



St. Louis Area Dressage Society

National Equestrian Center

6880 Lake St Louis Blvd, Lake St Louis, MO 63367

Official Prize List -DRAFT

SLADS August Classic I - August 5, 2023

SLADS August Classic II - August 6, 2023

Level Two Competitions

Show will be a two ring show held in the East and West indoor arena Footing

Two shows – Two chances to Qualify!

Opening Date: June 2, 2023

Closing/Received by Date: July 23, 2023 or when full

Licensed by United States Equestrian Federation

USEF/USDF Recognized No. 342132 / 342133

MHSA Recognized

Official Qualifying Competition for:

20233 Great American/USDF Regional Championships

Judges:

Scott Peterson, S - Natalie Lamping, S - Paula Briney, r

Technical Delegate: Susan Moran, R

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(send mailed entries via “no signature required” to ensure delivery)

Veterinarian (on call): Mid-Rivers Equine Centre – 636-332-5373 www.midriversequine.com Farrier On Call

*** EMT (on grounds during competition hours) Jerry Stinson (EMS for Events)**

Online entries at: www.horseshowoffice.com

Mailed entries: draw checks payable to SLADS in US Funds mail to Show Secretary

Official Prize List posted at: www.slads.org Facebook: @stlouisareadressagesociety

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Important: Please see the “General Regulations and Entry Specifications Section” below for additional policies that this show subscribes to and follows.

Reminder: These are two separate shows so you must submit TWO entry forms when entering both shows. Payment required with entry.

Entry Fees:

Office charge per entry:	\$45 per horse/rider combination for each show entry
Faxed and/or emailed entry fee:	\$15 per entry
Incomplete entry Fee:	\$15 if any paperwork is missing or incomplete, see check list, one fee for the weekend
Drug Fee (D&M \$15, USEF \$8):	\$23
GAIG/USDF Qualifying Fee:	\$15
Non-competing horse fee:	\$55 plus stabling fees and office fee per show
Late Entry Fee:	\$50 entries received after received by/closing date
USEF Show Pass Fee:	NA must purchase thru USEF
USDF Non-Member Fee:	\$35 for each Non-Member owner & rider
USDF Affidavit:	\$5
USDF HID:	\$35
Change Fee:	\$25 change fee after entries submitted (per request made)

Stabling and Grounds Fee Information

Horse Stall:	\$130.00/weekend (All horses MUST occupy a stall)
Tack Stall:	\$90.00/weekend
Bedding:	\$12.00 please pre-order (Minimum purchase of 2 bags per horse stall required)

Stabling/Tack Stall Fees: ALL HORSES MUST OCCUPY A STALL. No bedding provided. Order all bedding on entry form. All stabling is on a first come, first served basis. If a request is filled, you will be shifted to the next stabling area. Stalls are 10’ x 10’ with wooden doors. Outside bedding material is NOT permitted. All bedding must be purchased from the NEC. Bedding purchased at time of entry will be delivered prior to check-in. NEC requires two (2) bales of shavings coverage at all times on the floor of each animal-occupied stall or owner of the horse will incur a \$50 fee.

Other:

Pony Measurement: Contact the show manager to schedule an appointment for the pony to be measured prior to closing date of the show. FEI & Other Pony Riders: If the pony doesn’t have a permanent measurement card, the measurement must take place prior to your first test on the Pony. **Tentatively the Pony Measurements will be done early Saturday morning.**

On-line entries: www.horshowoffice.com On-line entries may incur additional charges.

Qualifying Classes: Please indicate if the class is to count for qualifying by placing a Q after the class number. Qualifying will not require a separate ride. An exhibitor riding in the Open, Adult Amateur, or Junior/Young Rider classes will pay an additional USDF fee to have this score entered in the Great American/USDF qualifying classes at that level.

Volunteers – Sarah Szachnieski & Jennifer Bacon at email volunteer@slads.org
Advertisements & Sponsorships– Contact: Jennifer Bacon at sladsorg@yahoo.com

2023 Dressage Classes

Sat #	Sun #	Class Name <small>*indicates a GAIG/USDF Regional Qualifying class Classes placed by division listed</small>	Divisions Offered	Class Fee	With Q Fee
101	201	USDF Intro Level Test A	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$40	
102	202	USDF Intro Level Test B	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$40	
103	203	USDF Intro Level Test C	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$40	
104	204	USEF Training Level Test 1	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$45	
105	205	USEF Training Level Test 2	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$45	
106	206	USEF Training Level Test 3*	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$45	\$60
107	207	USEF First Level Test 1	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$45	
108	208	USEF First Level Test 2 (Sat optional Jackpot class)	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$45	
109	209	USEF First Level Test 3*	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$45	\$60
110	210	USEF Second Level Test 1	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$45	
111	211	USEF Second Level Test 2	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$45	
112	212	USEF Second Level Test 3*	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$45	\$60
113	213	USEF Third Level Test 1	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$50	
114	214	USEF Third Level Test 2	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$50	
115	215	USEF Third Level Test 3*	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$50	\$65
116	216	USEF Fourth Level Test 1	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$50	
117	217	USEF Fourth Level Test 2	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$50	
118	218	USEF Fourth Level Test 3*	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$50	\$65
119	219	USEF TOC* (state test, no Freestyles/Young Horse)		\$50	\$65
120	220	FEI Prix St George*	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$55	\$70
121	221	FEI Intermediate I*	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$55	\$70
122	222	FEI Intermediate II*	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$55	\$70
123	223	FEI Intermediate A	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$55	
124	224	FEI Intermediate B	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$55	
125	225	FEI Grand Prix*	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$55	\$70
126	226	FEI TOC* (state test, no Freestyles/Young Horse)		\$55	\$70
127	227	USEF Developing Prix St Georges		\$55	
128	228	USEF Developing Grand Prix		\$55	
		Freestyle Classes			
129	229	USDF Freestyle TOC* (specify test-USDF Tr to 4 th , Training is not eligible for qualifying)		\$55	\$70
130	230	FEI Freestyle TOC* (specify test)		\$55	\$70

