

**520.3 EA Minimum Eligibility Requirements (applies to FEI Events)**

- FEI MER's are to be achieved as a combination except when the Rider is already categorised
- When multiple Minimum Eligibility Requirements are required (for CIs and CIOs), one of the Minimum Eligibility Requirements can be achieved incurring 20 penalties at the obstacles of the Cross Country Test
- MER's in **bold** font signifies FEI requirements
- MER's in *italic* font signifies National Federation requirements

Class	Category of Rider	MER Requirements
<b>CCI5*-L</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>1x CCI4*-L + 2x CCI4*-S or CCN4*-S</b> (as combination)
	<b>B</b>	<b>1x CCI4*-L + 3x CCI4*-S + 1x CCI/CCN4*-S</b> (as combination)
	C, D, uncategorised	<b>2x CCI4*-L + 2x CCI4*-S + 1x CCI/CCN4*-S</b> (as combination)
<b>CCI4*-L</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>1x CCI3*-L + 2x CCI3*-S or CCN3*-S</b> (any time frame) or <b>1x CCI/CCN3*-S or in previous 12 months + 1x CCI/CCN4*-S or 1x CCI3*-L</b> (Horse only)
	<b>B</b>	<b>1x CCI3*-L + 2x CCI3*-S or CCN3*-S</b> (any time frame) or <b>1x CCI/CCN3*-S or in previous 12 months + 1x CCI/CCN4*-S or 1x CCI3*-L</b> (Horse only)
	C, D, uncategorised	<b>1x CCI3*-L + 1x CCI4*-S + 1x CCI/CCN4*-S or 1x CCI/CCN3*-L</b> (as combination)
<b>CCI4*-S</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>1x CCI3*-S or CCI3*-L + 1x (CCN4*-S or 1x CCI3*-S)</b> (Horse only)
	<b>B</b>	<b>1x CCI3*-S or CCI3*-L + 1x CCI/CCN3*-S + 1x (CCN4*-S or 1x CCI3*-S)</b> (Horse only)
	C, D, uncategorised	<b>2x CCI3*-S or CCI3*-L + 1x (CCN4*-S or 1x CCI3*-S)</b> (As combination)
<b>CCI3*-L</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>1x CCI2*-L or 1x CCI3*-S + 1x CCI/CCN3*-S</b> In prev 12 mths (Horse only)
	<b>B</b>	<b>1x CCI2*-L or 1x CCI3*-S + 1x CCI/CCN3*-S</b> In prev 12 mths (Horse only)
	<b>C</b>	<b>1x CCI2*-L or 1x CCI3*-S + 1x CCI/CCN3*-S</b> In prev 12 mths (Horse only)
	<b>D</b>	<b>1x CCI2*-L or 1x CCI3*-S + CCI3*-S + 1x CCI2*-L</b> (as combination)
	uncategorised	<b>1x CCI2*-L or 1x CCI3*-S + 1 x CCI3*-S + 1x CCI2*-L</b> (as combination)
<b>CCI3*-S</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>1x CCI/CCN2*-S + 1x (CCI2*-S or CCN3*-S)</b> (Horse only)
	<b>B</b>	<b>1x CCI/CCN2*-S + 1x (CCI2*-S or CCN3*-S)</b> (Horse only)
	<b>C</b>	<b>1x CCI/CCN2*-S + 2x CC/CCN2*-S</b> (Horse only)
	<b>D</b>	<b>1x CCI/CCN2*-S + 2x CC/CCN2*-S</b> (As combination)
	Uncategorised	<b>1 x CCI2*-S + 2x CC/CCN2*-S ^</b>
<b>CCI2*-L</b>	<b>A</b>	None
	<b>B</b>	None
	<b>C</b>	<b>2x CCI/CCN2*-S (Completed) or 1x CCI/CCN2*-S MER + 1x CCN1* MER</b> (Horse only Seniors) Junior & YR MERs to be as a combination
	<b>D</b>	<b>3x CCI/CCN2*-S or 2x CCI/CCN2*-S MERs + 1x CCN1* MER</b> (Horse Only Seniors) Junior & YR MERs to be as a combination
	Uncategorised	<b>3x CCI/CCN2*-S or 2x CCI/CCN2*-S MERs + 1x CCN1* MER</b> (As combination)
<b>CCI2*-S</b>	<b>A</b>	None
	<b>B</b>	None
	<b>C</b>	<b>3x CCN1*, PC Grade 1 or NSW Championship level</b> (horse only)
	<b>D</b>	<b>3x CCN1* MERs, or 2 x CCN1* plus 1 x PC grade 1 or Championship Grade</b> (Horse only Seniors) Junior & YR MERs to be achieved as a combination
	Uncategorised	<b>3x CCN1* MERs, or 2 x CCN1* plus 1 x PC grade 1 or Championship Grade</b> (As combination)

