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# **Emerging Athlete Program Outline**

Goal: Athlete/Horse combinations or athletes with potential ability to evolve into future team candidates

Evaluation of Athletes: Talent Advisors evaluate several factors to determine the Emerging Athlete Eventing 25 program participants including current form, competition results, and potential to make a valuable contribution in team competition.

### Eventing 25 (E25)

- Requirements
  - Athletes from ages 16-25 (FEI age)
  - o Athletes (up to 21) must be members of their Area YR Programs
  - Horses must have an MER at a CCI2\*
  - o Videos from 2 separate competitions submitted via YouTube links
  - o SWOT Analysis
- Program
  - The Winter Training Sessions will be 4 days with a focus on all three phases as well as skill development and horsemanship
  - There are additional Training Sessions in the Spring and Fall as time, participation and schedules allow
  - There will be no charge to participate in the Training Sessions, however the athletes will be required to cover the cost of athlete and equine transportation to and from the training sessions plus the cost of housing during the sessions
  - Location of the National Training Sessions will depend on the geographic distribution of the athletes
  - Athletes are encouraged to contact the EAP coach throughout the year for questions, video review and guidance
- Talent Advisors have the option to talent spot athletes onto the list that met the evaluation criteria, but did not meet the CCI2\* minimum eligibility requirement and invite auditing participants.

## Eventing 18 (E18)

- Requirements
  - Athletes from ages 14-18 (FEI age)
  - o Athletes must be completing preliminary or above at the time of selection
  - o Athletes must be members of their Area YR Programs
  - Videos from 2 separate competitions submitted via YouTube links
- Program
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