



# EA Application for Downgrading Horse/Pony

(Only applicable to a specific combination of horse/pony and rider where the horse is currently graded Elementary or above)

To: State Dressage Authority (where the horse is domiciled, registered, or to be transferred to)

I wish to apply for the downgrading of the following horse/pony.

The person lodging the application must be the owner or registered lessee of the horse/pony.

Downgrade applications must be submitted at least 30 days prior to the first competition at which it is proposed to officially compete the horse/pony at a downgraded level. Applications will be dealt with at the next available Committee meeting.

## BLOCK LETTERS PLEASE

Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms	Surname:	Given Name:
Address:		
Town:		Post Code:
Phone:	Mobile:	
Email:		

Horse's EA Reg Name:	
Horse's EA Reg Number:	
Horse's Age:	
Horse's Graded Level & Pts:	
Owners Name:	
Owners EA Number:	
Rider Name:	
Rider EA Number:	
Rider Age:	

Reason for Downgrading:	

Applicant's Signature:		Date:	
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### Application for downgrading to be accompanied by:

- Copy of horse's current performance card

### EA Rule 1.16

Applications for down-grading of horses/ponies for any category of competition must be directed to the SDA and the following applies:

- each request will be considered separately and on its merit.
- applications for down-grading must be made in writing with supporting documentation.
- an application to downgrade a horse/pony must be made or endorsed by the registered owner or lessee.
- the decision to down-grade is entirely at the discretion of the SDA.

### Down-grading

- may occur only once in the duration of a rider's partnership with the horse/pony.
- may occur more than once in a horse/pony's lifetime but not more than once in a two-year period.
- will only apply to those graded at least Elementary level and above.
- if approved, a horse/pony will be down-graded a maximum of three levels eg: Advanced to Novice.
- if the horse is ridden by someone other than the rider for whom the downgrade is requested, it must compete at its previous level and any grading points earned will be awarded in relation to that previous level.

### Rule 1.19

A horse may compete Hors Concours (HC) at any level from 1/1/11.