NCDCTA

JUNE 3-4, 2023

Capital Dressage Classic

Hunt Horse Complex ***(All rings)***
N.C. State Fairgrounds, Raleigh, NC
Qualifying Event for 2023 USDF Breeders Championship East Coast Series

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- **Submit online entries through: www.equestrianentries.com.**
- **Mail Entries to: Teresa Uddo, 1082 Berkshire Lane, Aiken, SC 29805 Make Checks payable to: NCDCTA.**
- **ALL entry documentation, including all signature forms, waivers, and other documentation MUST be submitted via mail or email to Entry Secretary by Closing Date of the show. An additional fee will be charged for late paperwork received after May 24.**
- **Everyone (riders, handlers, assistant handlers, owners/agents, trainers, coaches, officials, staff, volunteers and any others) MUST sign a USEF waiver form (on last page of this PL and posted on RE website).**
- **Face masks/coverings must be worn by unvaccinated individuals inside buildings.**
- **Additional information, including safety protocols, will be communicated on the NCDCTA website: https://www.ncdcta.org/cdc and through email newsletters.**

SATURDAY, June 3, 2023

1. *Opportunity USDF Introductory Test A	OPEN, JR/YR, AA
2. *Opportunity USDF Introductory Test B	OPEN, JR/YR, AA
3. *Opportunity USDF Introductory Test C	OPEN, JR/YR, AA
4. *Opportunity Training Level Test I	OPEN, JR/YR, AA
5. *Opportunity Training Level Test 2	OPEN, JR/YR, AA
6. *Opportunity Training Level Test 3	OPEN, JR/YR, AA
7. *Opportunity First Level Test 1	OPEN, JR/YR, AA
8. *Opportunity First Level Test 2	OPEN, JR/YR, AA
9. *Opportunity First Level Test 3	OPEN, JR/YR, AA
10. *Opportunity Second Level Test 1	OPEN, JR/YR, AA
11. *Opportunity Second Level Test 2	OPEN, JR/YR, AA
12. *Opportunity Second Level Test 3	OPEN, JR/YR, AA
13. *Opportunity Third Level Test 1	OPEN, JR/YR, AA
14. *Opportunity Third Level Test 2	OPEN, JR/YR, AA
15. *Opportunity Third Level Test 3	OPEN, JR/YR, AA
16. *Opportunity Dressage Seat Equitation	OPEN, JR/YR & AA
17. *USDF Introductory Test of Choice	Juniors age 12 & under
101. Training Level Test 1	OPEN, JR/YR, AA
102. Training Level Test 2	OPEN, JR/YR, AA & CBLM
103. Training Level Test 3	OPEN, JR/YR, AA & 2023 GAIG/USDF Q

111. First Level Test 1	OPEN, JR/YR, AA
112. First Level Test 2	OPEN, JR/YR, AA & CBLM
113. First Level Test 3	OPEN, JR/YR, AA & 2023 GAIG/USDF Q
121. Second Level Test 1	OPEN, JR/YR, AA
122. Second Level Test 2	OPEN, JR/YR, AA & CBLM
123. Second Level Test 3	OPEN, JR/YR, AA & 2023 GAIG/USDF Q
131. Third Level Test 1	OPEN, JR/YR, AA
132. Third Level Test 2	OPEN, JR/YR, AA & CBLM
133. Third Level Test 3	OPEN, JR/YR, AA & 2023 GAIG/USDF Q
141. Fourth Level Test 1	OPEN, JR/YR, AA
142. Fourth Level Test 2	OPEN, JR/YR, AA & CBLM
143. Fourth Level Test 3	OPEN, JR/YR, AA & 2023 GAIG/USDF Q
154. +USEF & FEI Young Horse Test of Choice (ex 7-year-old test)	OPEN
155. FEI Seven-Year-Old Test of Choice	OPEN
156. USEF Developing Horse (PSG or GP) Test of Choice (2023 ed)	OPEN (7-9 YO or 8-10 YO HORSES)
161. FEI Prix St. Georges	OPEN, Jr/YR, AA, CBLM, 2023 GAIG/USDF Q
162. FEI Intermediaire I	OPEN, Jr/YR, AA, CBLM, 2023 GAIG/USDF Q
163. FEI Intermediaire B	OPEN, Jr/YR, AA
164. FEI Intermediaire II	OPEN, Jr/YR, AA, CBLM, 2023 GAIG/USDF Q
165. FEI Grand Prix	OPEN, Jr/YR, AA, CBLM, 2023 GAIG/USDF Q
166. + FEI Level or Equivalent Test of Choice (ex.YH & Freestyle)	OPEN, JR/YR, AA & 2023 GAIG/USDF Q
167. +USEF Test of Choice (Training-Fourth)	OPEN & CBLM
171. +USEF Eventing Test of Choice A	OPEN
172. +USEF Eventing Test of Choice B	OPEN
173. Dressage Seat Equitation	OPEN, JR/YR & AA
174. +FEI Para Dressage Test of Choice (ex. Freestyle)	PARA
181. +#^USDF & FEI Freestyle Test of Choice	OPEN, CBLM & 2023 GAIG/USDF Q
182. +USEF Tr 3, First 3, Second 3, Third 3, Fourth 3 TOC	OPEN & 2023 GAIG/USDF Q
183. +#^USDF Pas De Deux Test of Choice	OPEN & CBLM
184. +Pony Test of Choice (Jovee Pony Championship Q)	OPEN, JR/YR, AA, CBLM & 2023 GAIG/USDF Q

YOUNG HORSE/DRESSAGE SPORT HORSE PROSPECT IN-HAND CLASSES

(60% Movement, 30% Conformation, 10% General Impression)

B1. FILLIES OF 2023 - W/WO DAM
B2. FILLY - YEARLINGS
B3. FILLY - TWO YEAR OLDS
B4. FILLY - THREE YEAR OLDS
B5. COLTS/GELDINGS OF 2023 - W/WO DAM
B6. COLT/GELDING - YEARLING
B7. COLT/GELDING - TWO YEAR OLD
B8. COLT/GELDING - THREE YEAR OLD
B9. FOUR YEAR OLD SPORT HORSE PROSPECT MARES
B10.FOUR YEAR OLD SPORT HORSE PROSPECT STALLIONS/GELDINGS

MATURE HORSE/DRESSAGE SPORT HORSE BREEDING STOCK IN-HAND CLASSES

(50% Movement, 40% Conformation, 10% General Impression)

B11. *BROODMARES W/ FOALS – 4 YEARS & OLDER, mare only judged
B12. *BROODMARES (MAIDEN/YELD) 4 YEARS & OLDER
B13. STALLIONS - 4 YEARS & OLDER – showing only in-hand
B14. STALLIONS - 4 YEARS & OLDER – showing under saddle or in materiale classes

**For competition purposes, a mare's breeding status on January 1 will remain the same until December 1 of the same calendar year. (USEF DR203.16)*

CHAMPIONSHIP IN-HAND CLASSES

B15. FOAL CHAMPIONSHIP -open to 1st-2nd place B1& B5 –USDFBC
B16. FILLY CHAMPIONSHIP -open to 1st-2nd place B2-B4 –USDFBC
B17. COLT/GELDING CHAMPIONSHIP - open to 1st- 2nd place B6-B8 - USDFBC
B18. YOUNG HORSE CHAMPIONSHIP - open to champion & reserve B15, B16 & B17
B19. FOUR YEAR OLD PROSPECT CHAMPIONSHIP – open to 1st-2nd place B9 & B10 - USDFBC
B20. MARE CHAMPIONSHIP – open to 1st-2nd place B11 & B12 - USDFBC
B21. STALLION CHAMPIONSHIP – open to 1st-2nd place B13 & B14 - USDFBC
B22. MATURE HORSE CHAMPIONSHIP - open to champion & reserve B20-B21
B23. GRAND CHAMPIONSHIP -open to champion & reserve B18 & B22

GROUP CLASSES (50% Movement, 40% Conformation, 10% General Impression)
B24. BROODMARE & FOAL
B25. PRODUCE OF DAM - 2 or 3 offspring w/wo dam
B26. GET OF SIRE - without sire, 2 or 3 of get
B27. DAM & PRODUCE -dam & 2 or 3 of offspring
B28. SIRE & GET - sire & 2 or 3 of get
B29. BREEDER'S GROUP - no more than 3 horses of any age or sex, all bred by exhibitor.

UNDER SADDLE CLASSES (60% movement, 30% conformation, 10% general impression)
B30. THREE YEAR OLD FILLIES
B31. THREE YEAR OLD COLTS/GELDINGS
B32. FOUR YEAR OLD & OLDER MARES
B33. FOUR YEAR OLD & OLDER STALLIONS/GELDINGS
B34. CHAMPIONSHIP UNDER SADDLE - open to 1st-2nd place in B30-B33

MATERIALE CLASSES Judged under saddle at walk/trot/canter according to criteria listed on the "USDF Materiale Class" score sheet. Horses must be at least 36 months of age to participate.
B35. THREE YEAR OLD FILLIES
B36. THREE YEAR OLD COLTS/GELDINGS
B37. FOUR & FIVE YEAR OLD MARES
B38. FOUR & FIVE YEAR OLD STALLIONS/GELDINGS

OTHER CLASSES
B39. AMATEUR/JR/YR HANDLER - To be shown in-hand by an AA or Jr/YR. AAs must have current USEF Amateur card. Open to fillies/mares & geldings in any age. No stallions/colts ex. weanlings. Judged on presentation, neatness & appearance of handler, overall condition, handling techniques, appropriate tack/equipment, demonstration of correct training & ability to show horse to best of its ability.

B40. PONY – Open to any age and sex. Must have current USEF Pony Measurement Certificate if age 3 or over or must present evidence that (1) sire and/or dam (either or both) are registered with a pony breed or (2) sire and/or dam have valid USEF Pony Measurement Cards. Jovee Pony Championship qualifying class.

INDIVIDUAL BREED CLASSES (IBC)
B41. HANOVERIAN – Open to any American Hanoverian Society-registered horse of any age and sex whose owner is current AHS member. Eligibility with AHS verified week prior to show.
B42. CLEVELAND BAY – Send breed registration papers for eligibility.
B43. OLDENBURG/ISR AND GOV – Send breed registration papers for eligibility.
B44. SWEDISH WARMBLOOD - Send breed registration papers for eligibility.
B45. DUTCH WARMBLOOD (KWPN or NAWPN) - Send breed registration papers for eligibility.
B46. FRIESIAN - Send breed registration papers for eligibility.
B47. ARABIAN /HALF-ARABIAN - Send breed registration papers for eligibility
B48. ANDALUSIAN/LUSITANO/HALF-ANDALUSIAN/HALF-LUSITANO-Send breed registration papers for eligibility
B49. WESTFALEN NA & RHEINLAND PFALZ-SAAR INTERNATIONAL (RPSI) - Send breed registration papers for eligibility
B50. BELGIAN WARMBLOOD (BWP) - Send breed registration papers for eligibility
B51. NEW FOREST PONY – Send breed registration papers for eligibility
B52. GYPSY VANNER – Send breed registration papers for eligibility
B53. DANISH WARMBLOOD – Send breed registration papers for eligibility
B54. WELSH PONY – Send breed registration papers for eligibility
B55. APPALOOSA – Send breed registration papers for eligibility
B56. THOROUGHBRED – Send breed registration papers for eligibility
B57. HOLSTEINER – Send breed registration papers for eligibility
B58. WESER-EMS - Send breed registration papers for eligibility
B59. MORGAN - Send breed registration papers for eligibility

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271. +USEF Eventing Test of Choice A	OPEN
272. +USEF Eventing Test of Choice B	OPEN
273A. Dressage Seat Equitation (Walk/Trot only)	OPEN, JR/YR & AA
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283. + Pony Test of Choice	OPEN, CBLM & 2023 GAIG/USDF Q

\+ *State level and test on entry form.*

\# *Music must be on good quality CD and must be presented to the announcer at least two hours before scheduled ride.*

^ ***Freestyle entries (ex. FEI Jr/FEI YR & FEI Pony) must be accompanied by photocopy of test verifying eligibility (i.e. min. 63% for Training-Fourth Levels and 60% for FEI levels) in highest test of declared Freestyle level or any test of higher level from a USEF Licensed "open" Dressage division).***

* ***No USEF/USDF memberships or Horse ID required for Intro or Opportunity Classes. Opportunity classes also exempt from $23 USEF fee.***

Capital Dressage Classic - General Information

DEFINITIONS/ELIGIBILITY:

- *JR/YR* - Open to Juniors and Young Riders only; any rider is eligible until the end of the calendar year in which they reach the age of 21. Only riders ages 14-18 may ride FEI JR Tests. Only riders age 16-21 may ride FEI YR Tests. Only riders ages 12-16 may ride FEI Pony Tests. Only riders ages 12-14 may ride FEI Children Tests.
- *AA* - Open to Adult Amateurs only; riders must compete as adults from the beginning of the calendar year in which they reach the age of 22. Must hold current USEF Amateur card, including Opportunity cl.
- *PARA* - Riders must have a current USEF Dispensation/Classification Certificate which indicates their classification status to be eligible. All tests in Standard arena.
- *CBLM* - Colonel Bengt Ljungquist Memorial Championship qualifying class for 2023. Riders must be members of a participating organization at the time of the show to be eligible.
- *GAIG/USDF QUAL* - Qualifying class for 2023 GAIG/USDF Regional Dressage Championships. *Declare qualifying ride on entry form.* Class fee plus additional $15 fee *must be paid prior to start of the class.*
- *OPPORTUNITY CLASSES* - No USEF/USDF memberships or Horse ID required for Opportunity classes if entered ONLY in Intro and/or Opportunity classes. Horses entered *only* in Opportunity classes are exempt from the $23 USEF fee. However, horses entered in these classes are still subject to and must comply with all D&M rules and are subject to drug testing at the competition. Riders/horses are permitted to cross-enter into other recognized classes at this show.

