

Official Prize List for  
**Carousel Connection I and II**  
**May 7 & 8, 2016**

Licensed by the United States Equestrian Federation  
USEF/USDF Recognized No. 328748/328749  
Level Three Competitions  
Illinois State Fairgrounds, Springfield, IL

Opening Date: March 7, 2016

Received by Date: April 20, 2016

**Official Qualifying Competition for:**

2016 Adequan FEI North American Junior and Young Rider Championships presented by Gotham North  
2016 USEF Pony Rider Dressage National Championships  
2016 AGCO/USEF Junior and Young Rider Dressage National Championships  
2016 USEF Young Adult 'Brentina Cup' Dressage National Championships presented by Dressage Today  
2016 Markel/USEF Young and Developing Horse Dressage Championships  
2016 Great American/USDF Regional Championships and 2016 Dover Medal Adult Amateur program

**Judges:** *Barbara Ebner 'S', Susan Malone-Casey 'S'*

**TD:** *Marjorie Malkin 'r'*

**Veterinarian (on call):** Heartland Equine Health *Phone: 217-793-6111*

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

**EMT on grounds during show hours**

**Licensee:** Carousel Connection LLC – Lorna Donahue, Owner

**Manager:** Lorna Donahue *Phone: 309-208-5518 E-mail: [lornadonahue@me.com](mailto:lornadonahue@me.com)*

**Secretary:** Debbie Landon *Phone: 507-208-6022 E-mail: [debbielandon3@aol.com](mailto:debbielandon3@aol.com) Website: [www.dressageshowinfo.com](http://www.dressageshowinfo.com)*

**On-line entries:** Available at [www.dressageshowinfo.com](http://www.dressageshowinfo.com) or [www.equestrianentries.com](http://www.equestrianentries.com) on opening date.

**Mailed entries:** Draw checks in **US Funds only** to Carousel Connection. **No credit cards accepted.**

Mail entries to: **Carousel Connection c/o Show Secretary, 4420 57<sup>th</sup> ST NW, Rochester, MN 55901**

**Reminder: This is two shows so you must submit TWO entry forms if entering both shows.**

**Entry Fees:**

**Office charge per entry:** \$35 per horse/rider combination per show

**Late entries:** \$35 per show if received after the Received by Date of April 20<sup>th</sup>

**Post entries at show:** Will be taken as scheduling permits, class fee plus \$10.00 (must request by 3 PM the day prior)

**Faxed or emailed entries:** \$5 per entry fee

**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 the weekend. Must fill out entry form for bridle number and pay office fee.

**Stabling/Tack Stall Fee:** \$115 for the weekend per stall. Permanent stalls are 10' x 12 with doors.

All horses must be stabled. No initial bedding provided.

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

**Entry Information Requirement:** Competitors are responsible to include copies of all USDF and USEF memberships for horse, owner, rider, trainer, and coach listed on entry form or pay non-member fees. Freestyle classes must include a copy of qualifying test with entry.

**\*\*NEW\*\* USEF Equine Vaccination Rule & Health Requirements for entry to show grounds in 2016:** All horses entering the show grounds of a USEF licensed competition **MUST** be accompanied by documentation showing vaccinations for Equine Influenza Virus and Equine Herpes Virus (Rhinopneumonitis) within 6 months as well as have a current negative EIA/Coggins test (within 12 months) **This is mandatory for every horse entry. See USEF rule GR845.** Also, a health certificate is needed on all out of state horses. Horses not entered in the show may not be brought onto the show grounds without prior arrangement with show management.

**Braiding available:** Contact Kelsey Votoupal at 309-532-0690.

*Official prize list posted on [www.dressageshowinfo.com](http://www.dressageshowinfo.com)*

**Entry Cancellation/Refunds:** Cancellations accepted only in writing by mail or email prior to or on the Received by Date (entire entry refunded minus the office fee). **No Refunds for any reason after the closing date.** All fees collected on behalf of USEF/USDF to be submitted to the Federation provided all outstanding fees are paid in full, else it will be applied to those fees.

