



## Excel Equine Dressage Masters Top 10 League 2022 – 2023

This competition is designed to promote dressage competition and participation for Masters Riders. The series provides an opportunity for riders to compete against peers at five different levels at all levels of events and competition regardless of whether riders compete locally, at Premier League events or nationally. The competition will be open to riders 50 years and over (see condition 4) and is run in five national divisions plus special awards.

Entry conditions align with the Gold Silver & Bronze Classifications at each level

Please refer to more information about these divisions on pages 3.

### National Section

<b>1: Preliminary and Novice</b>	Combination Classification Preliminary Bronze or Novice Bronze
<b>2: Preliminary and Novice</b>	Combination Classification Preliminary Silver, Preliminary Gold, Novice Silver or Novice Gold
<b>3: Elementary to Advanced Medium</b>	Combination Classification Elementary Bronze, Medium Bronze or Advanced Medium Bronze
<b>4: Elementary to Advanced Medium</b>	Combination Classification Elementary Silver, Medium Silver or Advanced Medium Silver
<b>5: Elementary to Advanced Medium</b>	Combination Classification Elementary Gold, Medium Gold or Advanced Medium Gold
<b>6: Advanced and above</b>	No classification

### Special Awards

<b>Newcomer (First year member)</b>	Open to new ESNZ graded Dressage rider with no grading points in Dressage prior to 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2022
<b>Owner /Horse Combo Award</b>	Highest age horse/rider combined
<b>Partnership Award</b>	Horse may not have earned grading points with any other rider at any time..

### Eligibility

1. All participating horses must be registered and have an Annual Dressage Start for graded competitions
2. Downgraded horses are eligible
3. Bronze, Silver or Gold classification is at the date the entry is made on EvoEvents.
4. Riders must be full competitive members of the ESNZ
5. For Riders 50yrs & over (age from the beginning of the calendar year that the rider turns 50)

### Conditions

1. Enter online at [www.evoevents.co.nz](http://www.evoevents.co.nz) no later than 1<sup>st</sup> November 2022
2. Horses may be entered in any level for which they are eligible as per the grading rules, but if a horse for instance is entered in Section 3, no points from any classes below Elementary will be accrued
3. Competition runs from 1 August 2022 until 30<sup>th</sup> April 2023
4. Maximum of 10 scores to count from graded events on the official DNZ Calendar.
5. Riders may contest the league on more than one horse

6. Riders may only contest one National section per horse
7. Downgraded horses are eligible.
8. Participants must be annual competitive members of the ESNZ
9. Combo award eligibility: Rider date of birth must be recorded on the ESNZ database

### Scoring

1. Awards points can be earned in graded competitions only
2. Points are accrued as a combination
3. Maximum of 10 scores to count from Graded events on the official DNZ Calendar
4. In the event of a tie, the combination with the highest average percentage from the top ten scores will be deemed the winner.
5. Points are awarded as follows

Percentage	Points		
	Preliminary-Elementary	Medium-Advanced Medium	Advanced-Grand Prix
Less than 57%	4	5	6
57 – 59.99%	5	6	7
60 – 64.999%	6	7	8
65 to 69.999%	7	8	9
70% plus	8	9	10

### Presentations

#### **Area Prizes:**

Rosettes will be awarded to the highest scoring pony and horse in each ESNZ area. A rider's Area is determined by the ESNZ Area Boundaries, and not necessarily the Area Group to which they belong

#### **National Prizes**

To be awarded at The Dressage NZ Annual Awards Dinner: Date and venue TBC

- Section Champions receive presentation Rug and Sash
- Section Reserve Champion receives Sash
- Partnership Award      Sash
- First year member      Sash
- Combo Award              Sash

### Gold Silver Bronze Categories 2022-23

- Eligibility at the evening prior to the event
- Small Tour and above is defined as Prix St Georges to Grand Prix Levels
- Riders must compete in their category when GSB is used and may not opt to compete up a category.
- Freestyle scores are no longer excluded
- Bronze eligibility % reduced from 65% to 63% Prelim and Novice
- Areas may run separate classes or combined and GSB results extracted

#### **Preliminary Gold:** All riders that don't meet the criteria of either Preliminary Bronze or Silver below

To compete <b>Preliminary Bronze</b> you MUST answer NO to BOTH statements			To compete <b>Preliminary Silver</b> you MUST answer NO to BOTH statements		
	Yes	No		Yes	No
As a rider on any horse competed at Medium or above at any time			As a rider on any horse competed at Advanced Medium level or above in the last four years		
As a combination have achieved 11 or more scores of 63% or above at any level			As a combination have achieved 11 or more scores of 68% or above at any level		

#### **Novice Gold** All riders that don't meet the criteria of either Novice Bronze or Silver below

To compete <b>Novice Bronze</b> you MUST answer NO to BOTH statements			To compete <b>Novice Silver</b> you MUST answer NO to BOTH statements		
	Yes	No		Yes	No
As a rider on any horse competed at Advanced Medium level or above at any time			As a rider on any horse competed at Advanced level or above in the last four years		
As a combination have achieved 11 or more scores of 63% or above at any level Novice and above			As a combination have achieved 11 or more scores of 68% or above at any level Novice and above		

#### **Elementary Gold** All riders that don't meet the criteria of either Elementary Bronze or Silver below

To compete <b>Elementary Bronze</b> you MUST answer NO to BOTH statements			To compete <b>Elementary Silver</b> you MUST answer NO to BOTH statements		
	Yes	No		Yes	No
As a rider on any horse competed at Advanced level or above at any time			As a rider on any horse competed at Small Tour or above in the last four years		
As a combination have achieved 11 or more scores of 63% or above at any level Elementary and above			As a combination have achieved 11 or more scores of 65% or above at any level Elementary and above		

#### **Medium Gold** All riders that don't meet the criteria of either Medium Bronze or Silver below

To compete <b>Medium Bronze</b> you MUST answer NO to BOTH statements			To compete <b>Medium Silver</b> you MUST answer NO to BOTH statements		
	Yes	No		Yes	No
As a rider on any horse competed at Small Tour or above at any time			As a rider on any horse competed at Small Tour or above in the last four years		
As a combination have achieved 11 or more scores of 63% or above at any level Medium and			As a combination have achieved 11 or more scores of 65% or above at any level Medium and above		

#### **Advanced Medium Gold**

All riders that don't meet the criteria of either Advanced Medium Bronze or Silver below

To compete <b>Advanced Medium Bronze</b> you MUST answer NO to BOTH statements			To compete <b>Advanced Medium Silver</b> you MUST answer NO to BOTH statements		
	Yes	No		Yes	No
As a rider on any horse competed at Small Tour or above at any time			As a rider on any horse competed at Small Tour or above in the last four years		
As a combination have achieved 11-or more scores of 63% or above at any level Advanced medium and above			As a combination have achieved 11 or more scores of 65% or above at any level Advanced medium and above		