LEVELS:

All tests current editions. USEF Training-FEI Levels; USDF/FEI Freestyles (TR-FEI Levels), USDF Pas de Deux, Introductory & Materiale; USEF/FEI Young Horse, FEI Para Dressage, USEF/FEI Eventing & Dressage Seat Equitation.

AWARDS: *NOTE: Breed awards and special awards are subject to change.*

- Prize and six ribbons in each Dressage and DSHB class.
- Separate awards for Open, AAs and/or Jr/YRs in any Dressage Open class with four or more in any division. All divisions (if specifically offered) pinned separately. Exception: GAIG/USDF Qualifying & CBLM not pinned separately.
- Dressage High Score awards at Training-Fourth Levels, FEI Levels combined (ex. Equitation, Materiale, Freestyle, Opportunity & YH tests).
- DSHB Championship classes receive Champion and Reserve Championship ribbons.
- DSHB Grand Champion: Will receive special award and neck sash.
- USDFBC: Champion & Reserve Champion in classes B15, B16, B17, B19, B20 & B21 in each show will receive USDF neck sashes & qualify for USDF Breeders Championship East Coast Series Final at Dressage at Devon.
- Trainers Award: Trainer plus min. two students. Awarded to team with highest average combined in Saturday classes only. Sign-up in office by 10:00 am Saturday. Additional details posted on sign-up form.
- High Score AA: To highest scoring AA in any class ex. Equitation, Materiale, Freestyle, Intro & YH tests on Saturday only.
- High Score Jr/YR: To highest scoring Jr/YR in any class ex. Equitation, Materiale, Freestyle, Intro & YH tests on Saturday only.
- Pony TOC (Cl.184) Ribbon & prize for first place sponsored by Jovee Pony Farm. Ribbon & prize for first place in Cl. B40 sponsored by Jovee Pony Farm. Animals age 3 or over must have current USEF Pony Measurement Certificate. If under age three must present evidence that sire and/or dam (either or both) are registered with a pony breed or have a valid USEF Pony Measurement Certificate.
- National Dressage Pony Cup High Point Awards: High Point and Reserve awards to the highest scoring pony in any class except Equitation, Materiale, Freestyle, Intro & YH tests. Only ponies with valid USEF measurement certificates submitted to the show secretary will be eligible.
- TIP Awards: The Jockey Club Thoroughbred Incentive Program (T.I.P.) is offering a high score ribbon for Thoroughbreds. Eligible horses must provide T.I.P. numbers to the event secretary with entry. For more information, visit www.tjctip.com. All classes count except Equitation, Materiale, Freestyle, Intro & YH tests.
- Dressage High Score Hanoverian: Sponsored by AHS. No AHS membership required. All levels eligible, excluding Intro, Equitation, Materiale, Freestyle & YH tests. Winner receives neck sash.
- North American Danish Warmblood Association (sponsored by NADWA): To highest scoring NADWA member-owned registered horse in any class ex. Equitation, Materiale, FS, Intro & YH tests.
- American Trakehner Association (sponsored by ATA): To highest scoring ATA registered horse in any class ex. Equitation, Materiale, FS, Intro & YH tests.

- ISR/Oldenburg NA – Dressage award to highest scoring eligible ISR/Oldenburg reg horse. Excludes Equitation, Materiale, FS, Intro & YH tests.
- KWPN-NA – Dressage award to highest scoring KWPN reg horse. Excludes Equitation, Materiale, FS, Intro & YH tests.
- American Warmblood Society & Sporthorse Registry – Dressage award to highest scoring eligible AWSSR reg horse. Excludes Equitation, Materiale, FS, Intro & YH tests.
- Ezium Stock Horse: Dressage award to highest scoring registered Stock Horse (Quarter Horses, Appaloosas, and Paints). Excludes Equitation, Materiale, FS, Intro & YH tests.
- Other special awards to be announced in Official Program.

ENTRY FEES:

Intro, Opportunity, Materiale & Equitation	$50
Training – Second, Eventing	$50
Third – Fourth	$55
Freestyle, YH (ex.USEF Q), ParaDressage	$65
Pas de Deux	$65/pair
FEI & USEF DeveL PSG/GP	$65
DSHB In-hand, Materiale and Under Saddle classes	$50
DSHB Group classes	$50/group
DSHB Championship classes	NO CHARGE!
GAIG/USDF Qualifying	Add $15 to class fee
USEF Fee per horse (D&M $15, USEF $8)	$23/horse
USEF Show Pass Fee	Must pay on USEF website if eligible
USDF Non-Member Fee	$35 (for each NM rider & owner)
Late Fee	$40 (for entries received after May 1)
Late Paperwork Fee	$10 (for ANY req. forms/info rec'd after May 10)
Non-Competing Horse Fee	$40
Parking Fee (REQUIRED for non-stabled horses)	$40/horse/show day
Office Fee (non-refundable)	$40 (for ea H/R combination)
Horse or Tack Stall (Fri-Sun)	$130 (NO bedding included)
Shavings	$10/bag
RV hookup (electric/water)	No pre-reservations. Pay NCSF Security after arrival
NSF check charge	$40 per check
Credit Card dispute, chargeback or withdrawal	$70 per dispute, chargeback and/or withdrawal
Class change fee (for changes after closing date/if schedule allows)	**NO CHARGE!!**

ENTRY INFORMATION:

USEF SAFE SPORT TRAINING REQUIREMENT: If you are a USEF Competing Member 18 years of age or older you are required to complete the core Safe Sport Training within 7 days of activating your membership. If you do not complete the training, you are ineligible to participate in all USEF activities including competitions. TAKE the SAFE SPORT TRAINING at USEF.org by logging into your member dashboard.

- **On-Line Entries must be processed through www.equestrianentries.com. Individuals utilizing the online entry system for this competition do so with the agreement that they have read the OFFICIAL PRIZE LIST and agree to follow all the class specifications, requirements and conditions in the OFFICIAL PRIZE LIST.**
- ***Mail paper Entries to: Teresa Uddo, 1082 Berkshire Lane, Aiken, SC 29805 Make Checks payable to: NCDCTA.***
- ***ALL FEES MUST BE PAID IN U.S. DOLLARS AND ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY CLOSING DATE!***
- Negative Coggins must be valid within 12 months of first competition day.
- 2023 Entry form required. Entry form must be properly signed with original signatures; an adult (18 or older) must sign for JR riders and on trainer blank.
- **EFFECTIVE 12/1/22: To be eligible to compete at Federation Licensed Competitions, coaches, trainers, and legal guardians signing as coaches or trainers on behalf of their minors must be Senior Active Members in good standing, Riders and owners are eligible for one (and ONLY one) Show Pass per year. Trainers and coaches are no longer eligible to participate under a Show Pass.** *See USEF Show Pas FAQs later in this prize list!*
- ***Proof of membership must be included with entry form. Please provide the USEF/USDF Master Verification (www.eqverification.org) although membership cards or photocopies of cards are still acceptable.*** Failure to provide proof of USDF membership will result in competitor being charged USDF non-member fee.

- USEF and USDF membership numbers and horse registration numbers must be provided where required. *Unless exempt:* Must provide verification of (1) 2023 USEF "competing" membership for rider, handler, owner, trainer, and coach; (2) 2023 USDF membership verification for rider (PM or GM) and owner (PM, GM or BM), or copy of nonmember ID card and pay Non-Member fee; and (3) USEF Horse Recording, USDF Lifetime Registration or USDF HID #. Owners of horses without USDF registration or HID MUST complete application, submit breed registry papers (if horse is registered) and pay $35 USDF HID fee upon arrival at competition in order to participate (except exempt Dressage classes).
- Adult Amateur entries must provide verification of their USEF Amateur status.
- Children, Pony Rider, Junior and Young Rider entries must include birth date on entry form.
- Non-U.S. citizen participants must send proof, in English, of current membership in good standing from their own NF, a photocopy of their 2023 USEF membership card..
- Post entries accepted with Late Fee, if scheduling permits, or placed on wait list to fill scratches.
- Non-negotiable checks void entry and incur a $40.00 charge. Entry will be placed on waiting list until a money order, certified check or cash is received.
- **All horses entered in breeder's group class must list what group they are to be shown with (only one entry/group pays the fee).**
- **Trainers**: Email your "Stable With" list and stall order to show sec'y at least seven days before show.
- Show office hours: Noon—7pm Friday, 7am—7pm Saturday, 7am—1 hour after show ends on Sunday.

NON-COMPETING HORSES:

Must submit completed and signed Entry form to the Show Secretary, show proof of current Coggins, and pay $40 N/C Horse fee plus $40 Office fee. Parking or stabling fees are also required. USEF/USDF fees or Late fee NOT required. No N/C fee due for N/C mare with foal.

MEMBERSHIP/REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS FOR GAIG/USDF QUALIFYING CLASSES:

Riders must be current USDF Participating members & USEF members (Junior, Senior or Life) in good standing. Horses must be USDF registered and USEF recorded. Horses with only an HID are not eligible. Owners must be current USDF Participating or Business members & USEF members (Junior, Senior or Life) in good standing.

PRO-AM TEAM CHALLENGE:

• One Professional plus two - three Adult Amateurs, Juniors and/or Young Riders make up a Pro-Am Team. Any level may be ridden; levels may be combined. The three highest scores will be averaged to find the Team Score from the Saturday rides of all Team Members. (Intro, MFS, Materiale, Young Horse Tests, Rider tests and DSE scores will not be included.) Team members (Professionals, Amateurs, Juniors and Young Riders) are considered as a horse/rider combination – if a rider has more than one horse entered in the competition, he/she may ride on more than one team – each team must have unique horse/rider combinations.

• **Awards:** Special prizes for all members of 1st through 3rd placing Teams. No awards ceremonies. Awards available at awards table.

• **Entries:** *No GMO memberships required and NO EXTRA FEES!* Teams must be named with all team members indicated by 10:00 *am Saturday*. Competitors must sign up in show office.

REFUNDS:

No refunds after closing date or after the start of the competition for any reason, including in the event of cancellation of classes due to severe weather or other emergency, or non-compliance with SafeSport eligibility. GAIG/USDF Q fees refunded if request received before start of class until end of competition (unless applied to other indebtedness); otherwise will be paid to USDF. Refunds will be made for entries scratched before closing date less a $40 fee.

HANDLERS AND ASSISTANT HANDLERS IN DSHB CLASSES:

Handler: Any person who holds, walks or trots a horse while it is being judged in the in the competition area or ring for any In-Hand, Group or Championship class, except as noted below.

Assistant Handler: Any person, other than Handler, who holds or walks a horse in competition arena during a class, whether or not horse is being judged at the time. An Asst. Handler is permitted only for call-backs after In-Hand or Group classes, for Championships and for handling non-competing mares/foals which accompany another entry in the competition arena. Asst Handlers may not show a horse at the trot, ***(ex. for horses not being judged but accompanying a mare or foal being judged)***. If not USEF members, are exempted from the USEF Show Pass fee**. All Handlers and Asst Handlers MUST sign original entry form or Handler/Assistant Handler Release (on website) prior to entering ring and MUST have wristbands.**

ENTRY STATUS & TIMES:

- Acknowledgement of entry showing status will be emailed to each competitor. Please check for errors and notify the secretary immediately.

- Official times posted online and at show office by noon on Friday. Unofficial times posted on website approximately three days before show.

DIRECTIONS:

From I-440 (Beltline) in Raleigh, take the Wade Avenue exit toward Cary/Chapel Hill. Turn onto Blue Ridge Road and turn left. Turn right onto Trinity Road. Horse Complex is on the left. **Enter Gate H-4 (for stabling and day parking)** across from Carter-Finley Stadium. From I-40 west, take Wade Ave./Carter-Finley Stadium exit. Exit right on ramp to Edwards Mill Road and turn right, then (at light) turn left on Trinity Road. Horse Complex is on right. Note that the intersection of Blue Ridge Road and Hillsborough St. will be closed starting in mid-February.

