



EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION OF INDIA

SELECTION CRITERIA (VERSION - I) FOR AN INDIVIDUAL RIDER OF INDIA TO PARTICIPATE IN 4TH YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES- 2026 DAKAR. SENEGAL WEF 31 OCTOBER TO 13 NOVEMBER 2026

General

1. It has been intimated by the Indian Olympic Association that the 4th Youth Olympic Games will be held at Dakar, Senegal wef 31 October 2026 to 13 November 2026. Hence, it has become necessary for the process of selection of an individual rider of India to seize this opportunity provided and thus to select a rider who is competent, consistent and current by laying down a comprehensive Selection Criteria for our riders.

2. In order to achieve the above objectives, since event will be a Borrowed Horses competition, a rider would need to participate in Cat A of competition 3 of World Challenge Jumping competitions-2025 to achieve a birth for India and shall eventually represent India at the said games. A total 24 countries will be given one berth each.

General standards for Trials.

3. Selection criteria for rider of Indian to participate as an individual in 4th Youth Olympic Games-2026, Dakar, Senegal are based on the technical standards provided by Indian Olympic Association:-

(a) Show Jumping - Height-1.30m. (Individual)

4. **Eligibility.** Eligibility conditions for riders and horses for participation in the Youth Olympic Games and Selection Trials are as given below:-

(a)	<u>Nationality of riders.</u>	A rider must be a citizen of India. He / she should not be disqualified from holding a passport of the Republic of India. OCI are not eligible for representing India.
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- (d) Certificates of Capability must be obtained between 1 April 2025 and 15 May 2026.

7. **Governing conditions for Riders based Abroad.**

- (a) Riders based abroad participating in FEI World Challenge Jumping as their selection trial must intimate the EFI by email at its official email address efiindianf@yahoo.co.in their choice of venue where they would be participating to be considered as their trial.
- (b) In case any of the nominated FEI events get cancelled by the organizers / FEI, the rider will be required to nominate an alternate event (or events) from the FEI Calendar, fifteen days prior to the veterinary inspection of such trial(s) so that he / she can get an equal platform to compete over three trials like other competitors. The same will be uploaded on the EFI website for information of all concerned.
- (c) The events and venues should be listed on the FEI calendar and the level of competition must conform to the technical specifications / standards for selection qualifiers / trials in India and abroad as laid down in these criteria.

8. **Communication with EFI.**

- (a) **Results.** The results of a qualifier trial held abroad should be intimated on email by the rider/ coach/ parent to the Secretariat of EFI within 24 hours of declaration of the results, for compilation of final results for selection. The EFI will acknowledge the receipt of such communication through the same platform on which it has been received from the riders. The riders must ensure that they are in receipt of the acknowledgement from the EFI. The results thus communicated will be verified by the EFI from the website of the FEI before compilation, for computation of comparative merit.
- (b) **Other Matters.** Only the Coach/Parent of the rider undergoing trials for 4th Youth Olympic Games and the rider himself/herself are permitted to communicate with EFI preferably on email with respect to anything related with Selection Criteria and or the selection process.



9. **Grievance(s) / Dispute (s).** Any athlete(s) who has any grievance / dispute in the course of operation of this selection criteria till participation in 4th Youth Olympic Games should approach the Secretary General EFI who shall forward the matter to appropriate committee notified by this Federation for relief / clarification. The decision of Federation will be final and binding.
10. **Rights to Make Amendments to the Selection Criteria.** EFI reserves all rights to make amendments to these Selection Criteria, should it become necessary to do so under compelling circumstances.



Appendix 'A'

(Refers to Para ____ of the Selection Criteria)

FORM OF CONSENT TO SELECTION CRITERIA: THE 4TH YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES DAKAR, SENEGAL -2026 WEF 31 OCTOBER 2026 TO 11 NOVEMBER 2026

1. I, _____ (name of rider), son / daughter of _____, resident of _____ do hereby consent to being considered for selection by the Equestrian Federation of India, to the Indian equestrian for the 4th Youth Olympic Games.

2. In giving this undertaking for selection to the national, I affirm my commitment to abide by the terms and conditions governing the selection and participation in the said 4th Youth Olympic Games as have been laid down by the FEI, EFI and other bodies governing the sport. Further, I fully understand and acknowledge the following :-
 - (a) I have been provided with, or have been given access to the selection criteria of the EFI for the selection of riders for 4th Youth Olympic Games as laid down in the Selection Criteria. I agree to abide and be bound by the said selection criteria.
 - (b) Based on technical / administrative / veterinary, similar or other conditions, the selection criteria laid down by the EFI may be amended by the Federation to cater to changed circumstances. I shall continue to remain bound by the revised EFI selection criteria.
 - (c) Selection criteria for Show Jumping discipline and amendments to the same, if any, will be posted on the website of the EFI for public attention.
 - (d) The decision on nomination of competitors to the national team and their selection as the main or reserve participants will be taken by the EFI in consultation with the coach for the Show Jumping discipline, based on the laid down criteria, the outcome of the selection trials and performance in the coaching camps that will follow the announcement of the probable athletes.
 - (e) The decision to send all or a part of the selected team will be at the discretion of the EFI. The decision not to send a team to the 4th Youth Olympic Games too, if it is so felt, shall also rest with the EFI.
 - (f) My nomination as one of the Probables is not a guarantee of my participation in 4th Youth Olympic Games and such participation shall be subject to my meeting the necessary criteria and at the discretion of the EFI.

