

Interschool WA Qualification Exemption Application

As part of EWA's Duty of Care and Risk Management responsibilities Interschool WA requires riders to gain qualifications for Jumping, Dressage, Eventing and Working Hunter prior to entering Championship Classes at the Interschool Equestrian Festival. The aim of competency is that riders get out and compete at their height/level in a full competition environment. Competing at Interschools is a significant challenge for a horse and rider and not suitable to inexperienced combinations. Qualification also familiarises the rider with current rules and accepted behaviours for their discipline.

Combinations unable to obtain qualification for championship classes at the Interschool Equestrian Festival are encouraged to enter Participation Classes.

Riders may experience exceptional circumstances whereby they are unable to meet the qualification criteria and wish to compete in championship classes at the Interschool Festival. Examples of valid applications for exemption include:

- New horse/rider combination where horse and rider are experienced and proven at the level they intend to compete but not as a combination and provide endorsement of competency by EA Accredited official or coach.
- Horse/Rider combination have sustained an injury during the qualification period and unable to obtain qualification performances during the qualification period but have previously competed higher than the level entered in Interschool State Champions Classes. A veterinary/doctors certificate confirming they are fit to compete is also provided.
- Horse/rider combination live in remote area and unable to attend affiliated qualifying competition but provide confirmation of competency from accredited official or coach.

Invalid reasons for exemption applications may include:

- Unaware of qualification requirements during qualification period
- Attended qualifying events but unable to meet qualification criteria at qualifying event/s
- Application to compete at a level/s above the level the combination is qualified
- Qualification card submitted does not meet qualification criteria and exemption is submitted after final acceptance date for applications.

IF IN DOUBT SUBMIT AN EXEMPTION APPLICATION AND SUBMIT IT EARLY

Applications for exemption from qualification must be submitted to the EWA Office between **1 January 2019 and 26 March 2019 (26 April Eventing)**. **Applications after this time will not be considered.**

Further details on requirements for Qualifying are available on the EWA Interschool website. Riders and Parents are advised that it is your responsibility to be aware of the rules for the discipline in which you are competing.

**For the latest rules log onto:
EWA Interschool website at**

<http://www.wa.equestrian.org.au/interschool>

EA National Website at

<http://www.equestrian.org.au/>

EWA Contact Details

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PART 1: HORSE/RIDER INFORMATION

RIDER NAME:

EA MEMBERSHIP No.:

DATE OF BIRTH:

SCHOOL:

CLASS/S REQUIRING EXEMPTION.....

PRIMARY / SECONDARY (*please circle*)

HORSE NAME:

HORSE EA REGISTRATION No.:

CONTACT PH No.:

EMAIL:

*Exemption Applications must be submitted to the EWA office or by email
SaraBotten@equestrianwa.org.au by close of business **26 March 2019 (26 April for
Eventing)***