		Equitation Classes			
133	233	Dressage Seat Equitation JR/YR	JR/YR	\$40	
134	234	Dressage Seat Equitation OPEN	AA/Open	\$40	
		Opportunity Classes			
135	235	USEF Training Level Test 1 Opportunity		\$40	
136	236	USEF Training Level Test 2 Opportunity		\$40	
137	237	USEF Training Level Test 3 Opportunity		\$40	
138	238	USEF First Level Test 1 Opportunity		\$40	
139	239	USEF First Level Test 2 Opportunity		\$40	
140	240	USEF First Level Test 3 Opportunity		\$40	
141	241	USEF Second Level Test 1 Opportunity		\$40	
142	242	USEF Second Level Test 2 Opportunity		\$40	
143	243	USEF Second Level Test 3 Opportunity		\$40	
		Materiale Classes			
150	250	Materiale Three-Year-Old Fillies		\$45	
151	251	Materiale Three-Year-Old Colts/Geldings		\$45	
152	252	Materiale Four/Five-Year-Old Mares		\$45	
153	253	Materiale Four/Five-Year-Old Stallions/Gelding		\$45	
		Pony Classes			
160	260	USEF Training Level Test 1 - Pony	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$40	
161	261	USEF Training Level Test 2 - Pony	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$40	
162	262	USEF Training Level Test 3 - Pony*	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$40	\$55
163	263	USEF First Level Test 1 - Pony	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$40	
164	264	USEF First Level Test 2 - Pony	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$40	
165	265	USEF First Level Test 3 – Pony*	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$40	\$55
166	266	USEF Second Level Test 1 - Pony	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$40	
167	267	USEF Second Level Test 2- Pony	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$40	
168	268	USEF Second Level Test 3 – Pony*	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$40	\$55
169	269	USEF Third Level Test 1 - Pony	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$40	
170	270	USEF Third Level Test 2 - Pony	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$40	
171	271	USEF Third Level Test 3 – Pony*	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$40	\$55

AWARDS FOR OPEN SHOW:

Divisions (JR/YR, AA & Open) may be run concurrently as one class. Divisions will be pinned separately. Riders must clearly specify division choice. When no designation is made, riders will automatically be entered as Open. Riders may enter only one division per class. First place prize and ribbons awarded to sixth place.

HIGH POINT AWARDS (SATURDAY SHOW ONLY)

By division (Open, Adult Amateur, JR/YR) for each level Training – Fourth and all FEI combined (excluding Freestyles and Opportunity). Levels with less than two people entered in a division (open, AA, JR/YR) will be combined with the next level(s) until at least two people are entered in said level(s). Prizes to be claimed at the office Sunday - no prizes will be mailed.

Entries hard copy please mail to:

National Equestrian Center

6880 Lake Saint Louis Blvd- Lake St Louis MO 63367

Make Checks payable to: SLADS - US funds

(Please send mailed entries via "no signature required" to ensure delivery)

Full payment; entry form; copy of USEF membership cards for each rider/owner/trainer/coach; copy of USDF membership card for each rider/owner; copy of horse's USEF and USDF registration; and signed entry must accompany entry. Please enter early – we will make every effort to add additional judges if entries warrant.

Online entries are accepted at www.equestrianentries.com.

Late Entries: Late entries will be accepted after the received by/closing date if space is available, upon payment of an additional late fee

Entry Information Requirement: Full payment; entry form; copy of USEF membership cards for each rider/owner/trainer/coach; copy of USDF membership card for each rider/owner; copy of horse's USEF and USDF registration; and signed entry and USEF waiver must accompany entry. Please enter early – we will make every effort to add additional judges if entries warrant.

USEF Equine Vaccination Rule & Health Requirements: At Federation licensed competitions, horses entering the grounds must be accompanied by documentation of Equine Influenza Virus and Equine Herpes Virus (Rhinopneumonitis) vaccinations within six months prior to entering the stables. Horses not in compliance with this rule may be required to leave the competition grounds upon request by Competition Management as well as have a current negative EIA/Coggins test (within 12 months). **This is mandatory for every horse entry. USEF Rule GR845**

Musical Freestyles: "Except for USEF/USDF Championship classes and for FEI Pony Riders, FEI Junior, FEI Young Rider and FEI Para- Equestrian Freestyles, in order to enter a freestyle class at any level, a horse/rider combination must have received a minimum score of 63% in the highest test of the declared freestyle level or any test of a higher level at a Federation Licensed or FEI recognized Dressage Competition or "open" Dressage class (i.e. open to all breeds) at a Federation Licensed Competition held prior to the competition where the horse/rider combination is entered to ride a freestyle class. A photocopy of the test verifying eligibility, or copy of the USDF score verification, must be submitted with the entry for a freestyle class.

Non-Competing Horses: Will be accepted upon payment of stabling, office fee and non-compete fee per show. Owners, riders and trainers must complete the entry form, including signatures, and submit along with a current negative Coggins and vaccination document.

Post Entries: Entries will be accepted during the competition to fill scratches if scheduling permits.

Entry Cancellations/Refunds: All fees for cancelled entries refunded, less office fee, prior to receive by/closing date, if submitted in writing either by email, fax, or mail. NO REFUNDS WILL BE MADE AFTER CLOSING DATE.

No Refunds for any reason after received by/closing date. All fees collected on behalf of USEF/ USDF to be submitted to the Federation provided all outstanding show fees are paid in full; else it will be applied to those fees.

No Shows and Scratches: All "No Shows" that have not contacted the show office will be considered a scratch for the rest of the show and time slots may be filled. Exhibitors enter with this understanding and agreement.

Footings: Warm-up 100 x 200 and lunging area (Barn 5) are a mix of sand and chat. Indoor arenas 120 x 240 GGT footing.

Confirmation/Times: Confirmation of entry receipt will be emailed. All email addresses must be clearly printed. Ride times and show updates posted on www.slads.org and SLADS FB page.

Bridle Numbers: must always be worn when a horse is out of the stall being exercised, ridden, etc.

The official prize list is posted at www.SLADS.org and SLADS FB page. Corrections and updates can be made up to 10 days of the received by date of the competition. All updates will be properly filed with both USEF and USDF. This will serve as notice per USEF GR904.

Bedding: Outside bedding material is NOT permitted. All bedding must be purchased from the NEC. Bedding purchased at time of entry will be delivered prior to check-in. Competitors who change stalls are responsible for moving the bedding. The NEC requires two (2) bales of shavings coverage at all times on the floor of each animal-occupied stall or owner of the horse will incur a \$50 fee.

