

## **FAQ for USEF Young Rider Eventing Championship**

**Location: Tryon, NC  
Tryon International 3-day  
November 10-13, 2022**

**All U.S. athletes interested in competing in a Young Rider Championship competition must complete their Application/Area Declaration by May 1, 2022 at 12:00 p.m. EST.** The Application/Area Declaration form is found in an athlete's USEF account under the [Athlete Dashboard](#).

**Note:** *Non-U.S. athletes are not required to fill out the Application/Area Declaration Form. Please contact Christina Vaughn at [cvaughn@usef.org](mailto:cvaughn@usef.org) for more information about competing in the Young Rider Championship.*

### **USEF Resources & Links:**

USEF Young Rider Eventing Championship Webpage  
2022 Selection Procedures for the USEF Young Rider Eventing Championship

*If you have additional questions that are not answered in this document, please contact Christina Vaughn at the USEF Eventing Department at [cvaughn@usef.org](mailto:cvaughn@usef.org).*

### **Q. Will the Eventing North American Youth Championships (NAYC) be held in 2022?**

A. No. Athletes will instead have the opportunity to compete in the USEF Young Rider Eventing Championship at the **Tryon International 3-day on November 10-13, 2022.**

### **Q. What are the ages for participation in the Young Rider Championship?**

A. *The following three levels will be offered with the following age requirements:*

- *CCI1\* for FEI ages 14-18*
- *CCI2\* for FEI ages 14-21*
- *CCI3\* for FEI ages 16-25*

**Note:** *FEI age is defined as the age the athlete will turn during the calendar year of the competition. Unlike USEF age, the month and day of birth do not matter. For example, an athlete born on October 15, 2003 will turn 14 during 2017, so their FEI age is 14 for the entire 2017 calendar year of January 1 through December 31, 2017.*

### **Q. Will short format competitions be held this year?**

A. *No, there will only be one long format Championship this year.*

### **Q. What are the specific qualifications for the Championship?**

A. *The Selection Procedures outline the requirements. All athletes must be qualified to compete at the level per the USEF Eventing Rules (see Appendix 3) and meet the age requirements for the Young Rider Championship.*

**Q. Should an athlete declare for the Area where they currently live?**

A. There is no requirement for an athlete to declare for the Area where they currently live. Many athletes maintain using their "home" Area while attending college. However, there are also athletes who choose to represent the Area where they currently live. Either option is permitted.

**Q. Does an athlete need to file a separate \$75 Application/Area Declaration for each level?**

A. No, the \$75 Application/Declaration fee covers participating in any or all of the levels.

**Q. Are the Areas required to provide a coach, or can an individual athlete use their personal coach? Is a chef d'équipe required?**

A. Each Area must provide either an Area coach or chef d'équipe. Athletes are also permitted to use their individual coaches at the competition in addition to the Area coach or chef d'équipe.

**Q. Will different Areas be able to combine athletes to form scramble teams?**

A. For Areas or National Federations not able to field full teams, the following options are available:

- The Area or National Federation may send one or two individual athlete/horse combinations.
- Areas only able to field individual athlete/horse combinations (i.e. they do not have enough athlete/horse combinations to make up a team) may be combined with athlete/horse combinations from other areas by USEF Eventing Department staff in consultation with the USEA CEO in order to create a full team.

**Q. When will scramble teams be determined for each competition?**

A. The process for combining Areas to form teams outlined on page 3 of the [Selection Procedures](#). Areas will be combined into teams by USEF staff in consultation with the USEA CEO at the time of Definite Entries.

**Q. Will training camps be offered?**

A. Each Area will determine whether to host training camps. Contact your Area Young Rider Coordinator for more information. Contact information is listed on the last page of this FAQ.

**Q. Can a single athlete participate on multiple teams at a competition?**

A. Yes, as long as the athlete is representing the same Area. For example, the athlete can compete on the Area's 2\* team and the Area's 3\* team at the same competition.

**Q. Why is this Championship being held in the fall?**

A. The Task Force and Eventing Sport Committee felt that based on the Eventing calendar, this was the best time of year to host a long-format competition.

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