**Great American Insurance Group (GAIG)/USDF Qualifying Classes:** Indicate that the class is to count for qualifying by placing a **Q** after the class number on your entry. Qualifying does not require a separate ride. An exhibitor riding in the Open, AA, or JR/Yg rider classes must pay an additional \$10 USDF fee to have this score entered in the GAIG/USDF qualifying division at that level.

**Confirmation/Ride Times:** Confirmation of entry will be emailed. All email addresses must be clearly printed. Ride times and show updates will be posted on [www.DressageShowInfo.com](http://www.DressageShowInfo.com). Entries taken on a first come, first served basis. Entries may close early if time limits for judges are filled. Remaining entries received before the Received by Date will be placed on a wait list.

**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 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 for the weekend. Freestyle and Young Horse classes excluded from all Champion and Reserve Champion awards.

**Pony Riders/ Pony Measurements:** If you do not have a measurement card done on your pony, you must notify management in advance of the show start of any ponies needing a measurement so a time can be arranged for this service. Management will arrange a measurement time with the veterinarian and technical delegate. It will be the pony owner's responsibility for the fee charged by the veterinarian. This must be done prior to your first pony test ride.

**No Shows and Scratches:** All "No Shows" that have not contacted the show office prior to their first ride will be considered a scratch for the rest of the show and time slots may be filled.

**Accommodations:** Hampton Inn 217-529-1100, Northfield Center 217-523-7900

**Camping/RV Reservations:** Spots can be secured and paid directly to the IL Fairgrounds 217-725-0120.

**Arenas:** Two standard size arenas with sand or tanbark footing, one in the coliseum and the other in a covered outdoor. Warm-up and lunging areas are in an indoor with tanbark.

**Facility address for GPS:** 801 E Sangamon Ave. Springfield, IL 62702.

**Directions:** From I-55, take exit 100B to merge onto E Sangamon Ave. Go approximately 3 miles and enter at gate 11.

**Concessions:** Food and concessions will be available on the show grounds during competition hours.

**Golf Cars/Mopeds/ Other Motorized Vehicles:** 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 recognized competitions. Minors who have a valid temporary license may operate the above described vehicles so 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 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. **See USEF rule GR1301.7.**

**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.

**Weather/Acts of God/Accidents or Emergency Policy:** Management reserves the right to cancel any classes due to hazardous weather, acts of God, accidents, or emergencies. Every effort will be made to reschedule with priority given to the USEF Program classes. No refunds for cancellations due to hazardous weather, acts of God, accidents, or emergencies. **See USEF rule GR311.**

**See the "General Regulations and Entry Specification Section" for additional policies this show subscribes to and follows.**

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Sat #	Sun #	Class Name <small>* indicates a GAIG/USDF Regional Qualifying class All classes placed by division</small>	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	
<b>212</b>	<b>312</b>	USEF Second Level Test Three * <b>(Dover Medal – Bolded Class Number)</b>	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	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$40	
215	315	USEF Third Level Test Three *	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 George *	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$45	\$55
220	320	FEI Intermediare I *	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$45	\$55
221	321	FEI Intermediare II *	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$45	\$55
222	322	FEI Grand Prix *	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$45	\$55
223	323	FEI Grand Prix Special	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$45	
224	324	USDF Freestyle * (specify test – USDF TR to 4th) Training level is not eligible for qualifying.	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$45	\$55
225	325	FEI Freestyle * (specify test – Intermediare or GP)	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$45	\$55
226	326	FEI TOC (specify test – no Freestyles, Young Horse or Para)	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$45	
227	327	USEF TOC (specify test – no Freestyles, Young Horse, or Rider tests)	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$35	
228	328	Equitation – Dressage Seat		\$25	
231		USEF 4 YR Old Horse Test (Practice)		\$45	
232		FEI 5 Year Old Young Horse Final (Practice)		\$45	
233		FEI 6 Year Old Young Horse Final (Practice)		\$45	
234		FEI 5 Year Old Young Horse Preliminary (Practice)		\$45	
235		FEI 6 Year Old Young Horse Preliminary (Practice)		\$45	
236		USEF Developing PSG (Practice)		\$45	
237		USEF Developing GP (Practice)		\$45	
<b>Materiale Classes</b>					
238	338	Three Year Old Fillies		\$30	
239	339	Three Year Old Colts/Geldings		\$30	
240	340	Four and Five Year Old Mares		\$30	
241	341	Four/Five Year Old Stallions/Geldings		\$30	

