

Area 1

1. Area Selectors and/or any individuals involved with the Area Selection process for the 2024 USEF Eventing Young Rider Championships:

Area 1 Selectors:

- John Bourgoin
- Jane Hamlin
- Stephie Baer
- Bevin Dugin

Note: Area 1 Young Rider Coordinator, Melanie Loschiavo, will also be involved in the Selection Process

2. Selection Trials/Tryout Events:

Area 1 does not have mandatory selection trials, however, declared candidates must notify the Area 1 Young Rider Coordinator by March 1, 2024 of their planned competition schedule leading up to the Championships.

3. Please include the selection process and/or factors by which the USEA Area 1 will utilize in selecting their athletes for the nominated entry, definite entry and team versus individual spots.

The Area Selectors' evaluation will be based on the following factors ("Factors"):

1. The overall performance and soundness of the athlete/horse combination in competition with emphasis on dressage scores, current fitness, cross country and show jumping performance: jumping without faults and/or incurring time penalties, boldness, rideability, and speed with priority given to selection trials designated by the respective Area.
2. Previous experience of the athlete/horse combination, preference may be given to athlete/horse combinations who have demonstrated ability to succeed in multiple eventing competitions.
3. Athlete's fitness.
4. The athlete/horse combination's will to win and the suitability of the combination to win the Event or contribute to a Team placing at the Event.
5. If all Factors are equal between two athlete/horse combinations, the participation of the athlete in other Area Young Rider programs or activities, e.g., fundraising, securing of Team sponsorship etc., may be considered, the details of which must be included in the Area Selection Procedures (Attachment C) and posted on the Area website prior to the first selection trial.

Area 2

1. Area Selectors and/or any individuals involved with the Area Selection process for the 2024 USEF Eventing Young Rider Championships:

Area 2 Selectors:

- Mimi Combs
- Holly Hudspeth
- Tiffany Wandy – Area Chairman
- Holly Covey
- Shannon Lilley

2. Selection Trials/Tryout Events: Area 2 Does not have a mandatory outing. Riders are expected to compete at one or more of the observation trials at the FEI level they intend to compete at Championships. See sections 4A-C below for further details.

- March 13-17 Carolina International
- April 19-20 Fair Hill International
- May 8-12 Tryon International
- May 23-26 Virginia Horse Center Eventing

3. Athletes considering selection to the Event should note:

- a. Athletes should document on their entry form and stabling that they are an “Area 2 YREC candidate.” This will enable the organizer to plan ride times and stabling accordingly.
- b. All Athletes representing Area 2 must be present at awards ceremony(ies) following the certification of results for the level to enable photos to be taken for sponsors.
- c. All Athletes are expected to participate in team challenges and fundraising activities as a means of demonstrating their commitment to participating as part of the Area 2 squad.

4. Please include the selection process and/or factors by which the USEA Area 2 will utilize in selecting their athletes for the nominated entry, definite entry and team versus individual spots.

A. Athletes are required meet the following criteria in order to be selected by Area 2:

- i. Athletes are responsible for completing all entries to the FEI event(s) before the closing date for any Observation Trials and the Championships they plan to attend. A complete entry includes but not limited to submission of all paperwork including FEI portal requirements, stabling requests, and paying all fees.
- ii. Athletes are responsible for keeping track of their Athlete/Horse qualifications and performance.
- iii. All Athletes are encouraged to review their ranking.
- iv. There are times when a ranking is the result of a negative performance that can be justified. Athletes are encouraged to send a letter to explain any extenuating circumstances, factors, for the Selectors to consider. Examples would be: Time faults as a result of footing, a glance off because of a spook at fence judge, or a hold on course where you chose to W instead of waiting for a restart. Justifications should be sent while the information is fresh in your mind. Letters received AFTER closing date of Championships may not be considered.

B. Selection Process. Selectors will determine the final ranking and recommend to the Chef/Area Coordinator which Athlete/horse combinations should represent the Area at each level. The Selectors will use the following criteria to make those decisions:

- i. Ranking found on the Area 2 Young Riders website page. Details on ranking logic are below in section 4.

- ii. Any yellow cards, or other disciplinary actions.
- iii. The depth of experience the Athlete/Horse have as a pair at multiple venues. Preference will be given to candidates who meet the USEF qualification as an Athlete/Horse pair.
- iv. Significant improvements in performance noted in the most recent outing. Notable improvements to dressage score, horse fitness, boldness and rideability shall be taken into consideration.
- v. Any observations seen at 2024 FEI Observation trials that would affect the likelihood of the Athlete/horse pair being successful at the Championships.
- vi. If all factors are equal between two athlete/horse combinations, the selectors may consider, participation of the athlete in other Area Young Rider programs activities, i.e., educational, fundraising, securing of team sponsorship, etc.