EMERGENCY DIAL 911

DISASTER PLAN will be posted at the show office, in all barns and in the show program. This plan will detail emergency operations at the show for most situations. Please take a moment to read the plan so you will be prepared in case of an emergency

Equine Activity Liability Statute Warning

Under Missouri law, an equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities pursuant to the Revised Statutes of Missouri.

Missouri COGGINS / Health Certificate Law:

Equine residing in Missouri: A current negative COGGINS for EIA conducted within 12 months. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection and Entry Permit are not required for Missouri equine.

Equine entering Missouri: All equine entering Missouri must be accompanied by a current negative COGGINS test for EIA conducted within 12 months and a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection issued by an accredited veterinarian within 15 days of entry. The state of Missouri also requires an Entry Permit which is issued by the Missouri Department of Agriculture, Division of Animal Health. Permits may be obtained by calling 573.751.4359. For more information visit: <http://mda.mo.gov/animals/health/speciesentering.php>

Entry to the Show Grounds: A current negative COGGINS for EIA conducted within 12 months and documentation of Equine Influenza Virus and Equine Herpes Virus (Rhinopneumonitis) vaccinations within six months.

Dogs on Show Grounds

All dogs must be leashed and attached to a responsible adult at all times. Non-compliance may result in USEF penalties.

Accommodations:

Refreshments & Food: Concessions available on the show grounds.

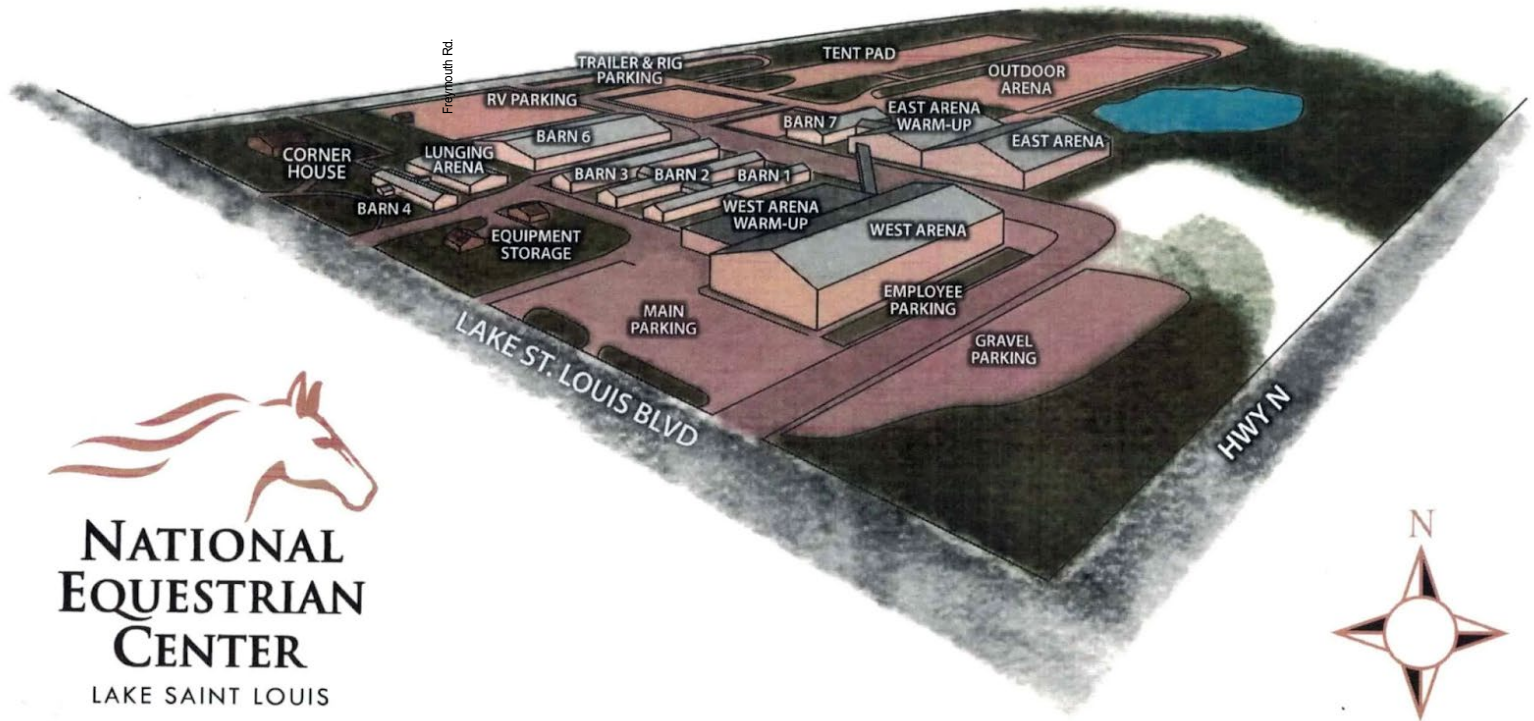
Hotel: Hilton Garden Inn, 2310 Technology Drive, O'Fallon, MO 63366. Phone: 636-625-2700

Camping/RV Hook-ups: Camper hook-ups are available: 30 AMP or 50 AMP. Reservations are required. To secure a reservation, please call the facility at 636-561- 8080. Hookup boxes will be unlocked once a paid reservation is made through the facility. Toilet and bathing facilities are available on the premises.

NO SMOKING PERMITTED ON THE PROPERTY IN ANY AREA

DIRECTIONS:

DIRECTIONS TO: *The National Equestrian Center (NEC) Show Grounds*



- **From the West:** I-70 east to Hwy 40/61 (I-64) east. Go approximately 3 miles to the Lake St. Louis Blvd. exit. Turn left at the top of the ramp and continue approx. 1 mile to National Equestrian Center.
- **From the East:** From I-270 and Hwy 40/61 (I-64) take Hwy 40/61 (I-64) west to the Lake St. Louis Blvd exit. Turn left at the top of the ramp and continue approx. 1 mile to National Equestrian Center; **OR**
From I-270 and Page Ave take the Page Extension (Hwy 367) west it terminates into Hwy N about 1 mile west of Lake St. Louis Blvd and the NEC. Continue and turn right on Lake St. Louis Blvd.
- **Alternate route:** I-70 to Lake St. Louis Blvd. exit #214, south. Continues across Hwy 40/61 (I-64) overpass to National Equestrian Center.