ACCOMMODATIONS:

Host hotel: **Ramada Inn/Blue Ridge** (Ph: 919/832-4100), located .6 miles from the Horse Complex in Raleigh, near intersection of Blue Ridge and Trinity Roads. MUST ASK FOR SPECIAL HORSE SHOW RATE of $89.00/King and double rooms plus $10 for each additional person over two. Includes breakfast buffet. Pet fee applies. On-site camper hookups available at $30night; includes water, 30 amp electrical and sewage. Camper fee is collected by Fairgrounds security personnel after arrival; do not send to Secretary. Call NCSF Security to unlock camper hookups at 919-612-6767. **No camping in stalls at this show!**

HOSPITALITY:

Food on grounds (from start until end of classes) during show.

STABLING:

Permanent wood stalls w/doors approximately 10 x 10 feet square. Half in center aisle barns; half in shed-row with 10' overhang. $40 per night **for each additional night**. Shavings available for purchase at show. Those wanting extra bedding at stalls upon arrival must pre-order through Secretary at least 24 hours prior to arrival. Each entry MUST include stabling or parking fee. **Upon arrival, an extra copy of the Coggins must be posted on the stall door of each horse for examination by NC State Veterinarian's office inspector. Be sure to note your stabling group on your entry.**

MATERIALE CLASSES:

Judged under saddle as a group at walk, trot and canter according to criteria listed on the "USDF Materiale Class" score sheet. Horses must be at least 36 months of age to participate.

ARENAS:

One indoor and one covered ring with composite footing. Three outside 20 x 60 meter sand/crushed granite screenings all-weather competition arenas. Large all-weather sand/crushed granite screenings warmup rings. All dressage classes in 20 x 60 meter arenas. Lungeing permitted only in designated areas. All outdoor dressage competition rings and warmups have underlying tile drainage systems and all competition and warmup areas are enclosed in perimeter PVC fencing. All DSHB competition and warmup in 135' x 210' outdoor sand/crushed granite rings adjacent to stabling for DSHB horses. **ALL riding, lungeing and exercise is permitted only in designated rings.**

VENDORS

Must submit application to Manager. For vendor application go to www.ncdcta.org. Indoor and outdoor space available. Outdoor space must provide trailer or tent.

OTHER:

- Management reserves the right to add, combine or divide classes, add or substitute judges**,** or make any changes required by circumstances.
- **If a competitor NO SHOWS their first class of the day, they may be considered a SCRATCH for the remainder of the day at show management's discretion.**
- **DOGS MUST BE ON LEASHES or otherwise restrained AT ALL TIMES WHILE ON SHOW GROUNDS (INCUDING IN STABLE AREAS).** Owner may be fined. Individuals must not lead dogs on a leash while mounted. **Dog owners are solely responsible for any damages, claims, losses or actions resulting from their dogs' behaviors.** All pets must be leashed. **Dog owners failing to comply will be issued a Yellow warning card** and non-compliance may result in further USEF penalties.
- If ponies are entered in FEI Pony Test(s) or Pony TOC class, or wish to be eligible for dressage pony awards, and are in need of a USEF measurement card, an appointment for measuring MUST be made with management at least five days prior to the show. The official measurement session will be scheduled on Friday, June 2. Owners of ponies needing measurement will be charged a fee not to exceed $100 to cover the fee charged by the official veterinarian required for the measurement.
- All emergency numbers will be posted in/outside the Secretary's office and in the barns.
- Veterinarian and farrier will be on call. EMT on grounds.

- Riders may substitute horses once they have entered only upon presentation of a Vet Certificate for the incapacitated horse, or a bill-of-sale, and only in classes in which the first horse was entered. The Secretary must be notified 24 hours before the class(es) take(s) place, and a new entry form must be completed.
- Anyone bringing non-competing horses must supply, prior to Closing Date, a current Coggins and a signed entry form before entering the show grounds.
- **Numbers must be worn at all times when a horse is being exercised or ridden.**
- In accordance with GR1301.7-8: Minors who do not have a valid driver's license which allows them to operate a motorized vehicle in the state in which they reside will not be permitted to operate a motorized vehicle of any kind, including, but not limited to, golf carts, motorcycles, scooters, or farm utility vehicles, on the competition grounds of licensed competitions. Minors who have a valid temporary license may operate the above described motorized vehicles as long as they are accompanied by an adult with a valid driver's license. The parent/legal guardian or individual who signs the entry blank as a parent or guardian of a minor operating a motorized vehicle in violation of this rule are solely responsible for any damages, claims, losses or actions resulting from that operation. Violations of this rule will be cause for penalties against those responsible for the child committing the offense. Wheelchairs and other mobility assistance devices for individuals with disabilities are exempt from this rule. The unsafe use of personal electronic transport devices, as determined by the competition officials and management in their sole discretion, that do not require a driver's license to operate, including but not limited to segways, hover boards, and single wheeled scooters is prohibited on competition grounds. Operating such devices in areas where people gather may be deemed "unsafe use" if there is a risk of harm to others. If the operator of the device is a minor, the parent/legal guardian or individual who signs the entry blank as a parent or guardian of a minor operating the device in violation of this rule is accountable and may be subject to penalties. Wheelchairs and other mobility assistance devices for individuals with disabilities are exempt from this rule.
- Sharps containers are located in the center aisle of each barn. Per USEF rules, competition management may fine any individuals including trainers, owners, exhibitors, or their agents up to $100 for improper disposal of needles or other sharp disposable instruments.
- *All owners and competitors are personally responsible for damages to third parties caused by themselves, their employees, their agents, or their horses. They are therefore strongly advised to take out third-party insurance providing full coverage for participation in equestrian events.*
- For current Great American/USDF Championship requirements, go to www.usdf.org/competitions/competitions-championships/regionals/index.asp
- For current CBLM Championship requirements, go to www.cblm.org
- **Horses entering the grounds must be accompanied by documentation of Equine Influenza Virus and Equine Herpes Virus (Rhinopneumonitis) vaccinations within 6 months prior to entering the stables. Horses not in compliance with this rule may be required to leave the grounds upon request by Competition Management. (See GR845)**

Anyone who has a fever, exhibits COVID-19 symptoms, has tested positive for COVID-19, or has been in contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 cannot enter the competition grounds. If any person on the grounds violates this requirement, competition management has the authority to remove the person from the facility.

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USEF Membership Statement (GR901.9)

Eventing Competitions at the Modified Level or above, Combined Driving Competitions at the Advanced Level, Dressage Competitions, Endurance Rides and Vaulting Competitions: (See GR828.4 of the Federation rules). Life, senior active and junior active members shall be eligible to participate in all classes at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions at the Modified Level or above and Combined Driving Competitions at the Advanced Level, Dressage, Reining and Vaulting Competitions and Endurance Rides. A non-member may participate as a handler, rider, driver, owner, lessee, or agent, at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions, Dressage Competitions, Reining Competitions and Combined Driving Competitions upon payment of a Show Pass fee. Participants in the following classes are exempted from the Requirements of this rule: 1) leadline; 2) exhibitions; 3) games and races; 4) classes for 4-H members; 5) walk trot (exception: Friesian performance FR231) and academy classes (academy classes are classes limited to horses used regularly in a lesson program);

6) USDF introductory level tests, pas de deux and quadrille classes; 7) NRHA Endorsed Reining Competitions. 8) Opportunity classes, 9) citizens of other nations who have proof, in English, of current membership in good standing of their own National Federation, 10) USEA beginner novice division; and 11) assistant handlers in Dressage Sport Horse Breeding classes.

EVERY CLASS OFFERED HEREIN WHICH IS COVERED BY THE RULES AND SPECIFICATIONS OF THE CURRENT USEF RULE BOOK AND WILL BE CONDUCTED AND JUDGED IN ACCORDANCE THEREWITH.

ATTENTION COMPETITORS –HEADGEAR RULE FOR DRESSAGE

Protective headgear is defined as a riding helmet, which meets or exceeds current ASTM (American Society for Testing and Materials)/SEI (Safety Equipment Institute) standards for equestrian use and carries the SEI tag. From the time horses are officially admitted to the competition grounds by competition management, anyone mounted on a horse at any time on the competition grounds, including non-competing riders, riders on non-competing horses, mounted participants in exhibition classes, and those competing in all classes and tests, including Para Dressage tests, must wear protective headgear as defined by this rule and otherwise in compliance with GR801. The harness must be secured and properly fitted. Any rider violating this rule at any time must immediately be prohibited from further riding until the headgear is properly in place. Protective headgear may be the same as or a coordinating color with the coat, and may include contrast coloring, accent, and crystal decoration.

U.S. Equestrian Federation, Inc. Entry Agreement

By entering a Federation-licensed Competition and signing this entry blank as the Owner, Lessee, Trainer, Manager, Agent, Coach, Driver, Rider, Handler, Vaulter or Longeur and on behalf of myself and my principals, representatives, employees and agents, I agree that I am subject to the Bylaws and Rules of The United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. (the "Federation") and the local rules of _____(Competition). I agree to be bound by the Bylaws and Rules of the Federation and of the competition. I will accept as final the decision of the Hearing Committee on any question arising under the Rules, and agree to release and hold harmless the competition, the Federation, their officials, directors and employees for any action taken under the Rules. I represent that I am eligible to enter and/or participate under the Rules, and every horse I am entering is eligible as entered. I also agree that as a condition of and in consideration of acceptance of entry, the Federation **and/or the Competition may use or assign photographs, videos, audios, cable-casts, broadcasts,** internet, film, new media or other likenesses of me and my horse taken during the course of the competition for the promotion, coverage or benefit of the competition, sport, or the Federation. Those likenesses shall not be used to advertise a product and they may not be used in such a way as to jeopardize amateur status. I hereby expressly and irrevocably waive and release any rights in connection with such use, including any claim to compensation, invasion of privacy, right of publicity, or to misappropriation. The construction and application of Federation rules are governed by the laws of the State of New York, and any action instituted against the Federation must be filed in New York State. See GR908.4.

Modified Dress Code for Riders in Opportunity Classes

Riders competing in Level 1 dressage competitions or in Opportunity classes are not required to wear a riding jacket or coat.

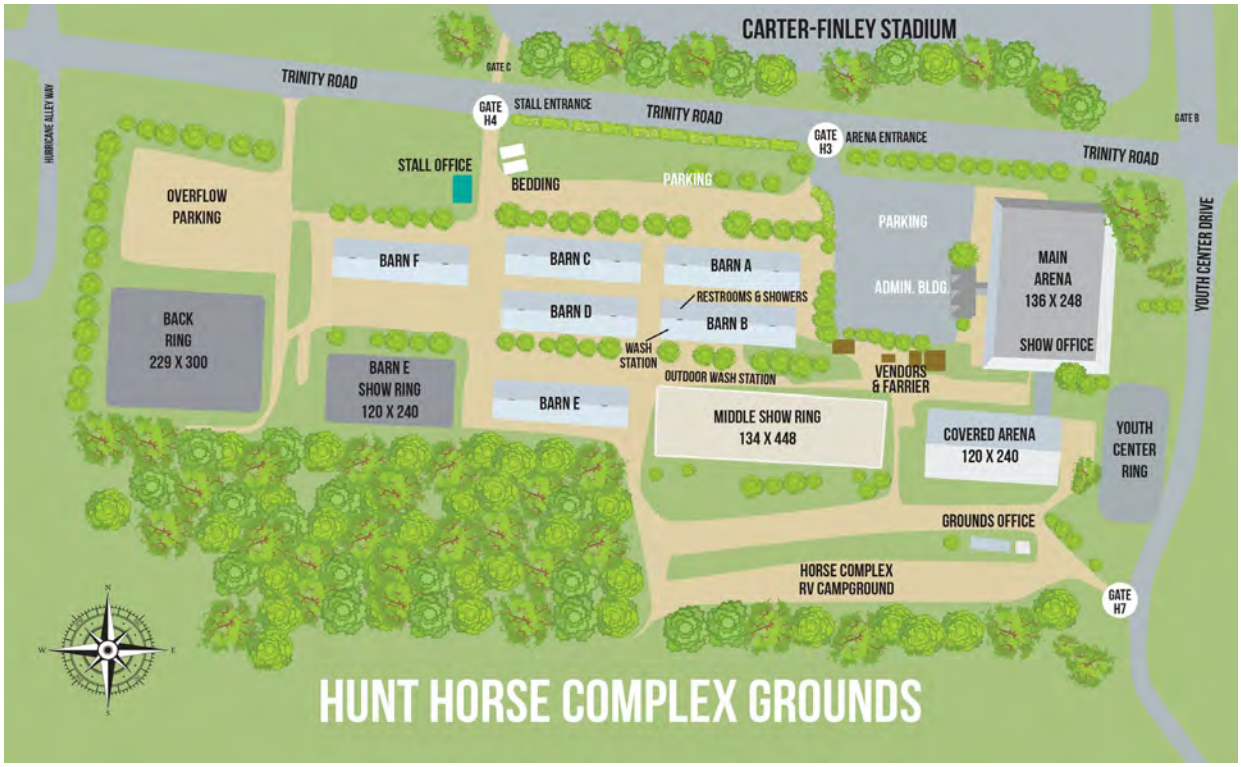
Fly hoods permitted for all classes (indoor and outdoor)

Fly hoods (ear covers) are permitted for all classes in order to protect horses from insects. The fly hoods should be discreet in color and design and should not cover the horse's eyes. After completion of the test, the rider or his representative is responsible for removing the fly hood to present o the designated ring steward for inspection to ensure that nothing prohibited has been added (for example, ear plugs. USEF DR121.7

WARNING

Under North Carolina law, an equine activity sponsor or equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting exclusively from the inherent risks of equine activities. Chapter 99E of the North Carolina General Statutes.

