

2024 BC Summer Games – Equestrian Technical Package

Venue: Maple Ridge Equi Sport Centre – July 18-21, 2024

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Rules

2024 BC Summer Games Equestrian Competition will be governed by the HCBC Rule Book

ATHLETES

Athlete Age and Description: 13 years to 18 years

A minimum of 13 years of age and a maximum of 18 years of age as of December 31, 2023.

Athlete Eligibility:

- Athletes must reside in the zone for which they are competing
- Athletes must compete at the BC Summer Games with the same horse as they qualified on. Exception: Vaulters.
- Athletes must be members in good standing with Horse Council BC
- Athletes may enter only one Equestrian division at the BC Summer Games, but may qualify in more than one division, or on multiple horses during the qualification period.
- Athletes residing in Zones 1 and 8 may submit results obtained from bordering Alberta or United States sanctioned competitions

Athlete Declarations and Qualifying Period

Athletes must complete and submit one declaration form to be considered for Equestrian Team selection. Completed Declaration forms must be signed and returned to: competition@hcbc.ca

[Athlete Declaration Form](#)

- The Qualifying period runs from January 1 2023 to May 31,2024
- Athletes must submit a minimum of two scores or official results from two different designated, sanctioned competitions or Pony Club event within the qualification period.
- Results must be submitted using the Competition Result Submission Form
(*Separate submission Forms are to be completed for different Disciplines*)

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Find the Result Submission Forms here: <https://hcbc.ca/competitions/bc-summer-games/>

- Athletes may submit as many qualifying scores as you they wish.

Maximum Athletes: 48

Wildcards: 16 wildcard spots which will be allocated by the Provincial Advisor for Equestrian.

Team Composition: A minimum of 4 athletes per zone, plus the addition of potential allocated wildcard spots

DIVISIONS AND CATEGORIES:

All events are open to both male and female or non-binary athletes on equal terms

Dressage: First Level

Jumper: 90m

Eventing Derby: 85m (HCBC Pre Novice, EC EV85)

Vaulting Advanced Walk, Advanced Canter

ZONE SELECTIONS AND REGISTRATION DEADLINE:

- Deadline for filing Athlete Declarations is 4:30 PM May 31, 2024
 - Zone and Wild Card Team selection will take place June 3,2024 – June 7,2024
 - The Assistant Provincial Advisor will advise Discipline Chairs and Head Coaches with a finalized Team selection list June 10, 2024
 - The Assistant Provincial Advisor will complete BC Games online registration process for all zone athletes, coaches, grooms, and officials not later than June 15, 2022.
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FEES:

Note that fees are assessed for athletes only (coaches, adult supervisors, and officials do not pay this fee). Sports may assess additional fees to cover training, uniforms, qualification event(s), etc. Fees are collected by the sport and paid to the BC Games Society upon invoice after the Games.

The BC Games athlete fee for the 2024 BC Summer Games is \$175.00. Horse Council BC charges athletes a supplementary fee of \$60.00. The total athlete fee to compete in Equestrian at the 2024 BC Summer Games is \$245.00 and is collected by Horse Council BC.

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ACCOMMODATION:

It is the BC Games Society policy that all participants under 19 are required to stay in Games accommodation, regardless of where they reside, and that at least one adult of the same gender as the athletes must stay in Games accommodation in a supervisory capacity.

Horse Council BC requires that all adults staying in Games accommodation have completed a criminal record check and have successfully completed Making Ethical Decisions Module and the Equestrian Canada Fostering Healthy Equestrian Environments course.

TRANSPORTATION:

Registered athletes, coaches and officials will be provided reimbursement forms to claim eligible travel expenses. Mileage will be paid at .50 per km

Please contact competition@hcbc.ca for information regarding transportation of horses.

Due to scheduling conflict and time restraints, it is recommended that Equestrian Athletes do not take Games transportation if possible. All Equestrian Athletes must plan to be on the competition grounds in order to receive their horses. If this is not possible athletes must arrange to have someone on the grounds to receive and care for their horse until they arrive.

STABLING AND FEED:

- Feed and hay for horses is the responsibility of the competitors.
 - Bedding is provided.
 - Stabling is provided free of charge at the Games for Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights only.
 - Participants requiring additional nights will be accommodated with prior arrangements. All horses must be onsite no later than 4pm July 17th
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TACK AND ATTIRE:

Athletes are required to wear properly fitted approved BSI or ASTM protective headgear with safety harness correctly secured at all times while mounted on the competition grounds.

Exception: Vaulters.

Tack and Equipment Rules as per current [HCBC Rule Book](#)

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MEDALS:

The Minus-One Rule will be implemented for all sports at the BC Games. This means that when there are four or more competitors or teams, Bronze, Silver, and Gold medals will be awarded; when there are three competitors or teams, Silver and Gold medals will be awarded, when there are two competitors or teams only a Gold medal will be awarded. If there is only one competitor or team, no medals are awarded.

