

Official Prizelist for

Great American Insurance Group / United States Dressage Federation Region 4 Dressage Championships

Qualifier for the 2016 US Dressage Finals presented by Adequan

September 8 - 11, 2016

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USEF/USDF Recognized No. 273447
Level Four Competition
North Iowa Events Center, Mason City, IA

Opening Date: July 1, 2016 Entries Received by Date: August 15, 2016

Qualification year for championship classes: 9/15/2015 to 8/15/2016

Official Qualifying Competition for:

2017 Great American/USDF Regional Championships 2016 Dover Medal Adult Amateur program

Judges: Kem Barbosa 'S', Fran Dearing-Kehr 'S', Natalie Lamping 'S', Kristi Wysocki 'S'
Fatima Pawlenko-Kranz 'R'

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Veterinarian (on grounds during show): Dr. Gene Fjeld *Phone: 641-590-2970*Farrier (on grounds during show): Rob Talley *Phone: 612-840-8086*EMT on grounds during show hours

Licensee: Solland Inc.

Official prize list posted on www.dressageshowinfo.com

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On-line entries: Available at www.dressageshowinfo.com or www.equestrianentries.com on opening date of competition.

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

Mail entries to: Region 4 Championships c/o Show Secretary, 4420 57th ST NW, Rochester, MN 55901

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

Remember: Copies of all memberships/registrations are required with entry for Regional Championships.

Please review all Great American / USDF Regional Championship rules and eligibility requirements.

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



Entry Fees:

Office charge per entry: \$50 per horse/rider combination

Late entries: \$75 if received after the Received by Date of August 15th

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

Emailed or faxed entries: \$10 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 the weekend. Must fill out entry form for bridle number and pay office fee

Stabling/Tack Stall Fee: 3 PM Wednesday to 7 PM Sunday. All stabling is assigned on first come, first serve basis.

If requested barn is filled, you will be shifted to the next stabling area and the difference in fees refunded.

Permanent and temporary stalls are 10' x 10' with doors.

Davidson Barn: \$200 per stall

Draft and Curren Barns: \$175 per stall

Other Barns: \$150 per stall

\$75 for daily stabling (3 PM to 5 PM the next day) – no choice of barns

Additional nights stabling: \$35 per stall per night for nights other than show dates

Bedding: \$9/bag. Order on entry form or at show office. No initial bedding provided

Camping: \$35 per night, pay on entry

Golf cart rental: Contact Miller & Sons Golf Cars directly at 641-843-4132

Night security and hourly night check: Contact Amy Struzzieri directly at 845-220-7206 or Brookesedge@aol.com

Entry Information Requirement: Competitors are responsible to include a copy 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 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 (30-day) 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.

Late Entries: Late entries, including Great American Championship entries, that are postmarked after the Received by Date of August 15th, will be accepted at the discretion of the show secretary and show committee based on a space available basis and charged a \$75 late fee. If the classes are oversubscribed, a waiting list (in the order of date received) will be maintained.

Entry Cancellation/Refunds: Cancellations accepted only in writing by mail or e-mail 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.

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.

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 qualifying fee to have this score entered in the GAIG/USDF qualifying division at that level.

Confirmation/Ride Times: Confirmation of entry will be e-mailed. All e-mail addresses must be clearly printed. Ride times and show updates will be posted on www.DressageShowInfo.com. Entries taken on a first come, first served basis. Entries may close early for non-championship classes if time limits for judges are filled. Remaining entries received before the Received by Date will be placed on a wait list.

Awards for Open Show 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. Ribbons to sixth for each class. No awards for Qualifying classes.

Accommodations: Country Inn and Suites (641) 423-1770, Comfort Inn (641) 423-4444, Days Inn (641) 424-0210, Holiday Inn (641) 423-1640, Hanford Inn (641) 424-9494, Best Western (641) 357-5253, Super 8 (641) 423-8855

Camping: \$35 per night, pay on entry.

Arenas: Outdoor arenas have all-weather sand footing. Warm-up rings are of same footing. All tests in standard arena, unless entries warrant, then some tests may be held in a small arena. Full schooling schedule will be posted in the show office.

Address: 3700 4th St SW, Mason City, IA 50401

Directions: Take I-35 to Mason City - Clear Lake Exit. Take Hwy 122 East. Go approximately 6 miles on Hwy 122 and turn left onto

Eisenhower and use the west Eisenhower entrance gates. You can see the fairgrounds from Hwy 122.