NOTICE TO COMPETITORS: Individuals utilizing the online entry system for this competition do so with the agreement that they have read the OFFICIAL PRIZE LIST and agree to follow all the class specifications, requirements and conditions in the OFFICIAL PRIZE LIST.



<u>Thoroughbred Incentive Program Awards Eligibility</u> – Only Thoroughbreds that have been registered with The Jockey Club or a foreign Thoroughbred stud book recognized by The Jockey Club are eligible to participate in T.I.P. classes and awards. Riders and owners should obtain a T.I.P. number for all horse/rider combinations. T.I.P. number applications are done online at www.tjctip.com. **T.I.P. numbers must be provided to the horse show**.

Reminder: All USEF Life and Senior Active members, as well as participants who have regular contact with minor athletes, are required to comply with the U.S. Center for SafeSport training requirement to be eligible to participate in the competition. All participants must adhere to the U.S. Center for SafeSport Code, USEF Safe Sport Policy, and the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies. More information about these can be found at www.usef.org.

Important USEF rules for DSHB classes:

- **No handler or assistant handler under age fourteen is permitted to handle two or three year old colts, or stallions of any age.**
- **No rider under age fourteen is permitted to ride a three-year old colt, or stallion of any age, in any under saddle class including Dressage Sport Horse Prospect Under Saddle, Materiale and Suitability classes.**
- ***H*andlers, assistant handlers and whip assistants *<u>of any age</u>* must wear protective headgear as defined by this rule and otherwise in compliance with GR801 while handling or assisting in the competition ring. Any handler or assistant violating this rule at any time must immediately be prohibited from further participation until such headgear is properly in place.**

JACKETS ARE WAIVED FOR THE ENTIRE COMPETITION!

USEF SafeSport Requirements

- The required SafeSport Training is on the U.S. Center for SafeSport website and is free for USEF members.
- All USEF Competing Members (18 and older) are required to complete SafeSport Training within the first 7 days of joining or renewing USEF membership.
- The SafeSport Training requirement applies to all USEF Competing Senior Members even if competing in classes (such as USDF Intro or USEF Opportunity) where USEF membership is not required.
- Junior Members (under 18 years) are not required to complete SafeSport Training at this time.
- Any individual signing an entry blank as Trainer or Coach, must have completed the Safe Sport Training prior to the first day of competition.
- If SafeSport Training is not completed within 7 days of joining or renewing membership, and a completion certificate (for all three phases) presented to the show secretary on or before the first day of competition, the entry will NOT be allowed to compete.
- If SafeSport Training is not completed by USEF members and certificates provided to the show secretary on or before the first day of competition, there will be NO REFUNDS for entries. This applies to all USEF members (riders, owners, trainers or coaches) for any entry, including those classes where USEF membership is not required.
- Participants (riders, owners, trainers, coaches) who are NOT USEF members are not required to complete SafeSport Training.
- If SafeSport Training is overdue and certificates are not presented to the show secretary, or posted yet on the USEF website, the entry (horse and competitor) will be allowed to remain on the competition grounds but cannot compete.
- Competitions are required to check the USEF SafeSport Ineligibility list after entries are submitted and up to the first day of competition. Competitions that allow ineligible participants to compete are subject to penalties by USEF.

ATENTION COMPETITORS

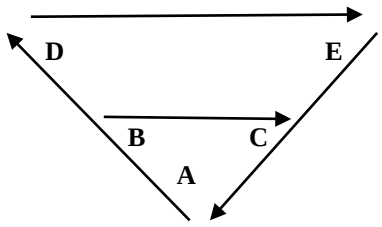
Each competitor is responsible for supplying management with correct association numbers (USDF, USEF) for horse, owner, rider and trainer, before the day(s) of the competition. The scores of competitors who fail to supply correct numbers may not be counted toward national awards.

Breeding Show Class Procedures

The triangle measures approximately 30 meters on the long side and 22 meters on each of the short sides. When called by the Ringmaster, present your horse to the Judge at "A" for conformation judging. Upon direction, follow the procedure as diagrammed below:

**** Higher scoring horses may be asked to return to the ring for reevaluation at the end of a class.***

**** Foals may NOT be shown loose.***



- Stand Horse at "A" for conformation judging.
- Walk small triangle: A-B-C-A
- Trot large triangle: A-D-E-A
- Leave judging area promptly unless requested to do otherwise by the judge.

Saturday and Sunday: Mimosa and breakfast booth outside the show office, sponsored by Brookside Farm

Friday evening: Welcome Wagon in Barns.

Saturday after the show: Competitors Party outside show office.

NCDCTA Junior Scholarships to NCDCTA Shows!

In order to encourage juniors of all levels to take advantage of our state's competitive dressage environment, NCDCTA is pleased to offer scholarships to up to four junior riders (riders 21 and under as of December 31, 2023) at each of its four shows in 2023.

Each scholarship will cover the cost of four classes, one stall. This application, **due by the show's opening date**, will be reviewed by a committee of NCDCTA board members. Applicants do not need to be NCDCTA members. Scholarship criteria include enthusiasm, thoughtfulness in application, and dedication to competition as part of ongoing education in dressage. Recipients will be responsible for the cost of classes beyond four, as well as the office fee, the USEF drug fee, and any other applicable fees, including but not limited to the USDF/GAIG qualifying fee and non-member fees. Decisions and entry procedures will be announced before the show's closing date.

NCDCTA 2023 Shows:

- **NCDCTA Capital Dressage Classic – June 3 & 4, 2023 - Raleigh, NC**
  - **Scholarship Application Deadline - April 20, 2023**
  - **Entries Received by - Closing Date: May 24, 2023**
  - **Show Website**: www.ncdcta.org/cdc
  - **Scholarship Information:** www.ncdcta.org/scholarships
  - **Application form:** www.ncdcta.org/junior-scholarship

- **NCDCTA Labor of Love 1 & 2 with Breed Divisions – September 2 & 3, 2023 – Raleigh, NC**
  - **Scholarship Application Deadline – July 23, 2023**
  - **Entries Received by - Closing Date: August 22, 2023**
  - **Show Website:** www.ncdcta.org/lol
  - **Scholarship Information:** www.ncdcta.org/scholarships
  - **Application form:** https://www.ncdcta.org/junior-scholarship

- **NCDCTA Harvest Moon Dressage - September 16-17, 2023 Carolina Horse Park, Raeford, NC**
  - **Scholarship Application Deadline – July 15, 2023**
  - **Entries Received by - Closing Date: September 5, 2023**
  - **Show Website:** www.ncdcta.org/hm
  - **Online Entries:** www.horseshowoffice.com
  - **Scholarship Information:** www.ncdcta.org/scholarships
  - **Application form:** https://www.ncdcta.org/junior-scholarship

- **NCDCTA Autumn Leaves (2023 NCDCTA Dressage Championships) November 3-5, 2023 Carolina Horse Park, Raeford, NC**
  - **Application Deadline - September 15, 2023**
  - **Entries Received by - Closing Date: October 23, 2023**
  - **Show Website:** www.ncdcta.org/al
  - **Scholarship Information:** www.ncdcta.org/scholarships
  - **Application form:** www.ncdcta.org/junior-scholarship

2023 Jovee Pony Championships:

Will be held at Made in the Shade – Aug 11-13, 2023 at the South Carolina Equine Park

- All ponies must have a current USEF Pony Measurement Certificate. In the Jovee Pony Breed classes, if the pony is under 3 years of age they must present evidence that (1) sire and/or dam (either or both) are registered with a pony breed or (2) sire and/or dam have valid USEF Pony Measurement Cards.
- To participate in the Junior Division, rider/handler must provide DOB showing they are 18 years or younger through the end of the calendar year.
- To participate as an AA in the Performance Jovee Pony TOC Classes, rider must hold a current USEF Amateur Card.
- Jovee Pony Breed Championships will be divided Junior/Adult.
- One completed Jovee Pony TOC or Jovee Pony Breed Class required to qualify (no minimum score).
- Pony and Rider/Handler qualify as a team for the Championships.
- There will be a mini-clinic ($25/participant) Fri, Aug 11th at 5:30pm for those wishing to learn how to handle their pony in the breed ring and how to 'run the triangle'. Clinician is professional handler, Bruce Griffin III (Turtle).

Over-All Best Pony Awards:

- Ponies must complete both the Breed Championship Class and the Performance Championship class.
- Pony and Rider/Handler qualify as a team for the Over-All Best Pony Awards.
- Breed Championship class placings will accrue Championship Points: 1st=6 points, 2nd=5 points, 3rd=4 points, 4th=3 points, 5th=2 points, 6th and below=1 point.
- Performance Championship class scores will be multiplied by 0.1 to find the Championship Scores.
- Breed Championship Points will be added to the Performance Championship Scores to find the winners - Adult and Junior.
- Full Details: https://www.joveeponyfarm.com/JPchamps22.html

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USEF SHOW PASS FAQS – EFFECTIVE 12/1/2022

Q. Currently riders competing in Academy, Walk-Trot, and Opportunity classes are exempt from USEF membership. Will these exemptions remain in place in 2023?
A. Yes, any classes or sections that are currently exempt from membership will continue to be exempt.

Q. Will the online show pass system at USEF communicate with show management software systems?
A. Yes, the USEF Show Pass information will be available live, in real time through the USEF API to show management software.

Q. Will the USEF API indicate whether someone is ineligible for a Show Pass if they have already paid for one for that year?
A. Yes, the USEF API will return information that the person is ineligible.

Q. Are riders, owners, and trainers all eligible for one Show Pass per competition year?
A. No. While riders and owners are eligible for one Show Pass, trainers and coaches are no longer eligible to participate under a Show Pass and must be an Active USEF member.

Q. Are parents that sign as the trainer or coach for their minor child exempt from membership and/or show pass?
A. No, anyone that signs an entry blank or acts as a trainer or coach must be an Active USEF member and is not eligible for a Show Pass.

Q. Are foreign competitors (citizens of other nations) with proof, in English, of current membership in good standing of their own National Federation required to pay a Show Pass?
A. No, non-US citizens who are members in good standing of their National Federations with proof, in English, of current membership in good standing of their own National Federation are exempt from payment of the Federation Show Pass fee.

Q. Can a competition accept payment from an exhibitor for a Show Pass fee?
A. No, Show Pass purchases can only be made online by exhibitors.

Q. If I purchase one Show Pass, is it good for the whole competition year?
A. No, a Show Pass is only valid for one competition and non-member participants (riders, drivers, handlers, vaulters, longeurs, owners, lessees, and agents) are limited to obtaining no more than one (1) Show Pass per competition year.

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2023 Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Dressage Championships

A single Regional Dressage Championship program organized by the United States Dressage Federation (USDF), and recognized by the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. (USEF), will be held in each of the nine USDF regions. In addition, Alaska and Hawaii may each hold state championships if an official request from a Group Member Organization (GMO) is received by April 1 of the prior year. The Regional Championship Program Rules can be found on the USDF website at www.usdf.org. Please refer to the 2023 USDF Member Guide for the comprehensive list of rules and requirements for this program.

Membership/Registration Requirements for Qualifying and Championships

All memberships and registrations/recordings must be correct and current at the time qualifying scores are earned and at the time of the championships.

Rider:

- Must have a USDF Participating* Membership (PM).
- Must have a USEF membership (Active or Life).

Horse:

- Must have a USDF Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR).
- Must have a USEF (Annual or Lifetime) Horse Recording.
- USDF horse registration and USEF horse recording must be in the name(s) of the current owner(s) or lessee(s). A horse is not required to have breed registry papers.

Owner:

- Must have a USDF Participating or Business Membership and a USEF membership (Active or Life Membership or Annual or Life Recorded Farm/Business). If the horse has more than one owner, at least one owner must have both active USEF membership and active USDF Participating or Business Membership and must be the owner of record with USEF and USDF. For a business or farm to be the valid owner under this requirement, it must be listed as an owner of the horse with both USEF and USDF.

* PMs are USDF members who join USDF directly. USDF Group Members (GM) are ineligible.

Minimum Qualifying Scores: One set of nationally-standardized qualifying scores has been established for all USEF/USDF Regional Championships, for Training Level through Grand Prix, in three divisions: open, adult amateur and junior/young rider. FEI Junior and FEI Young Rider classes have only one respective division.

New for 2023! Combined Open/Jr/YR Freestyle and AA Freestyle classes.

