



Carousel Connection I and II

May 3-4, 2014

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Level Three Competition
IL State Fairground, Springfield, IL

Official Qualifying Competition for:

Official Qualifying Competition for: Official Qualifying Competition for the 2014 Adequan FEI North American Junior and Young Rider Championships presented by Gotham North, the 2014 USEF Pony Rider Dressage National Championship, 2014 AGCO/USEF Junior and Young Rider Dressage National Championships and the 2014 USEF Young Adult 'Brentina Cup' Dressage National Championship. Official Qualifying Competition for the 2014 Markel/USEF Young and Developing Horse Dressage Championships presented by HorseShow.com Qualifier for the Great American/USDF Regional Championships, and the Dover Medal Adult Amateur program.

Opening Date: March 1

Received by Date: April 11

Judges: Carter Bass 'S', Marlene Schneider 'S'

TD: Cleon Wingard 'R'

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Farrier (on call): Steve Hedges Phone: 217-899-8918

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Important: please see the "General Regulations and Entry Specification Section" for additional policies that this show subscribes to and follows.

On-line entries at www.dressageshowinfo.com beginning opening date – reminder, this is two shows so will need two entry form if entering both.

No entries will be accepted without funds. If entry is received without funds, it will not be processed until funds are received. If entry is received and payment arrives later, it will be considered a late entry regardless of receipt date.

Office Charge for entries: \$35 per horse/rider combination per show

Entry Information Requirement: Competitors are responsible to include a copy of all memberships for horse, owner, rider, and trainer listed on entry form. A current negative coggins or interstate health papers must also be submitted with entry. If in freestyle class - a copy of the qualifying test must also be included in the entry. If no copies are submitted, a \$5 lookup fee may apply.

All Horses must have a Stall.

Late Entries: \$35 per show if postmarked and received after the received by date.

Post Entries: Will be taken as scheduling permits - Class fee plus \$10.00 – requests must be made by 3PM the day prior to the requested ride.

Faxed Entries: \$5 fee per entry

Rider/Handler/Horse Change: \$25 for either rider or horse change after entries submitted.

Time Change within a class: \$10 per change if possible (request by 3 PM the day prior)

Non-competing horses: \$100 for horses not competing. Must fill out entry form for number and pay office fee and stabling.

Stabling/Tack Stall Fees: \$100 for entire show. Permanent stalls are 10' x 12' with doors.

Bedding: Can be purchased by contacting Evans Feed Barn at 217-523-5400

For mailed entries: draw checks in US Funds and mail entries to: **Carousel Connection c/o Show Secretary, 9000 Brandywine Road, Hamel, MN 55340 – reminder, this is two shows so will need two entry forms if entering both.**

Entry Cancellation/Refunds: Cancellations only in writing either by mail, e-mail or fax prior to or on closing date. **No Refunds for any reason after closing date.** All fees collected on behalf of USEF to be submitted to the Federation provided all outstanding fees are paid in full, else it will be applied to those fees. **Prior to or on received by date - entire entry minus office fee.**

Great American/USDF Qualifying Classes: Please indicate that 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, AA, or JR/Young rider classes will pay an additional \$10 USDF fee to have this score entered in the Great American/USDF qualifying division at that level.

Awards for USEF Classes: Divisions (Jr/Yg, 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. Trophy (in classes of 3 or more) and ribbons to sixth for each class. No awards for Qualifying classes. Championships and reserves awarded for the highest percentage at each USDF/USEF/FEI level.

Accommodations: Hampton Inn 217-529-1100, Northfield Center 217-523-7900
Camping spots can be secured and paid directly to the Fairgrounds 217-725-0120

Arenas: Two standard size arenas with sand or tanbark footing. One in coliseum, other in covered outdoor. Warm-up and lunging area are indoor with tanbark.

Directions: facility address for Map Quest or GPS - 801 E Sangamon Ave. Springfield, IL 62702 Enter at Gate 11. From I-55 South, take exit 100B to merge onto E Sangamon Ave. Go approximately 3 miles and enter at Gate 11.

