. Be in good standing with the Gauteng Dressage Council
4. Be willing to make themselves and their horse available for selection and team training

Horses

1. Be registered with the DSA
2. Be made available for selection by their owners
3. Be up to date with AHS and flu vaccines

- **Dispute resolution**

The decision of the selectors will be final.

- **Teams**

The Prelim, Novice, Elementary, Medium and Advanced teams are made up of 3 riders and horses.

The Open team is made up of 4 riders and horses.

Where insufficient riders and horses meet the criteria for team selection, riders and horses may be combined with those from another province to create a full team.

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Team	Test*	Eligible
Adult Prelim Championship	Preliminary Test 3	Will be made up of Prelim horses.
Adult Novice Championship	Novice Test 3	Will be made up of Novice horses
Adult Elementary Championship	Elementary Test 3	Will be made up of Elementary horses
Adult Medium Championship	Medium Test 3	Will be made up of Medium horses
Adult Advanced Championship	Advanced Test 3	Will be made up of Advanced horses
Adult Open Championship	As per schedule of level competing in	A combination of horses from Advanced and above. The Open Championship is run as per the schedule.

***May be subject to change**

- **Selection Evaluation Process**

The selection committee:

- Claire Nadin (National Judge) – Main selector
- Angie Meredith – Convenor of the selection committee and President of Gauteng Dressage
- Martjie Kuipers – Portfolio holder for teams and awards
- Surea van Schalkwyk – Selection committee administrator

1. In evaluating the performance of combinations, the selectors will consider and have the discretion to place a greater emphasis on results achieved at CN Status Events
2. Competition based factors when assessing each athlete's performance include but are not limited to:
    a. The performance of the athlete relative to the quality and number of competitors in the event
    b. The quality of the riding by the athlete
    c. The general conditions under which the performance is achieved
    d. The level of test being ridden within the selection grade
    e. Freestyle scores are not taken into account
    f. The suitability of the Athlete for the Provincial Team Championships, taking into account the team objectives.
    g. The 2025 rain season hampered competition in the early part of the year, with many shows not being able to take place. This will be taken into consideration.

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3. The ability and experience of the Athlete to compete successfully at a Provincial Team Championship. Consideration will be given too:
    a. The ability of the Athlete to perform under stress and pressure
    b. Consistency of performance and form to contribute towards a team score.

- **Selection Evaluation Dates**

1. The results of Adult Athletes will be considered up to and including the Gauteng Dressage Championship 2025.

- **Championship Dates**

1. The Adult Championships are to be held at Kyalami Equestrian Park in Gauteng from 14th – 21st September 2025