**YOUTH HOME NATIONS – David Broome Centre, Mount Ballan Monmouthshire, Wales 02 – 04 August**

**SENIOR HOME NATIONS - Addington Equestrian Buckinghamshire 30 August – 01 September**

**Home Nations 2024 Qualification Criteria for Both Senior and Youth Competitions.**

* **All combinations must be fully paid-up members of Dressage Ireland (Trailblazer members are not eligible).**
* **Attendance as a horse and rider combination at two or more Home Nations Squad training days and/or DI training camps from April – July 2024.**
* **Have achieved at least 3 scores of 64%+ as a combination from at least two different judges at the proposed level between 1st July 2023 and 30th June 2024.**
* **Riders can only compete in either the Youth Home Nations or the Senior Home Nations in any calendar year.**
* **Horses must be a minimum of five years old.**
* **Riders who have competed internationally in a CDI-Ch/P/YR/U25 in the UK or abroad or a CPEDI3\* or above may only compete if a period of 12 months has passed since their last competition at this level.**
* **Riders who have competed small, middle, or big tour at CDI (excluding U25’s where applicable) and riders who have represented Ireland on an Olympic, Paralympic, World or European team (Senior or Para Equestrian) are not eligible to compete.**

**Selection Process**

* The average score of each combination will be calculated and selection will be based on the highest average scores at each level.
* Where different riders’ average scores are within 2%, selectors will review each rider’s competition record and any other relevant information.
* Selection decisions will be finalised from the following: Consistency and recent form at the level for which the combination is applying, Past form at major/team events, Results gained in 20 x 60 arena, Results gained from a panel of judges.
* A list of selected combinations will be published on the website and social media pages following selection on the publicised team announcement date.

**Training Dates 2024**

* **April**
* **May**
* **June**
* **July and Aug Final Squad Training Dates TBC**

**More Dates TBC in various locations.**

**Team Format for the Home Nations**

**Youth Home Nations**

* Each team can comprise of four riders from Preliminary, Novice, Elementary and Medium.
* Each team rider must be at a different level, whether in a team of 3 or 4.
* FEI Classes at Youth Home Nations - Individual FEI classes will be held at the following levels: Children on Horses, Pony, Junior, Young Rider
* Riders may apply for individual FEI classes in addition or instead of a team place application, but all criteria and requirements as above must be met.

**Senior Home Nations**

* Each team can comprise of four riders from Preliminary, Novice, Elementary, Medium, Advanced Medium and/or Prix St George.
* Advanced Medium and Prix St George will be judged as one class for the team results; however, individual placings will be awarded.
* Each team rider must be at a different level, whether a team of three or four.

**Please note that we will be accepting applications from combinations at prelim level this year for the first time.**

**All Home Nations Competitions are self-funded.**