*designates Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Qualifying Class. **BOLDED** class names and numbers designates USDF/Dover Medal Classes

Carousel Connection Class Schedule

Sat #	Sun #	Class Name Any class (*) GAIG/USDF regional qualifying.	Divisions Offered	Class Fee	Q Fee
201	301	USDF Intro A	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$30	
202	302	USDF Intro B	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$30	
203	303	USDF Intro C	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$30	
204	304	USEF Training Level Test One	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$35	
205	305	USEF Training Level Test Two	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$35	
206	306	USEF Training Level Test Three*	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$35	\$45
207	307	USEF First Level Test One	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$35	
208	308	USEF First Level Test Two	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$35	
209	309	USEF First Level Test Three*	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$35	\$45
210	310	USEF Second Level Test One	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$40	
211	311	USEF Second Level Test Two	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$40	
212	312	USEF Second Level Test Three* <i>(Dover Medal – Bolded Class Number)</i>	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$40	\$50
213	313	USEF Third Level Test One	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$40	
214	314	USEF Third Level Test Two -Open	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$40	
215	315	USEF Third Level Test Three* -Open	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$40	\$50
216	316	USEF Fourth Level Test One	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$40	
217	317	USEF Fourth Level Test Two	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$40	
218	318	USEF Fourth Level Test Three*	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$40	\$50
219	319	FEI Prix St Georges*	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$45	\$55
220	320	FEI Intermediare I*	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$45	\$55
221	321	FEI Intermediate B*	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$45	\$55
222	322	FEI Grand Prix*	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$45	\$55
223	323	USDF Freestyle* (specify test – Train, 1st-4th *)	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$45	\$55
224	324	FEI Freestyle* (specify test – Intermediare or GP)	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$45	\$55
225	325	FEI TOC (state test – no freestyles, Young Horse or Para)	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$45	
226	326	USEF TOC (state test – no freestyles, Young Horse, or rider tests)		\$35	
227	327	Equitation – Dressage Seat		\$25	
228	328	FEI Para TOC (any grade Team or Individual only)		\$35	
229		FEI Para Freestyle TOC – state tests		\$35	
233	333	USEF 4 YR Old Horse Test (Practice)		\$45	
234	334	FEI 5 Year Old Young Horse Final (Practice)		\$45	
235	335	FEI 6 Year Old Young Horse Final (Practice)		\$45	
236	336	FEI 5 Year Old Young Horse Preliminary (Practice)		\$45	
237	337	FEI 6 Year Old Young Horse Preliminary (Practice)		\$45	
238		USEF Developing PSG (Practice)		\$45	
239		USEF Developing GP (Practice)		\$45	

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Sat #	Sun #	Class Name Any class (*) GAIG/USDF regional qualifying.	Divisions Offered	Class Fee	
		USEF Qualifying Classes – Level 3 shows only			
	340	USEF 4 YR Old Horse Test (Markel/USEF)		\$65	
	341	FEI 5 Year Old Test Final (Markel/USEF)		\$65	
	342	FEI 6 Year Old Test Final (Marke/USEF)		\$65	
243		FEI Pony Team (NAJYRC/USEF Qualifying)		\$65	
	344	FEI Pony Individual (NAJYRC/USEF Qualifying)		\$65	
245		FEI Pony Freestyle (NAJYRC/USEF Qualifying)		\$65	
246		FEI JR Team (NAJYRC/USEF Qualifying)*		\$65	\$75
	347	FEI JR Individual (NAJYRC/USEF Qualifying)		\$65	
248		FEI JR Freestyle (NAJYRC/USEF Qualifying)		\$65	
249		FEI YR Team (NAJYRC/USEF Qualifying)*		\$65	\$75
	350	FEI YR Individual (NAJYRC/USEF Qualifying)		\$65	
251		FEI YR Freestyle (NAJYRC/USEF Qualifying)		\$65	
	352	USEF Developing PSG (USEF Qualifying)		\$65	
	353	USEF Developing GP (USEF Qualifying)		\$65	
	354	Brentina Cup (USEF Qualifying)		\$65	
		Materiale Division			
255	355	Three Year Old Fillies		\$40	
256	356	Three Year Old Colts/Geldings		\$40	
257	357	Four and Five Year Old Mares		\$40	
258	358	Four/Five Year Old Stallions/Geldings		\$40	
		Opportunity Classes			
259	359	Training Level Test 1 Opportunity		\$30	
260	360	Training Level Test 2 Opportunity		\$30	
		USEF Rider Tests			
263	363	USEF Rider Test – Training Level		\$30	
264	364	USEF Rider Test – First Level		\$30	
265	365	USEF Rider Test – Second Level		\$30	

