

Dressage Tasmania Horse of the Year 2024-25

Horse, Young Rider, Off the Track Awards

Performance Period: 4th March 2024 to 2nd March 2025 (inclusive)

Selection criteria:

- Preliminary to Advanced - minimum 4 official tests at one level to be eligible for award.
- FEI – minimum 2 tests at small/medium/big tour to be eligible for award.
- Eligible for more than one level
- All performances at official tests will automatically be eligible and collated by SDA with scores taken from Nominate, with a second reference check – there will no longer be a need to nominate.
- Scores will be provided on the Dressage Tasmania website after the performance period, with any disputes regarding points being referred to the SDA committee for resolution.
- Performances will be collated on a point system:
 - Between 60 to 61.999% = 1 point
 - Between 62 to 63.999% = 2 points
 - Between 64 to 65.999% = 3 points
 - Between 66 to 67.999% = 4 points
 - Between 68 to 69.999% = 5 points
 - Between 70 to 71.999% = 6 points
 - 72% and over = 7 points
- Points are awarded to each horse and rider combination.
- Points are only awarded for scores 60% or higher.
- In the case of equal points, the award will go to the combination with the highest average score of the highest tests in that level (e.g. highest average percentage of the 2.3 tests if two combinations are on equal points in novice level).
- Points will only be allocated to riders with a current Dressage Tasmania membership for the 2024-25 season.
- Points will be awarded for results gained at Dressage Tasmania events, held in Tasmania within the performance period only, including state championships.
- Horse and rider must reside in Tasmania.
- Horse/pony competing in official classes must be EA registered and hold a current EA dressage competition license.
- Off the Track – must be registered with the Australian Register of Racehorses.
- Points are awarded for a level – points accrued at different levels will be recorded separately, i.e.

not cumulative across levels. Combinations are eligible for more than one level.

- Official levels will be calculated for Preliminary, Novice, Elementary, Medium, Advanced, FEI Small Tour, FEI Medium Tour and FEI Big Tour.
- Pony of the Year will be awarded for Preliminary to Elementary combined (one Pony of the Year overall for the three levels combined, and one runner up award), and for Medium and above (one Pony of the Year award for all levels Medium and above, and one runner up award).
- Ponies are also eligible for the Horse of the Year Awards at Preliminary, Novice, Elementary, Medium, Advanced, FEI Small Tour, FEI Medium Tour and FEI Big Tour (i.e. if a pony has the most points at Preliminary, they can win overall Preliminary Horse of the Year in addition to Pony of the Year in the combined grouping of Prelim, Novice and Elementary).
- If you ride a pony, you must provide a copy of its height certificate and registration or will not be eligible for a pony award.
- Young Rider points must be accumulated at the one level and not cumulative across levels.
- There is an overall Off the Track Thoroughbred, Runner Up Off the Track Thoroughbred, Overall off the Track Standardbred, and Runner Up Off the Track Standardbred Award (sponsored by Tas Racing).
- Off the Track points must be accumulated at the one level and not cumulative across levels.
- Unofficial Horse of the Year and Runner Up will be awarded at Preliminary and Novice levels. Unofficial riders must be members of Dressage Tasmania, but horses do not need to be EA registered or hold a current competition license.