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

Vendors: Vendors must register with the North Iowa Events Center office at 641-423-3811.

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.

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Great American / USDF Region 4 Championships Information

Awards for Regional Championship classes: A tentative schedule for the Awards Ceremonies will be printed in the "Show Program" and the official schedule will be posted in the show secretary's office by noon on the day prior to the beginning of the competition. Classes placed Champion and Reserve through eighth place for each level and listed division.

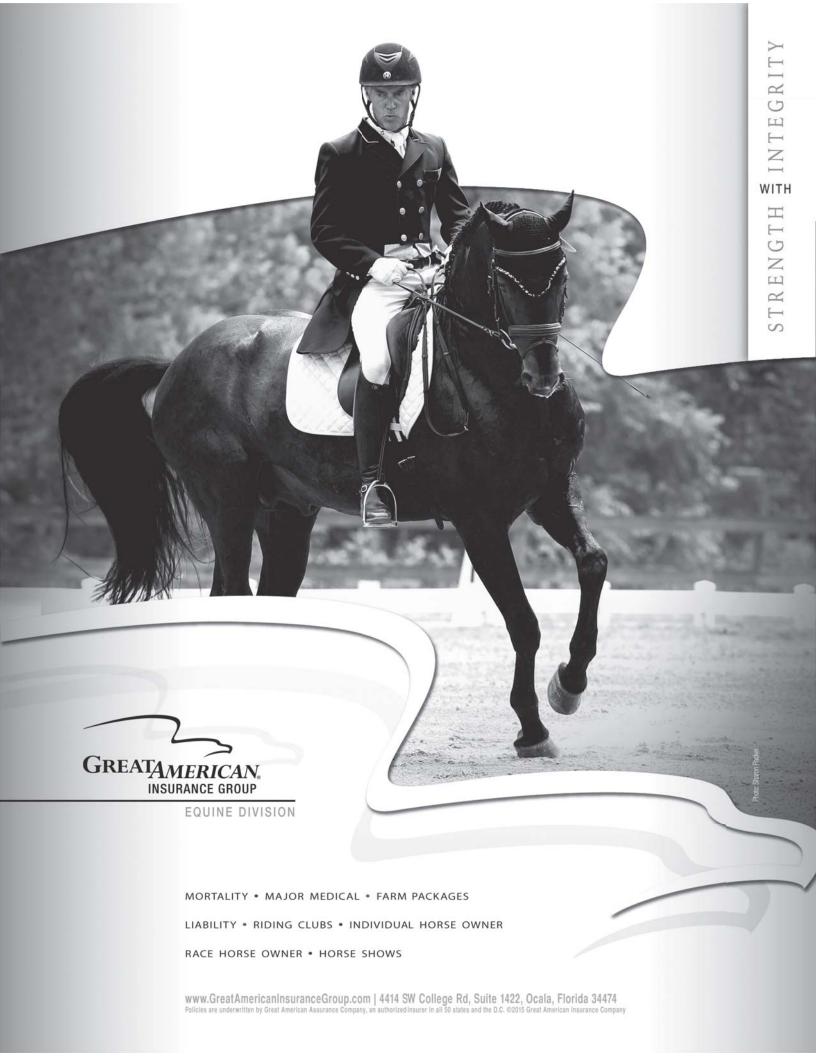
Riders placing in the Great American/USDF Regional Championship classes must be present, mounted and in full riding attire for award ceremonies (eight place for all Championship classes). Failure, without prior permission of the competition manager, in consultation with the Technical Delegate, the Awards coordinator, and the USDF representative, to be present and properly attired will eliminate the official score and placing and the next highest score will move up in placing. In case of inclement weather, unmounted ceremonies may be held.

Prize money for Great American/USDF Regional Championships will be paid directly by the USDF office to the recorded horse owner within thirty (30) days of the end of the championship. Champions will receive \$343 in prize money, an engraved silver tray, an embroidered jacket and gift certificate provided by SmartPak, official supplement feeding system of USDF, and a neck sash. Reserve champions will receive \$229 in prize money, along with an embroidered saddle pad provided by the Great American Insurance Group, title sponsor of the championships, and a neck sash.

Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Finals: USDF will award ribbons to the top eight riders. Champion and Reserve Champions will receive an engraved silver tray and are eligible to compete in the USEF Dressage Seat Medals Finals. Must include birth date on entry.