The minimum percentages are as follows:

	OPEN	AA	JR/YR
Training Level (Test 3)	68%	63%	63%
First Level (Test 3)	66%	62%	62%
Second Level (Test 3)	64%	61%	61%
Third Level (Test 3)	62%	60%	60%
Fourth Level (Test 3)	62%	60%	60%
FEI Junior (Team Test)	—	—	60%
FEI Young Rider (Team Test)	—	—	60%
Prix St. Georges	62%	60%	60%
Intermediate I	62%	60%	60%
Intermediate II	62%	60%	60%
Grand Prix	60%	60%	60%

FREESTYLE	OPEN/Jr/YR	AA
First Level	65%	65%
Second Level	65%	65%
Third Level	65%	65%
Fourth Level	65%	65%
Intermediate I	65%	65%
Grand Prix	65%	65%

UNITED STATES DRESSAGE FEDERATION™

Regional Adult Amateur Equitation Program

The USDF Regional Adult Amateur Equitation Program recognizes adult amateurs competing in equitation and promotes correct seat, position, and use of the aids in dressage. An Adult Amateur Equitation Regional Final class presented by Big Dee's Tack and Vet Supply will be held in conjunction with each of the nine USDF Regional Dressage Championship competitions, providing adult amateurs with additional opportunity for recognition. Ribbons awarded through 8th Place and gift certificates awarded to top three riders

Adult amateurs wishing to qualify to compete in an Adult Amateur Equitation Regional Final may do so by meeting the following requirements.

Qualifying Requirements

To be eligible for the USDF Adult Amateur Equitation Regional Final class, rider must have

a) Earned a score of 70% or higher in any dressage seat equitation class (except walk/trot) at a USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized Dressage competition within the qualifying period of the applicable regional championship.

or

b) Qualified to compete in any regional dressage championship class (excluding freestyles).

Membership Requirements

- Rider must have a USDF Participating Membership at the time the qualifying score is earned, and at the time of the Regional Final class.
- Rider must be an adult amateur, in accordance with GR1306 of the USEF rules, and be designated with USEF as an adult amateur when the score is earned, and at the time of the Regional Final class.
- Owner must have a USDF Participating or Business Membership when the qualifying score is earned, and at the time of the Regional Final class.
- Horse must have a USDF Lifetime Horse Registration when the qualifying score is earned, and at the time of the Regional Final class.

The USDF Regional Adult Amateur Equitation Program rules and information can be found on the USDF website.

USDF Statement on Animal Welfare

The United States Dressage Federation, Inc. (USDF), a federation of individual members and over 100 independent organizations throughout the United States, supports the concept of ethical treatment of animals.

Dressage is a classical method of training horses, based upon the horse's natural responses, as carried out in a gradual, planned program during which the horse's athletic abilities are improved in a systematic manner. As a result, the horse becomes capable, comfortable, and responsive in partnership with the rider without the use of force. Dressage competition at various levels of achievement is the ultimate test of the training program to determine whether the desired harmony between horse and rider has been achieved.

The rules pertaining to dressage competition prohibit the use of artificial appliances, training aids, and drugs, which would force the horse to submit. Instead, the emphasis is upon training and a cooperative partnership with the rider. Major competitions are carefully monitored to assure that there is no unnecessary force or harshness displayed.

Unlike other horse sports in which horses enter training at a relatively immature state, dressage training is usually not seriously begun until the horse is three or four. The top levels of achievement require five or more years of progressive training and it is not unusual to see horses in international competition in their late teens. This, in itself, places a premium on good care and soundness throughout the horse's life.

While supporting the concept of animal welfare in its broadest form, the United States Dressage Federation, Inc., also recognizes that it is unrealistic to ascribe human emotions and responses to the horse which in its wild state is a creature of flight, living a hard and precarious existence. Under domestication, the horse is assured of ample food, water, and shelter, as well as protection against infectious diseases and damaging parasites, thus leading a longer and healthier life with a high rate of survival.

As an educational organization, USDF has numerous programs, which teach people how to pursue the accepted, humane training methods. A program of certifying instructors also emphasizes protecting the horse's welfare in pursuit of dressage training.

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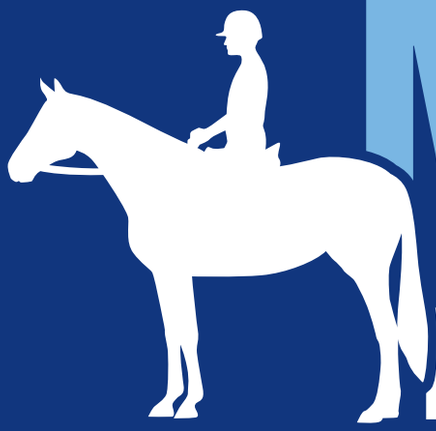
USEF Competition Name: Capital Dressage Classic USEF#: 3217

Competition Division(s) and Rating(s):

Dressage Level 2 (NOT RATED)



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Membership Requirements for USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized Competitions: Owners and riders, including foreign riders and owners who are not residents of the US, wishing to participate in a USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competition as a rider or owner/lessee, must have either a USDF Group Membership (GM), Participating Membership (PM), or have a USDF Non-Member (NM) identification number and pay the USDF Non-Member (NM) fee. (Note: USDF Business Members can own horses but cannot compete as riders with their USDF Business Membership.)

Horses competing at USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competitions must have either a USDF Horse Identification (HID) number or a USDF Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR). Proper credentials or verification certificates must be presented to the competition secretary.

Riders and owners wishing to participate in a USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competition, and not able to present the competition secretary with verification of a USDF membership or NM identification, and USDF LHR or USDF HID, must complete a USDF Competition Affidavit Form and pay the $5 affidavit filing fee. A copy of a completed affidavit form from another competition may also be used for verification purposes for up to 60 days. (Exception: Affidavits cannot be used at Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Dressage Championships.)

Exceptions:

- Horses competing only in Individual Breed Classes (IBCs) at DSHB competitions, sires and dams of horses in DSHB group classes, where those sires or dams are not actually competing in the same competition, horses competing only in breed restricted dressage or DSHB classes at Regular Competitions (e.g. all Arabian, all Friesian, or all Morgan classes), or in USDF Introductory Level tests, pas de deux or quadrille, are exempt from this requirement. Also exempt are horses ridden in leadline, exhibitions, games and races, classes for 4-H members, walk-trot, academy, and opportunity classes.
- Riders and owners/lessees competing only in classes which are exempt from the USDF HID requirements are also exempt from the USDF NM identification number and NM fee requirements. Also exempt are handlers of horses competing in DSHB In-Hand or Group classes.

Memberships Defined

Participating Membership (PM): A membership issued to an individual directly by USDF. The membership year is December 1 through November 30. PMs are available for 1-year ($90), 5-years ($360), or life ($1,800). A USDF Youth Participating Membership (YPM) is available for individuals who have not reached their 21st birthday by December 1 of the current membership year ($72). A PM allows the member to compete at USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competitions and to participate as a rider and/or owner/lessee for all Adequan®/USDF Year-End Awards and the Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Dressage Championship program.

Group Membership (GM): A membership issued to an individual by USDF when the member name and dues are submitted to USDF through an affiliate Group Member Organization (GMO). The GM year begins December 1 and ends November 30. A GM allows the member to compete at USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competitions and participate in the USDF Rider Awards Program and the USDF Regional Schooling Show Awards Program.

Business Membership (BM): A membership that runs December 1 through November 30 and is issued to a business or organization directly by USDF. The USDF BM ($240) offers a wider variety of advertising benefits. BMs satisfy requirements of horse ownership only.

Non-Member (NM) Identification Number: For each USDF NM owner/lessee and USDF NM rider there will be a USDF NM fee of $35 per competition that must be collected by the show secretary and submitted to USDF, along with the USDF Report of Fees document and the $5 affidavit fee and Competition Affidavit Form if the person cannot provide a copy of their USDF NM card. Owners/lessees or riders exempt from the NM number requirements are also exempt from paying the USDF NM fee. If there are multiple owners of a horse and all are NMs, only one of the owners must pay the NM fee. If the horse has at least one owner who is a current USDF PM, GM, or BM there is no NM fee assessed. Competition management will be invoiced for all applicable USDF NM fees not received with the USDF post-competition paperwork, along with a report listing all USDF NMs. Competition management is then required to submit the NM fees within 30 days to the USDF. An individual with a USDF NM identification number is not eligible for any USDF membership benefits. Once a USDF NM number has been assigned, a USDF NM card can be obtained from the USDF website.

Horse Identification (HID) Number: A one-time tracking number for horses ($35). Scores earned by a horse with an HID number will be recorded but will NOT be counted towards Adequan®/USDF Year-End Awards. A horse with an HID number is not eligible to compete in Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional qualifying or championship classes. An HID number can be upgraded to a Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR) for a fee of $80. If a horse has a USDF LHR it does not need an HID number. An HID number is a one-time fee that does not need to be renewed.

Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR): A horse with an LHR ($115) is eligible for Adequan®/USDF Year-End Awards, and eligible to compete in Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional qualifying and championship classes, assuming requirements for the owner and rider are met. If a horse has an LHR it does not need an HID number. An LHR does not need to be renewed.

How to Join USDF

Applications for USDF Participating Membership (PM), Business Membership (BM), Horse Identification (HID) number, and Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR) may be found in the following locations:

- On the USDF website: www.usdf.org. You can submit the application online or download the form.
- In the show office at USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competitions classified by USEF as Dressage Competitions, and Regular Competitions which are open to all breeds.
- By calling or writing the USDF office at (859) 971-2277, 4051 Iron Works Parkway, Lexington, KY 40511

The effective date of membership is the date the form and correct fees are received in the USDF office or, if applying at a competition, the date accepted by the competition secretary, provided the application is signed and dated by the competition secretary, member, and/or horse owner on that same day.

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR 3-6 YEAR OLD HORSES COMPETING IN MATERIALE AND/OR USEF/FEI YOUNG HORSE TESTS

	3 YEAR OLD	4 YEAR OLD	5 YEAR OLD	6 YEAR OLD
ADEQUAN®/YEAR-END AWARDS*				
Materiale Horse of the Year Award (min. 3 scores required)	X	X	X	
USEF Four-Year-Old Award (min. 4 scores required)^		X		
FEI Five-Year-Old Award (min. 4 scores required)^			X	
FEI Six-Year-Old Award (min. 4 scores required)^				X
BREEDERS CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES**				
Materiale Championships (min. 1 score required of 72% or higher)				
Three-Year-Old Championship	X			
Four-Year-Old Championship		X		
Five-Year-Old Championship			X	

For Adequan®/USDF Year-End Awards - at the time scores are earned

* Horse must have a USDF Lifetime Horse Registration Number (LHR)
* Owner must have a USDF Participating (PM) or Business Membership (BM)
* Rider must have a USDF PM
*Competition year starts October 1 and ends September 30

For USDF Breeders Championship Series - to compete in the championships

** Horse must have a USDF Horse Identification Number or LHR
** Owner must have a USDF Group Membership, PM, BM or pay a non-member fee per competition
** Rider must have a USDF PM
**Competition year starts January 1 and ends December 30

^Scores earned in the USEF Four- and FEI Five- & Six-Year-Old tests are also eligible to be used towards a USDF Horse Performance Certificate
^^ Horses competing in the USDF Breeders Championship Series Final Three-Year-Old Materiale Championships may also be eligible for the Three-Year-Old Prospect award

Complete Award/Championship Requirements Listed in the current *USDF Member Guide*

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- Submit your music in the format(s), method(s), and time frame specified in the prize list. If a CD is required, please clearly label it with your name, horse's name, and freestyle level.
- Be present for your optional sound check.
- Know the rules for the level you are riding. This includes forbidden and allowed movements for your level.

Questions?

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COMPETITION NAME _____ COMPETITION DATES

NAME OF HORSE	PREVIOUS NAME (IF ANY)	USEF#	USDF#	FOR SALE

BREED	SEX	HEIGHT	COLOR	COGGINS DATE (ENCLOSED COPY)	SIRE	DAM

DAM'S SIRE	COUNTRY OF BIRTH	YEAR OF BIRTH	BREEDER	FEI/PASSPORT #	GROOM

RIDER/HANDLER _____

USEF# _____ USDF# _____ FEI/LOCAL# _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/ST/ZIP _____

CELL PHONE _____ JR/YOUNG RIDER BIRTHDAY _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

RIDER CITIZENSHIP (IF NOT USA) _____

RIDER STATUS (CIRCLE ONE): JR/YG ☐ AA ☐ OPEN ☐

OWNER _____

USEF# _____ USDF# _____ LOCAL# _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/ST/ZIP _____

CELL PHONE _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

OWNER CITIZENSHIP (IF NOT USA) _____

TRAINER _____

USEF# _____ USDF# _____ LOCAL# _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/ST/ZIP _____

CELL PHONE _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

COACH _____

USEF# _____ USDF# _____ LOCAL# _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/ST/ZIP _____

Please complete all three pages. Reverse MUST be SIGNED.