Nearest Equine Surgical Center: Mid-Rivers Equine Centre is about 8 miles from the NEC. Complete directions will be posted at the show office, in all barns. Please take a moment to read the plan so you will be prepared in case of an emergency. Complete directions are also in the show disaster plan.

Motorized Vehicle – GR1301.7 & GR 1301.8

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.

Membership Statement – GR901.9

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 nonmember may participate as a handler, rider, driver, owner, lessee, agent, coach or trainer at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions, Dressage Competitions, Reining Competitions and Combined Driving Competitions upon payment of a \$45 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 FR222) 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.

Protective headgear –DR120.6 (GR801.6)

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-Equestrian tests, must wear protective headgear as defined by this rule and otherwise in compliance with GR801. Any rider violating this rule at any time must immediately be prohibited from further riding until such head-gear is properly in place. Protective headgear is defined as a riding helmet which meets or exceeds ASTM (American Society for Testing and Materials)/SEI (Safety Equipment Institute) standards for equestrian use and carries the SEI tag. The harness must be secured and properly fitted. Unless jackets are waived, while in the competition ring, exhibitors wearing protective headgear must wear a short, dark jacket, dark tail coat (only permitted for tests above Fourth Level), or Armed Services or police uniform (if eligible), dark hat covers (where applicable) and must other-wise conform to DR120 (see GR801).

Sharps Container – GR1210.4

Competition management shall place a minimum of one sharps container per each competition, whether or not stabling is provided. Additionally, at least one sharps container per fifty occupied stalls for the disposal of needles and other disposable sharp instruments in convenient locations in barns housing competition horses. It is competition management's responsibility to replace such containers when full and dispose of them properly. 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. Competition management will place a notice of this requirement either in its prize list or on a specific handout given to trainers on check in at the competition. If local law has different requirements, local law will prevail. Competitions failing to comply with placing the required number of containers on the show grounds will be considered in violation of the rules and may be subject to penalty as determined by the CEO or his designee and/or the Hearing Committee.

Safe Sport 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.

OTHER:

Farrier on grounds. Veterinarian on grounds, and contact info will be posted. All dogs must be leashed. Management reserves the right to combine, divide, or cancel classes.

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

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Attention August Classic I&II competitors, for all current or new members that join SLADS before August 5th of 2023, you will receive a complimentary coupon for five dollars worth of food or beverage to be used at the NEC café. This opportunity is available to all competitors competing at the August 5 and August 6 August Classic I&II. For those that are interested in becoming a member please visit our website at www.slads.org or see the hardcopy and prize list



St. Louis Area Dressage Society Membership Application/Renewal

SLADS is a USDF Group Member Organization (GMO) and SLADS members are automatically USDF Group Members (GMs). For USDF Participating Membership, members must apply directly to USDF.

Applicant Information

☐ New Member ☐ Renewing Member

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____ USDF No.: _____

Address: _____ Email: _____

City/State: _____ Zip: _____ Rider Status (JR/YR, AA, Open): _____

Membership Type

- ☐ Individual \$60/yr
- ☐ Jr/Young Rider \$45/yr
- ☐ Family \$85/yr for two family members
- ☐ \$35 for add'l family members

Rider Awards Category

- ☐ Bronze (age 13 or younger)
- ☐ Silver (ages 14 to 210)
- ☐ Gold (ages 22 to 39)
- ☐ Platinum (age 40 to 59)
- ☐ Diamond (age 60 and above)
- ☐ Professional

Primary Discipline

- ☐ Dressage
- ☐ Western Dressage

Horse Nomination

My horse(s) reside: ☐ at my home ☐ at a boarding barn: _____

Horse's (show)Name _____ Breed (Organization): _____

Horse's (show)Name _____ Breed (Organization): _____

Horse's (show)Name _____ Breed (Organization): _____

Additional Family Membership Applicants

Fee	Name	DOB	Rider Award Category	USDF No:
\$0				
\$35				
\$35				

Benefits of SLADS Membership: USDF Group membership, eligibility for awards and scholarships, discounted schooling show entry fees, complimentary *Hoofprints* newsletter, website members-only access, and priority consideration at special events. All current SLADS members are eligible for Year End Awards; must be a member prior to the show to qualify.

Signature of applicant: _____

date: _____

Application fees payable to: SLADS

Mail applications to: c/o Bev Sloop

18045 Babler Woods Rd
Wildwood, MO 63005

Questions may be directed to: membership@slads.org

ATTENTION FREESTYLE COMPETITORS



UNITED STATES DRESSAGE FEDERATION™

Freestyle Competitor Reminders

- Submit two CDs of your music clearly labeled with your name, horse's name, bridle number, and freestyle level.
- Be present for your sound check.
- Know the rules for the level you are riding. This includes forbidden and allowed movements for your level.

Questions?

Contact freestyle@usdf.org



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UNITED STATES DRESSAGE FEDERATION™

REVISED 2023 Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Championship Program Rules



The Regional Championship program rules published herein are effective for the 2023 Regional Championship year, unless otherwise stated. The program rules and qualifying criteria published herein are subject to additions or revisions.

While every effort has been taken to avoid mistakes in this publication, the United States Dressage Federation Inc. assumes no liability to anyone for errors or omissions. USEF rules supersede all other rules when qualifying for this championship program.

USEF rules are subject to change at any time. Changes and corrections subsequent to this publication are published in the USDF Connection and on the USDF website.

Refer to the United States Equestrian Federation's website for official rule changes and the most up-to-date version of their rulebook.

A single Regional Dressage Championship program organized by the United States Dressage Federation (USDF), and licensed 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 2023 Regional Championships will be sponsored by the Great American Insurance Group (Great American), as the title sponsor. The official title of the Regional Championships shall be:

GREAT AMERICAN INSURANCE GROUP/ UNITED STATES DRESSAGE FEDERATION
REGION (#) DRESSAGE CHAMPIONSHIPS

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A Regional Championship is a Level 4 Competition. In each region, USEF/USDF Regional Championship classes must be offered at each level through Grand Prix, in three divisions: open, adult amateur (AA), and junior/young rider (Jr/YR). FEI Junior Team Test and FEI Young Rider Team Test championship classes must also be offered. Freestyle classes at First, Second, Third, Fourth, Intermediate I, and Grand Prix levels must also be offered in the open/junior/young rider division and adult amateur division. The official prize lists for all of the Championships will be available on the USDF website no later than May 1st.