General regulations, policies and entry specifications

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

US EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION rules are in force from the moment show management allows access to the showgrounds. This includes conduct, correct saddlery and equipment, and attire.

Liability – Horses by their inherent nature present a risk. This show, the management, the USEF Licensee, and the facility will not be responsible for any loss or damage or injury to horses exhibited, or for any article of any kind or nature that may be lost or destroyed, or in any way injured. Each exhibitor will be responsible for any injury that may be occasioned to any person, whomsoever, by any horse owned or exhibited by said exhibitor and shall indemnify the show, the management, the show committee and volunteers, the USEF Licensee, the USEF and USDF, or any member thereof, against all claims and demands, of any nature or kind, that may grow out of any injury occasioned by any horses owned or exhibited by them, or arise from the negligence of the person in charge of any such horse. All horses exhibited in this show participate entirely at the owner's risk. **Neither the Organizing Committee, show volunteers and staff, the facility or its owners, any host GMO, USEF or USDF or their members will be responsible for any damage, injury, or loss to persons, horses, or property of exhibitors or spectators. 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 at home and abroad, and to keep the policy up to date.**

Life, senior active and junior active members shall be eligible to participate in all classes at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions at the Preliminary 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 \$30 nonmember registration 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 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.

Exhibitors should exercise extreme caution before medicating their horses and should be aware of the US EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION rules governing drugs and medications. Any questions about the use of certain medications and regarding Rule IV should be directed to the **USEF drugs and medication program, 3780 Ridge Mill Drive, Hilliard, Ohio 43026-9231 – Phone: (800) 633-2472**

A trainer is defined as any adult who has responsibility for the horse on the competition grounds and must sign the entry form.

Hazardous Weather/Accident/Acts of God, and Emergency Policy: Management reserves the right to cancel any classes due to hazardous weather, Acts of God, accident, or emergency. Every effort will be made to reschedule with priority given to any Championship or qualifying classes being offered. No refunds for cancellations due to hazardous weather, Acts of God, accidents, or emergencies. Please see specific shows if there are any additional conditions to this policy.

Food and concessions will be available on the show grounds during normal show hours. Any changes to this policy will be posted.

Numbers must be worn at all times when a horse is being exercised or ridden.

Warning: Under the Equine Activity Liability Act, each participant who participates in an equine activity expressly assumes the risks of engaging in and legal responsibility for injury, loss, or damage to person or property resulting from the risk of equine activities. Please be aware of the laws specific to the show location.

Show Management reserves the right to vary or add officials and refuse any entry for a cause; to disqualify any exhibitor and/or his or her horse for cause; to cause an exhibitor to forfeit his or her ribbons and winnings for cause; to return any entry and/or stall fee before or during the show for cause; all without being liable for damage or compensation. Show management reserves the right to make any changes deemed necessary for the safe and efficient conduct of this competition.

Important notice to all affected parties: Third parties may come upon the property or enter the facilities where any herein described or listed event will occur; provided, that this is a license to enter the premises, for the purpose of observing or participating in the event, but not otherwise, and such license to any individual is subject to revocation by the owner, lessee or organizer, and entry for any purpose other than granted herein, shall be deemed criminal trespass and subject to appropriate legal proceedings.

