

CRITERIA FOR TEAM SELECTION 2024

Pony Club HQ require that you must be paid up members of the Pony Club at closing date of competition.

OBH SELECTION CRITERIA IN ORDER OF PRIORITY:

Competing in a team is fun and rewarding and we encourage all our members to get involved. The following selection criteria help us to establish the most appropriate level for you in each discipline and whether you should aim towards Regional (entry level 70/80cm) competition or the Area (90/100/110cm) competition.

Letting us know you have fulfilled all or any of the following criteria before the selection date will enable us to include you in the relevant 2024 teams.

- Rider has attended 3 rallies between 1st July 2023 and June 2024
- Combination has recent, consistent results in the relevant discipline and at the relevant level.
- Combination has competed since 1st July 2023 in the relevant discipline and at the relevant level.

As we usually send more than one team at each level, these same criteria will be used to assess the most appropriate team.

DC has discretion on the above criteria when member is at University/in full time work.

PROCESS FOR SELECTION:

Teams of 4 are preferred. It is more fun for the members, it allows for a drop score so reduces pressure on all members and ensures there are sufficient available members if the team qualifies for the Championship. However this inevitably means that there will usually be 1 or 2 members riding as individuals. Some members prefer to ride as an individual, others are happy to volunteer but otherwise the following criteria are considered:

- Whether the member is in a team for another discipline
- Number of rallies and content of rallies attended since 1st July 2023
- Results or experience at the relevant level

TEAM SELECTION:

It is the parent's responsibility to gather and submit any results to team coordinator, Juliet Souter, before the selection deadline.

In addition to relevant results, we ask for input from the team trainers but (other than Fi Dowding) they are not involved in team selection.

Teams are selected by a panel consisting of our Trainers and the relevant discipline managers.

Polo - Mel Pejkovic

Tetrathlon - Fred Church

Dressage - Helen James Moore & Clare Pill

Eventing - Ros Hayward & Lucy O'Meara

Show jumping - Verity Green & Holly Dunham-Shortt

Lisa Powell, as DC, is not involved in selection but independently ensures that the process is fair and transparent.