

**Amateur Owner Rider (AOR)**  
**Intent to Participate Declaration Form**

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This form is provided to State Dressage Authorities as an example and proforma for States wishing to introduce a declaration form.

At this stage, EADC is not able to introduce a national mechanism for declarations of AOR status. However, in order to provide a consistent implementation across states, this following document (modified from the original produced by Dressage New South Wales) has been created as a suggestion.

States looking to adopt this form should be aware of the following:

- To be eligible to compete in the AOR division at any event an athlete must have declared their intent to participate and agreed to abide by all the AOR rules/criteria for the duration of the time they are competing as an AOR. Refer 4.6.1 AOR of current EA rules for Dressage for current detail.
- This declaration should be submitted once per year (the date provided in the form is an example only, the due date is to be determined by each State). Should circumstances change and an athlete can no longer meet the criteria below, their State Branch/SDA must be notified immediately. The athlete will no longer be able to compete as an AOR athlete until a new declaration is completed at the commencement of the following competition year.
- The purpose of this 'Intent to Participate Declaration Form' is to clearly identify AOR athletes to organisers, State Branches etc., and to prevent athletes who do not meet the criteria for a 12-month period from participating as an AOR athlete.
- Athletes who are removed from the list for violating the conditions of AOR will not be able to be reinstated for a period of 6 months, or until the next declaration form is due to be completed, whichever period is longer.
- This declaration is valid for 12 months.
- The State Branches should publish a list of registered Amateur Owner Riders for the reference of OCs, SDA, and Officials. Athletes who do not appear on the list do not have AOR status.
- State Branches may choose to accept AOR competitors from interstate based on the lists of other SDAs, or require the declaration to be made in their own state.

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### Name of State Branch

Please include details of how this form should be transmitted.

#### Athlete Details:

Athlete Name	
Athlete EA Number	
Contact Email	

#### Horse Details: (for more horses, please include more copies of the form)

Name of Horse (1)	
Horse EA Number	
Name of Horse (2)	
Horse EA Number	

#### Declaration:

I wish to nominate as an Amateur Owner Rider athlete for the coming period **1 January 2024 – 31 December 2024**.

By completing this form, I declare that I will, during the period nominated above, meet the following criteria whilst competing. I will:

- a) Be a Competitive member of my state branch of Equestrian Australia; and
- b) Ensure that my horses have a life registration with Equestrian Australia; and
- c) Ensure that the horse/pony registration lodged with Equestrian Australia reflects my name as owner or part-owner of the horse, or that my name is on the lease registered with EA as lessee.
- d) I will not receive payment for activities in equestrian sport including breaking, training, coaching and riding horses; and
- e) My income for riding may only include sponsorship; and
- f) I will be the primary rider and trainer of the horse/pony, with only periodic ridden assistance by other person(s).
- g) Under no circumstances will another rider ride the horse/pony during the 4 weeks prior to or during an event.
- h) I am 21 years old or over, or I will turn 21 in this calendar year.
- i) I acknowledge and agree that if the OC receives evidence that I am in breach of these rules then I will forfeit any awards and prizes at that event, and will furthermore, be removed from the list of registered Amateur Owner Riders for a period of not less than six months, or until the start of the next declaration period, whichever is greater. During this time, I will be ineligible to compete as an Amateur Owner Rider.
- j) I agree to advise my State Branch should my circumstances change, and I am no longer eligible as an AOR athlete.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_