Attention Competitors: Each competitor is responsible for supplying the show management with the correct and required association numbers of USDF and/or USEF for the horse, owner, rider, coaches, and trainer, before the day(s) of the competition. The scores of competitors who fail to supply correct numbers may not count towards national awards. The proof of these numbers must be in the form of either their actual membership/registration cards or a facsimile of them. 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 USEF and/or USDF membership will result in competitor being charged non-member fees. Members that are unable to produce the USDF memberships cards/registrations or a facsimile will be asked to sign an affidavit and pay an affidavit fee. All entries are taken on a first come, first served basis. Some shows return late arriving entries after the show is filled, and some shows place entries on a wait list on a as-received basis. Please check each show for any additional policies. Send in the entries as soon as possible to assure entry to the show. **Only one horse-rider combination per entry form per show.**

Motorized Vehicles: In accordance with GR1301.7, 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(s), legal guardian(s), 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 sanctions against the parent(s), guardian(s) and/or trainer(s) who are responsible for the child committing the offense. Penalties may include exclusion of the child, parent(s), guardian(s), and/or trainer(s) from the competition grounds for the remainder of the competition and charges being filed against any of the above individuals in accordance with Chapter 6. Wheelchairs and other mobility assistance devices for individuals with disabilities are exempt from this rule.

Non-U.S. Citizens and Foreign Competitors must provide proof, in English, of current membership in good standing in their respective National Federation, or hold current membership in good standing with the USEF.

No exhibitor may withdraw horses from a licensed show after it has commenced, or remove them from the show grounds without permission of the show secretary.

Health Papers: Riders should be aware that Interstate Health Papers are required to be in your vehicle when attending shows not within their home state. Some states also require health papers when transporting between facilities within the same state. Please contact your state veterinarian office for further information.

No Shows: 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.

Sharps Disposal: 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. Containers are located at the end of each barn aisle and within center aisles when center aisles are present within the barns.

Freestyle Entry: In order to enter a freestyle class at any level, a horse/rider combination must have received a minimum score of 60% in the highest test of the declared freestyle level or any test of a higher level at a USEF Recognized Competition. A photocopy of the test verifying eligibility must be submitted with the entry for a freestyle class. Does not apply to competitors in NAJYRC qualifiers.

DOGS MUST BE ON LEASHES AT ALL TIMES WHILE ON SHOW GROUNDS (including in stable areas). Owner may be fined. All pets must be leashed or otherwise contained. Individuals must not lead dogs on a leash while mounted. Dog owners failing to comply with this rule may be subject to penalty under Chapters 6 and 7, as well as issuance or warning cards. GR1301.6 Also, please dispose of all dog waste in proper containers.

FEI Ponies: If ponies are entered in FEI Pony Test(s) and in need of a USEF measurement card, an appointment for measuring MUST be made with show management prior to the show.

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.

For current Great American/USDF Championship requirements, go to www.usdf.org/competitions/competitions-championships/regionals/index.asp.

USEF and USDF Fees for all shows

USDF Affidavit	\$5.00
USDF Horse ID	\$25.00
USDF Non Member	\$25.00 (for each NM rider & owner)
USEF Show Pass	\$30.00 (for each NM rider, owner, trainer, coach)
USEF Fee for National:	\$16.00 (D & M \$8.00, USEF \$8.00) per USEF Horse
USEF Fee for CDI:	\$28.00 (D & M \$20.00, USEF \$8.00) per CDI Horse

GAIG/USDF QUAL - Qualifying class for GAIG/USDF Regional Dressage Championships. Declare qualifying ride on entry form. Class fee plus additional \$10 fee must be paid prior to start of the class.

Markel/USEF QUAL – Qualifying class for Markel/USEF Young Horse Dressage Program

NAJYRC and USEF QUAL - Qualifying class for FEI NAJYRC and USEF National Junior and Young Rider Championships

USEF QUAL – Qualifying class for USEF National Championships

Classes may not necessarily be run in the order listed in the prize lists.

