



FITE World TREC Championships **Venue and Country –** **Add location and date for 2024 –** **Final v4 8th March 2023 (TREC GB Approved)**

The Federation Internationale de Tourisme Equestre www.fite-net.org is the International Governing Body of TREC. FITE organises World and European TREC Championships for Senior, Young and Junior Duo Riders.

The Senior World Championships occur on a 4-year cycle (2022, 2026, 2030), with the Senior European Championships in between (2024, 2028, 2032). Young and Junior Duo Riders have a FITE Championship organised every year to encourage and develop new talent.

TREC GB www.trecgb.com is the National Governing Body (NGB) for the sport of TREC within Great Britain (as of 1st October 2014) and an associate member of FITE.

Selection for FITE Championships

The ultimate honour for any sportsperson is to be selected to represent their country in their chosen sport. This is a privilege earned through hard work, commitment and success. Any rider selected to represent Great Britain, at either the World or European TREC Championships, does so as an ambassador for their country, TREC GB and the sport of TREC.

Six riders from each country compete in World and European Championships. Four ride as the GB TREC Team and two compete as individuals. Collectively, for the purposes of this document, they are the qualifying group.

Eligibility

Any rider who wishes to be considered for selection for the TREC GB International Senior Riders must be 21 years or over in the year of the International Championships and a RED Member of TREC GB from the time they formally register for selection.

Registration

Any rider who wishes to be formally considered for selection must register by completing a Senior Rider registration form and sending the completed form, to Jackie Bennett The Long Wait, Hillcliff Lane, Turnditch, Belper, Derbyshire DE562EA by Friday 14th of April, 2023. Once registered, riders become 'Long Listed' for selection. Riders may be added to the long list after the formal registration date at the discretion of the Selection Panel.

Costs

At this time, riders must accept that they will have to pay for most of their own participation in FITE Championships. However, fund raising, sponsorship and donations do contribute to overall costs. Costs will include entry fees, accommodation, stabling, food, for both human and horse, transport to and from the FITE Championships and possibly a portion of **reasonable expenses* of the Chef d'Equipe. At the current time TREC GB have agreed to pay a fix sum towards the Chef's expenses. This final sum will be confirmed as part of the 2023-2024 budget. (Previously £600)

* *Reasonable expenses* include:



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- Travelling expenses ensuring the cheapest options available are chosen (to include flights, airport parking, ferry fare, fuel costs as necessary to travel to the competition site and back to the UK).
- If flights are necessary then the cost of an economy car hire for the duration of the trip
- The basic accommodation and food package offered by the competition organisers, for the duration of the trip

If riders are liable to contribute towards Chef d'Equipe expenses, an estimated amount of expenses required to be paid will be circulated and agreed in advance of the trip, as soon as realistic estimated costings are known. These expenses will be paid from existing Senior Rider fundraising in the first instance. If there is insufficient fundraising to cover the expected amount then the rider's proportion of the estimated Chef's expenses are required to be paid into the Senior Riders' Account along with the Competition entry fee. Any over payments of Chef's expenses will be repaid after the event.

Fund raising

There will be no compulsory fund-raising during the qualifying period. Riders can fundraise for themselves using the caveat of being a long-listed rider. Any fund raising must adhere to and be bound by the principles outlined in the TREC GB IRWG Principles for Funds Raising document.

Performance Selection criteria

Qualifying period

The qualifying period provisionally runs from **1st September 2022 to 15th May 2024**

Points

Selection points in each phase will be calculated as a % of the winner's score and then weighted (see example shown below).

Selection points are awarded for each full TREC GB Summer Series Level 4 or European Cup Competition during the selection period based on final published TREC GB or FITE results, and provided all 3 phases of the competition are completed. Selection Points can be accumulated during the qualifying period both before and after formal registration for selection.

- a) To be considered for selection riders are expected to achieve at least a 70% score. (See the explanation and example data table below).
- b) A Rider's best three competitions, including, if possible, one from 2024 will be used in the qualifying process. If a rider achieves a score of 70% from three competitions in 2023 they will need to remain an active competitor in 2024 before or after the end of the qualifying period to continue to hone their skills. (TBC) will collate a spreadsheet of registered rider's results).
- c) If a selected rider withdraws from the qualifying group then the next qualifying rider will be considered by the Selection Panel for selection.
- d) If a horse is to be hired (either from the UK or Abroad), specifically for International Championships, the rider must i) inform the IRWG at the earliest possible opportunity ii) source a suitably experienced TREC horse and iii) get approval for the horse from the IRWG.



- e) The Selection Panel will be made up of the Chair of the IRWG, the Senior Chef, IRWG Performance Analyst, the Chef d' Mission and a TREC GB Trustee. The panel will consider all aspects of a rider's performance and select the qualifying group. The IRWG and Selection Panel, have a duty of care to all riders and will consider their capability to compete abroad and their suitability to be part of a TREC Team.
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 - i. Riders who act as an Organiser, Traceur or TD for a full Summer Series competition that includes a Level 4 class will be credited with the average of their best two scores during the selection period, as they have removed themselves from competing and are aiming to "test" the riders to the best of their ability's. The % credited would have the ability to change if they achieved a higher % after they had acted in any of those roles, in future competitions.
 - ii. Only one credit for acting as an Organiser, Traceur or TD can be counted within any one qualifying period.

The riding order of Team members and Individual Riders, will be determined by the Chef d'Equipe at the venue. Information used to help determine the team and the riding order will include the number of points achieved during the qualifying period, performance in Euro Cup and home Championship competitions, a consideration of performance in individual phases of competitions and circumstances at the World Championship venue once the team arrives.