C. Ranking Logic:

- i. The athlete/horse combination's performance during the entire qualification period (January 1, 2023- May 26, 2024) will be evaluated with a focus on no more than the last 6 runs at Training level and above. If an athlete/horse combination does not have 6 runs together at Training level or above then only those runs as a combination will be considered.
- ii. The ranking, modeled off of the FEI and Equiratings ranking logic, takes into consideration fitness at time of competition, boldness, and rideability based on overall performance of the athlete/horse combination in competition with emphasis on dressage scores, cross country and show jumping performance: jumping without faults and/or incurring time penalties and falls.
- iii. Overall Scores and Dressage Scores are multiplied by the following factors to adjust for complexity.

Training: 1.00	CCI*: 0.85
T3D: 0.95	CCI2*-S: 0.8
Modified: 0.90	CCI2*-L: 0.75
Preliminary: 0.80	CCI3*-S: 0.70
Intermediate: 0.70	CCI3*-L: 0.65
Advance: 0.60	CCI4* (S or L): 0.60

Area 3

1. Area Selectors and/or any individuals involved with the Area Selection process for the 2024 USEF Eventing Young Rider Championships:

Area 3 Selectors:

1. Hilda Donahue
2. Lauren Eckardt
3. Michael Pollard
4. Sarah Dunkerton Sizemore

2. Selection Trials/Tryout Events:

Area 3 Does not have a mandatory outing. Riders are expected to compete at one or more of the observation trials at the FEI level they intend to compete at Championships. See sections 3A-C below for further details.

- 5/4/2024 - 5/5/2024 - Stable View Local Charities H.T.-Pending USEF Approval
- 5/18/2024 - 5/19/2024 - Bouckaert Equestrian H.T.
- 6/1/2024 - 6/2/2024 - Ocala Summer H.T. I

3. Please include the selection process and/or factors by which the USEA Area 3 will utilize in selecting their athletes for the nominated entry, definite entry and team versus individual spots.

A. Athletes are expected meet the following criteria specific to Area 3.

- 1.1 Athletes are expected to comply with the United States Equestrian Federation Athlete Selection Procedures.
- 1.2 Athletes are responsible for completing all entries to the FEI event(s) before the closing date for any Observation Trials and the Championships they plan to attend. A complete entry includes but not limited to submission of all paperwork including FEI portal requirements, stabling requests, and paying all fees.
- 1.3 Athletes should document on their entry form and stabling that they are an "Area 3 YREC candidate". This will enable the organizer to plan ride times and stabling accordingly.
- 1.4 All Athletes representing the area are to be present at awards ceremony(ies) following the certification of results for the level to enable photos to be taken for sponsors.
- 1.5 All Athletes are expected to participate in team challenges and fundraising activities as a means of demonstrating their commitment to participating as part of the Area 3 squad.
- 1.6 Athletes are responsible for keeping track of their Athlete/Horse qualifications and performance.
- 1.7 All Athletes are encouraged to review their ranking.
- 1.8 There are times when a ranking is the result of a negative performance that can be justified. Athletes are encouraged to send a letter to explain any extenuating circumstances, factors, for the Selectors to consider. Examples would be: Time faults as a result of footing, a glance off because of a spook at fence judge, or a hold on course where you chose to W instead of waiting for a restart. Justifications should be sent while the information is fresh in your mind. Letters received AFTER closing date of Championships may not be considered.

B. Process of Selection to represent the Area 3 at the Championship.

- 2.1 The area will publish and maintain on the USEA3 website the ranking of Area 3 declared athletes. See below how ranking works.

- 2.2 Area 3 will provide a rank list of up to 16 nominated entries for each level to the USEF and Organizer prior to Championships. This will not constitute an entry into the competition. See 1.4 above regarding entry submission requirements.
- 2.3 Prior to the date for Definite Entries of each competition: Area 3 Selectors will review the initial draft of the Squad of 4 riders plus two alternates for each team.
- 2.4 On the Definite Entry date the Area will provide the Squad(s) and rank alternates for each level based on the detail in 3.0 Role of Selectors.
- 2.5 Following the jog and minimum of two hours before the first horse enters dressage, final adjustments may be made to the team and individual assignments by the Chef based on jog and any medical concerns that arose. Once final assignments have been identified no further changes may be made during the competition.