Arena Sizes: Standard arena is 20m x 60m. Small arena is 20m x 40m. Shows may elect to run some classes in a small arena if necessary provided the test is designed for a small arena.

Opportunity Classes: Any Opportunity Classes offered must include "Opportunity" in the class name. These classes must follow all USEF Dressage Division rules and applicable USEF General Rules, including dress and saddlery.

- Opportunity Classes are for entry level riders and these classes must be judged by USEF licensed judges or FEI Dressage judges.
- If entered in opportunity classes restricted to amateurs, riders are required to have an amateur status with USEF or pay the \$30 non-member amateur card fee.
- The prize list must state whether or not horses and/or riders/drivers/handlers entered in Opportunity Classes can cross enter into the rated/recognized classes at the same competition. If cross entry is allowed, all applicable fees and membership requirements will apply.
- Opportunity Classes cannot be used as qualifying classes for the Great American/USDF Regional Championships.
- Freestyles or Test of choice classes may not be offered as Opportunity classes.
- Riders and Owners entered only in these classes are exempt from both USDF and USEF membership requirements and are not required to pay a non-member fee **but are required to list the Federation membership number if the participant is a member.**
- Horses entered only in these classes:
 - **Are** exempt from the Federation fee, including the Equine Drugs and Medication fee.
 - **Are not** required to have either a USEF or USDF Horse Identification (HID) or Recording Number but are to list the HID or Recording number if the horse has been assigned this number.
- Horses entered only in these classes are still subject to and must comply with the Drugs and Medication rules and are subject to drug testing.

Adult Amateur Classes - Participants must possess a current USEF Amateur Card and qualify under the USEF Amateur rules. Any non-member that wishes to participate in the Adult Amateur designated classes must purchase a USEF non-member amateur card for \$30 from USEF. 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.

Pony/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. Must include birth date on entry form.

Announcements: Class announcements and ride time announcements are a courtesy to the exhibitor and not all shows provide the capability of public address announcements. Exhibitors are responsible for presenting themselves to the ring at their designated time and accept the full responsibility for doing so. Competitions offering public announcements will make every effort to maintain a working PA system, but it is stressed that it is still the exhibitors responsibility to be on time. No protest will be upheld, nor any ride time changed, on the basis of a PA breakdown or missed announcement. Ring stewards will also make every effort to keep people informed and entering the ring in a timely fashion. Exhibitors are responsible for knowing the correct show time and their scheduled performance time irregardless of PA announcements or ring stewards. No protest will be upheld, nor ride time changed due to failure of the exhibitor to meeting their responsibilities.

Helmets: 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 headgear 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. DR120.6

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, 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 the 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.

USDF/Dover Saddlery Adult Amateur Medal Program

The USDF/Dover Saddlery Adult Amateur Medal Program is designed to specifically recognize and encourage adult amateurs riding at Second Level.

Awards

1. USDF/Dover Saddlery Medal Recipient

The eligible rider with the highest score of 60 percent or better in the designated Second Level Test Three class or applicable test of choice USDF/Dover Saddlery Adult Amateur Medal class at a participating competition will receive a handcrafted USDF/Dover Saddlery pewter medal and neck ribbon. Winners will receive a \$20 Dover Saddlery gift certificate for the first three USDF/Dover Saddlery Medals they win during the competition season.

2. USDF/Dover Saddlery National Merit Award

A USDF/Dover Saddlery National Merit Award will be awarded to riders winning three USDF/Dover Saddlery Medals in the same competition year.

3. Year-End Awards

The USDF/Dover Saddlery Medal National Champion and Reserve Champion are determined from the average of the top three winning ride scores during the competition year. The champion receives a \$1000 Dover Saddlery gift certificate and the reserve champion receives a \$500 Dover Saddlery gift certificate.

Rider Eligibility

To be eligible, a rider must meet the following criteria:

1. Rider must be a current USDF Participating Member or Group Member at the time of the competition.
2. Rider must be an adult amateur in accordance with Article GR1306 of the USEF rules and be designated with USEF as an adult amateur as of the competition date.

