

# TREC IRELAND



Tourism Related Equestrian Competitions Ireland Ltd.

# **International Rider Selection Criteria**

# **Introduction**

The ultimate honour for any sportsperson is to be selected to represent their country in their chosen sport. This is a privilege earned through hard work, commitment and success. There is no assumed right that performance alone will guarantee selection. Any person who is selected to represent Ireland either at the European or World TREC Championships does so as an ambassador for their country, TREC Ireland and the sport of TREC.

TREC Ireland endeavours to send a team of 4 riders plus 2 individuals to FITE Competitions. The team selection will be decided at the venue of the competition by the Chef d'Equipe. Six riders can travel plus two riders on stand-by should a selected rider be unable to travel.

Riders wishing to be selected for a team must go through a 2-phase process of

- 1. Get on a selection panel.
- 2. Undergo performance testing.

Selectors may also look for additional information to help them in their assessments. These are included below.

# Selection panel criteria

- 1. Any rider who wishes to be considered for selection as a TREC Ireland International Rider must be a current member of TREC Ireland.
- 2. Any rider who wishes to be considered for selection as a TREC Ireland International Rider must complete an application form. If a rider has more than one horse which they wish to be considered for selection, a form for each horse must be completed. The horses name must be declared as it appears on the horse passport and this name is to be used in full when entering any TREC Ireland competitions, affiliated TREC competitions or International TREC competitions.
- 3. Riders must have competed in a 3 phase competition at Level 3 as an individual/pair.
- 4. Riders must have competed in a 3 phase competition as an individual at level 2 or above.

N.B. The criteria in points 3 and 4 only include competitions from Jan 1<sup>st</sup> 2016 up to Dec 31<sup>st</sup> 2017.

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### **Performance Scoring**

TREC Ireland International Riders must complete a minimum of three Level 3 individual (Full 3 phase) competitions in the selection period running from Jan 1<sup>st</sup> 2016 up to July 3<sup>rd</sup> 2018, excluding 2017 Nationals. If a rider has not competed in three Level 3 individual competitions, they can submit one Level 2 individual or above competition. The rider's top three individual (Full 3 Phase) competitions will be taken into account for their final score.

Due consideration will be given to riders that submit all Level 3 individual competitions.

Two of these competitions should be outside their own group's area and by at least two different traceurs.

Two of these competitions must be Level 3 individual in the same calendar year as the upcoming International Championships.

Due to the limited number of Level 3 Three-Phase events available in 2018, riders may submit an extra set of 2017 results as part of the minimum requirements. This may be a TREC Ireland event or an event abroad.

For competitions in 2018 riders will be expected to provide a written report to the selection committee within 7 days of a competition detailing their performance, achievements and problems encountered. The report must also include the rider's assessment of the horse's performance and fitness during competitions. A full set of results (to include individual checkpoints) must also be submitted, along with the completed performance scoring evaluation.

For competitions prior to 2018 a minimum of a full set of results should be submitted.

The selection committee are looking for consistency in all phases across several competitions, if a rider has difficulty with a phase target at one competition but has shown consistency at other competitions this will be taken into consideration but it must be noted in the rider's report of the competition.

Points for each phase will be allocated according to the performance scoring. **Please see Performance Scoring sheet.** A template for submitting performance scoring evaluation is included below.

POINTS WILL NOT BE ALLOCATED FOR OVERALL PLACINGS.

The 3 phases are weighted below:

POR 100

MA 20

PTV 50

#### **POR**

The POR scoring is designed as not to penalise a rider excessively if their timing between two checkpoints (CPs) is substantial, eg a rider gets lost for one hour in normal scoring they would lose 60 points whereas with the performance scoring they only lose 5 points. This is to take into consideration that a good rider may have made one bad mistake but has shown consistently good scores between the other CPs. The performance scoring on the POR weights CPs the highest, as missing or incorrectly entering a CP incurs the largest penalties.

# Examples:

POR is divided into: Checkpoints 48

Tickets 28

Timing 24

If a rider misses a CP they are penalised 20 points, if they incorrectly enter a CP -12 points (same as missing a ticket)

If a rider misses more than 2 tickets on a route, they get 0 for tickets.

If a rider is 25% or more out on the timing they get -5 for every CP they are out on time. i.e CP2-CP3 is calculated at 40mins, if a rider is out by 10 mins or more on that CP they score -5.