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<b>USEF Rider Tests</b>					
242	342	USEF Rider Test – Training Level	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$35	
243	343	USEF Rider Test – First Level	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$35	
244	344	USEF Rider Test – Second Level	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$35	
<b>Pony Classes</b>					
245	345	USEF Training Level Test One - Pony	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$35	
246	346	USEF Training Level Test Two - Pony	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$35	
247	347	USEF Training Level Test Three – Pony *	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$35	\$45
248	348	USEF First Level Test One - Pony	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$35	
249	349	USEF First Level Test Two - Pony	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$35	
250	350	USEF First Level Test Three – Pony *	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$35	\$45
251	351	USEF Second Level Test One - Pony	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$40	
252	352	USEF Second Level Test Two - Pony	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$40	
253	353	USEF Second Level Test Three – Pony *	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$40	\$50
254	354	USEF Third Level Test One - Pony	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$40	
255	355	USEF Third Level Test Two - Pony	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$40	
256	356	USEF Third Level Test Three – Pony *	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$40	\$50
<b>USEF Qualifying Classes – Level 3 shows only</b>					
	357	USEF 4 YR Old Horse Test (Markel/USEF Qualifying)		\$65	
	358	FEI 5 Year Old Test Final (Markel/USEF Qualifying)		\$65	
	359	FEI 6 Year Old Test Final (Markel/USEF Qualifying)		\$65	
260		FEI Pony Team (NAJYRC/USEF Qualifying)		\$65	
	361	FEI Pony Individual (NAJYRC/USEF Qualifying)		\$65	
262		FEI Pony Freestyle (NAJYRC/USEF Qualifying)		\$65	
263		FEI JR Team (NAJYRC/USEF Qualifying) *		\$65	\$75
	364	FEI JR Individual (NAJYRC/USEF Qualifying)		\$65	
265		FEI JR Freestyle (NAJYRC/USEF Qualifying)		\$65	
266		FEI YR Team (NAJYRC/USEF Qualifying) *		\$65	\$75
	367	FEI YR Individual (NAJYRC/USEF Qualifying)		\$65	
268		FEI YR Freestyle (NAJYRC/USEF Qualifying)		\$65	
	369	USEF Developing PSG (USEF Qualifying)		\$65	
	370	USEF Developing GP (USEF Qualifying)		\$65	
	371	FEI YR GP 16-25 (USEF Qualifying)		\$65	
<b>Opportunity Classes</b>					
272	372	Training Level Test 1 Opportunity		\$35	
273	373	Training Level Test 2 Opportunity		\$35	

**Note:** Classes may not necessarily run in the order listed here

## **Important National Class Information:**

### **Amateur (AA) Classes:**

- Individuals possessing current amateur certification are only eligible as Adult Amateurs from the beginning of the calendar year in which they reach age 22.
- Only active United States Equestrian Federation (USEF) members may obtain amateur status. (Exception: Equine Canada members in possession of current EC membership may sign for USEF Amateur status on a show by show basis at no cost).
- Participants must possess current USEF Amateur status and qualify under the USEF Amateur rules
- If opportunity classes at Dressage Competitions are restricted to amateurs, riders are required to have an amateur status with USEF.