Medals will be awarded to athletes in each event in each division, within the parameters of the BC Games Society Minus-One Rule described above.

Medals will also be awarded to the zone team with the highest aggregate medal count. In order to receive their medal, athletes must be present at the Medal Presentation Ceremony, and appropriately attired in riding or vaulting apparel.

Dressage Medals

Day 1

Current EC First Level Test 2 Equitation
Current EC First level Test 2 Technical
Gold/Silver /Bronze: Best Combined scores

Day 2

Current EC First Level Test 3 Equitation
Current EC First level Test 3 Technical
Gold/Silver /Bronze: Best Combined scores

Day 3

Gold/Silver /Bronze: medals to be awarded for Level 1 Freestyle

Overall Medal Dressage Equitation Ride Off: Gold/Silver /Bronze: medals to be awarded top 5 scores from day 1, day 2 and Freestyle score will be combined to determine who will ride off. The ride off will be run as a Dressage Seat Equitation Class Format

Eventing Medals

Day 1: Gold/Silver /Bronze: medals to be awarded by result of Dressage test

Day 2: Gold/Silver /Bronze: medals to be awarded by Derby Results

Day 3: Gold/Silver /Bronze: medals to be awarded by Jump results

Overall Gold/Silver /Bronze: Best Combined scores from Day 1,2,3

Jumping Medals

Day 1: Gold/Silver /Bronze Medals too be awarded by results from the .90 Welcome and Flat phase combined

Day 2: Gold/Silver /Bronze Medals to be awarded by results from the .90 Jumper and Gymnastics phase combined

Day 3: Gold/Silver /Bronze Medals to be awarded by results from the .90 Mini Prix

Overall Gold/Silver /Bronze: Medals to be awarded by the Ride Off (top 5 best scores from Day 1,2 & 3 combined to ride off)

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Vaulting Medals

Day 1: Gold/Silver /Bronze Medals to be awarded by results from the Advanced Walk Competition

Day 2: Gold/Silver /Bronze Medals to be awarded by results from the Advanced Canter Competition

Day 3: Gold/Silver /Bronze Medals to be awarded by results from the Advanced Canter Competition

Overall Gold/Silver /Bronze: Medals to be awarded by the combined scores from Days 1,2 & 3

Overall points calculation

Overall individual medal points will be calculated as:

1st place 20 points

2nd place 15

3rd place 10

4th place 8

5th place 6

6th place 4

7th place 2

8th place 1

Overall Zone Medal points will be calculated as:

Number of points earned per Zone athlete divided by number of athletes in the Zone

COACHES:

- 1 Head Coach and 1 Assistant Coach per zone.
- If the Zone team includes athletes in three or more disciplines an additional Assistant Coach may be added with the permission of the Provincial Advisor. The Provincial Advisor will request approval from BC Games Society staff.
- Every zone will have a head coach and at least one assistant coach (exception: sports for athletes with a disability, which must have one head coach and at least one assistant coach for the sport).
- If additional adults are named for the zone (or sport) and they meet the certification requirements of assistant coaches, they should be registered with the role "assistant coach", otherwise they are registered with the role "adult supervisor".
- Wherever possible the coach/assistant coach discipline specialty will reflect the discipline makeup of the zone team.
- All athletes will have access to discipline specific coaching support.

COACH ELIGIBILITY:

- The role of head coach and assistant coaches at the BC Games includes travelling to and from the Games with the team/zone, residing with the team/zone in BC Games accommodation, and acting in a supervisory capacity throughout the Games.
 - Each zone is required to have a Head Coach; if there is a second member of the zone coaching staff, they must be registered as an Assistant Coach
 - All Head Coaches must be a minimum of Competition Coach certified or equivalent certification from another coaching organization.
 - All Assistant Coaches must be a minimum of Competition Coach certified, or equivalent certification from another coaching organization. or be registered as "in training" with Horse Council BC.
 - All Head Coaches and Assistant Coaches must have completed the Make Ethical Decisions online evaluation and any additional training required by BC Summer Games.
 - All Head and Assistant Coaches must have completed the EC Fostering Healthy Relationships Course
 - Athletes' primary coaches are encouraged to attend the Games as spectators. (Attendance at the Games will be at the expense of the personal non-accredited coach.)
 - Only assigned Accredited Head Coaches or Assistant Coaches or adult supervisors are permitted to interact with athletes in the competition area including warm-up.
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OFFICIALS:

16 Officials are permitted to register as participants
Transportation, accommodation, and meals, will be provided for officials.