# MA/PTV

Scores are translated directly into performance scoring.

Eg. Rider scores 114 PTV and 37 MA = 30 PTV & 10 MA

# **Important additional information**

Selectors may also take into consideration the rider's previous experience, competitions abroad, maturity and attitude. Having a focused and positive attitude within the team is important. Accordingly the selectors may factor in how any group of riders that they select might operate as a team.

### **Final Team Selection**

The top 6 riders based on their performance scoring, experience, teamwork and attitude will be eligible to travel. Should two or more riders tie in scores prime consideration will be given to results from International competitions. From the panel of six riders chosen to travel, the Chef d'Equipe will choose who will ride on the team of 4 and who will compete as individuals at the competition.

Riders qualifying to compete must familiarise themselves with the current FITE rules which can be downloaded from the FITE website. www.fite-net.org

It would be beneficial to the rider to attend a TREC Ireland judges course.

#### **Finances:**

Riders will be expected to pay for their own participation in FITE Championships. These costs will include entry fees, accommodation, stabling costs, food for both human and horse and transport to and from the FITE Championships.

Riders are also liable for the Chef d'Equipe expenses, an estimated amount of expenses required to be paid will be circulated and agreed in advance of the trip, as soon as realistic costings are known.

Riders must submit the first half of their entry fee to TREC Ireland no later than May 31st 2018. This will be refunded if you are not selected. The balance must be lodged by the 30th July. This will include the cost of the Chef d'Equipe/Trainer required to travel with the team.

There will be zero tolerance of any breaches of the code of conduct, bullying by riders or parents towards other riders, officials and selectors. It will result in instant elimination of the rider for selection.

# **DECLARATION**

To be completed and sent to <a href="mailto:chairman@trecireland.com">chairman@trecireland.com</a> along with your Application Form.

I confirm that I have read and understand the information in this document and agree to abide by the selection criteria process.

Rider Full Name (PRINT):	
Signed:	Date:
Rider's Parent's Name (for U18s) (PRINT):	
Signed:	. Date:
TI reserves the right to publish group photos in media for m like your consent to publish your name and associated how activity.	
I agree I disagree	
Rider Full Name (PRINT):	
Signed:	Date:
Rider's Parent's Name (for U18s) (PRINT):	
Signed:	. Date:

This information is gathered for the purposes of the International Rider Selection Process. It may be shared with the TREC Ireland Executive Committee, Chef d'Equipe, Chef de Mission, Selectors, and Development Officer. TREC Ireland (TI) is accountable for monitoring the processing of personal data. All paperwork containing personal data will be destroyed after two years.

Targets:	POR	100			
(normal scoring)	MA	30			
	PTV	100			
Performance	POR	100	divided as follows:		
weighting					
	CPS	48		Missed CP	-20
				Wrong way	-12
	Tickets	28		Missed Ticket	-12
	Timing	24		25% out or more	-5
			No negative marking		
			i.e minus scores =0		
	MA	20			
	Score of:				
		60	you receive	20	
		55		18	
		50		16	
		45		14	
		40		12	
		35		10	
		30		8	
		25		6	
		20		4	
		15		2	
		<15		0	
	PTV	50			
	Score of (greater or equal to):	160	you receive	50	
	,	150	,	46	
		140		42	
		130		38	
		120		34	
		110		30	
		100		26	
		90		22	
		80		18	
		70		14	
		60		10	
		50		6	
		40		2	
		< 40		0	

# **International Rider Performance Scoring Template**

Please send to Chef de Mission with a copy of your results and competition report. These documents will then be sent to the Selectors.

MA	Max 20 points	
Your Score	Points allocated	

PTV	Max 50 points	
Your Score	Points allocated	

POR	Max 100 points	
Checkpoints	Max 48 points	minus 20 missed CP minus 12 incorrect entry to CP
Tickets	Max 28 points	minus 12 missed ticket
Timing	Max 24 points	minus 5 out by 25% or more

	Correct CP entry	Missed tickets	Ideal Time	Your time	Points deducted
CP 1 - 2					
CP 2 - 3					
CP 3 - 4					
CP 4 - 5					
CP 5 - 6					
CP 6 - 7					
CP 7 - 8					
	Total points deducted for POR (Cannot be more than 100)				
	Total points scored for POR (100 minus points to be deducted)				