CLASS NO.	DIVISION	CLASS DESCRIPTION	QUAL Y/N	FEES

SUBTOTAL CLASS FEES AND QUALIFYING FEES	0
USDF NON MEMBER FEE $35 PER NON-MEMBER	
OFFICE FEE AND/OR BRIDLE # FEE	
USEF HORSE FEES $8 USEF FEE + $15 DRUG FEE = $23.00	
CDI HORSE FEES $8 USEF FEE + $ 25 DRUG FEE = $33.00	
IHP DISCIPLINE FEE ($35 IF REQUIRED)	
STABLING FEES _____ STALL @ $_____/STALL	
TACK STALLS 0 STALL @ $ 0 /STALL	0
BEDDING 0 BALES @ $ 0 /BALE	0
NON COMPETING HORSE FEE 0	0
SPONSORSHIP	
GROUNDS FEE OR OTHER FEES _____	
OTHER _____	
LATE/CHANGE/BANK CHARGES FOR CC	
TOTAL FEES	0

Stabling Information & Special Requests: *Please list only ONE name (either individual or barn) for entire group (so we can get everyone together)*

Group/Self	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon
Stalls							
Tack Stalls							

Stable Group: _____ Contact: _____

I hereby agree to release, indemnify and hold harmless USDF, its instructors, officers, directors, agents, and volunteers from and against any and all loss, liability or damage arising from or because of, or in connection with, participation in this competition or related activities. I also hereby agree to release, indemnify and hold harmless the competition licensee, show management, competition staff, show committee and members, officers, directors, agents, and volunteers from and against any and all loss, liability or damage arising from or because of, or in connection with, participation in this competition or related activities.

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BILLING ADDRESS_____ZIP CODE _____

FEDERATION ENTRY AGREEMENT

By entering a Federation-licensed Competition and signing this entry blank as the Owner, Lessee, Trainer, Manager, Agent, Coach, Driver, Rider, Handler, Vaulter or Longeur and on behalf of myself and my principals, representatives, employees and agents, I agree that I am subject to the Bylaws and Rules of The United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. (the "Federation") and the local rules of _____(Competition). I agree to be bound by the Bylaws and Rules of the Federation and of the competition. I will accept as final the decision of the Hearing Committee on any question arising under the Rules, and agree to release and hold harmless the competition, the Federation, their officials, directors and employees for any action taken under the Rules. I represent that I am eligible to enter and/or participate under the Rules, and every horse I am entering is eligible as entered. I also agree that as a condition of and in consideration of acceptance of entry, the Federation and/or the Competition may use or assign photographs, videos, audios, cable - casts, broadcasts, internet, film, new media or other likenesses of me and my horse taken during the course of the competition for the promotion, coverage or benefit of the competition, sport, or the Federation. Those likenesses shall not be used to advertise a product and they may not be used in such a way as to jeopardize amateur status. I hereby expressly and irrevocably waive and release any rights in connection with such use, including any claim to compensation, invasion of privacy, right of publicity, or to misappropriation. The construction and application of Federation rules are governed by the laws of the State of New York, and any action instituted against the Federation must be filed in New York State. See GR908.4.

BY SIGNING BELOW, I AGREE that I have read, understand, and agree to be bound by all applicable Federation Bylaws, rules, and policies including the USEF Safe Sport Policy and Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies (MAAPP) as published at www.usef.org, as amended from time to time, as well as all terms and provisions of this Prize List. If I am signing and submitting this Agreement electronically, I acknowledge that my electronic signature shall have the same validity, force and effect as if I affixed my signature by my own hand.

RIDER/DRIVER/HANDLER/VAULTER/LONGEUR (mandatory)

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

TRAINER (mandatory)

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

OWNER/AGENT (mandatory)

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

COACH (if appicable)

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: (Required if Rider/Driver/Handler/Vaulter/Longeur is a minor) _____

Print Parent//Guardian Name:_____Emergency Contact Phone No._____

Is Rider/Driver/Vaulter a U.S. Citizen: ☐ Yes ☐ No

WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY,
ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

For and in consideration of United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. dba US Equestrian ("USEF") allowing me, the undersigned, to participate in any capacity (including as a rider, driver, handler, vaulter, longeur, lessee, owner, agent, coach, official, trainer or volunteer) in a USEF sanctioned, licensed or approved event or activity, including but not limited to equestrian clinics, practices, shows, competitions and related or incidental activities and _____(**"USEF Event"** or **"USEF Events"**); I, for myself, and on behalf of my spouse, children, heirs and next of kin, and any legal and personal representatives, executors, administrators, successors,, and assigns, hereby agree to and make the following contractual representations pursuant to this Agreement (the **"Agreement"**):

A. RULES AND REGULATIONS: I hereby agree that I have read, understand, and agree to be bound by all applicable Federation Bylaws, rules, and policies including the USEF Safe Sport Policy and Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies as published at www.usef.org, as amended from time to time.

B. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RISK: I knowingly, willingly, and voluntarily acknowledge the inherent risks associated with the sport of equestrian and know that horseback riding and related equestrian activities are inherently dangerous, and that participation in any USEF Event involves risks and dangers including, without limitation, the potential for serious bodily injury (including broken bones, head or neck injuries), sickness and disease (including communicable diseases), trauma, pain & suffering, permanent disability, paralysis and death; loss of or damage to personal property (including my mount & equipment) arising out of the unpredictable behavior of horses; exposure to extreme conditions and circumstances; accidents involving other participants, event staff, volunteers or spectators; contact or collision with other participants and horses, natural or manmade objects; adverse weather conditions; facilities issues and premises conditions; failure of protective equipment (including helmets); inadequate safety measures; participants of varying skill levels; situations beyond the immediate control of the USEF Event organizers and competition management; and other undefined, not readily foreseeable and presently unknown risks and dangers **("Risks")**.

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C. ASSUMPTION OF RISK: I understand that the aforementioned Risks may be caused in whole or in part or result directly or indirectly from the negligence of my own actions or inactions, the actions or inactions of others participating in the USEF Events, or the negligent acts or omissions of the Released Parties defined below, and I hereby voluntarily and knowingly assume all such Risks and responsibility for any damages, liabilities, losses, or expenses that I incur as a result of my participation in any USEF Events. I also agree to be responsible for any injury or damage caused by me, my horse, my employees or contractors under my direction and control at any USEF Event.

D. WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY, HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNITY: In conjunction with my participation in any USEF Event, I hereby release, waive and covenant not to sue, and further agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the following parties: USEF, USEF Recognized Affiliate Associations, the United States Olympic & Paralympic Committee (USOPC), USEF clubs, members, Event participants (including athletes/riders, coaches, trainers, judges/officials, and other personnel), the Event owner, licensee, and competition managers; the promoters, sponsors, or advertisers of any USEF Event; any charity or other beneficiary which may benefit from the USEF Event; the owners, managers, or lessors of any facilities or premises where a USEF Event may be held; and all directors, officers, employees, agents, contractors, and volunteers of any of the aforementioned parties **(Individually and Collectively, the "Released Parties" or "Event Organizers")**, with respect to any liability, claim(s), demand(s), cause(s) of action, damage(s), loss, or expense (including court costs and reasonable attorney fees) of any kind or nature **("Liability")** which may arise out of, result from, or relate in any way to my participation in the USEF Events, including claims for Liability caused in whole or in part by the negligent acts or omissions of the Released Parties.

E. COMPLETE AGREEMENT AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE: This Agreement represents the complete understanding between the parties regarding these issues and no oral representations, statements or inducements have been made apart from this Agreement. If any provision of this Agreement is held to be unlawful, void, or for any reason unenforceable, then that provision shall be deemed severable from this Agreement and shall not affect the validity and enforceability of any remaining provisions.

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS DOCUMENT IN ITS ENTIRETY, UNDERSTAND ALL OF ITS TERMS AND CONDITIONS, AND KNOW IT CONTAINS AN ASSUMPTION OF RISK, RELEASE AND WAIVER FROM LIABILITY, AS WELL AS A HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFICATION OBLIGATIONS.

By signing below, that I have read, understand, and agree to be bound by all applicable Federation Bylaws, rules, and policies including the USEF Safe Sport Policy and Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies as published at www.usef.org, as amended from time to time, as well as all terms and provisions of this Prize List. If, despite this Agreement, I, or anyone on my behalf or the minor's behalf, makes a claim for Liability against any of the Released Parties, I will indemnify, defend and hold harmless each of the Released Parties from any such Liabilities as the result of such claim.

The parties agree that this agreement may be electronically signed. The parties agree that the electronic signatures appearing on this agreement are the same as handwritten signatures for the purposes of validity, enforceability, and admissibility.

☐ **RIDER/DRIVER/HANDLER/VAULTER/LONGEUR** ☐ **OWNER** ☐ **TRAINER** ☐ **OFFICIAL** ☐ **STAFF** ☐ **VOLUNTEER** ☐ **COACH** (IF APPLICABLE)

Signature: _____ Date: _____ Print Name:_____

Parent/Guardian Signature: (Required if Rider/Driver/Handler/Vaulter/Longeur is a minor) _____Date:_____

Print Parent//Guardian Name: _____Emergency Contact Phone No. _____

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2023 USDF Breeders Championship Series

The USDF Breeders Championship Series (USDFBCS) is a program intent on recognizing quality bloodlines and dressage prospects across the nation. Through a combination of in-hand and materiale classes, the USDFBCS program strives to provide top-notch competition opportunities for dressage prospects and breeding stock.

- The USDFBCS is scheduled on a calendar year basis, which means that the USDFBCS competition year runs from January 1-December 31.
- A series must have a minimum of two qualifying events to host a series final competition.
- Series boundaries are determined by USDF. Please be advised that the boundaries of any given series may cross the regional boundaries established for dressage competitions.
- All Dressage Sport Horse Breeding (DSHB) and USDFBCS exhibitors and management staff are responsible for knowing the rules pertaining to USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized dressage competitions holding DSHB classes, as well as USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competitions in general. The USEF Rule Book Chapter Dressage, Subchapter DR-2, contains the DSHB class rules, and can found online at www.usef.org. All recent rule changes in the online USEF Rule Book will be noted in color.

I. IN-HAND CHAMPIONSHIP

A. HORSE REGISTRATION AND MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS FOR ELIGIBILITY (IN-HAND CLASSES)

1. All horses entered in any USDFBCS qualifying or series final competition must have either a USDF Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR) or USDF Horse Identification Number (HID) and submit identification information. Horses registered with a breed organization should have a copy of their registration papers submitted directly to USDF.
2. Owner is not required to be a USDF member for qualifying or series final competitions. If the owner does not have a current USDF Group, Participating, or Business Membership, non-member fees will apply. Should non-member fees not be paid by the USDF owner of record and/or not collected by competition management and submitted to USDF following the completion of an in-hand championship class, elimination from the championship class in question may result due to non-compliance with USDF requirements for competition.
3. Neither USDF membership nor a USDF non-member fee is required for the handler.
4. Horses participating in USDFBCS qualifying or final events are not required to be registered with any studbook, but "if a horse is registered with any breed organization, the name of the breed, sire, dam, damsire, and breeder must be given on the entry blank. For unregistered horses competing in DSHB classes, the information is strongly recommended, if available" (GR907).
5. It is strongly recommended that horses not registered with a breed registry be listed as "unregistered".
6. Should any USDF membership or horse registration applications with related fees fail to be submitted to USDF with the completion of a series final competition, elimination of a horse from its relevant series final class may result.

B. REQUIREMENTS FOR USDFBCS IN-HAND QUALIFYING CLASSES

7. Classes must be offered and judged according to DR209.
8. All qualifying competitions must offer every Sport Horse Prospect In-Hand and Breeding Stock In-Hand division of the USDFBCS.
9. Only a single set of Sport Horse Prospect In-Hand and Breeding Stock In-Hand Dressage Sport Horse Breeding classes may be offered to serve as qualifying classes for the USDFBCS per competition. These classes must be open to all horses and ponies of the appropriate age and sex, and not subject to any entry restriction.
4. A separate championship class must be held for all divisions, even those that have only one class or one horse in the division. For example, if there is only one class of mares, the top two mares from that class would then be shown in the championship class. If there is only one stallion in the one stallion class, that stallion would then show again in the championship class. All horses must be reevaluated by the judge(s) at both the walk and the trot in the championship class. If any one of the judges adjudicating this class has not previously judged all of the horses in this class, conformation must also be reevaluated on every horse.
5. Current Year Foal Championship class: Each qualifier event must offer a current year filly class, a separate current year colt/gelding class and a current year foal championship class. This current year foal championship class is a series final qualifying class. This class must be held and judged (i.e. reevaluated at the walk and the trot, and conformation if required) in accordance with DR210.
   The current year foal championship class, at qualifier events, must be open to first and second place winners of Sport Horse Prospect In-Hand classes for all foals of current calendar year, as listed below. First and second place fillies and colts/geldings of current year will compete against each other in the same class. (Organizers have the option of including third placed horses in qualifier championship classes.) No scores are given. Ties are not allowed.

   Current Year Foal Championship:
   Fillies of current calendar year
   Colts/Geldings of current calendar year

   The champion and reserve champion current year foals at each qualifier event are eligible to compete in their respective USDFBCS series final class. A third-place foal in the championship class must be named as well.
6. Filly and Colt/Gelding Championship classes: Each qualifier event must offer a Filly Championship class and a Colt/Gelding Championship class. These classes are USDFBCS qualifying classes. These classes must be held and judged (i.e. reevaluated at the walk and the trot, and possibly the conformation) in accordance with DR210.
   The filly and colt/gelding championship classes must be open to first and second placed winners of Sport Horse Prospect In-Hand classes for all horses, as listed below. (Organizers have the option of including third placed horses in qualifier championship classes). No scores are given. Ties are not allowed.