### **Junior/Young Rider Classes (JR/YR):**

Riders are eligible to compete in these classes until the end of the calendar year in which they reach the age of 21

### **Pony division:**

For this competition, classes are offered from USEF Training Level through USEF Third level with classes designated for JR/YR, Adult Amateur, and Open riders.

- The pony division is open to all breeds that meets the following measurement requirements. In the Dressage Division, a pony is an animal that does not exceed 148 cm (14.23 hh) without shoes, and 149 cm (14.27 hh) with shoes. The pony can be of any sex (mare, stallion, or gelding).
- Ponies under the age of eight and in possession of a valid temporary card from another division or discipline should submit a copy with their entry.
- Measurement will be required for these pony specific classes if they do not currently have a valid measurement card.
- Measurement will be yearly beginning from the age of three (36 months) until the pony has reached the age of eight years. Animals three through seven years old will be issued an annual Temporary Certificate of Measurement and must be re measured annually until the age of eight years. Animals eight years and older will be issued Standard Certificates of Measurement which will not need to be renewed. Measurement must be done on USEF Combined Driving and Dressage Pony Measurement form.
- Individual responsible for presenting the pony for measurement must be 18 years old. Animals submitted for measurement or re-measurement must show no evidence of lameness, and must be jogged for soundness prior to the measurement. Animals showing evidence of lameness are not eligible for measurement or remeasurement.
- The pony must be entered to compete at the competition for a measurement to take place.
- When the competition veterinarian is on call and an alternative measurement time is necessary, management must receive a written request for measurement from the owner or agent at least five days prior to the start of competition to set up a time.

### **Classes per Day:**

Horses are limited to a maximum of three Dressage rides per day at Fourth Level and below (including Rider Tests) or two Dressage rides per day above Fourth Level. Horses competing at both Fourth Level and Prix St. Georges, or their equivalents, are limited to two Dressage rides per day. Dressage Seat Equitation, Quadrille, Pas de Deux, and Materiale classes are excluded from the maximum limit of rides per day and horses in these classes may compete at any level for which they are otherwise eligible during the same competition.

### **Consecutive Levels:**

Horses may enter no more than two consecutive levels, Freestyle levels included, at any one competition.

### **Opportunity Classes:**

Opportunity classes may cross enter into other divisions. When cross-entering, all memberships and registrations apply for those classes.

### **Current Rules:**

The rules may have changed from the current USEF Rule Book. It is the competitor's responsibility to check the current USEF Rule Book for any changes. Current rules can be found on [www.usef.org](http://www.usef.org).

## **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, 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.

Additionally, Carousel Connection LLC, and their officials, sponsors and employees will not be responsible for any accident or loss which may occur to any exhibitor, spectators, guest, rider, groom, attendant or other employee, animal or equipment at any of the competition.

### **USEF 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 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 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 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 Federation Equine Drugs and Medications Program, 956 King Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43212-2655. (800) 633-2472, (614) 299-7707, FAX (614) 299-7706.

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

**Protective Headgear Rule:** 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 and those competing in all classes and 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 be immediately prohibited from further riding until such headgear is properly in place. Protective headgear is defined 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.

**Musical Freestyles:** Music must be on good quality CD and must be presented to the announcer at least two hours before scheduled ride. The schedule for sound checks will be posted at the show.

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

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. All entries for Open Classes are taken on a first come, first served basis. Only one horse-rider combination per entry form.

**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.

**Dogs:** Facility rules require that dogs must be on a leash (not to exceed 6 feet in length) or suitably restrained in a tack stall/cage etc. Loose animals/animals left in vehicles in distress, etc. can and will be removed from the grounds at the owner's expense.

**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 Lifetime Registered and USEF Annual or Lifetime 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/competitionschampionships/regionals/index.asp](http://www.usdf.org/competitions/competitionschampionships/regionals/index.asp).

**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.

**Show Conflict/Rider Time Conflicts:** Changes need to be requested in the show office by 3pm the day prior.

**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, 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, cablecasts, 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.

