

BD Youth Representative

Description of the Role

The BD Youth Representative is a member of the Regional Committee which includes a Chairman and representatives for coaching, senior training, judges, para dressage and marketing. The Regional Committee work closely with the Regional Development Officer (RDO) to develop, support and promote BD activity throughout their region.

Specifically, the BD Youth Representative works with the Regional Committee and RDO to develop and support training opportunities and initiatives for riders under the age of 25 in the region.

He/she will also receive and implement briefs/guidance from the BD Youth Technical Committee and team at head office and will have the opportunity to provide input from their regional perspective back.

The role involves:-

- Developing high quality training throughout the region in line with the Regional Training Policy and ensure that all activities are fully compliant with BD policy; working with and supported by the RDO.
- Implement the Regional Selection Policy in the selection of regional teams.
- Increase awareness of BD Youth to current members and non-members; working with the RDO, Regional and Technical Committees.
- Develop accessible coaching for current and prospective BD Youth riders working with the RDO, Regional and Technical Committees.
- Represent BD Youth on the Regional Committee and share responsibility for BD Youth activities with the rest of the Regional Committee. Attend Regional Committee meetings.
- Mentor and support the Regional BD Youth Ambassadors.
- Take and implement a brief from the BD Youth Technical and Regional Representatives Committees to ensure consistency across the region.
- Attend the BD Youth Regional Representatives Committee who meet twice a year.
- Give input from your regional perspective into the BD Youth Technical Committees.
- Part of the Selection Panel for all BD Youth team events – acting as Chef d'Equipe at these events as required, or appointing suitable replacement if not available.

You will need some relevant skills, experience and attributes such as:-

- Enthusiasm and passion for the development of the sport of dressage to Under 25's.
- Time available to attend relevant meetings, role specific training and major BD Youth events.
- An ability to communicate with the U25's and their parents/guardian's
- Knowledge of British Dressage/BD Youth competition and training.
- Great team worker – you'll be part of a team in your region and part of the wider volunteer team within BD.
- Computer literacy (and access to a computer) – most communications are by email to and from the Committee.
- A knowledge of Safeguarding Children policies and current regulations is helpful.
- Will be required to have a Disclosure and Barring Service Check via BD or the BHS (A DBS through another organisation who are not under the umbrella of the BEF will not be accepted) and attend a Safeguarding and Protecting Children course.

Terms of Service

- All Regional Representative Roles are Voluntary.
- All Regional Committee roles are subject to a maximum length of 2 consecutive terms of 4 years, therefore a regional representative may serve up to 8 years in one role.
- All Regional Representative Roles are subject to a 6 month probation period.
- All Regional Representatives are required to be at least a Premier Club member of BD.