Special Notes:

- Saturday night Competitor party!
- Photography by Carolyn Bunch at www.carolynnbunchphotography.com or 425-772-7774.
- Golf cart rental, contact Miller & Sons Golf Cars directly at 641-843-4132.
- Advertisements and sponsorships, contact Debbie Landon at debbielandon3@aol.com for sponsor packages and ad rates.
- Volunteers: Competitors, friends, and family, please take the time to help out at your Championship show. Contact Debbie
 Landon at debbielandon3@aol.com or check the volunteer box on your entry and we will contact you. You can help with tasks like running tests, closing gates during championship rides, or helping at the awards ceremonies.



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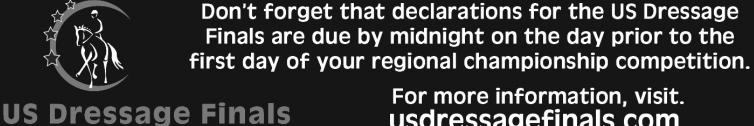
Thu#	Fri #	Sat #	Sun #	Class Name (* GAIG/USDF Qualifying)	Divisions	Fee	Q
1	101	201	301	USEF Training Level Test One	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$45	
2	102	202	302	USEF Training Level Test Two	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$45	
3	103	203	303	USEF Training Level Test Three*	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$45	\$55
4	104	204	304	USEF First Level Test One	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$45	
5	105	205	305	USEF First Level Test Two	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$45	
6	106	206	306	USEF First Level Test Three*	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$45	\$55
7	107	207	307	USEF Second Level Test One	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$45	
8	108	208	308	USEF Second Level Test Two	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$45	
9	109	209	309	USEF Second Level Test Three* (Dover Medal - Saturday)	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$45	\$55
10	110	210	310	USEF Third Level Test One	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$45	
11	111	211	311	USEF Third Level Test Two	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$45	
12	112	212	312	USEF Third Level Test Three*	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$45	\$55
13	113	213	313	USEF Fourth Level Test One	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$45	
14	114	214	314	USEF Fourth Level Test Two	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$45	
15	115	215	315	USEF Fourth Level Test Three*	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$45	\$55
16	116	216	316	FEI Prix St George*	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$65	\$75
17	117	217	317	FEI Intermediare I*	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$65	\$75
18	118	218	318	FEI Intermediare II*	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$65	\$75
19	119	219	319	FEI Grand Prix*	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$65	\$75
				Championship Classes			
				Open Division			
	430			Great American/USDF Training Level Championship*	Open	\$90	\$100
		433		Great American/USDF First Level Championship*	Open	\$90	\$100
			438	Great American Second Level Championship*	Open	\$90	\$100
	431			Great American/USDF Third Level Championship*	Open	\$90	\$100
		434		Great American/USDF Fourth Level Championship*	Open	\$90	\$100
			439	Great American/USDF PSG Championship*	Open	\$90	\$100
	432			Great American/USDF I1 Championship*	Open	\$90	\$100
		435		Great American/USDF I2 Championship*	Open	\$90	\$100
			440	Great American/USDF Grand Prix Championship*	Open	\$90	\$100
		436		Great American/USDF Freestyle Championship* (state level performed – class placed by level)	Open	\$90	\$100

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Fri #	Sat #	Sun #	Class Name (* GAIG/USDF Qualifying)	Divisions	Fee	Q
			Adult Amateur Division			
		535	Great American/USDF Training Level Championship*	AA	\$90	\$100
	532		Great American/USDF First Level Championship*	AA	\$90	\$100
530			Great American Second Level Championship*	AA	\$90	\$100
		536	Great American/USDF Third Level Championship*	AA	\$90	\$100
	533		Great American/USDF Fourth Level Championship*	AA	\$90	\$100
531			Great American/USDF PSG Championship*	AA	\$90	\$100
		537	Great American/USDF I1 Championship*	AA	\$90	\$100
	534		Great American/USDF I2 Championship*	AA	\$90	\$100
		538	Great American/USDF Grand Prix Championship*	AA	\$90	\$100
			Junior / Young Rider Division			
630			Great American/USDF Training Level Championship*	JR-YR	\$90	\$100
	633		Great American/USDF First Level Championship*	JR-YR	\$90	\$100
		638	Great American Second Level Championship*	JR-YR	\$90	\$100
	634		Great American/USDF Third Level Championship*	JR-YR	\$90	\$100
		639	Great American/USDF Fourth Level Championship*	JR-YR	\$90	\$100
	635		Great American/USDF PSG Championship*	JR-YR	\$90	\$100
		640	Great American/USDF I1 Championship*	JR-YR	\$90	\$100
	636		Great American/USDF I2 Championship*	JR-YR	\$90	\$100
		641	Great American/USDF Grand Prix Championship*	JR-YR	\$90	\$100
631			Great American/USDF FEI YR Championship*	JR-YR	\$90	\$100
632			Great American/USDF FEI JR Championship*	JR-YR	\$90	\$100
	637		USDF Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Finals 13 and Under	JR	\$50	
		642	USDF Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Finals 14 to18	JR	\$50	