**Current Rules:** The rules may have changed from the current USEF Rule Book. It is the competitor's responsibility to check the current USEF Rule Book for any changes. Current rules can be found on [www.usef.org](http://www.usef.org)

**2016 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:**

- 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.
- 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.
- 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:**

- Rider must have a current USDF Participating or Group Membership and be a member in good standing of USDF when the scores are earned.
- Rider must be an adult amateur in accordance with Article GR1306 of the USEF rules and be designated with USEF as an adult amateur at the time the scores are earned.

**Owner & Horse Eligibility:** Horse and owner must meet minimum competition eligibility requirements at the time scores are earned.

**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>



**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](http://www.usdf.org).

**This  
competition  
is recognized  
by USDF  
for 2016**

**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.) 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 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 (\$75), 5-years (\$300), or life (\$1,500). A USDF Youth Participating Membership (YPM) is available for individuals who have not reached their 21<sup>st</sup> 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 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 (\$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](http://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.



## 2016 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](http://www.usdf.org). Please refer to the 2016 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 (LHR) 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%
<b>FREESTYLE</b>	<b>OPEN</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>JR/YR</b>
First Level	63%	—	—
Second Level	63%	—	—
Third Level	63%	—	—
Fourth Level	63%	—	—
Intermediate I	63%	—	—
Grand Prix	63%	—	—



## *USDF Statement on Animal Welfare*

The United States Dressage Federation, Inc. (USDF), a federation of over 120 independent organizations throughout the United States with a membership 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](mailto:usdressage@usdf.org), [www.usdf.org](http://www.usdf.org)

### **ATTENTION COMPETITORS**

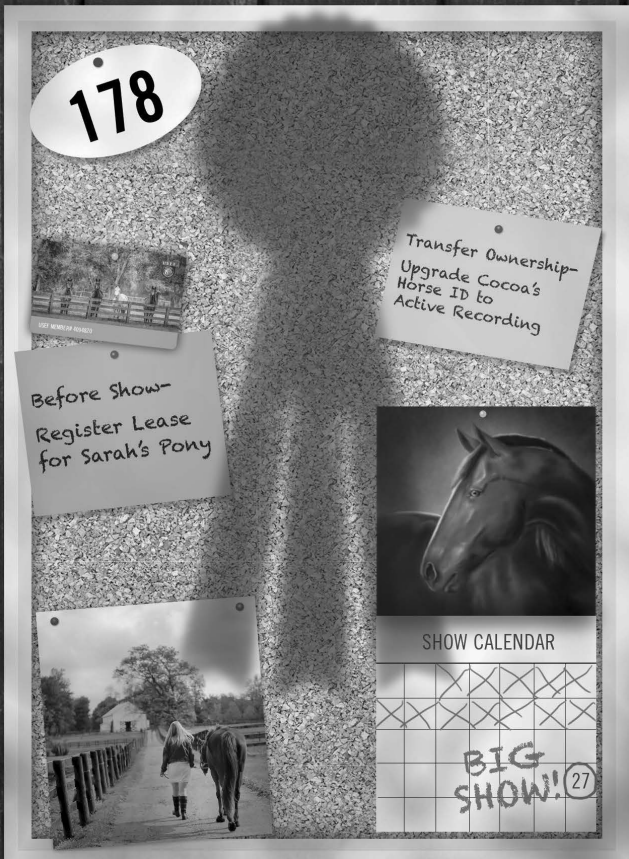
Each competitor is responsible for supplying management with correct applicable numbers (USDF and USEF) for horse, owner, rider, and trainer, before the day(s) of the competition.

The scores of competitors who fail to supply correct numbers may not be counted toward national awards.

USEF Competition Name:  
Competition Division(s) and Rating(s):

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		
<b>TOTAL FEES</b>		

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, 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.

**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, vaulteur, 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/VAULTER/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)	
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