

# HKEPP Youth Development Programme Criteria for 2026/27



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| Children's Squad   | Age 10 - 12   | Video Submission   |
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| <p><b>Show Jumping,<br/>Eventing or<br/>Dressage</b></p> | <p>Applicants should have experience of training and competing in any of the Olympic disciplines.</p> <p>Any relevant competition results will be considered, including online competitions.</p> <p>Applicants must also have a minimum of Pony Club test D+. The BHS Bronze Challenge Award will be treated as an equivalent learning level.</p> | <p>Applicants must submit two videos demonstrating their riding skills. Riding aids should not be used in video submissions.</p> <p>Video 1 must demonstrate a video of the applicant riding the EFHKC Inter-school Equestrian Challenge 2026 (Lower Division Final) Ingestre Preliminary Dressage Test 13 (2025). This video can be from the 2026 competition, or can be filmed in a riding school lesson in a 20 x 40m arena setting.</p> <p>Video 2 must either demonstrate a video of the applicant competing in a show jumping competition OR riding a course of jumps (minimum 6 fences), and show a forward seat over poles in canter. Videos must be linked in the application as unlisted YouTube links (please do not send large video files via WhatsApp, WeChat or email).</p> |

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| Youth Squad<br>(Hong Kong / Overseas /<br>Mainland) | Age 12 - 15  | Age 16+   | Video Submission  |
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| <b>Show Jumping</b>                                 | Competing at 1.0m or above in a ranking (affiliated) competition or FEI International competition and achieving one clear round and one round of 4 faults or less on at least 2 occasions.   | Competing at 1.10m or above in a ranking (affiliated) competition or FEI International competition and achieving one clear round and one round of 4 faults or less on at least 2 occasions.   | Applicants must submit two videos demonstrating their riding skills. Riding aids should not be used in video submissions.   |
| <b>Eventing</b>                                     | <p>Competing at the level of 80cm competition standard (as detailed below) or above in a ranking (affiliated) competition or FEI International competition on at least 2 occasions:</p> <p>XC: 80cm<br/>Jumping: 80cm<br/>Dressage: Preliminary</p> <p>Minimum Criteria - Dressage – 38 penalties or less, Cross Country - Clear at obstacles and Jumping – 8 penalties or less.</p> <p>Additionally, athletes must also submit the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 Dressage results at Preliminary level achieving scores of 63% or more in a ranking (affiliated) competition, or FEI International competition; <b>or</b> 1 Dressage result at Novice level achieving scores of 60% or more in a ranking (affiliated) competition, or FEI International competition; <b>and</b></li> <li>• 1 Show Jumping result at 90cm or above in a ranking (affiliated) competition or FEI International competition, achieving one round of 4 faults or less.</li> </ul> | <p>Competing at a level of 1.0m competition standard (as detailed below) or above in a ranking (affiliated) competition or FEI International competition on at least 2 occasions:</p> <p>XC: 1.0m<br/>Jumping: 1.0m<br/>Dressage: Novice</p> <p>Minimum Criteria - Dressage – 38 penalties or less, Cross Country - Clear at obstacles and Jumping – 8 penalties or less.</p> <p>Additionally, athletes must also submit the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 Dressage results at Novice level achieving scores of 63% or more in a ranking (affiliated) competition, or FEI International competition; <b>or</b> 1 Dressage result at Elementary level achieving scores of 60% or more in a ranking (affiliated) competition, or FEI International competition; <b>and</b></li> <li>• 1 Show Jumping result at 1.10m or above in a ranking (affiliated) competition or FEI International</li> </ul> | <p>Video 1 must demonstrate walk, trot and canter on both reins, showing changes of direction, turns and circles.</p> <p>Video 2 must be from a relevant competition, demonstrating skills related to the discipline applied for.</p> <p>Please note that for applicants who have access to BREC "pool" horses or private riding school "competition team" horses, one of your videos must not be on such horses and must be on a regular riding school horse.</p> <p>Videos must be submitted in the application as unlisted YouTube links (or Youku link for the Mainland). Please do not send large video files via WhatsApp, WeChat or email.</p> |
| <b>Dressage</b>                                     | Competing at Elementary level (or above) achieving scores of 65% or more in a ranking (affiliated) competition, or FEI International competition, on at least 2 occasions.   | Competing at Medium level (or above) achieving scores of 65% or more in ranking (affiliated) competition, or FEI International competition, on at least 2 occasions.  |   |

For the 2026/27 Programme, Youth Squad (Hong Kong) applicants must have a minimum of BHS Stage 1 (both riding and care) and/or the BHS Silver Challenge Award. A Pony Club test C+ will also be accepted as an equivalent learning level for BHS Stage 1.  
Youth Squad (Overseas) and Youth Squad (Mainland) applicants will not be required to have a stable management qualification for the 2026/27 Programme, but will be required to do so for the 2027/28 Programme.