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US Dressage Finals Eligibility

The US Dressage Finals is an Invitational competition using the USEF/USDF Regional Championship program to qualify. Qualifying takes place at each of the nine Great American/USDF Regional Dressage Championships, based on either 1) Placing in a Regional Championship Class or 2) Wild Card Eligibility. Either must be achieved at a Regional Championship in a class and eligible division offered at the US Dressage Finals.

I. Qualification Based on Placing in a Regional Championship Class:

Champion and Reserve Champion horse/rider combinations for each level and eligible division from each of the nine Regional Championships will be automatically invited, provided the following three requirements are met: US Citizenship; Declaration of Intent completed by the deadline; and earning an eligible placing in a Regional Championship class.

Note: Since Freestyle classes at Regional Championships are not split by division, the top two Open horse/rider combinations and the top two Adult Amateur horse/rider combinations for each level from each of the nine Regional Championships will be automatically invited. In addition, to be eligible for the Adult Amateur division in the Freestyles at the US Dressage Finals, competitors must check the AA box on the Regional Championship entry form, and must provide proof of Adult Amateur status prior to competing in their Regional Championship classes.

- 1) <u>United States Citizenship Requirement:</u> To compete in any US Dressage Finals class, the rider must be a US citizen.
- 2) <u>Declaration Requirement:</u> The horse/rider combination must declare their intention to participate by completing the Declaration of Intent form by midnight on the day prior to the first day of their Regional Championship competition (including any open class day before the start of championship classes). There is no fee to declare, but horse/rider combinations must declare at the level(s) and eligible division(s) they intend to compete in at the US Dressage Finals. Go to <u>www.usdressagefinals.com</u> to declare.
- 3) Placing in a Regional Championship Class: Eligibility to enter US Dressage Finals classes is based on a horse/rider combination's placing in a Regional Championship class. Champions and Reserve Champions in eligible classes will be automatically invited, as long as their Declaration of Intent has been received by the deadline. Note: In order to be named Champion and Reserve Champion in a Regional Championship class, a horse/rider combination must have achieved a score of 55% or higher.

In the event that the Champion and/or Reserve Champion declines the invitation, or are ineligible to compete in the US Dressage Finals, the horse/rider combination that has the next highest placing in the class will be invited, providing they:

- 1. Achieved the pre-requisite score of 55% or higher.
- 2. Completed the Declaration of Intent for that particular level and division by the deadline.
- 3. Are a US citizen.

If that combination declines the invitation, the same process will be followed down through the fifth placing horse/rider combination that has declared for that Finals level and division.

No invitations will be issued beyond the fifth placing declared horse/rider combination except as may be eligible through the Wild Card invitations described below.

II. Qualification Based on Wild Card Eligibility:

Horse/rider combinations who are not otherwise qualified to compete in the US Dressage Finals based on their Regional Championship placing (see above) may be invited to participate in a Finals class by earning a Wild Card score achieved at one of the nine Regional Championships, provided the following two requirements are met: US Citizenship and earning an eligible Wild Card score in a Regional Championship class.

- United States Citizenship Requirement: To compete in any US Dressage Finals class, the rider must be a US citizen.
- 2) <u>Eligible Wild Card Score:</u> Eligibility to enter US Dressage Finals classes is based on a Wild Card score earned in a Regional Championship class. For all levels and divisions from Training through Grand Prix, a horse/rider combination that competes in a Regional Championship class and achieves a score at or above the score listed below for that level and division may compete in the **same** level and division at the US Dressage Finals.