Filly Championship	Colt/Gelding Championship:
Yearling Fillies	Yearling Colts/Geldings
Two-year-old Fillies	Two-year-old Colts/Geldings
Three-year-old Fillies	Three-year-old Colts/Geldings

   The champion and reserve champion filly and the champion and reserve champion colt/gelding at each qualifier event are eligible to compete in their respective USDFBCS series final class. A third-place horse in each championship class must be named as well.
   Current Year Foals ARE NOT ALLOWED in Filly Championship and Colt/Gelding Championship classes.
7. Four-Year-Old Prospect Championship class: Each qualifier event must offer a Four-Year-Old Old Prospect Championship class. This championship class is a USDFBCS qualifying class. This class must be held and judged (i.e. reevaluated at the walk and the trot, and possibly the conformation) in accordance with DR210. The Four-Year-Old Prospect Championship class, at qualifier events, must be open to first and second place winners of Sport Horse Prospect In-Hand classes for all four-year-old prospects, as listed below. First and second place Four-Year-Old Prospect mares and stallions/geldings will compete against each other in the same class. (Organizers have the option of

including third placed horses in qualifier championship classes.) No scores are given. Ties are not allowed.

Four-Year-Old Prospect Championship:
Four-Year-Old Mare Sport Horse Prospects
Four-Year-Old Stallion/Geldings Sport Horse Prospects

The champion and reserve champion Four-Year-Old Prospects at each qualifier event are eligible to compete in their respective USDFBCS series final class. A third-place Four-Year-Old Prospect in the championship class must be named as well.

8. Mare and Stallion Championship (Breeding Stock) classes: Each qualifier event must offer a Mare Championship class and a Stallion Championship class. These championship classes are USDFBCS qualifying classes. These classes must be held and judged (i.e. reevaluated at the walk and the trot, and possibly the conformation) in accordance with DR210.
Mare and Stallion Championship classes must be open to first and second placed winners of Breeding Stock In-Hand classes for horses age four years old and over, as listed below. (Organizers have the option of including third placed horses in qualifier championship classes). No scores are given. Ties are not allowed.
For details on determining breeding status for competition purposes, please refer to DR203.

Mare Championship (Breeding Stock):
Mare classes may be divided by age, competition and/or breeding status (as of January 1st of the current competition year), as in the following example:
Four-year-old and older maiden mares – never bred
Four-year-old and older yeld mares – previously bred but not currently bred or nursing
Four-year-old and older broodmares – in foal or currently nursing (mare only to be judged).

Stallion Championship (Breeding Stock):
Stallion classes may be divided by age or competition status, as in the following example:
Four-year-old and older stallions showing only in-hand
Four-year-old and older stallions showing also under saddle
The champion and reserve champion mare and the champion and reserve champion stallion at each qualifier event are eligible to compete in their respective USDFBCS series final class. A third-place horse in each championship class must be named as well.

9. Age/sex eligibility is determined as follows:
a. Fillies, colts, and geldings three years of age or under may show ONLY as sport horse prospects, not in breeding stock classes/categories. Note: Two and three–year-olds are ONLY eligible to compete in the filly or colt/gelding championships. They are NOT eligible for the mare or stallion championships.
b. Mares, Stallions and Geldings age four are eligible to compete in the Four-Year-Old Prospect division. Mares and stallions age four and over, may also show in breeding stock classes/categories.
c. Geldings of any age may NOT show in breeding stock classes/categories. Geldings age four and under may show ONLY in sport horse prospect classes.
10. Scoresheets: Age group classes must be judged using the appropriate scoring categories and percentages. Sport horse prospects four years old and under MUST be evaluated on the current USDF Dressage Sport Horse Prospect In-Hand scoresheets and breeding stock MUST be evaluated on the current USDF Dressage Sport Horse Breeding Stock scoresheets.
11. Horses in all USDFBCS classes must be evaluated for movement according to DR210.
12. Each horse may only enter the USDFBCS qualifying class(es) for which it is eligible and may only qualify for the specific USDFBCS championship class(es) for that division(s). For example, a four-year-old mare must enter and qualify in a mare breeding stock class in order to qualify for the USDFBCS mare championship. For that same mare to qualify for the USDFBCS Four-Year-Old Prospect championship, she must separately enter and qualify in a Four-Year-Old Prospect in-hand class for the Four-Year-Old Prospect championship.
13. During awards ceremonies, the current year foal champion and reserve, the filly champion and reserve, the colt/gelding champion and reserve, the four-year-old prospect champion and reserve, the mare champion and reserve, and the stallion champion and reserve, must be named USDFBCS qualifying champions and reserve champions for the show. A third-place horse in each championship class must be named as well. Ties are not allowed. Announcements must identify sponsors and horses' breeding information.
14. For each USDF Breeders Championship Series qualifier class, the champion and reserve champion must be presented with a qualifier ribbon. These ribbons will be supplied to the show by USDF. Only the champion and reserve champion will receive the qualifier ribbons, even if they have previously qualified. The third-place horse in the qualifier championship class will not receive a qualifier ribbon. The qualifier ribbons for champion and reserve champion are identical.
15. All champions and reserve champions will be eligible to compete in any USDFBCS series final. In the event that a champion and/or reserve has already qualified for a final, the third-placed horse from the pertinent qualifying championship class will be eligible to compete in a final. Competition management is required to have judges place qualifying championship classes to three places, with no ties. In addition, any other horse receiving a 75.000 percent or higher in its age/sex class will be qualified and eligible to compete in the USDFBCS series finals.
16. A list of qualified horses is maintained on the USDF website.
17. Horses may compete in any series final competition, regardless of where qualification is earned, but may compete in only one series final competition.

C. CONDUCT OF IN-HAND CHAMPIONSHIP DIVISION CLASSES AT SERIES FINAL COMPETITIONS

1. At least two USEF DSHB judges (DR202) must officiate in each series final class; one of the two required judges must be a USEF 'R' DSHB judge. Each judge will evaluate each entry independently, and scribes must be provided for each judge. Winners will be determined by the average of all judges' scores. The highest scoring horses will be declared champions and the second highest will be declared reserve champions of the series final.
2. Ties in series final classes must remain unbroken.
3. There are six in-hand championship classes in USDFBCS series final competitions. Current year foal champions and reserves from each qualifying event will compete together in a USDFBCS current year foal series final class. Filly champions and reserves from each qualifying event will compete together in a USDFBCS filly series final class. Colt/gelding champions and reserves from each qualifying event will compete together in a USDFBCS colt/gelding series final class. Four-year-old prospect champions and reserves from each qualifying event will compete together in a USDFBCS four-year-old prospect series final class. Mare (Breeding Stock) champions and reserves from each qualifying event will compete together in a USDFBCS mare series final class. Stallion (Breeding Stock) champions and reserves from each qualifying event will compete together in a USDFBCS stallion series final class. Horses that qualified with a score of 75.000% or higher in their respective qualifying classes will also be eligible for these series final championship classes
4. A grand champion and reserve grand champion current year foal, a grand champion and reserve grand champion filly, a grand champion and reserve grand champion colt/gelding, a grand champion and reserve grand champion four-year-old prospect, a grand champion and reserve grand champion mare (Breeding Stock), and a grand champion and reserve grand champion stallion (Breeding Stock), will be named at each USDFBCS series final event. Grand and reserve champions will receive awards and prizes provided by USDF. Third through sixth placed horses in series final classes will receive ribbons provided by USDF. After the last series final competition in a competition year, special certificates will be available from USDF via the website to owners of all horses that competed in USDFBCS series final classes.
5. USDF reserves the right to change, alter, or retract any placings and/or prizes for up to 60 days after the last day of the championship if an error or violation is discovered.
6. Horses must be shown individually on the triangle at the walk and trot and standing for conformation. Each horse must be evaluated in the same manner.

Callbacks are permitted. If horses may be recalled, the prize list or program must state that this procedure will be used (DR209).

7. Owner must enter the qualified horse in the USDFBCS series final championship class. The horse is NOT automatically entered in the series final championship class because it qualified earlier in the day or at another show.
8. Horses in the current year foal final class, filly final class, colt/gelding final class and four-year-old prospect final class MUST be evaluated using the USDF Dressage Sport Horse Prospect In-Hand scoresheets. Horses in the mare final class and the stallion final class MUST be evaluated using the USDF Dressage Sport Horse Breeding Stock scoresheets.
9. Management must collect all required USDF membership, horse registrations, and related fees prior to the commencement of series final classes for eligible entries that wish to compete in a series final class. Should the required USDF membership, horse recording, and related fees fail to be submitted to USDF following the completion of a series final competition, elimination of a horse from its relevant series final class may result due to noncompliance with USDF membership and horse recording requirements for competition. These applications and related fees must be submitted to the USDF office within 24 hours of the series final classes. Refer to section I.A for all USDF membership and horse recording requirements for competition.
10. Series final events must agree to allow late entries in series final classes for horses that qualified for the series final event after the official closing date.

II. MATERIALE CHAMPIONSHIP

Materiale Championships will be held at each USDFBCS series final competition. Each USDFBCS series final will hold a Three-Year-Old Materiale Championship class, a Four-Year-Old Materiale Championship Class, and a Five-Year-Old Materiale Championship class. Fillies, colts, mares, stallions, and/or geldings, will compete in the same championship classes of their respective age groups. A Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion will be named for each materiale championship class at each series final event. These specific age categories of three-year-olds, four-year-olds, and five-year-olds are the only eligible categories to be offered as USDFBCS Materiale Championship classes.

A. HORSE REGISTRATION AND MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS FOR ELIGIBILITY (FOR MATERIALE CLASSES)

1. All horses entered in any materiale class or Materiale Championship held at a USEF/USDF recognized Dressage Sport Horse Breeding (DSHB) or dressage competition must have either a USDF Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR) or USDF Horse Identification Number (HID), and submit identification information. Horses registered with a breed organization should have a copy of their registration papers submitted directly to USDF.
2. Owner is not required to be a USDF member for a horse to compete in materiale classes, earn USDFBCS materiale championship qualification scores at USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized DSHB or dressage competitions, or compete in a USDFBCS Materiale Championship class. If the USDF owner of record does not have a current USDF Group, Participating or Business membership, non-member fees will apply. Should non-member fees not be paid by the USDF owner of record and/or not collected by competition management and then submitted to USDF following the completion of a materiale championship class, elimination from the materiale championship class in question may result due to non-compliance with USDF requirements for competition.
3. Rider is required to have a current USDF PM at the time a horse's qualifying score is earned and at the time of the USDFBCS Materiale Championship class.
4. Horses participating in USDFBCS qualifying or final events are not required to be registered with any studbook, but, "if a horse is registered with any breed organization, the name of the breed, sire, dam, dam sire and breeder must be given on the entry blank" (GR907).
5. It is strongly recommended that horses not registered with a breed registry be listed as "unregistered".
6. It is the responsibility of the horse owner to ensure that the owner's and rider's USDF membership and USDF horse registration are correct and current. Should any required USDF membership or horse registration application and related fees fail to be submitted to USDF following the completion of a series final competition, elimination of a horse from its relevant series final class may result due to noncompliance with USDF membership and horse recording requirements for competition.

B. REQUIREMENTS FOR MATERIALE CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFICATION

1. A horse may qualify for competition in a USDFBCS Materiale Championship class by receiving one score of 72.000% or higher in a materiale class held at any USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized DSHB or Dressage competition during the relative competition year.
2. Scores must be earned at competitions licensed by USEF as dressage competitions. Scores earned at competitions licensed by USEF as Regular or Local competitions are not eligible to be used as qualifying scores for the USDFBCS Materiale Championships.
3. The USDFBCS Materiale Championships will run on the same calendar year as the USDFBCS (January 1-December 31). Qualifications to compete in a USDFBCS Materiale Championship class must be earned in the calendar year that the championship will occur. Any qualifications earned in other calendar years will not apply.
4. Qualifying scores must be earned in materiale classes run under DR134 and DR204. Fillies and/or mares may not be combined in classes with colts, geldings and/or stallions (exception: championship materiale classes – see DR204).
5. At each USDFBCS series final competition, materiale championship classes will be held for three age groups. All qualified horses regardless of sex will compete against one another in their respective age groups. This means that all qualified three-year-olds will compete in one class to determine the USDFBCS Materiale Champion Three-Year-Old, and all qualified four-year-olds will compete in one class to determine the USDFBCS Materiale Champion Four-Year-Old, and all qualified five-year-olds will compete in one class to determine the USDFBCS Materiale Champion Five-Year-Old. Horses will be evaluated according to the criteria listed on the current "USDF Materiale Class" scoresheet, and classes must be conducted according to the current USDF "Procedures to Host USDF Materiale Classes".
6. Qualifying scores to compete in a class may be earned up until the championship class occurs.
7. Once a horse has qualified to compete in a USDFBCS Materiale Championship class, the horse is eligible to compete at the USDFBCS series final of the owner's choice. This means that the horse does not have to attend the series final being held within the same geographical area or series that the qualifying score was earned in. However, a horse may only compete in one USDFBCS Materiale Championship class in a given calendar year.
8. A list of qualified horses is maintained on the USDF website.
9. A horse may qualify with a different rider than the rider who competes the horse in the championship class.
10. Dressage competitions with materiale classes scheduled after the USDFBCS series finals are held, are not eligible to participate in the USDFBCS program, and will not be qualifying events for the next year's series final.