3. I undertake not to engage in any manner of conduct by an act or omission, whether before or after my nomination to the national team, which will or is likely to bring me or my sport into disrepute or censure. I shall refrain from doing anything which is or is likely to be inconsistent with, contrary to or prejudicial to the best interests, image or values of the EFI and the sport.

4. I will not, at any time (whether before or after my selection), indulge in any activity that may result in my conviction for or being charged with, any serious offence involving violence, alcohol, drugs, or any sex offence, racism, or any offence relating to any betting or gambling activities of any nature, or otherwise for any offence which is punishable under the laws of the land.

5. I have so far done and will continue to honestly and fully disclose information to EFI and the concerned authorities, about any conduct that might be in breach of any of the provisions given in paragraphs 3 and 4 above or concerning any criminal offence of whatever nature, with which I have been charged, or of which I have been convicted, whether in India or abroad.



6. I accord my consent to EFI and to relevant authorities for conducting inquiries to ascertain my antecedents and to obtain details relating to my criminal records, if any, details of any charges pending or any past convictions required to be disclosed by law. I hereby give my consent to those authorities providing to the EFI any information in answer to such inquiries.

7. I understand that in any matter relating to any of the provisions given herein, the EFI has the full right and authority to take cognizance of or to excuse any transgressions of minor nature in its sole and absolute discretion.

8, **Disclosure**

(Please provide details if there are any matters to be disclosed in respect of paras 1 to 6 of the Form of Consent to Selection Criteria: 4th Youth Olympic Games).

9. My contact details are :-

Address :

.. Mobile and WhatsApp Nos : Email
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10. I will notify EFI in writing of any change in the above contact details. Any failure by me to advise EFI in informing of a change in my contact details may be to my detriment. Any announcement to be made or notice required to be sent relating to the selection criteria may be sent on the abovementioned details.

Signed at _____ (place) this _____ day of _____, 20....., in the presence of the following witnesses.

(Name of competitor)

(Witness No 1)

Name :
Address :

Mob No :
Date :

(Witness No 2)

Name :
Address :

Mob No :
Date :

Appendix 'B'

(Refers to Para ____ of the Selection Criteria)

**FORM OF UNDERTAKING BY PARENTS / GUARDIANS FOR MINORS FOR
CONSIDERATION TO BE SELECTED FOR THE NATIONAL EQUESTRIAN
FOR THE 4TH YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES DAKAR, SENEGAL -2026
WEF 31 OCTOBER 2026 TO 11 NOVEMBER 2026**

1. I, _____, son / daughter of _____ resident of _____ am the parent / guardian of _____ (name of the rider). I have read the terms and conditions relating to the selection of the national team by the EFI for participation in the 4th Youth Olympic Games and confirm the following: -

(a) The above named rider is under the age of 18 years as on the date of signing this form of consent.

(b) I have read and understood the Selection Criteria applicable to the various disciplines of equestrian events for selection of the Indian equestrian team for the 4th Youth Olympic Games. I have read out and fully explained to the rider, all terms and conditions given in the selection criteria. To this end, I have obtained independent advice as to the selection criteria in order to clarify any doubts or concerns I / we may have had in this regard.

(c) The rider has read the selection criteria and, together with the benefit of my full explanation, understands their meaning and effect. The selection criteria have been framed for providing a standard and unambiguous qualitative requirement applicable across the board for all riders vying for a position in the nation equestrian team.

(d) The rider's eligibility for being considered for nomination by the EFI for selection to the Indian equestrian team may cease in the event of any breach of any of the selection criteria and statutes relating to discipline.

2. I hereby confirm that I have read out and explained to the aforementioned rider, the terms and conditions of selection and participation of the national equestrian team in the 4th Youth Olympic Games, and he / she agrees to abide with them.

Signed at _____ (place) this _____ day of _____, in the presence of the following witnesses.

Signature _____
(_____)
Name of competitor _____
Mobile Number: _____

Signature _____
(_____)
Name of parent / guardian _____
Mobile Number: _____

(Witness No 1)
Name :
Address :
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Mob No :
Date :

(Witness No 2)
Name :
Address :
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Mob No :
Date :