

Lanaken 2014 – Selection Criteria

- A maximum of 15 horses shall be selected to represent the Irish Sport Horse Studbook at the FEI World Breeding Jumping Championships for Young Horses, Lanaken 2014;
- Breeding criteria: All horses registered in the Irish Horse Register with the breed codes ISH, RID or ID, and with sire and dam documented on their passport are eligible for selection;
- A maximum of 5 horses shall be selected in each of the following age categories:
 - 5 year olds;
 - 6 year olds;
 - 7 year olds.
- Chef d'Equipe for the Irish Sport Horse Studbook team travelling to Lanaken shall be Comdt. John Ledingham and he shall act as sole selector for participation at the event. However, he will be required to present his proposed selection to the World Breeding Championships for Young Horses (Showjumping) Committee in advance of it being communicated to any other parties;
- The following criteria shall be used for selection in the 5 year old and 6 year old age categories:
 - Top three horses in the Irish Sport Horse Studbook Showjumping Series Leagues;
 - Top horse from the RDS Dublin 5 year old class and 6 year old class, providing they finish in the top 4 placings;
 - One other horse to be selected by the Chef d'Equipe;
 - Two reserves shall also be selected by the Chef d'Equipe in addition to the 5 horses selected in each age category, should one of those 5 horses not be able to travel.
- The following criteria shall be used for selection in the 7 year old age category:
 - Top two horses in the Irish Sport Horse Studbook Showjumping Series League;
 - Top two horses from the RDS Dublin 7 & 8 year old class placed 1st to 10th, providing they jump clear in the first round of the final;
 - One other horse to be selected by the Chef d'Equipe – should less than two horses meet the above criteria the Chef d'Equipe will select as appropriate to fill the 5 places;
 - Two reserves shall also be selected by the Chef d'Equipe in addition to the 5 horses selected in each age category, should one of those 5 horses not be able to travel.
- The selector will select the combinations that he believes will best represent the Irish Sport Horse Studbook at Lanaken. Factors that will be taken into account include:
 - Suitability of the combination to cope with the specific conditions of the competition at Lanaken;
 - While the main goal will be to achieve success at Lanaken, if the selector considers a combination likely to have a long term future in the sport;
 - Overall form of the combinations under similar conditions (e.g. similar time allowed, water fences, light fence material, width of oxers) to those that will be met at Lanaken;
 - Experience/competence of the rider to deliver optimum performance at Lanaken.
- Subject to availability of funding, each horse representing the Irish Sport Horse Studbook at Lanaken shall receive a travel bursary and will have their entries paid.

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