Selection Points – L4 Individual Competition Completions

For the purposes of team selection each competition will be marked out of 100 weighted points based on the factors below.

The maximum possible score achievable over the rider's best 3 competition results for selection is 300 eg 3 x 100.

To be eligible for selection the rider must achieve a minimum average of 70% of the selection points available over their 3 best results in the qualifying period.

POR - 52 selection points will be awarded to the first placed competitor in the phase, points for lower placed competitors will be decided as a percentage of the winner's score. Where a rider scores less than zero for the POR the score will be taken as zero. In any one competition if all riders achieve less than zero the Selection Panel reserve the right to scrutinise the results and determine whether any selection points can be credited to affected riders.

MA – 14 selection points will be awarded to the first placed competitor in the phase, points for lower placed competitors will be decided as a percentage of the winner's score. If the highest placed competitor has scored less than 40 MA points then all selection points will be calculated as a percentage of a score of 40.

PTV – 34 selection points will be awarded to the first placed competitor in the phase, points for lower placed competitors will be decided as a percentage of the winner's score. If the highest placed competitor has scored less than 100 PTV points then all selection points will be calculated as a percentage of a score of 100. Where a rider scores less than zero for the PTV the score will be taken as zero.

In competitions where there is only one entrant the rider will be scored as a percentage of the



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perfect score of 240 POR, 60 MA, 160 PTV.

Example: % of Winner's Score. Weightings-

POR 0.52 (52%).

MA 0.14 (14%).

PTV 0.34 (34%).

Rider	POR	MA	PTV	Selection Points			Final %
				POR (52)	MA (14)	PTV (34)	
A	184	38	98	184/184 = 52	38/55 = 10	98/155 = 21	83
B	172	41	91	172/184 = 49	41/55 = 10	91/155 = 20	79
C	100	40	101	100/184 = 28	40/55 = 10	101/155 = 22	61
D	80	35	88	80/184 = 23	35/55 = 9	88/155 = 19	51
E	85	21	28	85/184 = 24	21/55 = 5	28/155 = 6	36
F	178	47	112	178/184 = 50	47/55 = 12	112/155 = 25	87
G	40	43	155	40/184 = 11	43/55 = 11	155/155 = 34	56
H	30	55	100	30/184 = 8	55/55 = 14	100/155 = 22	44

Reporting Requirements

In advance of competing, riders will be expected to notify their Chef d'Equipe which competitions they plan to enter during the selection period. Notification must be received no later than the closing date for entries of any individual competition.

Within ten days of competing in a competition, 'Long' listed riders will be expected to complete a TREC GB Development Group Competition Report, using the template supplied by the IRWG, and email it to the Chef d'Equipe and the IRWG Lead Trainer and Performance Analyst (LTPA) accompanied by a full set of their own results, including for European Cup competitions abroad. The report must include the rider's assessment of their own performance, achievements and problems encountered. The report must also include the rider's assessment of their horse's performance and fitness.

If a rider is unable to submit a report within ten days, they must advise the Chef d'Equipe and a dispensation may be given for a valid reason. If a rider fails to return the Competition report and results on a number of occasions without contacting their Chef d'Equipe, the situation will be discussed by the IRWG and the rider maybe removed from the selection list.

(Please note a Development Group Competition Report is required for each L4 Competition completed. This includes for competitions within the qualifying period including those completed



prior to submission of the Senior Rider Selection application form.) See IRWG Competition Report template 2023.

During the 'off' season (ie November to March) riders will be expected to complete a TREC GB Development Group 'Off Season' Monthly Training Report, using the template supplied by the IRWG, and email it to the Chef d'Equipe and LPTA before the last day of each month. If no training has been undertaken during a particular month, the returned report should briefly state the reason why.

If a rider fails to return 'off' season reports on a number of occasions without contacting their Chef d'Equipe, the situation will be discussed by the IRWG and the rider maybe removed from the Long list of riders.

The Senior Chef d'Equipe, in conjunction with the Selection Panel, reserves the right to maintain a degree of flexibility within the criteria described above if, and when, circumstances dictate.

Training

Helen Wain has been approved by the IRWG as the lead member responsible for analysing the performance of registered riders. Helen will help organise and lead some training and will be a member of the Selection Panel for the World Championships in 2024. The information gathered will be considered when riders are invited to represent Great Britain as the GB TREC Team.

Whilst there will be no compulsory training in the qualifying period, it is expected that all registered riders will keep Helen informed by email of the following during the selection period:-

- a) Personal training targets and training along with an evaluation of its impact. At least once every month.
- b) Competitions they plan to enter by the closing date of each event.
- c) An evaluation of performance and achievement and any problems encountered following each competition. This should also include an assessment of the horse's performance and fitness during the competition. (Within ten days)
- d) An assessment of official training completed during the selection period and how it has helped the rider work towards achieving identified targets.

FITE Rules

Riders qualifying to compete will be expected to familiarise themselves with the current FITE rules which can be downloaded from the FITE website (www.fite-net.org).

Bank account

Registered riders have a bank account for paying all relevant expenses. Members will be required to pay money into the account as necessary to cover all compulsory costs. There is a separate document giving full details pertaining to this account.

Senior Rider Management Team

Chef d'Equipe – Dave Rogerson.

Helen Wain – Performance analyst.

Selection Points and % Co-ordinator-TBC

TREC GB International Riders' Bank Account Manager- Jackie Bennett.