



## Event Contacts

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## Event Office

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The Event Office will be open during the following times:

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January: 2pm – 6pm

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> January: 8am – 6.30pm

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January: 7am – 6.30pm

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> January: 7am – 6.30pm

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> January: 7am – 6.30pm

## Our Event Website

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[Home - 2024 Victorian Youth Dressage Championships \(vydc.org.au\)](https://vydc.org.au)

## Horse Arrivals

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**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January from 1pm**

## Stabling and Camping

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All stabling and camping enquiries are to be directed to the venue, Boneo Park Equestrian Centre

## Arena Familiarisation

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Please refer to the Arena Familiarisation Timetable on the VYDC website

## Withdrawals and Refunds

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Withdrawals (scratching's) and Refunds: No competitor shall withdraw from a competition within 8 hours of its commencement without the permission of the OC. A written statement (withdrawal form) giving reasons for any withdrawal must be provided to the Secretary of the Event prior to the commencement of the competition.

No shows will be dealt with in accordance with the EA Rules.

Withdrawal Forms will be available from the Event Office

Entry fees will not be refunded unless a medical or veterinary certificate is produced within 24 hours of the completion of the Championships. (Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January by 5pm) In such cases, 50% of the entry fees will be retained by the O.C. The administration fee will not be refunded.

Refunds for Stabling – please refer to the Boneo Park website for more information on refunds for stabling and camping. [Compete – Boneo Park](#)

## General Information

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This Event will run under the current dressage rules.

**It is all competitor's responsibility to know the rules of competition.**

[www.equestrian.org.au/Dressage-rules](http://www.equestrian.org.au/Dressage-rules)

Admission is free to all spectators.

Please ensure you check in upon arrival at the venue. The Event Office is situated on the Arilla Decking.

**Reminder:** Competition rules/conditions apply once horses arrive at the venue.

We expect all competitors to promote & thank all our

generous Sponsors of this event through your social media platforms

**Please use the hashtag #VYDC2024 to tag the event**

and

**Remember to also look up your class Sponsor and Tag them in also!**

## Swabbing

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Swabbing will take place at our event.

Riders at all levels must have their horse's EA papers (paper or online) available at all times in the event they are requested. If you need to call a vet to attend to your horse while at the event, the Organising Committee **MUST** be notified asap.

## Gear Check

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Under the current EA Dressage rules, it is compulsory for every horse and rider combination to have a gear check. Gear check will take place **after** each test unless otherwise specified by the stewards on the day.

## Callers

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For all official EA & FEI tests **NO** (called) commanded test are allowed.

Interschools & Participation classes **may have** tests (called) commanded.



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## Para-Equestrian

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The official FEI PE Tests must be carried out entirely from memory, and all movements must follow in the order laid down in the test. Except for those riders who may have their tests commanded and/or called as a compensating aid as listed on the FEI PE or EA PE ID Card.

## Saddlery & Equipment

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Identification (ID) numbers (bridle numbers) Please use your existing bridle number. In the case of a double up of numbers, the OC will allocate one of the combinations with a temporary bridle number for this event.

**Please note that ID numbers (one on each side) must be displayed on the horse's saddlecloth, bridle and/or halter at all times** other than when in the stable. This rule applies to all horses.

WHIPS & GEAR - A reminder that whips that do not comply with current EA rules (**must not exceed 1.2m in entirety for horses, and 1.0m for ponies**), will not be allowed in the warm-up and competition areas. A whip may be carried in all Preliminary, Novice, Elementary, Medium, and Advanced competitions.

### **Whips ARE NOT PERMITTED in the FEI Competitions at a State Championship**

In FEI-level competitions at any Australian and State Championships a rider:

- circling the arena carrying a whip will incur a technical fault of 0.5% from each judge
- entering the dressage arena with a whip will incur a technical fault of 0.5% from each judge (this is not an error of course)
- Carrying a whip in a test for more than 3 movements will entail elimination.

## Pony Measuring

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Pony measuring will be available on:

- Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> January from 9am – 11am and from 5pm – 6.30pm

To book your measuring appointment. Bookings are via Nominate and close on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January at 11.59pm.

All horses and ponies must have a snaffle bridle, bit & bridle numbers upon presenting to the measuring stand.

You will need ALL your Pony's Registration Papers & history of measuring when presenting to the EA official measurer.

**Ponies without a current height certificate will not be allowed to compete.**



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