



2025 U.S. Eventing Team Opportunities Application and Selection Timelines

In order to be considered for a U.S. Eventing Team, an Athlete must submit an application through their [Athlete Dashboard](#) on the USEF website. Application dates for 2025 Team opportunities are below.

U.S. FEI Registered Eventing Athletes will be notified via email when applications open, and application directions will be included within the memo. Deadlines are enforced without exception.

Targeted U.S. Eventing Team Opportunities:

European Development Tour:

Selection for the Tour is governed by the [2025 Eventing European Development Tour Selection Procedures](#). Athletes must be current participants in the [USEF Eventing Development 25 or Development Programs](#). Past participants in the USEF Eventing Development 25 or Development Programs are eligible for the Tour, provided they have participated in either Program within the 3 years preceding application.

The Tour will consist of up to 6 Athletes and will target the following competitions:

- Track 1: The Athlete will compete as a member of the CCIO4*-NC-S Bicton (GBR) Team, then the Athlete will go on to compete in the CCI4*-S or CCI5*-L at Luhmuhlen (GER) or;
- Track 2: The Athlete will run in the CCI4*-S at Bicton as an Individual in preparation for the U25 CCI4*-L at Bramham.

Bicton CCIO4*-NC-S (GBR): May 22-25, 2025

Bramham U25 CCI4*-L (GBR): June 5-8, 2025

Luhmuhlen CCI5*-L and CCI4*-S (GER): June 12-15, 2025

Application and Selection Timeline:

- Applications Open: December 1, 2024
- Application Close: March 10, 2025, at 11:59 p.m. EST
- Selection: April 14, 2025

As a Targeted Team Opportunity, Squad Athletes will receive the following support from U.S. Equestrian:

- Appointed Chef d'Equipe
- USEF Staff Member as Team Leader
- Team Veterinarian
- Event entries and stabling fees covered by U.S. Equestrian
- Accommodations for Athletes covered by U.S. Equestrian
- Shared Accommodations for Groom covered by U.S. Equestrian
- USA Ariat Team Kit
- Up to \$22,000.00 travel stipend to be utilized towards Horse, Athlete, and Groom transportation. An additional grant from the USET Karen Stives Endowment Grant is to be confirmed.

CHIO Aachen (GER) CCIO4*-S: July 3-5, 2025

Selection for the CHIO Aachen Defender U.S. Eventing Squad is governed by the [2025 Targeted Eventing Team Opportunities Selection Procedures](#). The CHIO Aachen Defender U.S. Eventing Squad will consist of 4 Team members and 1 Individual.

Application and Selection Timeline:

- Applications Open: January 1, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. EST
- Application Close: May 16, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. EST
- Team Selection: May 20, 2025

As a Targeted Team Opportunity, Squad Athletes will receive the following support from U.S. Equestrian:

- Appointed Chef d'Equipe
- USEF Staff Member as Team Leader
- Team Veterinarian
- Team Farrier
- Team Equine Physiotherapist
- Team Human Physiotherapist
- Event entries, stabling, and bedding fees covered by U.S. Equestrian
- Accommodations for Athletes covered by U.S. Equestrian
- Accommodations for Grooms covered by U.S. Equestrian
- USA Ariat Team Kit
- Travel stipend to be utilized towards Horse, Athlete, and Groom transportation

Arville (BEL) CCIO4*-NC-S: August 14-17, 2025

Selection for the Nations Cup is governed by the [2025 Targeted Eventing Nations Cups Selection Procedures](#). The Arville Defender U.S. Eventing Team will consist of 4 Team members.