C. CONDUCT OF MATERIALE CHAMPIONSHIP CLASSES AT THE SERIES FINAL

1. At least two USEF DSHB judges must officiate in each USDFBCS Materiale Championship class. One of the two required judges must be a USEF "R" DSHB judge. The other judge may be a USEF "r" DSHB judge. Guest Cards to judge DSHB classes are not allowed, per USEF GR1011. Each judge will evaluate each entry independently, and scribes must be provided for each judge. Winners will be determined by the average of all judges' scores. The highest scoring horse will be declared grand champion, and the second highest will be declared reserve grand champion for their respective age-group classes. Scores must be awarded to all competitors competing in materiale classes, as well as USDFBCS Materiale Championship classes.

a. Ties in USDFBCS Materiale Championship classes must remain unbroken.
b. A Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion will be named for the three-year-old, four-year-old, and five-year-old USDFBCS Materiale Championship classes at each series final competition. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champions will receive awards and prizes provided by USDF. Third through sixth placed horses in these materiale championship classes will receive ribbons provided by USDF.

c. After the conclusion of the last scheduled series final competition, special certificates will be available from USDF via the website to owners of all horses that competed in USDFBCS Materiale Championship classes.
d. USDF reserves the right to change, alter, or retract any placings and/or prizes for up to 60 days after the last day of the championship if an error or violation is discovered.
e. Owner must enter the qualified horse in the horse's appropriate USDFBCS Materiale Championship class prior to commencement of the class. The horse is NOT automatically entered in the class because the horse qualified earlier in the day or at another show.
f. Management must collect-all required USDF membership, horse registrations, and related fees prior to the commencement of materiale championship classes for eligible entries that wish to compete in a materiale championship class. Should required USDF membership, horse recording, and related fees fail to be submitted to USDF following the completion of a series final competition, elimination of a horse from its relevant materiale championship class may result due to noncompliance with USDF membership and horse recording requirements for competition. These applications and related fees must be submitted to the USDF office within 24 hours of the series final classes. Refer to section II.A for all USDF membership and horse recording requirements for competition.
g. Horse numbers must be provided by management per USEF DR207.
h. USDFBCS series final events must agree to allow late entries in the USDFBCS Materiale Championship classes for horses that qualified for the championship after the official closing date.
i. Series final events must hold materiale classes allowing for qualification opportunities prior to holding the USDFBCS Materiale Championship classes.

III. THREE-YEAR-OLD PROSPECT AWARD

The Three-Year-Old Prospect Award will be awarded to the three-year-old horse earning the highest combined scores from their in-hand series final championship class and series final materiale championship class at each USDFBCS Series Final annually. USDF will provide each USDFBCS Series Final competition with the prize for the Three-Year-Old Prospect Award. This award must be presented to the award winner at the competition, and a photo taken of the award winner.

IV. AWARD CEREMONIES

A. REQUIREMENTS

1. For all series finals, a USDF sponsor banner must be prominently displayed. If the banner is misplaced or damaged, the event will be responsible for the cost of repair or replacement. Banners must be returned to USDF within 30 days of the competition.
2. In addition to the general requirements above, the awards presentation ceremonies and award presenters at each series final event must be arranged in cooperation with USDF. USDF will contact sponsors to determine if they or a representative plan to attend the award ceremonies. USDF will forward this information to the appropriate management team.
3. All USDFBCS sponsors (or their representatives) should be invited to participate in the final event award ceremonies. Award ceremony announcements must identify the sponsoring organizations. Any sponsors in attendance at these events should be provided with a complimentary copy of the competition program and be given free admission to the event.
4. Management must send two champion photos of in-hand competitors, two champion photos of materiale championship competitors, and two champion photos of the Three-Year-Old Prospect award winner, electronically to USDF for publication with the final results. Persons and horses in the photos must be identified. A photographer's release must also be submitted.
5. Public announcements must be made, which credit sponsors and promote the program to the public. These announcements are required to be made throughout the event during the awarding of Current Year Foal, Filly, Colt/Gelding, Four-Year-Old Prospect, Mare, and Stallion Championships and Three, Four, and Five-Year-Old Materiale Championships. The name of the breeder(s) must be announced during award ceremonies. It is also strongly recommended that breeder(s) and owners of placing horses be invited to participate in award ceremonies.
6. All unused ribbons and prizes must be returned to USDF within 30 days of the competition. If awards are misplaced or damaged, the event will be responsible for the cost of replacement. For series qualifiers, USDF will provide twelve qualifier ribbons (two per in-hand division). For series finals, USDF will provide neck sashes and prizes for Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion and ribbons for third through sixth place. Ribbons and prizes will be sent directly to the designated competition contact about two weeks prior to the event.
7. Show management is responsible to have a professional photographer for USDFBCS series final competitions.

V. COMPETITION MANAGEMENT

A. APPLYING FOR AND SCHEDULING QUALIFIER AND FINAL EVENTS

1. The USDFBCS is scheduled on a calendar year basis (January 1-December 31).
2. A series must have a minimum of two qualifying events to hold a series final. All shows in the series, including qualifier classes held in conjunction with the series final, are qualifying events for any series final.
3. Competitions intending to host USDFBCS qualifying classes must submit their USDFBCS qualifier application to USDF no less than sixty days prior to the start of the competition. Any competitions submitting USDFBCS qualifier applications less than sixty days prior to the start of the competition will be considered on a case-by-case basis and subject to a $50 late application fee.
4. Competitions may not advertise themselves as being qualifying opportunities for the USDFBCS prior to submitting a qualifier application and related $75 fee to USDF.
5. The official USDFBCS host site application form for qualifiers and series finals will be available from the USDF office during the summer, prior to the start of the next competition year. USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized dressage competitions interested in hosting a final for a series must submit a completed USDFBCS event application form and contract to the USDF office by February 1 of the same year as the series final to request consideration for hosting the series final.
6. Fees for USDFBCS Final Host Site Applications are as follows:
a. USDFBCS Final application submitted by February 1: $100
b. USDFBCS Final application submitted after February 1: $150
c. USDFBCS Final application submitted less than 60 days prior to the start of the competition will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
7. The final event of each series is often the last USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized dressage competition holding DSHB classes scheduled in a particular geographical area of the United States. However, a series final must also be held in conjunction with a USDFBCS qualifying event. Host sites of series finals will be designated on or about April 1 of the same year as the series final year.
8. The series final must meet the minimum requirements for a series final: 1) minimum USEF Level 2 competition 2) Show manager and secretary must both be members of USEF and USDF (USDF Participating or Group Membership is required) at the time of championships. 3) all other requirements as stated in the USDFBCS Series Final Host Site Application.
9. It is recommended that a series final be held in conjunction with a USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competition unless it has a proven stand-alone history.
10. All applications for a series final will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
11. A series final will be considered "definite" when at least two qualifying events have registered with USDF to participate in the series for the year. If it meets the minimum requirements, a series final will be considered "tentative" until at least two events have registered for the series.
12. If two or more qualified events in the same series wish to host the series final, a working group appointed by the Sport Horse Committee, will select the host site of the series final, after consultation with the chair of the Sport Horse Committee, the regional director(s) of the region(s) with qualifying events in the series and the Sport Horse Committee liaison. Priority for the final will be given to 1) the date of event, which must be after all qualifying events are normally scheduled, and ideally, between August 1 and October 1 of the series final year, 2) the most prestigious DSHB show, or USDF Regional Dressage Championship in the geographical area, 3) location and accessibility to competitors, 4) experience of

the competition management with DSHB competitions and 5) history of rule compliance with USEF and USDF.

13. All USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized dressage competitions with DSHB classes scheduled prior to the series final in the same calendar year and geographical area are eligible to participate in the USDFBCS program. Dressage competitions with DSHB classes scheduled after the series final in their area are not eligible to participate in the USDFBCS program and will not be qualifying events for the next year's series final.
14. Only one USDFBCS series, or part of a series, may be held in any particular geographical area in the same calendar year. The boundaries of a series will be determined by USDF in consultation with regional directors and the chair of the Sport Horse Committee. Series will include clusters of DSHB shows and may cross the regional boundaries established for dressage competitions.
15. If a USDFBCS series does not have at least two qualifying events recognized by USDF by June 1 of the series final year, the final will not be held. Exceptions will be considered in extenuating circumstances.
16. Series Final competitions are required to submit an initial entry file to USDF for verification at least seven days prior to the start of the series final competition. Additional entries may be submitted to USDF for verification as they are received by the show secretary.

B. ADVERTISING AND PROMOTION

17. In order to receive full promotional benefits from USDF, qualifying and final events must be approved at least six months prior to the competition.
18. Qualifiers and final events must be approved by USDF in writing each year before they advertise that they are participating as qualifying or final events in the USDFBCS program.
19. "USDFBCS" or "USDF Breeders Championship Series" must be used in its entirety if included as the title of an event, or if referred to anywhere within the prize list or program. (In other words, you cannot title a competition the "XYZ Breeders Competition").
20. The title "USDF Breeders Championship_____ Series Final" must be prominently listed in the final event official prize list, show program, promotional materials, and advertisements once the competition has received written approval of its status as a designated USDFBCS Final competition.
21. Series final prize lists must include the prize list insert for the USDFBCS program as provided by USDF.
22. Unless a competition has received written confirmation from USDF of the Federation's approval to host a USDFBCS series final competition, the competition cannot utilize any competition name or title that would include a USDFBCS series final designation. Any failure on the part of the competition management to follow this protocol will result in a $100 fine.

C. PRIZES

23. Prizes will be awarded during the finals competition award ceremonies.
24. Prizes and/or other awards may be withheld by USDF to series winners if the following information is not provided to USDF or show management by required deadlines: name of owner; name, age and sex of horse; and if known, the breed of horse, sire, dam, damsire, and breeder.
25. Prizes and/or other awards may be withheld by USDF if it is found that a series award winner or owner was not in compliance with USDF series final membership, horse registration requirements, and related fees, for competition. These requirements can be seen at I.A and II.A.

D. RULES REGARDING CONTRACTS AND RECOGNITION

26. Qualifying and final events must be USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized dressage competitions and all classes must be conducted under USEF rules.
27. USDFBCS event application, contract and rules for the upcoming competition year will be available to show managers during the summer of the year prior to each USDFBCS competition year.
28. Rule changes and requirements will be fully approved and publicized by July 1 of the year prior to each USDFBCS competition year.
29. Changes of rules, requirements, or contract obligations for competition management (and/or competitors, if applicable) are not permitted after August 1 of the year prior to the start of the USDFBCS competition year, except when changed by the USEF and/or USDF Executive Board.
30. USDFBCS rules and procedures must be listed in the official prize list for the event and must be available sufficiently in advance to all potential competitors, or the event may be in violation of USEF rules.

6. For qualifying events whose dates fall after the closing date for their series final event, the results must be emailed to USDF at results@usdf.org within 24 hours of completion of the qualifying event. USDF will verify those horses who have qualified with the series final event secretary.

E. CONDUCT AND COMPETITION STANDARDS FOR USDFBCS QUALIFYING AND FINAL EVENTS

Series Final events must meet the minimum requirements for a series final:

1. A minimum Level 2 competition.
2. Show manager and secretary must both be members of USEF and USDF (USDF Participating or Group Membership is required) at the time of championships. All other requirements are as stated in the USDFBCS Finals Host Site Application.
3. DSHB competitions are not permitted to exclude horses from competing in an event that have previously qualified for a USDFBCS series final. Such exclusion is not permitted by USEF rules, and penalties could result.
4. Neither foals nor horses of any other age may be shown loose.
5. Note the following clarification on "stallion": No geldings may compete in the USDFBCS classes for stallions even if they are gelded after qualifying for the finals and are breeding via frozen semen.

VI. LICENSED OFFICIALS

A. REQUIREMENTS

1. According to DR202 a competition with a USEF- licensed Dressage Sport Horse Breeding (DSHB) division must have a USEF- licensed DSHB judge and a USEF- licensed dressage technical delegate (TD). Guest Cards to judge DSHB classes are not allowed, per USEF GR1005.
2. Apprentice judging is NOT permitted during USDFBCS series final classes.
3. Hunter Breeding judges or USEF judges with other licenses or in other disciplines are NOT permitted to judge DSHB classes.
4. It is recommended that the USEF (TD) officiating at a USDFBCS series final have significant experience officiating as a TD at DSHB shows.

VII. UNITED STATES EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION RULES

Please note that competition management, licensed officials and competitors must be aware of all USEF DSHB and applicable USEF general rules. Be sure to check the online version of the rules for any clarifications or changes that may have occurred for the current competition year.

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