Note: Horse/rider combinations are not required to have filed a "Declaration of Intent" in order to receive a Wild Card invitation.

	OPEN:	<u>AA:</u>
Training:	72%	68%
First:	72%	68%
Second:	68%	65%
Third:	68%	65%
Fourth:	68%	65%
Prix St. Georges:	68%	65%
Intermediate I:	66%	64%
Intermediate II:	66%	64%
Grand Prix:	66%	64%
All Freestyles	66%	66%

III. Invitations:

Invitations and notifications will be emailed to eligible/qualified horse/rider combinations immediately after each Regional Championship. There will be three categories of emails:

- 1) Invitation emails will be sent to the first and second placed declared combinations.
- 2) Invitation emails will be sent to combinations eligible for a Wild Card.
- 3) Notification emails will be sent to 3rd -5th of those horse/rider combinations who have declared, notifying them that they are on the reserve/alternate list and reminding them to check the website for any status changes that would make them eligible for an invitation.

In the event that an invited horse/rider combination scratches, invitations may be issued up to the start of the competition.

Note: Competitors do not need to receive an actual invitation to nominate themselves for the US Dressage Finals. The entry system will have their eligibility status and they can nominate prior to receiving an email invitation.

IV. Nomination Requirement:

Nomination, including payment of the nomination fee, is *required* for participation in US Dressage Finals classes, *whether qualifying through placing in a Regional Championship class or by Wild Card Eligibility.* The nomination deadline is midnight, 96 hours after the last championship day in the regional championship show in which the horse/rider combination competed. Each US Dressage Finals horse/rider combination is required to complete the nomination (preliminary entry) process. The Nomination fee paid will be applied to the total amount due at Closing Date.

V. Entry Requirements

Completed entries for the US Dressage Finals *must be received* by the closing date, October 27, 2016, midnight Eastern Time. Stabling in heated Alltech barns will be allotted by region based on the number of entries received from each region at Closing Date. Assignments for each region's allotment will be based on the date completed entries are received from those requesting Alltech stabling, and completed entries must be received within five days, and no later than five days, after their nomination deadline in order to maintain priority.

US Dressage Finals Deadlines							
Regional Championship	Declaration	Nomination					
1	Wednesday, September 14, 2016	Thursday, September 22, 2016					
2	Wednesday, September 21, 2016	Thursday, September 29, 2016					
3	Wednesday, October 12, 2016	Thursday, October 20, 2016					
4	Wednesday, September 7, 2016	Thursday, September 15, 2016					
5	Wednesday, September 14, 2016	Thursday, September 22, 2016					
6	Wednesday, September 21, 2016	Thursday, September 29, 2016					
7	Wednesday, September 28, 2016	Thursday, October 6, 2016					
8	Wednesday, September 21, 2016	Thursday, September 29, 2016					
9	Wednesday, October 5, 2016	Thursday, October 13, 2016					

Above deadlines are midnight in the time zone of the specific Regional Championship

Entry Closing Date is October 27, 2016 midnight Eastern Time

Deadline for Alltech stabling priority is five days after the nomination deadline for each region. See Official Prize List for more information.

For evolving event and competitor information, <u>usdressagefinals.com</u> will be your source.

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A. 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.

B. QUALIFYING CLASS AND CHAMPIONSHIP ELIGIBILITY

- Having won a USEF/USDF Regional Championships three times (in any region over their lifetime), a horse/rider combination may no longer compete in USEF/USDF Regional Championship competition at that or a lower level (Grand Prix excepted), if they received the minimum qualifying score or higher for that division and level in the championship test per USEF DR127.5.
- 2. A horse may not be entered in more than one USEF/USDF Regional Championship at a particular level in the same calendar year.
- 3. USDF will presume qualified horse/rider combinations will compete in the region in which the rider resides as determined by the address associated with the rider's membership information on file as of July 1. Riders are NOT required to be a resident of the region to compete in that region's championship. Riders, who wish to compete at Regional Championships in a region other than their region of residence, must submit a Change of Region Form. This form may be submitted at no cost if done prior to July 1. Change of Region Forms may be accepted from July 2 up to August 1, with a late fee of \$100; from August 2, up to the closing date of the championship region the rider is declaring for, with a late fee of \$300. **No**