C. Role of Selectors

Selectors determine the final ranking and recommend to the Chef/Area Coordinator which Athlete/horse pairs should represent the Area at each level. The Selectors will use the following criteria to make those decisions:

- a. Ranking found on the Area 3 Young Riders website page. Details on ranking logic are below in section 4.
- b. Any yellow cards, or other disciplinary actions.
- c. The depth of experience the Athlete/Horse have as a pair at multiple venues. Preference will be given to candidates who meet the USEF qualification as an Athlete/Horse pair.
- d. Significant improvements in performance noted in the most recent outing. Notable improvements to dressage score, horse fitness, boldness and rideability shall be taken into consideration.
- e. Any observations seen at 2024 FEI Observation trials that would affect the likelihood of the Athlete/horse pair being successful at the Championships.
- f. If all factors are equal between two athlete/horse combinations, the selectors may consider, participation of the athlete in other Area Young Rider programs activities, i.e., educational, fundraising, securing of team sponsorship, etc.

D. Ranking Logic:

- 3.1 The athlete/horse combination's performance during the entire qualification period (January 1, 2023- May 26, 2024) will be evaluated with a focus on no more than the last 10 runs at Training level and above.
- 3.2 The ranking, modeled off of the FEI and Equiratings ranking logic, takes into consideration fitness at time of competition, boldness, and rideability based on overall performance of the athlete/horse combination in competition with emphasis on dressage scores, cross country and show jumping performance: jumping without faults and/or incurring time penalties and falls.
- 3.3 Overall Scores and Dressage Scores are multiplied by the following factors to adjust for complexity.

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Area 4

1. Area Selectors and/or any individuals involved with the Area Selection process for the 2024 USEF Eventing Young Rider Championships:

Area 4 Selectors:

- Ali Kuhn
- Eric Dierks
- Liz Lund

2. Selection Trials/Tryout Events: Area 4 will not have a mandatory Selection Trial or Tryout Event in 2024

3. Athletes considering selection to the Event should note:

- a. Athlete must verify that they are qualified to compete at the appropriate level.
- b. Athlete is responsible for completing all entries to the USEF Eventing YRC event before the closing date, including, but not limited to the FEI portal requirements, stabling requests, and paying all fees.
- c. Athlete should include "Area 4 Young Rider" on entry forms and stabling.
- d. Athlete must be present at YRC award ceremony for photos following the certification of results for the level.
- e. Athlete must sign an agreement acknowledging the financial responsibility of representing Area 4 at the championship event. Athlete is responsible for all expenses related to the championship event (including but not limited to travel, lodging, food, entry fees, stabling, shavings, vet, farrier, medical expenses, private coaching, golf carts or incidental expenses).
- f. Athlete may be responsible for purchasing Area 4 team issued gear.

4. Please include the selection process and/or factors by which the USEA Area 4 will utilize in selecting their athletes for the nominated entry, definite entry and team versus individual spots.

If Area 4 application numbers exceed team space at any level, the Role of Selectors is to determine the athlete/horse pairs who will represent Area 4 at each level using the following criteria:

1. Qualification requirements as outlined in the USEF Eventing YR Championship Selection Procedures
2. The depth of experience the Athlete and Horse have as a pair.
3. Improvements in performance in recent outings - notable improvements to dressage score, horse fitness, boldness and rideability shall be taken into consideration.
4. Involvement in Area 4 YR Program - When all other parameters are equal, those who have shown involvement in the Area 4 Young Rider Program will be given priority.

Area 5

1. Area Selectors and/or any individuals involved with the Area Selection process for the 2024 USEF Eventing Young Rider Championships:

Area 5 Selectors:

- Christy Zweig Niehues
- Becky Roper
- Stephanie Reimers – Area Chair
- Mary D’arcy
- Lexi Lind

2. Selection Trials/Tryout Events: Area 5 will require team members attend either:

- a. Texas Rose HT May 4-5, or
- b. An equivalent event agreed upon between the athlete and Area 5 selectors should the athlete be temporarily based out of Area 5 for competitions.

3. Athletes considering selection to the Event should note: Area 5 requires that each team member sign an athlete contract agreeing to the following:

- To be a team player and be present for the entire competition to support the Area 5 team, regardless of individual status in the competition.
- To abide by the rules established by the Area 5 Chef d’Equipe and Team Coach and set forth in the team meetings to be held at the competition regarding athlete conduct, social media use, and horse welfare.
- To return all funds provided by Area 5 to purchase team equipment or gear if the athlete is excused from the Area 5 team for violating USEA, FEI or Area 5 team rules.