Barn Supervisor:

Barn Supervisors will be appointed and must stay on site with horses. Barn Supervisor Information Form must be submitted to the Assistant Provincial Advisor. All Barn Supervisors will be required to take the Make Ethical Decisions online evaluation and any additional training required by BC Summer Games

DISCIPLINE QUALIFYING CRITERIA and SPECIFICATIONS:

Dressage:

(Ring Size 20m x 60m)

- Dressage rider/horse combinations who have competed at the third level or higher at a sanctioned competition in 2023 or 2024 are not eligible to compete at the BC Summer Games in Dressage.
- Current EC First Level Test 2 and First Level Test 3 Dressage Tests and Rising Stars Equitation scoring will be used
- USDF Level 1 Freestyle
- Callers not allowed
- Whips not allowed

Dressage:

Athletes must submit scores from a minimum of:

- One (1) Freestyle test,
- Two (2) First Level Test 3 Technical tests with a minimum score of 55%
- One (1) Rising Starts Equitation test

Dressage Schedule

Day 1

- Current EC First Level Test 2 Equitation
- Current EC First level Test 2 Technical

Day 2

- Current EC First Level Test 3 Equitation
- Current EC First level Test 3 Technical

Day 3

- Current USDF Level 1 Freestyle
 - Dressage Equitation Ride Off top 4 scores from day 1 and day 2 and Freestyle combined to ride off
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Eventing:

- Any rider/horse combinations who have competed at Training level or above at a sanctioned competition in 2023 or 2024 are not eligible to compete
- Athletes must submit official completion results achieved from (must include dressage phase and cross-country/Derby phase) Eventing Entry 85m level from a minimum of two (2) different BC Eventing, Equestrian Canada, Pony Club or HCBC sanctioned Derby competitions
- 2 Phase competitions, must be at appropriate Entry level (EV85 or HCBC Pre-Novice 85)
- Scoring as per HCBC Derby Rules
- Dressage Phase: Arena size 20 x 40m
- Tests may be called, athletes are to arrange for a caller
- Whips may be carried but must not exceed 120 cm for horses and 100 cm for ponies
- EC EV 85 Dressage Tests to be used
- Specifications for Derby Phase and Show Jumping Phase as per HCBC Eventing Derby Rules

Eventing Derby Schedule

Day 1

- Dressage Phase (Arena: 20 x 40)
- EV 85 Test 2

Day 2

- HCBC Pre Novice 85 Eventing Derby Phase

Day 3

- .85m Show Jumping Phase
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Jumper

- Any rider/horse combinations who have competed at a sanctioned competition in 2023 or 2024 in a class with specifications above 1.10m in height are not eligible to compete
- Athletes must submit an Athlete Declaration Form with official class results from a minimum of two different approved competitions from any class at the .90m , 1.0m or 1.10m height specification.
- Points will be awarded for results submitted based on athlete's placing and the number of horses that competed in the qualifying class.
- Riders at the Games will also be judged on an Equitation Flat and Gymnastics Phase.
- **Equitation Flat Phase:** will show at the working walk, the working trot sitting, the working trot rising and the working trot showing a lengthening of stride, the working canter and the working canter showing a lengthening of stride.

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- **Gymnastics Phase:** This phase is to be judged over a series of gymnastic exercises with a height of .85m - .90m maximum
- Riders will be provided with a detailed diagram showing the distance and gait at which each exercise is to be ridden.
- In these exercises, each rider will be judged on how the rider manages their horse
- Coaches will walk the course with the riders before the class.
- **Final Ride Off:** At the judge's discretion riders may be asked for a change of lead, either simple or flying and may be asked to perform individual tests on command

.90m Welcome Jumper

- This is a Competition against the clock, but in the event of equality of penalties for first place, there will be one jump-off against the clock. Other Athletes are placed according to their penalties and time in the first round. Riders will also be scored on their Equitation

.90m Jumper: Match the Clock:

- Competitors with equal faults will be placed according to how close their time is to the optimum time, which is based on the course being ridden at the posted speed. There will be no jump off. Riders will also be scored on their Equitation

BC Summer Games .90 Mini Prix

A competition in two rounds with a jump off. Starting order for the second round will be the reverse order of penalties and time in the first round. Penalties from round one and round two will be added together. In the event of equality of penalties for first place, there will be a jump off against the clock. Other competitors are placed according to their penalties over two rounds and their time from the first round.

Jumper Schedule

Day 1

- BC Summer Games .90m Jumper Flat Phase
- Welcome Jumper .90m

Day 2

- BC Summer Games .90m Jumper Gymnastics Phase
- Jumper 90m

Day 3

- Mini Prix .90m
 - 2 rounds with a Jump Off
 - Ride Off top 5 scores from Day 1,2 & 3 combined to ride off
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Vaulting

Vaulters require two scores in Advanced Canter from two different HCBC, BC Summer Games Qualifying competitions. One score may be from a video class from an HCBC sanctioned, BC Summer Games Qualifying competition.

Vaulting Schedule

Day 1

- Advanced Walk

Day 2

- Advanced Canter

Day 3

- Advanced Canter
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