

Jumping SA

STATE JUMPING SQUADS

2026



The purpose of our State Jumping Squads is to recognise and develop athletes so they are able to move up to the next level of competition, with a professional and guided background, to represent South Australia at the State and National Championship levels.

SA State Jumping Squads:

- SA Junior Squad 1.15m
- SA Young Rider Squad 1.25m – 1.30m
- SA Senior Squad 1.30m - 1.40m
- SA Senior Recognition Squad 1.20m
- SA Development Squad 1.05m

General Criteria for Inclusion on all Squads

Squad riders must have a commitment to High-Performance Jumping Programs, Squad activities and ongoing development.

- Riders on the Squad must be prepared to attend squad clinics with their selected horse.
- Riders must be current members of the ESA branch.
- Horses must be EA registered and hold a current competition licence.
- Horses must be sound and fit to compete.
- Where applicable, be available for Team selection for State and National competitions.
- In all cases, the applicant will be required to provide evidence of performance from two separate affiliated events in the preceding 12 months, with a score of four faults or less in the first round of competition. The performances must be relevant to the Squad being applied for.
- Riders must show a willingness to be leaders in their sport, present themselves as role models, assist younger riders when needed and be a supportive squad team member.
- It is expected that all squad members comply with EA rules, regulations and codes of conduct, including those relating to horse welfare.

Training Opportunities

Squad clinics with competent coaches will be arranged throughout the year for Squad horse & rider combinations. Where practical, we will endeavour to combine horses with other horses on the same squad. We will also take into consideration the current training level and availability.

There is a requirement for Squad riders to make themselves available for a minimum of 2 Squad clinics and development opportunities, assist and/or volunteer at Jumping SA events and provide regular reports on their ongoing performances.

2024 Squad Applications Link

Applications for Squad positions will be invited by the Jumping SA Committee using the 2025 State Jumping Squads application process. This is available through Nominate at this [Squad Applications link](#).

Squad applications can be submitted at any time during the year. There will be periodic reviews at JSA meetings throughout the year to assess new applications.

Squad/ Criteria	Development	Junior	Recognition	Young Rider	Senior
Competition Height*	1.05m	1.15m	1.20m	1.25m	1.30m
Rider Age: Riders turning (age) in 2026	10+	12- 18	12+	16-21	18+
Aim of the squad	Develop combinations to represent SA and towards being on the Junior or Recognition squads.	Develop combinations to represent SA and towards being on the Recognition or Young Rider squads	Develop combinations towards being on the Young Rider or Senior squads	Develop combinations to represent SA and towards being on the Senior squad	Develop combinations to represent SA
Team for the National Jumping Championships 2024. Criteria for teams	Childrens Team for the National Jumping Championships Riders turning 10- 14 years old in 2026 Competing 1.05-1.15m	Junior Team for the National Jumping Championships Riders turning 12- 18 years old in 2026 Competing 1.25-1.35m		Young Rider Team for the National Jumping Championships Riders turning 16- 21 years old in 2026 Competing 1.35-1.45m	Senior Team for the National Jumping Championships Riders turning 18+ years old in 2026 Competing 1.50-1.60m

** 2x Competition performances, at separate affiliated events. 4 faults or less in the first round, at the relevant squad height or above.*

Jumping Squad Coordinator

The Jumping SA Committee will appoint a person to the role of Jumping Squad Coordinator.

The coordinator will be the primary point of contact for all Squad members and will be the intermediary for communication between the Committee and Squad members.