4. Please include the selection process and/or factors by which the USEA Area 5 will utilize in selecting their athletes for the nominated entry, definite entry and team versus individual spots.

Selection criteria will be based on the following:

- Competition Results: The competition results evaluated will include all competition results from January 1, 2023 - May 26, 2024 (the qualification period). Results from the combination of horse and rider applying to represent the area will be considered first, with additional results considered if the pair has limited experience together.
- Participation in Area V Young Rider activities.
- Contribution to the sport of Eventing – volunteering and participation in educational activities
- Athlete health, fitness, and ability to perform in high-pressure situations.
- Demonstration of horse fitness and soundness prior to final team selection. Horses will be evaluated in person by a team selector or by video. The video will be requested demonstrating the soundness of the horse and a conversation will be had between the selectors and the coach/coaches of the young rider in question regarding the horse's fitness and soundness.

Area 6

1. Area Selectors and/or any individuals involved with the Area Selection process for the 2024 USEF Eventing Young Rider Championships:

Area 6 Selectors:

- Andrea Baxter
- Amber Birtcil
- Auburn Excell-Brady
- Bec Braitling
- Olivia Putrino

2. Selection Trials/Tryout Events: Area 6 will not have a mandatory outing. Riders are expected to compete at one or more of the observation trials listed below with at least one-horse trial and one FEI at the level they intend to compete at Championships. For example, if the competitor is intending to compete at the CCI-1* level, that rider would need to complete a Modified Horse Trial with an MER and a CCI-1* S.

- February 16-18 - Ram Tap Horse Trials
- March 28-31 – Galway Downs International Horse Trials
- April 11-14 – Twin Rivers Spring International
- May 24-26 – Woodside Spring Horse Trials
- June 13-16 – Aspen Farm Horse Trials

3. Athletes considering selection should note the following requirements:

- Each candidate will be required to complete 10 Volunteer Hours prior to the Championships.
- These hours must be completed at a USEA Recognized Event.
- Hours must be recorded via the VIP (Volunteer Incentive Program) Dashboard. (eventingvolunteers.com).

4. Please include the selection process and/or factors by which the USEA Area 6 will utilize in selecting their athletes for the nominated entry, definite entry and team versus individual spots.

The USEA Area 6 Eventing Youth Championship Selection Committee shall name the 2024 Area 6 USEF Young Rider Eventing Championship Teams based on the following criteria:

- The overall performance and soundness of the athlete/horse combination in various Eventing Competitions and/or CCI-S's held within the qualifying period, with emphasis on dressage scores; current fitness; cross country and show jumping performance; jumping without faults and/or incurring time penalties, boldness, ride ability and speed.
- The demonstrated ability of the athlete/horse combination to success in Eventing Competitions, having considered all the factors mentioned above.
- Willingness of the athlete to work within the confines of the accreditation allocation.

If all factors are equal between two athlete/horse combinations, the participation of the athlete in other Area 6 Young Rider programs or activities (i.e. fundraising, securing of team sponsorship, etc.) may be considered, the details of which must be included in the Area 6 Selection Procedures.

Area 7

1. Area Selectors and/or any individuals involved with the Area Selection process for the 2024 USEF Eventing Young Rider Championships:

Area 7 Selectors:

- Brooke Phillips
- Anna Collier
- Karen O'Neil

2. Selection Trials/Tryout Events: Area 7 will not have a mandatory Selection Trial or Tryout Event in 2024

3. Please include the selection process and/or factors by which the USEA Area 7 will utilize in selecting their athletes for the nominated entry, definite entry and team versus individual spots.

Nominated entries will be selected from the pool of eligible riders that are declared eligible for the competition.

The Area Selectors' evaluation will be based on the following factors ("Factors"):

1. The overall performance and soundness of the athlete/horse combination in competition with emphasis on dressage scores, current fitness, cross country and show jumping performance: jumping without faults and/or incurring time penalties, boldness, rideability, and speed with priority given to selection trials designated by the respective Area.
2. Previous experience of the athlete/horse combination, preference may be given to athlete/horse combinations who have demonstrated ability to succeed in multiple eventing competitions.
3. Athlete's fitness.
4. The athlete/horse combination's will to win and the suitability of the combination to win the Event or contribute to a Team placing at the Event.
5. If all Factors are equal between two athlete/horse combinations, the participation of the athlete in other Area Young Rider programs or activities, e.g., fundraising, securing of Team sponsorship etc., may be considered, the details of which must be included in the Area Selection Procedures (Attachment C) and posted on the Area website prior to the first selection trial.