**Junior Riders need express permission, as a combination, to compete in CCI/CCN2\*-L&S and CCI/CCN3\*-L&S as per rules 503.2.**

**EA 520.4 EXEMPTION FROM MINIMUM ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS for CCNs-L & CCNs-S**

A horse and rider may be exempted from the performance qualifications only, on the authority of the Equestrian Australia Eventing Committee. There shall be no exemption from FEI requirements such as riders' age and horse age.

Such a request must be accompanied by the reasons for the request and a detailed summary of both the horse and the rider's performance record, including all the horse's competitions at national and international events during the current and previous years. The request must be lodged with the relevant State Eventing Committee / State Branch at least ten (10) days before the close of entries. The State Branch will forward the request for exemption to the National Office for ratification by the National Eventing Committee.

**EA 520.4.1 Minimum Eligibility Requirements (applies to National Events)**

**Short Format CNN-S**

- For a horse and rider to start in CCN1\*-L or S they must have 3 qualifying results in official EvA95 or Grade 2 Pony Club competition or NSW B Grade Pony Club. Results must be as a combination for Junior riders - if established/categorised (see rule 519.1) exemption by application may be considered. One of these results may not have more than 20 Cross Country jumping faults. The other 2 must be clear of Cross Country faults and at least one of the results must be at an Official EA competition.
- For a horse and rider to start in CCN2\*-S they must have three (3) qualifying results in official CCN1\* classes **or** 2 x CCN1\* plus one Grade 1 (or NSW A Grade) Pony Club Competition. One of these results may have not more than 20 cross country jumping faults; the other two must be clear of cross country jumping faults. A rider who is established/categorised, as per 519.1, to ride at CCN4\* level, may enter a horse at CCN2\* level competitions without the horse having any previous qualifying results. Juniors need Express Permission as a combination, refer to rule 503.2
- For a horse and rider to start in CCN3\*-S they must have three (3) qualifying results in any of the following: CCN2\*-L or CCN2\*-S. One of these may not have more than 20 cross country jumping faults. The other two must be clear of cross country jumping faults. Juniors need Express Permission as a combination, refer to rule 503.2
- For a horse and rider to start in CCN4\*-S they must have three (3) qualifying results in any of the following: CCN3\*-L or CCN3\*-S. One of these may not have more than 20 cross country jumping faults. The other two must be clear of cross country jumping faults. Open to senior riders only - in the year of turning 18 or older.
- All qualifying results must have a dressage score of not less than 55% of dressage good marks.
- All qualifying results may not have more than 75 seconds (30 penalties) exceeding the optimum cross country time.
- All qualifying results may not have more than 16 jumping faults.

**CCN-L**

CCN1*-L	Established 2*, 3* & 4* riders	None
	Not established riders	1 x EvA105 or 1 CCN95 or 1 PC Championship at A grade or grade 1. (Jnrs as a combination - if established/categorised (rule 519.9) exemption by application may be considered)
CCN95	Established 1*, 2* 3* & 4* riders	None
	Not established riders	1x EvA95 (Jnrs as a combination if established/categorised (rule 519.9) exemption by application may be considered)
CCN80	Established 1*, 2* 3* & 4* riders	None
	Not established riders	1xEvA80 (Jnrs as a combination if established/categorised (rule 519.9) exemption by application may be considered)