



National Schools Equestrian Association
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Definitions of the abbreviations used throughout this framework:

DR = Dressage. A test of obedience and the partnership between horse and rider. No jumping involved.

SJ = Show Jumping. A course of coloured knock down fences that the competitor aims to clear. This can be jumped on an artificial surface or grass arena.

XC = Cross Country. A course built of rustic fixed fences, set around a field or fields. May also be referred to as a Hunter Trial.

ODE = One Day Event. This competition is made up of three components – Dressage, Show Jumping and Cross Country. The penalty scores from all three phases are added together to produce the winner.

JwS = Jumping with Style (also referred to as Arena Eventing) This competition is set in an arena and has a course of show jumps followed by rustic fences that may knock down but simulate a cross country course. The competitor has to jump the fences and is judged on their style whilst riding the course. This helps to promote good riding.

NATIONAL GOVERNING BODIES INCLUDE – (See British Equestrian Federation Website for the full list of governing bodies)

BE = British Eventing

BD = British Dressage

BSJA = British Show Jumping Association

D of E = Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme

What is a team?

A team is made up of 3 or 4 members. The team score is calculated from the best 3 scores. Therefore, teams with 4 riders may drop their worst score.



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<p>Mini</p> <p><i>Ages 7 – 13 inclusive</i></p> <p><i>Key stage 1-3</i></p> <p><i>This is the first step of the schools equestrian framework that involves both qualifiers and National Championships. All schools and individuals need a strong understanding of this framework.</i></p>	<p>Mini (70cm in height of jumping courses)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Team and Individual</p> <p>Multitude of disciplines offered:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Dressage</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Show jumping</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Jumping with style (JWS)</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Hunter trials(HT)</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">One day events(ODE) <i>All jumping 70 cm</i></p> <p>Girls and boys mixed including disabled of competent ability to participate in any of the above disciplines safely</p>	<p>For: <u>Dressage/Show jumping</u></p> <p>Local level (to provide accessible competitions to all within each county)</p> <p>National championship qualifiers: to progress from County→Regional→National</p> <p>For: <u>JWS/HT/ODEs</u></p> <p>National championship qualifiers: to start at Regional→National</p> <p>All locations to be established equestrian centres/competition centres.</p> <p><i>All competitions within the NSEA annual framework</i></p>	<p>Points league throughout academic year</p> <p>County competitions in Spring and Summer term mainly.</p> <p>Regional competitions in Summer and Autumn terms</p> <p>National at end of autumn term</p> <p><i>(ODE to be held in Summer)</i></p>	<p>To encourage riders to be diverse in these disciplines</p> <p>Once the horse and rider combination have developed a strong basis- resources available to support further progression with skills and to compete at a higher level</p> <p>Talent spotting of potential</p> <p>Encourage schools to develop riding squads with pointers and support. List of advisors in each region.</p> <p>Encourage a consistently strong level of competition at the national finals that is still accessible to all levels</p>



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<p>Novice</p> <p>Key stage 3 & 4 (and FE) <i>Ages 11 – 19 inclusive</i></p> <p><i>This is the second step of the more advanced schools equestrian framework. This is the most popular/accessible height for secondary school pupils, especially to form teams.</i></p>	<p>Novice (80cm height of jumping courses) Team and Individual</p> <p>Multi-discipline Dressage Show jumping (80 cm)</p> <p>Jumping with style (JWS) Hunter trials(HT) One day events(ODE) <i>All (80 cm)</i></p> <p>Girls and boys mixed including disabled of competent ability to participate in any of the above disciplines safely</p>	<p><u>Dressage/Show jumping</u></p> <p>Local level(Accessible to all within each county)</p> <p>National championship qualifiers: County→Regional→National</p> <p><u>JWS/HT/ODEs</u></p> <p>National championship qualifiers: Regional→National</p> <p><i>All competitions within the NSEA annual framework</i></p>	<p>Points league throughout academic year</p> <p>County competitions in Spring and Summer term</p> <p>Regional competitions in Summer and Autumn terms</p> <p>National at end of Autumn term</p> <p><i>(ODE to held in Summer)</i></p>	<p>To further encourage riders to progress in these disciplines</p> <p>Once the horse and rider combination have developed a strong basis; resources available to support further progression with skills and to compete at a higher level</p> <p>Talent spotting of potential</p> <p>Encourage schools to develop riding squads with pointers and support</p> <p>National finals to give riders challenges to aspire to at all levels (springboard to junior/young rider programs in BE, BSJA, BD and Paras)</p> <p>Information needs to be provided to schools to enable them to match these skills to the PE GCSE and A level and D of E requirements</p>