Additional Information

For additional information and an updated list of competitions offering the USDF/Dover Saddlery Adult Amateur Medal Program, please visit <http://www.usdf.org/awards/performance/adultmedalprogram.asp>.

COMPORMTANT: Exhibitors are notified that any act of discourtesy or disobedience to the Judges or Officials on the part of the owner, rider, trainer, family member, or groom may disqualify the horse and will forfeit all entry and other fees.

Show Schedule and Ride Time Conflicts: It is the responsibility of the rider to inform the management of any time conflicts as soon as possible after receiving the schedule.



USDF Statement on Animal Welfare

The United States Dressage Federation, Inc. (USDF), a federation of 125 independent organizations throughout the United States with a membership in excess of 30,000 members, 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.

United States Dressage Federation
4051 Iron Works Parkway, Lexington, KY 40511
Phone: 859-971-2277, Fax: 859-971-7722, usdressage@usdf.org, www.usdf.org

ATTENTION COMPETITORS

Each competitor is responsible for supplying management with correct applicable numbers (USDF and 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.



2014 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 2014 USDF Member Guide for the comprehensive list of rules and requirements for this program.

Membership/Registration Requirements for Qualifying and Championships

Rider:

- Must have a USDF Participating* Membership (PM) at the time qualifying scores are earned and at the time of the championships.
- Must have a USEF membership (Junior Active, Senior Active, or Life) at the time the qualifying scores are earned and at the time of the championships.

Horse:

- Must have a USDF Lifetime Horse Registration (LTR) at the time qualifying scores are earned and at the time of the championships.
- Must have a USEF (Annual or Lifetime) Membership recorded at the time qualifying scores are earned and at the time of the championships.
- USDF horse registration and USEF horse/recording must be in the name(s) of the current owner(s) or lessee(s) of record.
- A horse is not required to have breed registry papers.

Owner:

- Must have a USDF membership (PM* or Business Member (BM)) at the time the qualifying scores are earned and at the time of the championships.
- Must have a USEF membership (Junior Active, Senior Active, or Life) at the time qualifying scores are earned and at the time of the championships.

* 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 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. Freestyles have only open divisions.

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	60%	60%	60%
Intermediate I	60%	60%	60%
Intermediate II	60%	60%	60%
Grand Prix	60%	60%	60%
FREESTYLE	OPEN	AA	JR/YR
First Level	63%	—	—
Second Level	63%	—	—
Third Level	63%	—	—
Fourth Level	63%	—	—
Intermediate I	63%	—	—
Grand Prix	63%	—	—

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, Participating Membership (PM), or have a USDF Non-Member (NM) identification number and pay the USDF NM fee. (Note: USDF business members can own horses but cannot compete as riders with their USDF BM.) Individuals cannot compete at a USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competition with a USDF Education 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, quadrille, FEI Para-Equestrian classes, 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 (\$75), 5-years (\$300), or life (\$1,500). 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 (\$60). 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, Great American Insurance Group/USDF Breeders' Championship Series Finals 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.

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 (\$200) offers a wider variety of advertising benefits. BMs satisfy requirements of horse ownership only.

Education Membership (EM): A membership issued to an individual directly by USDF. This online education only membership expires 12 months after the date joined. This membership type does NOT allow an individual to compete at a USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competition.

Non-Member (NM) Identification Number: For each USDF NM owner/lessee and USDF NM rider there will be a USDF NM fee of \$25 and a USDF NM form 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 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 member 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 (\$25). 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 or Great American Insurance Group/USDF Breeders' Championship Series Finals. An HID number can be upgraded to a Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR) for a fee of \$70. 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 (\$95) is eligible for Adequan®/USDF Year-End Awards, and eligible to compete at Great American Insurance Group/USDF Breeders' Championship Series Finals and 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.

USEF Competition Name:

USEF#:

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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 Fill Out Both Sides of This Form. Reverse side **MUST** be SIGNED.