Definite entries will be selected from the pool of eligible riders accepted into the competition by the organizer.

The Area Selectors' evaluation will be based on the following factors ("Factors"):

1. The overall performance and soundness of the athlete/horse combination in competition with emphasis on dressage scores, current fitness, cross country and show jumping performance: jumping without faults and/or incurring time penalties, boldness, rideability, and speed with priority given to selection trials designated by the respective Area.
2. Previous experience of the athlete/horse combination, preference may be given to athlete/horse combinations who have demonstrated ability to succeed in multiple eventing competitions.
3. Athlete's fitness.
4. The athlete/horse combination's will to win and the suitability of the combination to win the Event or contribute to a Team placing at the Event.
5. If all Factors are equal between two athlete/horse combinations, the participation of the athlete in other Area Young Rider programs or activities, e.g., fundraising, securing of Team sponsorship

etc., may be considered, the details of which must be included in the Area Selection Procedures (Attachment C) and posted on the Area website prior to the first selection trial.

Team riders will be selected from the pool of definite entries at the conclusion of the first horse inspection. The Team Chef, Coach (if present), and Veterinarian (if present) will make team rider selection utilizing the following factors ("Factors"):

1. The overall performance and soundness of the athlete/horse combination in competition with emphasis on dressage scores, current fitness, cross country and show jumping performance: jumping without faults and/or incurring time penalties, boldness, rideability, and speed with priority given to selection trials designated by the respective Area.
2. Previous experience of the athlete/horse combination, preference may be given to athlete/horse combinations who have demonstrated ability to succeed in multiple eventing competitions.
3. Athlete's fitness.
4. The athlete/horse combination's will to win and the suitability of the combination to win the Event or contribute to a Team placing at the Event.
5. If all Factors are equal between two athlete/horse combinations, the participation of the athlete in other Area Young Rider programs or activities, e.g., fundraising, securing of Team sponsorship etc., may be considered, the details of which must be included in the Area Selection Procedures (Attachment C) and posted on the Area website prior to the first selection trial.

Area 8

1. Area Selectors and/or any individuals involved with the Area Selection process for the 2024 USEF Eventing Young Rider Championships:

Area 8 Selectors:

- Deborah Snyder (Area Chair)
- Emily Watson
- Erin Strader
- Emily Beshear

2. Selection Trials/Tryout Events: Area 8 does not have a mandatory outing.

3. Athletes considering selection should note the following requirements:

- a. Athletes must demonstrate active participation in Area 8 Clinics, Team Competitions and other activities such as fundraising.
- b. Athletes are responsible for completing all entries to the FEI event(s) before the closing date for any Observation Trials and the Championships they plan to attend. A complete entry includes but not limited to submission of all paperwork including FEI portal requirements, stabling requests, and paying all fees.
- c. Athletes should document on their entry form and stabling that they are an "Area 8 YREC candidate." This will enable the organizer to plan ride times and stabling accordingly.
- d. All Athletes representing the area are to be present at awards ceremonies and demonstrate good sportsmanship at all times.
- e. Athletes are responsible for keeping track of their Athlete/Horse qualifications and performance.

4. Please include the selection process and/or factors by which the USEA Area 8 will utilize in selecting their athletes for the nominated entry, definite entry and team versus individual spots.

- a. Prior to submission of Definite Entries, Selectors as a group, will decide which riders will represent Area 8 in all divisions at YRC (providing there are more than six qualified in each division) and then will decide which riders will compete as individuals and which will be on the 4-person squad (again, providing there are more than 4 riders at either level).
- b. Selectors may also disallow a rider who may be technically qualified but who they feel may not be truly ready for a championship level.
- c. For their selection decisions, they will use competition records, any observations that they or any of the Candidate Observers have made at competitions throughout that season, and any feedback from the veterinarian regarding jogs at training sessions.
- d. The Selectors may consult with the Area 8 Chef, Veterinarian, and local trainers/coaches of riders on a conference call. Only the Selectors will make the final decision. If there is a Selector with a conflict of interest with one of the possible riders, he/she will step down from the voting on that candidate. If there is a tie, without the vote of the Selector in conflict, one of the local trainers will be asked to vote.

