



2024 Eventing Pre-Elite Program Criteria

Qualification Criteria for Program Membership:

Meet TWO of the following criteria as a combination within a 12-month period, at TWO different competitions, ONE of which must be achieved at a long format:

1. Finish on a score ≤ 40 at a CCI5*-L (including World Championships and Olympic Games)
2. Finish on a score ≤ 36 at a CCI4*-L
3. Finish on a score ≤ 33 at a CCI4*-S
4. EquiRatings HPR Score:
 - a. HPR Score ≥ 86 at a CCI5*-L (including World Championships and Olympic Games)
 - b. HPR Score ≥ 89 at a CCI4*-L
 - c. HPR Score ≥ 91 at a CCI4*-S
5. Program Membership recommended by the Technical Advisor and approved by the Eventing Pathway Working Group. Examples include but are not limited to:
 - World Championship, Olympic or Pan American Game long list preparation, resulting in missing an event that would have produced a Competition Result or positively impacted ELO/HPR Score.
 - Individual Medal or contribution to a Team Gold Medal at a Pan American Games.
 - Force Majeure.

EquiRatings HPR (High Performance Rating):

The HPR accounts for course difficulty, scoring conditions, and the quality of opposition.

Exception: Horses that sustain an injury after achievement of the qualification criteria must be evaluated by the Team Veterinarian or a Team Evaluating Veterinarian to discuss rehabilitation plans and to determine a prognosis for return to form within the term of membership. Final approval will be decided by the Director of FEI Sport with the recommendation from the Team Veterinarian, Technical Advisor/Chef d'Equipe, Director of Elite Program and Managing Director of Eventing.

Criteria for Membership Retention to the Program

Retention in the Pre-Elite Program is automatic for one calendar year from the notification of Program enrollment. The Athlete must remain in good standing with US Equestrian. Pre-Elite Program Membership will not be retained if the Athlete does not keep the ride on the Horse.

The updated Pre-Elite Program List will be published on December 1 and July 1.

Following the one-year automatic enrollment, the combination must meet with the Technical Advisor and Director, Eventing Elite Program, to set KPIs and monitor progression to maintain Pre-Elite Program Membership.

Exception: Program membership retention may be reviewed if the horse has met the objective criteria but sustains an injury following. The horse must be evaluated by the Team Veterinarian or a Team Evaluating Veterinarian to discuss rehabilitation plans and to determine a prognosis for return to form within the term of membership. Final approval will be decided by the Director of FEI Sport with the recommendation from the Team Veterinarian, Technical Advisor/Chef d'Equipe, Director of Elite Program and Managing Director of Eventing.