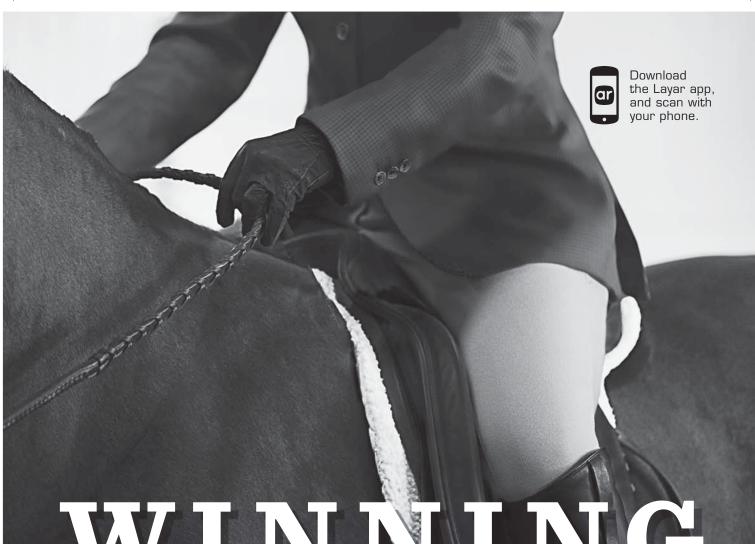
- changes of region may be made after the closing date of the region in which a rider wishes to enter, for any reason. In addition, all persons living outside of the United States must declare a region by the deadline of July 1 of the current competition year.
- 4. A rider may not compete in more than one Regional Championship competition in the same calendar year.
- 5. In the event a competitor is unable to produce copies of the USDF membership or lifetime horse registration documents required to enter a qualifying class, a USDF membership/registration affidavit with appropriate fee may be completed and filed with the competition secretary. The affidavit and appropriate fee must be submitted to USDF by the competition secretary. Copies of the required memberships and registrations MUST be included with the championship entry. Affidavits will not be accepted for USEF or USDF membership or horse recording verification purposes for entry in championship classes.
- 6. USDF Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Finals: All junior riders through age 18 who have qualified at any level for the Regional Championships (excluding freestyle) are automatically eligible to compete in the Semi-Final classes of the USEF/ USDF Dressage Seat Medal Program. Additionally, any rider that earns a score of 70% or higher, from an eligible class, during the DSM qualifying period from August 1 through July 30 will be qualified to participate in the USDF Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Finals. One Semi-Final class will be offered for juniors, ages 13 and under, and a second Semi-Final class for riders 14 through 18 at each Great American/USDF Regional Championship. A regional champion and reserve champion for each age group will be named in each USDF region. For more details on this program and the Semi-Finals, see the USEF Rule Book, DR133 or visit the dressage page of the USEF website.
- 7. Horses must be entered in qualifying and championship classes under their official recorded names and ownership as specified in USEF GR1102.3, and transfers of ownership or lease registrations must be completed in compliance with USEF rules GR1105 and GR1108 prior to the competition in order for the horse to compete under the name of the new owner or lessee. (USEF DR127.2)

E. CHAMPIONSHIP RULES

- All Regional Championship competitions are considered Level 4. Please refer to USEF Dressage Level Requirements for specifics.
- Each entry must designate the division being entered (open, adult amateur or junior/young rider) and must meet minimum percentage requirements for the championship division entered.
- Cross entering open and junior/young rider divisions or open and adult amateur divisions for a horse/rider