For the remainder of this document USEF/USDF championship classes will be considered the same as Great American/USDF championship classes.

A. 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.

B. QUALIFYING CLASS AND CHAMPIONSHIP ELIGIBILITY

1. Having won a USEF/USDF Regional Championships three times (in any region over their lifetime), a horse/rider combination may no longer compete in USEF/USDF Regional Championship competition at that or a lower level (Grand Prix excepted), if they received the minimum qualifying score or higher for that division and level in the championship test per USEF DR127.5.
2. A horse may not be entered in more than one USEF/USDF Regional Championship at a particular level in the same calendar year.
3. USDF will presume qualified horse/rider combinations will compete in the region in which the rider resides as determined by the address associated with the rider's membership information on file as of July 1. Riders are NOT required to be a resident of the region to compete in that region's championship. Riders, who wish to compete at Regional Championships in a region other than their region of residence, must submit a Change of Region Form. This form must be submitted with a \$25 fee prior to July 1. Change of Region Forms may be accepted from July 2 up to August 1, with a fee of \$100; from August 2, up to the closing date of the championship region the rider is declaring for, with a fee of \$300. **No changes of region may be made after the closing date of the region in which a rider wishes to enter, for any reason.** In addition, all persons living outside of the United States, who intend to compete in a Regional Championship, must submit a Change of Region form and applicable fee to USDF to declare a region.
4. A rider may not compete in more than one Regional Championship competition in the same calendar year.
5. In the event a competitor is unable to produce copies of the USDF membership or lifetime horse registration documents required to enter a qualifying class, a USDF competition affidavit with appropriate fee may be completed and filed with the competition secretary. The affidavit and appropriate fee must be submitted to USDF by the competition secretary. Copies of the required memberships and registrations MUST be included with the championship entry. Affidavits will not be accepted for USEF or USDF membership or horse recording verification purposes for entry in championship classes.
6. Horses must be entered in qualifying and championship classes under their official recorded names and ownership as specified in USEF GR1102.3, and transfers of ownership or lease registrations must be completed in compliance with USEF rules GR1105 and GR1108 prior to the competition in order for the horse to compete under the name of the new owner or lessee. (USEF DR127.2)

C. QUALIFYING SYSTEM

1. There is currently one qualifying system with nationally-standardized minimum percentages (see Section D for qualifying percentages).
2. Prior to competing in a Great American/USDF qualifying class, a horse/rider combination must be eligible according to the USDF/USEF membership and registration requirements for qualifying.
3. To qualify for a Regional Championship, horse/rider combinations must earn a total of two qualifying scores (each score must be the average of all judges officiating in a designated Great American/USDF qualifying class), at two different USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized Dressage Competitions, from two different judges, or combination of judges. In addition, the same judge may not have officiated in classes from which qualifying scores are earned, unless the following conditions are met: A panel of judges will be considered as a different judging entity if 50 percent or more of that panel is changed (e.g. a panel of two judges must have one new person, a panel of three judges must have two new people and a panel of five judges must have three new people; exception, CDI panels exempt from this requirement. Scores earned where CDI panels officiate are eligible to be used for qualifying if there are no changes to the judging panel in two separate CDI competitions where both scores are earned).
4. To qualify, eligible riders must enter an official Great American/USDF qualifying class at a USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized Dressage Competition. The Great American/USDF qualifying class will be the highest or single test of the level and the class must be designated as Great American/USDF qualifying in the prize list.
5. To qualify at freestyle, riders must earn a total of two freestyle qualifying scores at the level at which they wish to qualify, earned in designated Great American/USDF qualifying classes, at two different USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized Dressage Competitions from two different judges or combinations of judges as described in Section C.3. ***All FEI Pony Rider are equivalent to Second Level; all FEI Junior Rider Tests are equivalent to Third Level; all FEI Young Rider Tests are equivalent to Prix St. Georges; and the USEF Brentina Cup (Young Adult) Test and FEI Young Rider Grand Prix 16-25 Test are equivalent to Intermediate II. For purposes of freestyle qualification, all are considered equivalent to the highest test of that level and may be used to enter a freestyle at that level or a level below. Young Horse and FEI Children Tests cannot be used for freestyle qualification at any level.***

6. Horse/rider combinations may enter more than one qualifying test, and qualifying freestyle, at each level per day as Great American/USDF qualifying. (USEF DR 127.4)
7. Eligible competitors must be given the option to enter the class as “USDF qualifying” for a maximum additional fee of \$15 which must be paid to the show secretary prior to riding in the class.
8. USEF/USDF qualifying and/or championship classes must be designated as such in the prize list and the results. (USEF DR127.4). The \$15 qualifying fee will be sent to USDF from the show secretary along with the Report of Fees. All qualifying rides must be marked as such in the results. Once qualifying fees are received by USDF they will not be refunded to competitors for any reason. All regional championship qualifying fees paid to show management must be submitted to the USDF, including fees from riders that scratched, were eliminated, excused or did not show up for the class. Exceptions: Competition Refund policy must clearly state that these fees will be refunded to the competitor; or fees are reapplied to cover indebtedness to the competition not paid by the competitor.
9. Separate ribbons or trophies are not awarded for Great American/USDF qualifying entries.
10. Any and all eligible horse/rider combinations who achieve the minimum qualifying score in a Great American/USDF qualifying class will receive one qualifying score toward their two score requirement to be eligible to enter a Regional Championship if all other conditions are met.
11. FEI classes at CDI/CDI-Y/CDI-J/CDI-P or USEF High Performance qualifying competitions must be designated as Great American/USDF qualifying in the prize list in order for classes to be counted as qualifying by USDF. Prior to riding in the class, riders must pay the qualifying class fee to the competition secretary.
12. USDF will presume qualified horse/rider combinations will compete in the region in which the rider resides as determined by the address associated with the rider’s membership information on file as of July 1. Riders are NOT required to be a resident of the region to compete in that region’s championship. Riders, who wish to compete at Regional Championships in a region other than their region of residence, must submit a Change of Region Form. This form must be submitted with a \$25 fee prior to July 1. Change of Region Forms may be accepted from July 2 up to August 1, with a fee of \$100; from August 2, up to the closing date of the championship region the rider is declaring for, with a fee of \$300. **No changes of region may be made after the closing date of the region in which a rider wishes to enter, for any reason.** In addition, all persons living outside of the United States, who intend to compete in a Regional Championship, must submit a Change of Region form and applicable fee to USDF to declare a region.
13. There is no limit on the number of horses on which a rider may qualify.
14. Qualification is based on horse/rider combination. If a new rider wishes to compete with the horse at the championships, she/he must requalify. (USEF DR127.9)
15. One whip no longer than 47.2 inches (120 cm), including lash may be carried in all qualifying classes (including **NAYC**) unless such use is otherwise prohibited by FEI or Federation rules or selection procedures for the classes. (USEF DR120.7) An adjustable-length whip may not be carried by a mounted rider.
16. Tests may be read in qualifying classes except in FEI level classes and freestyle classes.
17. Qualifying seasons vary for each region. The season during which scores may be earned to qualify for a particular Regional Championship starts the day after the closing date of that region’s 2022 championship and ends on the closing date of that region’s 2023 championship. Horse/rider combinations may earn qualifying scores in another region but only at shows within the current qualifying year of the region in which that show is held.
18. The closing date of each Regional Championship will be the fourth Monday prior to the start of the Regional Championship competition. Competitions will count for only one calendar year’s championship. The qualifying year of each competition is based upon the location of where that show is held, not the region the rider wishes to compete in.
19. USDF will maintain a database of qualified horse/rider combinations and will post a provisional list for each level and division on the USDF website. USDF will verify eligibility of championship class entries with the championship’s secretary prior to each championship’s competition. Post entries may be submitted by qualified horse/rider combinations in championship classes if post entries for championship classes are allowed in the prize list of the competition.

