

High Performance Para Dressage Programme 2023



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Introduction

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Goal

- Overall: building a structured high performance Para Dressage programme that enhances top performances.
- For this year: qualifying the Irish team for Paris 2024
- European Championships (Riesenbeck, 4-10 sept 2023)



Paris strategy - team selection

- Option 1: FEI ranking list
- ► The two (2) highest ranked teams on the FEI Paralympic Team Ranking List* (not otherwise qualified) will each obtain four qualification slots for their NPC
- The FEI Paralympic Team Ranking List, covering the period of 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023, is a Team Ranking based on each team's best team results from two (2) qualifying events added together.

- Option 2: European Championships
- The top ranked team (not otherwise qualified) at the 2023 FEI European Championships will obtain four qualification slots for their NPC.



Strategy HP Programme 2023

- A test with a 5* judge in the start of the season (Mandatory for HP & HP Development squad, optional for National Talent Squad)
- Weekly online trainings for HP athletes with HP Director (once per month mandatory)
- Frequent contact between HP Director and all private coaches from HP and HP Development squad riders

Performance Outcome Profile

Athlete	х		
Horse	Υ		
Competition	Keysoe		
Date	14-3 / 20-3 2022		

Combinations that aim for selection for the EC in Riesenbeck (4-10 sept 2023) have to go to at least 2 CPEDI3s*, to be picked from this list:

Work with individual targets (POPs) per combination per key competition



Test	Outcome		Likelihood	Performance Target	Comments	Actual Performance*	Explanation of difference between target and actual performance*
Team Test	Best	70%	80%	70%	Want to go for a peak performance	67%	The conditions on the day were adverse, making the accoustics more
	Normal	67%	10%				pronounced causing tension by horse and rider. Hence lower score.
	Poor	62%	10%				Will work on being more prepaired for competing in adverse weather
Individual Test	Best	69%	80%	69%	Want to go for a peak performance	69%	Changed the warming up a bit, took more time to relax the horse.
	Normal	67%	10%				Now both rider and horse were in good focus. Test went well.
	Poor	62%	10%				
Freestyle	Best	74%	50%	73%	Horse not very experienced with	72,50%	Still a bit too much tension/hotness of horse because of the music.
	Normal	72%	30%		music/freestyle yet		Will work on practising with music during training in order to improve
	Poor	67%	20%				this and eventually improve freestyle score

^{*}To be filled in after the competition

^{*}Addington – 13/3 – 16/3 2023

^{*}Deauville - 31/3 - 2/4 2023

^{*}Waregem - 21/4 - 23/4 2023

^{*}Mannheim - 4/5 - 9/5 2023

^{*}Hickstead - 8/5 - 11/5 2023

^{*}Kronenberg – 16/6 – 18/6 2023

^{*}Grote Brogel - 29/6 - 01/7 2023

^{*}Hartpury - 2/7 - 9/7 2023

Squad criteria 2023

HP Squad

In a cycle of 12 months, combinations (athlete + horse) must have achieved at a minimum of two competitions (CPEDI3*'s or an official trial event appointed by HSI) at least two times a score at or above 68% in the Grand Prix A or Grand Prix B test.

HP Development Squad

In a cycle of 12 months, combinations must have achieved at a minimum of two competitions at least two times a score at or above 66% in the Grand Prix A or Grand Prix B test. At least one score should be achieved at an CPEDI3* event or at an official trial event appointed by HSI. One score could be achieved at a national show (judged by a list 1 or list 2 judge).

HP National Talent Squad

In a cycle of 12 months, combinations must have achieved at a minimum of two international or national competitions at least three times a score at or above 64% (judged by a list 1 or list 2 judge) in the Grand Prix A or Grand Prix B test.

Squad listings

High Performance squad

- Rosemary Gaffney with Chantal
- Kate Kerr Horan with Serafina
- Michael Murphy with Cleverboy
- Michael Murphy with Dark Diamond

HP Development Squad

- ► Tamsin Addison with Fahrenheit
- ► Helen Kearney with Tjornelys Zensation
- Angela Lyons with Woodcroft Santa Cruz
- Sarah Slattery with San Marino Mr

HP National Talent Squad*

- Grainne Hallahan with Jazzland
- Heather Lemmon with Praise the Sun
- Jessica McKenna with Davidoff 188



*It could be the case that the list of members in the HP National Talent Squad is not complete: this because the HP Director can't directly see national results from the UK or Ireland. We would like to request riders that are competing nationally in individual and team tests judged by a list 1 or list 2 judge to send results that meet the criteria to dpijpers@horsesportireland.ie and stschoerner@horsesportireland.ie. Please mention competition date, place, test, score and judges. The results will be checked on accuracy.