



**DRESSAGE**  
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

**COMPETITION INCENTIVES  
FOR CLUBS  
2024**

## Is your club eligible for a competition grant?

In 2024, Dressage WA is again offering EWA-affiliated clubs (including dressage and adult riding clubs) the opportunity to apply for retrospective subsidies when running official dressage competitions (Participant and Competitive).

The aim of this subsidy program is to encourage clubs to hold competitions and help them meet associated costs, such as venue hire, judges, officials and prizes.

Clubs could be eligible for up to \$1,300 per event depending on the level of classes offered. *It is important to note that subsidies are offered to EWA affiliated clubs and events must be run under and comply with EA rules.*



### Supporting lower fees for competitors

Following feedback from riders about the increasing costs associated with competing, Dressage WA is continuing to apply a maximum charge of \$40 per test (+\$10 for FEI) for any events it runs in 2024 (excluding the State Dressage Championships).

To be eligible for a DWA competition subsidy, organising clubs and committees are required to:

- cap their test fees at the same level (*no exceptions apply*). This does not include any applicable Ground Service Fees.
- Use Nominate for entries.

The table below summarises the subsidies available per event and the relevant eligibility criteria:

Subsidy	Eligibility criteria*
\$150	Minimum 30 Participant and Competitive tests (Preparatory to Advanced).
\$200	Minimum of 50 Participant and Competitive tests (Preparatory to Advanced).
\$250	Minimum of 70 Participant and Competitive tests (Preparatory to Advanced).
\$350	Minimum of 100 Participant and Competitive tests (Preparatory to Advanced).
\$150	Minimum of 3 Small Tour tests (PSG and Inter 1).
\$150	Minimum of 3 Medium Tour tests (Inter A and B) or Large Tour tests (Inter II and GP).
\$150	Minimum of 3 FEI young horse/pony test.
\$50 per test	For up to 3 Para Equestrian tests (max of \$150 - no subsidy for further tests)
\$50 per test	For up to 3 FEI Para Equestrian tests (max of \$150 - no subsidy for further tests)
\$200	Minimum of 5 freestyle tests.

\*Number of tests as at final draw release

## How to apply?

After your competition, please send an application letter to DWA using the Contact form on our website at [www.dressagewa.org](http://www.dressagewa.org). This letter should include your club details, competition summary and club's banking information.

Please note, applications must be received within 3 months of the competition to be considered.

You must also include the following supporting information to be considered for a subsidy (no exceptions apply):

- Copy of the competition schedule, including fees
- Copy of the final draw and results (including scores/placings)

To encourage more spectators, we recommend competition draw to be advertised on Club Facebook Page and Club Website prior to competition.

Competition results to be advertised on Club Facebook Page or Club Website.

## Club grants for securing interstate judges

Organising clubs and committees can apply for a subsidy to assist with the cost of providing interstate judges for official competition events. To be eligible for financial assistance, clubs must contact the Dressage Judges Taskforce ahead of the visiting judge arriving in WA and funding preference will be given to clubs where:

- At least one senior judge officiates (an FEI Dressage Judge, an FEI Para-Equestrian Dressage Judge, a Judge Educator or Mentor, or an A, B or C Level Dressage Judge).
- The visiting judge conducts a workshop, seminar or undertakes a judge educator role - supervising shadow judging or mentoring (to be in cooperation with the Dressage Judges Taskforce).

Clubs located in the Perth metropolitan area will be eligible to receive a minimum of \$500, clubs located in regional areas (distances greater than 100km from Perth) will be eligible to receive a minimum of \$750 to assist with the cost of flights and transportation.

## Regional development and innovations

Initiatives which have a broad focus and will provide enduring benefit for the wider Dressage community may be funded at DWA discretion. This may include small capital works projects to improve the sport of Dressage.



## Where does this funding come from?

These subsidies are provided through the Dressage Development Fund, which collects the levies applied to Participant, Competitive and Restricted dressage tests. Dressage WA has responsibility for administering this fund and reinvesting the levies into initiatives that encourage further participation and growth in the sport.

## For more information

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