CLASS No.	DIVISION	CLASS DESCRIPTION	QUAL Y/N	FEES

SUBTOTAL CLASS FEES AND QUALIFYING FEES	
USEF SHOW PASS FEES \$30 PER NON-MEMBER	
USDF NON MEMBER FEE \$25 PER NON-MEMBER	
OFFICE FEE AND/OR BRIDLE # FEE	
USEF HORSE FEES \$8 USEF FEE + \$8 DRUG FEE = \$16.00	
CDI HORSE FEES \$8 USEF FEE + \$ 20 DRUG FEE = \$28.00	
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: _____

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.

Federation Entry Agreement Effective

By entering a Federation-licensed Competition and signing this entry blank as the Owner, Lessee, Trainer, Manager, Agent, Coach, Driver, Rider, Handler, Vaultor 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 the 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.

Federation Release, Assumption of Risk, Waiver, and Indemnification

This document waives important legal rights. Read it carefully before signing.

I AGREE in consideration for my participation in this Competition to the following:

I AGREE that "the Federation" and "Competition" as used herein includes the Licensee and Competition Management, as well as all of their officials, officers, directors, employees, agents, personnel, volunteers and Federation affiliates.

I AGREE that I choose to participate voluntarily in the Competition with my horse, as a rider, driver, handler, vaultor, longeur, lessee, owner, agent, coach, trainer, or as parent or guardian of a junior exhibitor. I am fully aware and acknowledge that horse sports and the Competition involve inherent dangerous risks of accident, loss, and serious bodily injury including broken bones, head injuries, trauma, pain, suffering, or death. ("Harm").

I AGREE to hold harmless and release the Federation and the Competition from all claims for money damages or otherwise for any Harm to me or my horse and for any Harm of any nature caused by me or my horse to others, even if the Harm arises or results resulted, directly or indirectly, from the negligence of the Federation or the Competition.

I AGREE to expressly assume all risks of Harm to me or my horse, including Harm resulting from the negligence of the Federation or the Competition.

I AGREE to indemnify (that is, to pay any losses, damages, or costs incurred by) the Federation and the Competition and to hold them harmless with respect to claims for Harm to me or my horse, and for claims made by others for any Harm caused by me or my horse while at the Competition. I have read the Federation Rules about protective equipment, including GR801 and if applicable, EV114, and I understand that I am entitled to wear protective equipment without penalty, and I acknowledge that the Federation strongly encourages me to do so while WARNING that no protective equipment can guard against all injuries. If I am a parent or guardian of a junior exhibitor, I consent to the child's participation and AGREE to all of the above provisions and AGREE to assume all of the obligations of this Release on the child's behalf. I represent that I have the requisite training, coaching and abilities to safely compete in this competition.

I AGREE that if I am injured at this competition, the medical personnel treating my injuries may provide information on my injury and treatment to the Federation on the official USEF accident/injury report form.

BY SIGNING BELOW, I AGREE to be bound by all applicable Federation Rules and all terms and provisions of this entry blank and 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. Copied from USEF website 11/14/2013

OWNER'S/AGENT'S SIGNATURE (MANDATORY)	RIDER/HANDLER SIGNATURE (MANDATORY)	TRAINER'S SIGNATURE (MANDATORY)	COACH'S SIGNATURE (IF APPLICABLE)
PRINT NAME	PRINT NAME	PRINT NAME	PRINT NAME

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE IF RIDER/DRIVER/TRAINER/HANDLER/VAULTOR/LONGEUR IS UNDER 18	PRINT PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME

RIDER EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION	
NAME OF CONTACT/RELATIONSHIP:	PHONE:

FILL OUT ONLY IF THE COMPETITION YOU ENTER ON THIS ENTRY FORM OFFERS CERTAIN USE OF CHARGE CARDS!!
(Check in the prize list or individual competition requirements)

VISA AMEX CARD NO. _____ - _____ - _____ EXP DATE _____

MasterCard Other _____ NAME ON CARD: _____ CVV # _____

BILLING ADDRESS _____ **ZIP CODE** _____