



NSW Young Horse Championships Competitor information
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To avoid confusion, the links to the tests you will be riding in the YH competitions at the 2026 SYDNEY CDI are below.

Round 1 – Thursday

The 4-year-old competition will be ridden in pairs as per the draw and commanded and a caller provided.

The 5 and 6-year-old competitions will be ridden one horse at a time. A caller will be provided.

The 7-year-old to be ridden individually and not commanded. Callers not permitted.

Ponies: All ponies in the second round will be judged by the same panel of judges. The highest scoring pony in each age group in round 2 will go forward to the final on Friday afternoon. In the case of tie, the pony with the highest combined score in rounds 1 and 2 will be the winner.

The judges will determine an overall Champion pony.

First Round - State Championships

Tests to be ridden:

4-year-old commanded test Horses & Ponies [Round 1 - Qualifier](#)

5-year-old commanded test Horses & Ponies [Round 1 - Qualifier](#)

6-year-old commanded test Horses [Round 1 - Qualifier](#) Ponies [Round 1 Qualifier Ponies](#)

7-year-old Horses [FEI Preliminary Yest for 7-yr old Horses](#)

Round 2 – Friday

Open to the top 10 from the first round that achieve a score of 65% (6.5) or higher.

Ridden individually and not commanded. Callers not permitted.

Second Round - State Championships

Tests to be ridden:

4-Year-Old Horses & Ponies: [FEI test for 4-year-old horses](#)

5-Year-Old-Horses & Ponies: [FEI YH Preliminary test for 5-year-old horses](#)

6-Year-Old-Horses: [FEI YH Preliminary test for 6-year-old horses](#)

6-Year-Old-Ponies: [EA Young Pony Preliminary test for 6-year-old ponies](#)

7-Year-Old-Horses: [FEI Final Test for 7-yr old Horses](#)

Round 3 Final Round

Ponies: The winning pony at each age group will ride the same test as round 2 in front of the judging panel who will decide on the overall Pony Champion.

Horses:

The top two placegetters in the 4,5,6 and 7-year-old age group in round 2 will be eligible to take part in the third and final round to determine an overall winner in each age group.

Guest rider, Kallista Field will ride all finalist horses. The judges will provide a score for each horse which will be added to the Riders Score to decide on an overall winner in each age group.