- combination is permitted at adjacent levels. It is not permitted at the same level. Exception: freestyle or equivalent FEI Junior or FEI Young Rider levels.
- 4. If a rider intends to enter a Regional Championship as an adult amateur, the rider must be an adult by the current USEF definition (DR 119.3) and a current amateur by the USEF definition. (USEF GR1306, 1307)
- 5. If a rider intends to enter a championship as a junior/young rider, the rider must be a junior/young rider by the current USEF definition and her/his birth date must be on file with USDF by July 1 of the championship year.
- Photocopies of USDF/USEF membership cards and horse recording and registration certificates must accompany championship entry (USDF PM for rider, USDF PM or BM for owner, etc.).
- 7. Whips may not be carried in championship tests (Exception: Competitors riding sidesaddle may carry a whip no longer than 47.2 inches (120 cm), including lash, in USEF/USDF Championships.) An adjustable-length whip may not be carried by a mounted rider.
- 8. All championship tests must be ridden from memory. (USEF DR122.1)
- 9. The gate at "A" must be closed for every USEF/USDF championship ride. (USEF DR126.1.f.5)
- 10. At no time during a USEF/USDF Regional Championship competition may any horse entered in that championship competition be ridden by anyone other than the rider entered in the championship competition on that horse (exception: grooms riding on loose rein). Further, any horse entered in a championship competition, even entered at two levels, must be ridden by the same rider throughout competition. (USEF DR127.6) (NOTE: This applies throughout the entire competition, even after a horse has completed its championship classes.)
- 11. In the event of a tie (equality of total points) for champion and/or reserve champion in USEF/USDF championship classes, the collective marks will determine first, second, and/or third or all three places; (i.e. when a tie for first place is broken by collective marks, tied competitors will receive first and second places, etc.). If collective marks are equal, the tie will remain unbroken (i.e. two first places will be awarded next third place, etc.). For ties in freestyle classes refer to USEF DR129.5 which states the highest score shall be declared the winner of the class. In the case of a tie, the higher artistic score shall determine the winner. Ties (equality of total points) after second place will be broken by collective marks. Ties (equality of total points and collective marks or artistic scores) occurring in third through eight places will remain unbroken. In the case of a tie (equality of total points and collective marks or artistic scores) for champion, prize money designated for champion and reserve champion will

- be combined and divided equally between the two competitors.
- 12. Hors de Concours entries are not permitted in USEF/USDF championship classes. (USEF DR119.5)
- 13. In a USEF/USDF championship class, the horse/rider combination must obtain the necessary minimum percentage score to be named champion or reserve champion. (USEF DR123.6) If the highest placed horse/rider combination receives less than the minimum percentage, no Championship awards or prize money will be issued, however an awards ceremony will be held for the entire class. In lieu of a champion and/or reserve neck sash, a first and/or second place ribbon will be awarded.
- 14. In USEF/USDF championship classes, a steward must be appointed to check the saddlery, bits and spurs, on both sides of each horse immediately after it has completed its test and has left the arena. Any discrepancy to the saddlery rules will result in immediate elimination. (USEF DR126.1.i.6)
- 15. A Registered (R) Dressage Technical Delegate (TD), who is a current Participating Member of USDF, is required to officiate at USEF/USDF championships. TDs for competitions offering qualifying and/or championship classes must investigate incidents of non-compliance and report violations to USEF. "R" Dressage TDs hired to officiate Regional Championship classes must be selected from outside the region. This applies only to the primary competition TD, who is the person responsible for filing the TD report for the competition with USEF. (See Section H.3. c, and USEF GR1018.3 and DR127.3)
- 16. Entries in USEF/USDF dressage championship classes are limited to competitors who have met the qualifications, membership, horse recording and registration requirements, and deadlines outlined in USEF DR127 and published by USDF. Competitors who are properly qualified, whose completed entries are received by the closing date for a particular Regional Championship, and who have complied with all championship rules may not be denied entry into the Regional Championship classes for which they have qualified. Only one class per division and/or level may be held to determine USEF/USDF regional champions. (USEF DR127.7)
- 17. USEF/USDF championships classes may not be split. (USEF DR126.1a.4)
- 18. Championship classes for juniors and young riders and Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Finals classes must only be held on weekends, including Friday. Juniors and young riders' entries (horse/rider combinations) are limited to entry in only two championship classes, excluding freestyle.
- 19. Except for freestyles, championship classes at consecutive levels, for the same division, may not be held on the same day.



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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, Solland 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 and active 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 registration are not eligible. Owners must be current USDF Participating or Business members and active 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.

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, Vaulter or Longeur and on behalf of myself and my principals, representatives, employees and agents, I agree that I am subject to the Bylaws and Rules of The United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. (the "Federation") and the local rules of 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

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
 andthe 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

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<u>USDF Membership Benefits:</u> 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.

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 verificates 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 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 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. 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.



2017 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 2017 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 Membership (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.

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

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







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USDF Statement on Animal Welfare

The United States Dressage Federation, Inc. (USDF), a federation of over 100 independent organizations throughout the United States with a membership of nearly 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.

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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 liscensee, 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, Vaulter or Longeur and on behalf of myself and my principals, representatives, employees and agents, I agree that I am subject to the Bylaws and Rules of The United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. (the "Federation") and the local rules of 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, vaulter, 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

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