D. MINIMUM QUALIFYING SCORES

One set of nationally-standardized qualifying scores has been established for all USEF/USDF Regional Championships, for levels 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.

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%

E. CHAMPIONSHIP RULES

1. All Regional Championship competitions are considered Level 4. Please refer to USEF Dressage Level Requirements for specifics. (USEF DR126.4)
2. Each entry must designate the division being entered (open, adult amateur or junior/young rider) and must meet minimum percentage requirements for the championship division entered.
3. Cross entering open and junior/young rider divisions or open and adult amateur divisions for a horse/rider combination is permitted at adjacent levels. It is not permitted at the same level. Exception: freestyle or equivalent FEI Junior or FEI Young Rider levels.
4. If a rider intends to enter a Regional Championship as an adult amateur, the rider must be an adult by the current USEF definition (DR 119.3) and a current amateur by the USEF definition. (USEF GR1306, 1307)
5. If a rider intends to enter a championship as a junior/young rider, the rider must be a junior/young rider by the current USEF definition and her/his birth date must be on file with USDF by July 1 of the championship year.
6. Verification of USDF/USEF membership cards and horse recording and registration certificates must accompany championship entry (USDF PM for rider, USDF PM or BM for owner, etc.)
7. Under penalty of elimination, whips may not be carried in championship tests (Exception: Competitors riding sidesaddle may carry a whip no longer than 47.2 inches (120 cm), including lash, in USEF/USDF Championships.) An adjustable-length whip may not be carried by a mounted rider.
8. Under penalty of elimination, all championship tests must be ridden from memory. (USEF DR122.1)
9. The gate at "A" may be left open for every USEF/USDF championship ride. Decisions to either close the gate or leave it open must be consistent for all championship classes. Each Regional Championship competition management must publish in its official prize list if the gate will be closed in championship classes. (USEF DR126.2.f.5)
10. Under penalty of disqualification from all championship classes for the horse/rider combination, within 24 hours prior and at no time during a USEF/USDF Regional Championship competition may any horse entered in that Championship competition be ridden by anyone other than the rider entered in the Championship competition on that horse (exception: grooms riding on loose rein). Further, any horse entered in a championship competition, even entered at two levels, must be ridden by the same rider throughout competition. (USEF DR127.6) (NOTE: This applies throughout the entire competition, even after a horse has

completed its championship classes.)

11. In the event of a tie (equality of total points) for champion and/or reserve champion in USEF/USDF championship classes, the collective marks will determine first, second, and/or third or all three places; (i.e. when a tie for first place is broken by collective marks, tied competitors will receive first and second places, etc.). If collective marks are equal, the tie will remain unbroken (i.e. two first places will be awarded next third place, etc.). For ties in freestyle classes refer to USEF DR129.5 which states the highest score shall be declared the winner of the class. In the case of a tie, the higher artistic score shall determine the winner. Ties (equality of total points) after second place will be broken by collective marks. Ties (equality of total points and collective marks or artistic scores) occurring in third through eighth places will remain unbroken. In the case of a tie (equality of total points and collective marks or artistic scores) for champion, prize money designated for champion and reserve champion will be combined and divided equally between the two competitors.

12. Hors de Concours entries are not permitted in USEF/USDF championship classes. (USEF DR119.5)

13. In a USEF/USDF championship class, the horse/rider combination must obtain the necessary minimum percentage score to be named champion or reserve champion. (USEF DR123.7) If the highest placed horse/rider combination receives less than the minimum percentage, no championship awards or prize money will be issued, however an awards ceremony will be held for the entire class. In lieu of a champion and/or reserve neck sash, a first and/or second place ribbon will be awarded.

14. In USEF/USDF championship classes, a steward must be appointed to check the saddlery, bits and spurs, on both sides of each horse immediately after it has completed its test and has left the arena. Any discrepancy to the saddlery rules will result in immediate elimination. (USEF DR126.2.i.6)

15. A Registered (R) Dressage Technical Delegate (TD), who is a current Participating Member of USDF, is required to officiate at USEF/USDF championships. TDs for competitions offering qualifying and/or championship classes must investigate incidents of non-compliance and report violations to USEF. "R" Dressage TDs hired to officiate Regional Championship classes must be selected from outside the region. This applies only to the primary competition TD, who is the person responsible for filing the TD report for the competition with USEF. (See section H.3. c, and USEF GR1018.3 and DR127.3)

16. Entries in USEF/USDF dressage championship classes are limited to competitors who have met the qualifications, membership, horse recording and registration requirements, and deadlines outlined in USEF DR127 and published by USDF. Competitors who are properly qualified, whose completed entries are received by the closing date for a particular Regional Championship, and who have complied with all championship rules may not be denied entry into the Regional Championship classes for which they have qualified. Only one class per division and/or level may be held to determine USEF/USDF regional champions. (USEF DR127.7)

17. USEF/USDF championships classes may not be split. (USEF DR126.2a.4)

18. Championship classes for juniors and young riders must only be held on Friday, Saturday, and/or Sunday. Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Finals classes must be held on Saturday or Sunday. Juniors and young riders' entries (horse/rider combinations) are limited to entry in only two championship classes, excluding freestyle.