Application and Selection Timeline:

- Applications Open: January 1, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. EST
- Application Close: July 4, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. EST
- Team Selection: July 8, 2025

As a Targeted Team Opportunity, Squad Athletes will receive the following support from U.S. Equestrian:

- Appointed Chef d'Equipe
- USEF Staff Member as Team Leader
- Team Veterinarian
- Event entries, stabling, and bedding fees are covered by U.S. Equestrian
- Accommodations for Athletes covered by U.S. Equestrian
- Accommodations for Grooms covered by U.S. Equestrian
- USA Ariat Team Kit
- Travel stipend to be utilized towards Horse, Athlete, and Groom transportation

Boekelo (NED) CCIO4*-NC-L: October 9-12, 2025

Selection for the Boekelo Defender U.S. Eventing Team is governed by the [2025 Targeted Eventing Team Opportunities Selection Procedures](#). The Boekelo Defender U.S. Eventing Team will consist of 4 Team members.

Application and Selection Timeline:

- Applications Open: January 1, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. EST
- Application Close: August 15, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. EST
- Team Selection: August 19, 2025

As a Targeted Team Opportunity, Team Athletes will receive the following support from U.S. Equestrian:

- Appointed Chef d'Equipe
- USEF Staff Member as Team Leader
- Team Veterinarian
- Event entries, stabling, and bedding fees are covered by U.S. Equestrian
- Accommodations for Athletes covered by U.S. Equestrian
- Accommodations for Grooms covered by U.S. Equestrian
- USA Ariat Team Kit
- Limited travel stipend to be utilized towards Horse, Athlete, and Groom transportation

Untargeted FEI Eventing Nations Cups:

Montelibretti (ITA) CCIO4*-NC-S: March 13-16, 2025

Selection for the Nations Cup is governed by the [2025 Untargeted Eventing Nations Cups Selection Procedures](#). Preference may be given to Athlete/Horse combinations that have completed their FEI Entry with USEF, the competition entry, and intend to compete as an Individual regardless of the U.S. fielding a Team for the Nations Cup.

Application and Selection Timeline:

- Applications Open: January 1, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. EST
- Application Close and Team Selection: Event entries and applications will be monitored to determine if there is enough interest to field a U.S. Team. **If you are interested in being considered for the Team, please get in touch with Christina Vaughn, Director, Eventing Elite Program, at cvaughn@usef.org or +1 (859) 225-6917 for the next steps.**

Please note as an Untargeted FEI Eventing Nations Cup, funding, apparel, and Team Staff will not be available for the event. USEF will assist with the appointment of the Chef d'Equipe and will cover the Event entry fees for the Team.

Strzegom (POL) CCIO4*-NC-S: June 26-29, 2025

Selection for the Nations Cup is governed by the [2025 Untargeted Eventing Nations Cups Selection Procedures](#). Preference may be given to Athlete/Horse combinations that have completed their FEI Entry with USEF, the competition entry, and intend to compete as an Individual regardless of the U.S. fielding a Team for the Nations Cup.

Application and Selection Timeline:

- Applications Open: January 1, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. EST
- Application Close and Team Selection: Event entries and applications will be monitored to determine if there is enough interest to field a U.S. Team. **If you are interested in being considered for the Team, please get in touch with Christina Vaughn, Director, Eventing Elite Program, at cvaughn@usef.org or +1 (859) 225-6917 for the next steps.**

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Haras de Jarde (FRA) CCIO4*-NC-S: July 10-13, 2025

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Avenches (SUI) CCIO4*-NC-S: July 24-27, 2025

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Application and Selection Timeline:

Applications Open: January 1, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. EST

Application Close and Team Selection: Event entries and applications will be monitored to determine if there is enough interest to field a U.S. Team. **If you are interested in being considered for the Team, please get in touch with Christina Vaughn, Director, Eventing Elite Program at cvaughn@usef.org or +1(859) 225-6917 for the next steps.**

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Definition of Team Staff Roles:

Chef d'Equipe - the Chef d'Equipe is appointed by the USEF to oversee the management of the Athletes and Horses concerning Team and Individual performance.

Team Leader – the Team Leader is a member of the USEF Eventing Staff that supports the Chef d'Equipe and oversees the management of the Team logistics, including transportation, accommodations, and credentials.

Team Veterinarian – The Team Veterinarian is responsible for the observance of the FEI Veterinary Regulations and the execution of each Horse's care protocols. Personal veterinarians may attend the Event but must be under the supervision of the Team Veterinarian.