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<p>Intermediate</p> <p>Key stage 3 & 4 (and FE) <i>Ages 12 – 19 inclusive</i></p> <p><i>This level starts to have relevance to BE, BD, BSJA and BHS riding club and can be seen as a stepping stone to the above governing bodies</i></p>	<p>Intermediate (90cm) Team and Individual Multi-discipline Dressage Show jumping (90 cm)</p> <p>Jumping with style Hunter trials One day events <i>All (90 cm)</i></p> <p>Girls and boys mixed including disabled of competent ability to participate in any of the above disciplines safely</p>	<p><u>Dressage/Show jumping</u></p> <p>Local level</p> <p>National championship qualifiers: County→Regional→National</p> <p><u>JWS/HT/ODEs</u></p> <p>National championship qualifiers: Regional→National</p> <p><i>All competitions within the NSEA annual framework</i></p>	<p>Points league throughout academic year</p> <p>County competitions in Spring and Summer term</p> <p>Regional competitions in Summer and Autumn terms</p> <p>National at end of Autumn term</p> <p><i>(ODE to held in Summer)</i></p>	<p>To further encourage riders to progress in these disciplines</p> <p>Once the horse and rider combination have developed a strong basis; resources available to support further progression with skills and to compete at a higher level</p> <p>Talent spotting of potential and encouraging development through national bodies</p> <p>Encourage schools to develop riding squads with pointers and support</p> <p>National finals to give riders challenges to aspire to at all levels (springboard to junior/young rider programs in BE, BSJA, BD and Paras)</p> <p>Information needs to be provided to schools to enable them to match these skills to the PE GCSE and A level and D of E requirements</p>



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<p>Open</p> <p>Key stage 3 & 4 (and FE) <i>Ages 12 – 19 inclusive</i></p> <p><i>This level starts to have relevance to BE, BD and BSJA junior and young rider programs</i></p>	<p>Open (1m) Team and Individual</p> <p>Multi-discipline Dressage Show jumping (1 m)</p> <p>Jumping with style Hunter trials One day events <i>All (1 m)</i></p> <p>Girls and boys mixed including disabled of competent ability to participate in any of the above disciplines safely</p>	<p><u>Dressage/Show jumping</u></p> <p>Local level</p> <p>National championship qualifiers: County→Regional→National</p> <p><u>JWS/HT/ODEs</u></p> <p>National championship qualifiers: Regional→National</p> <p><i>All competitions within the NSEA annual framework</i></p>	<p>Points league throughout academic year</p> <p>County competitions in Spring and Summer term</p> <p>Regional competitions in Summer and Autumn terms</p> <p>National at end of Autumn term</p> <p><i>(ODE to held in Summer)</i></p>	<p>To further encourage riders to be progress in these disciplines</p> <p>Talent spotting of potential and encouraging development through national bodies</p> <p>Encourage schools to develop riding squads with pointers and support</p> <p>National finals to give riders challenges to aspire to at all levels (springboard to junior/young rider programs in BE, BSJA, BD and Paras)</p> <p>Information needs to be provided to schools to enable them to match these skills to the PE GCSE and A level and D of E requirements</p>