19. Except for freestyles, the FEI Junior Team Test, and FEI Young Rider Team test, championship classes at consecutive levels, for the same division, may not be held on the same day.

20. Ribbons and prizes can be distributed prior to the arrival at the awards ceremony. Award ceremony attendance is not mandatory. Riders should let show management know if they plan not to attend.

21. All horses competing in Regional Championships classes must be stabled on the competition grounds and must remain on the grounds for the duration of their participation in the event, from the time of arrival until the horse has finished competing in all classes. If the horse has been found to have left the grounds, and returned, it would be eliminated from championship classes, but not in non-championship classes. (USEF DR127.8)

22. For USEF/USDF freestyle championship classes, the competitor must provide the show with music in two formats. One of the formats must be a CD which will play on a CD player (i.e. no rewriteable CDs). Only one freestyle music per CD. Other acceptable formats/methods must be specified in the prize list. All music must be submitted in the time frame specified in the prize list. Formats must include CDs and/or digital files (MP3 and/or WAV). See also H.7.

23. The test ridden for national level USEF/USDF championship classes will be the highest test of the level.

F. ADDITIONAL RULES AND REQUIREMENTS

1. Competition managers of USEF Dressage Competitions which hold USEF/USDF qualifying and/or championship classes are responsible to USEF for knowing and complying with all USEF rules and USDF guidelines regarding qualifying and/or championship classes. Please refer to USEF Dressage Level requirements. (USEF DR127.3)

2. A host GMO officer or CEO of the competition licensee, and the competition manager, must sign an agreement with USDF which includes the organizer's agreement to abide by USEF and USDF rules and regulations, and releases USDF from liability, financial or otherwise, during or in connection with the event.

3. Once an application to hold a USEF/USDF regional dressage championship has been submitted, no changes to date, facility, organizer, manager, or secretary may be made without prior notification and written consent of USDF with consultation with the respective Regional Director, when appropriate. In addition, USDF reserves the right to select an alternate host site and management if the facility, organizer, manager, or secretary named in the original host site application is changed without written permission from USDF.
4. Mounted awards ceremonies must be scheduled for each championship class.
5. A tentative schedule for the awards ceremonies must be printed in the "Show Program".
6. The confirmed schedule for the awards ceremonies must be posted in the show secretary's office by noon on the day prior to the beginning of the competition. If the posted awards schedule is changed, all affected competitors must be notified.
7. Riders placing in Great American/USDF Regional Championship classes must be present, mounted and in full riding attire for awards ceremonies if they elect to participate. For safety reasons competitors may decline to participate in the victory round. Unmounted awards ceremonies may be held if weather or other calamity prevents mounted awards ceremonies. Riders must be in full riding attire.
8. Specific requirements in prize-giving ceremonies must be announced in the prize list. It is recommended that saddlery for ceremonies be the same as in the competition, but that white or dark colored leg bandages or boots are allowed. Whips may be carried in prize giving ceremonies. Rosettes should be placed on the horses' bridles prior to the ceremony. The judge at "C" should be invited to participate in the prize-giving. Competition management is responsible for the safe conduct of ceremonies and must excuse any horse that threatens the safety of participants. (USEF DR123.13)
10. Date applications may not use the name or title of a championship that has not been assigned to that licensed competition for the competition year named in the application. The fees are waived when a competition changes its name to include the title of a regional or national championship or when the name reverts back to its original name. Using the name or title of a championship that has not been assigned to that licensed competition during the same competition year is a violation of USEF rules. (GR706.1.p)
11. Copies of documents submitted by competitors to verify USEF and USDF membership and horse recording must be available to the TD in the competition office. (USEF DR127.2)
12. Management must post the USDF Statement on Animal Welfare on the competition grounds.
13. USDF Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Finals: All junior riders through age 18 who have qualified at any level for the Regional Championships (excluding freestyle) are automatically eligible to compete in the Semi-Final classes of the USEF/USDF Dressage Seat Medal Program. Additionally, any rider that earns a score of 70% or higher, from an eligible Dressage Seat Equitation class, during the DSM qualifying period will be qualified to participate in the USDF Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Finals. The DSM qualifying period runs from January 1, 2023 through the end of the qualifying period for the regional championship that will host the DSM Semi-Finals the rider plans to attend. One Semi-Final class will be offered for juniors, ages 13 and under, and a second Semi-Final class for riders 14 through 18 at each Great American/USDF Regional Championship. A rider is eligible for the 13 and under Semi-Final class until the end of the calendar year in which he/she reaches the age of 13 (DR 133.2 (f)). A rider is eligible for the 14 through 18 Semi-Final class from the beginning of the calendar year in which he/she reaches 14 until the end of the calendar year in which he/she reaches the age of 18 (DR 133.2 (f)). A regional champion and reserve champion for each age group will be named in each USDF region. For more details on this program and the Semi-Finals, see the USEF Rulebook, DR133 or visit the dressage page of the USEF website.
14. USDF Regional Adult Amateur Equitation Program: All adult amateurs who have qualified at any level for the Regional Championships (excluding freestyle) are automatically eligible to compete in the USDF Adult Amateur Equitation Regional Finals class presented by Big Dee's Tack and Vet Supply. Additionally, any adult amateur rider who earns a score of 70% or higher from an eligible Dressage Seat Equitation class, during the applicable regional championship qualifying period, will be qualified to participate in the USDF Adult Amateur Equitation Regional Final presented by Big Dee's Tack and Vet Supply.