Area 9

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Area Selectors and/or any individuals involved with the Area Selection process for the 2024 USEF Eventing Young Rider Championships:

Area 9 Selectors:

Area 9 does not utilize selectors

Selection Trials/Tryout Events:

Area 9 Will not utilize selection trials or observation events.

Please include the selection process and/or factors by which the USEA Area 9 will utilize in selecting their athletes for the nominated entry, definite entry and team versus individual spots.

If a selection would need to take place, the Area Young Rider Coordinator would based the selection on the factors ("Factors"):

1. The overall performance and soundness of the athlete/horse combination in competition with emphasis on dressage scores, current fitness, cross country and show jumping performance: jumping without faults and/or incurring time penalties, boldness, rideability, and speed with priority given to selection trials designated by the respective Area.
2. Previous experience of the athlete/horse combination, preference may be given to athlete/horse combinations who have demonstrated ability to succeed in multiple eventing competitions.
3. Athlete's fitness.
4. The athlete/horse combination's will to win and the suitability of the combination to win the Event or contribute to a Team placing at the Event.
5. If all Factors are equal between two athlete/horse combinations, the participation of the athlete in other Area Young Rider programs or activities, e.g., fundraising, securing of Team sponsorship etc., may be considered, the details of which must be included in the Area Selection Procedures (Attachment C) and posted on the Area website prior to the first selection trial.

Area 10

Area Selectors and/or any individuals involved with the Area Selection process for the 2024 USEF Eventing Young Rider Championships:

Area 10 Selectors:

1. Denise Krouse Spangler-Area Chair
2. Heather Drager-Young Rider coordinator
3. Manuela Propfe-Area X trainer

Selection Trials/Tryout Events:

Area X Does not have a mandatory outing. Riders are expected to compete at one or more of the observation trials.

- SAzea Spring Horse Trials
- Coconino Spring Horse Trials

Please include the selection process and/or factors by which the USEA Area 10 will utilize in selecting their athletes for the nominated entry, definite entry and team versus individual spots.

1. Athletes are expected to meet the following criteria specific to Area 10.

- 1.1 Athletes are expected to comply with the United States Equestrian Federation Athlete Selection Procedures.
- 1.2 Athletes are responsible for completing all entries to the FEI event(s) before the closing date for any Observation Trials and the Championships they plan to attend. A complete entry includes but not limited to submission of all paperwork including FEI portal requirements, stabling requests, and paying all fees.
- 1.3 All Athletes representing the area are to be present at awards ceremony(ies) following the certification of results for the level to enable photos to be taken for sponsors.
- 1.4 All Athletes are expected to participate in team challenges and fundraising activities as a means of demonstrating their commitment to participating as part of the Area 10 squad.
- 1.5 There are times when a ranking is the result of a negative performance that can be justified. Athletes are encouraged to send a letter to explain any extenuating circumstances, factors, for the Selectors to consider. Examples would be: Time faults as a result of footing, a glance off because of a spook at fence judge, or a hold on course where you chose to W instead of waiting for a restart. Justifications should be sent while the information is fresh in your mind. Letters received AFTER closing date of Championships may not be considered.

2. Process of Selection to represent the Area 10 at the Championship.

- 2.1 Following the jog and minimum of two hours before the first horse enters dressage, final adjustments may be made to the team and individual assignments by the Chef based on jog and any medical concerns that arose. Once final assignments have been identified no further changes may be made during the competition.

3.0 Role of Selectors

Selectors determine the final ranking and recommend to the Chef/Area Coordinator which Athlete/horse pairs should represent the Area at each level. The Selectors will use the following criteria to make those decisions:

- 3.1 Any yellow cards, or other disciplinary actions.

- 3.2 The depth of experience the Athlete/Horse have as a pair at multiple venues. Preference will be given to candidates who meet the USEF qualification as an Athlete/Horse pair.
- 3.3 Significant improvements in performance noted in the most recent outing. Notable improvements to dressage score, horse fitness, boldness and rideability shall be taken into consideration.
- 3.4 Any observations seen at 2024 FEI Observation trials that would effect the likelihood of the Athlete/horse pair being successful at the Championships.
- 3.5 If all factors are equal between two athlete/horse combinations, the selectors may consider, participation of the athlete in other Area Young Rider programs activities, i.e., educational, fundraising, securing of team sponsorship, etc.

4. Ranking Logic:

- 4.1 The athlete/horse combinations performance will be evaluated with a focus on the last 10 runs at the training level on above over the previous 24 months.