G. FACILITIES

1. Please refer to USEF GR1216 and USEF Dressage Level Requirements for facility requirements.

H. PERSONNEL

1. Management must provide a sufficient number of trained and experienced personnel to manage the event.
2. Level 4 requires that a veterinarian and farrier be present on the grounds during competition. In the year after a competition has hosted a USEF/USDF Regional Championship, a veterinarian will be required to be present only if 200 or more horses competed the year prior to hosting the championships. (USEF GR1211.4) The official veterinarian shall be a licensed graduate of an accredited veterinary school in good standing in his/her state of practice, be familiar with the current USEF Equine Drugs and Medications Rules and have experience in equine veterinary practice. (USEF GR1204.1)

3. Management must contract a sufficient number of officials and pay all their expenses, as agreed upon in their contracts.
 - a. Two judges (at least one of whom must be an "S" or FEI dressage judge) must officiate in each championship class at Second Level and above. It is recommended that three judges officiate in FEI level championship classes. For Training and First level, two "R" judges may be used provided at least one of those judges resides outside the region.
 - b. Fifty percent of judges hired to officiate in Regional Championship classes must have permanent residence outside the region.
 - c. "R" Dressage TD(s) hired to officiate Regional Championship classes must be selected from outside the region and must be a USDF PM. This applies only to the primary competition TD, who is the person responsible for filing the TD report for the competition with USEF. One or more "r" TD(s) can be hired to assist the primary TD, preferably from within the region.
 - d. It is required that the judge at 'C' have the USEF Freestyle designation for the regional championship freestyle classes.
4. Two people should be assigned to score each championship test, unless e-scribing and e-scoring is used. Results must be posted promptly.
5. A professional photographer must be retained, at the expense of competition management, to photograph the awards ceremonies and champions.
6. Both competition manager and competition secretary must be USEF Active or Life Members. The manager and secretary must have a USDF PM or GM at time of application and championship.
7. Announcer and/or show management must have two methods to play CDs for freestyle classes (i.e. computers and/or CD players). The equipment supplied (i.e. computers and/or CD players) must be compatible with and able to connect to the sound system used at the competition. If the competition can accept other forms of music (besides .WAV or .MP3), it must be stated in the prize list.

I. USDF RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Produce the Official Prize List for all 2023 Regional Championships as part of a Regional Championship prize list page for the Great American/USDF Regional Championship Program. This will be published on the USDF website by May 1. Printed copies are available upon request from USDF.
2. On behalf of Great American Insurance Group, USDF will provide:
 - a. Grant money to each championship. Grant money will be paid to the organizer of a Regional Championship. Half of the grant money will be paid before the competition. The remaining half will be paid post-competition, once all results have been submitted, banners and other materials have been returned, and all provisions of the contract have been met.
 - b. The first and second place prizes for all USEF/USDF championship classes.
 - c. USEF/USDF championship ribbons for each level and each division to eighth place.
3. USDF may send a representative to each championship. The USDF representative can and should advise management on Regional Championship requirements and report on infractions. However, enforcement of championship requirements is solely within the role and obligations of competition management. The USDF representative will also be available to provide information about USDF and its programs and policies.
4. USDF will publish complete results for each championship in USDF Connection and on the website.
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, after which no changes will be made.

J. PRIZE MONEY AND RECOGNITION

1. The qualifying fee will be \$15 per class entered. \$7.50 from each qualifying fee will be deposited into a prize money fund. Prize money is accumulated during the USEF competition year (December 1 - November 30). All prize money allocated from qualifying fees will be divided equally among all USDF regions and all Regional Championships classes, with 60% of the amount per class to go to the champion; the remaining 40% will go to the reserve champion.
2. Prize Money for the nine Great American/USDF Regional Championships will be paid directly by the USDF office to the recorded horse owner within 30 days of the last day of each championship. The amount of prize money to be awarded to each champion and reserve champion in all levels and divisions (open, AA and Jr/YR) of the Regional Championships will be announced by February.
3. The horse/rider combination must obtain the necessary minimum percentage score to be named champion or reserve champion and receive prize money and other prizes. (DR123.7)
4. Ribbons through eight placings and prizes, will be provided.

K. POSSIBLE SANCTIONS FOR FAILURE TO FOLLOW USDF CHAMPIONSHIP PROGRAM RULES

1. Withholding all or part of grant money;
2. USDF penalties;
3. USEF penalties for rule violations; and/or
4. Ineligibility of organizer to host future USDF Championships.
5. Fineable sanctions and action taken will be published in *USDF Connection* and on the USDF website.



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 Membership Benefits: USDF is dedicated to education, the recognition of achievement, and promotion of dressage. For details on member benefits, including educational programs, awards, and other opportunities, refer to the *USDF Member Guide* or the USDF website at www.usdf.org.

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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.

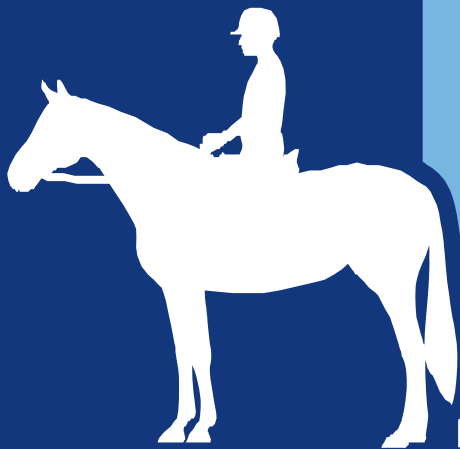
Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR): A horse with an LHR (\$115) is eligible for Adequan®/USDF Year-End Awards, and eligible to compete in Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional qualifying and championship classes, assuming requirements for the owner and rider are met. If a horse has an LHR it does 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 and fax or mail it to the USDF office.
- 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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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

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 _____ STALL @ \$ _____ /STALL

BEDDING _____ BALES @ \$ _____ /BALE

NON COMPETING HORSE FEE

SPONSORSHIP

GROUNDS FEE OR OTHER FEES _____

OTHER _____

LATE/CHANGE/BANK CHARGES FOR CC

TOTAL FEES

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: _____



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, Vaulteur 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 applicable)

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

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

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

Is Rider/Driver/Vaulteur 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 (MAAPP) 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").

EQUINE ACTIVITY LIABILITY ACT WARNING:

CAUTION: HORSEBACK RIDING AND EQUINE ACTIVITIES CAN BE DANGEROUS. RIDE AT YOUR OWN RISK.

Under the laws of most States, an equine activity sponsor or equine professional is not liable for any injury to, or the death of, a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities.

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, I (as the participant or as the Parent/Legal Guardian of the minor identified below) hereby accept and agree to the terms and conditions of this Agreement in connection with my (or the minor's) participation in any USEF Event. 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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