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## Nebraska Dressage Association 39th Annual Cornhusker Classic

Cornhusker Classic Schooling Show, Friday May 27, 2016 (full prize list at <a href="www.nebraskadressage.org">www.nebraskadressage.org</a>)
Cornhusker Classic I (USEF/USDF #607, Level 3 Dressage Competition), Saturday May 28, 2016
Cornhusker Classic II (USEF/USDF #84250, Level 3 Dressage Competition), Sunday May 29, 2016
Lancaster Event Center, 4100 N 84th St, Lincoln NE 68507

Opening date: Monday March 14, 2016 ~ Received By date: Monday May 16, 2016

#### Official Qualifying Competition for the ...

2016 Markel FEI North American Junior and Young Riders Championships 2016 USEF National Pony Rider Championships 2016 AGCO/USEF National Junior and Young Rider Championships

2016 USEF Brentina Cup Championships

2016 Markel/USEF Young and Developing Horse Dressage Championships 2016 Great American Insurance Group/USDF Region 4 Championships

2016 USDF/Dover Adult Medal Program

2016 Great American Insurance Group/USDF Breeders Championship Midstates Series

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Farrier On Call – Posted in show office and stabling area

#### Go to www.nebraskadressage.org for official prize list

#### **Entries:**

- One entry per horse/rider combination per show number

- Must be received on or before the closing date

Online entries can be done at <a href="http://horseshowoffice.com/">http://horseshowoffice.com/</a>
 beginning on opening date of show.

Make checks payable to NDA and mail to:

NDA c/o Anne Sushko 1942 Clifford St.

Dubuque, IA 52002-0445

#### Required with entry:

- Coggins (last 12 months & must list USEF recorded name no barn names)
- Verification of membership and horse recording/registration
- Payment by check if mailing entry, payment by credit card, electronic check or Paypal if entering online
- Any entry missing these items will be considered incomplete and the incomplete fee applies.

Administrative Fees: Stabling & Fees: (see schooling show prizelist for 3rd night discount)

Office Fee (for online entry) \$30/show One day/night Horse Stall \$40 Office Fee (for mailed entry) \$35/show One day/night Tack Stall \$40

Late fee \$25/rider Rubber Mat Rental (stalls on dirt) \$40 for entire show

Incomplete entry fee \$10/bridle # Additional Bedding \$9/bag\*

Post Entries (as sched permits) \$20 added to class fee Camping/RV Hookup \$25/night

(\*Bedding must be purchased from LEC, fines from LEC may apply if brought in)

**Important:** Each day is a separate show. Use current entry form. Competitors showing both days must complete two separate entry forms and pay two separate office fees and USEF Horse/Drug fees. Stabling fees need only be paid once. Entries taken based on the order in which they are received and may close early if shows are full. Remaining entries received will be placed on a wait list based on postmark.

Great American/USDF Qualifying Classes: Please indicate that the class is to count for qualifying by placing a Q after the class number. Qualifying will not require a separate ride. An additional \$10 USDF Qualifying fee, in addition to the class fee, will be charged.

\*\*Pony Classes: The show offers a Pony Test of Choice class 1NP and 2NP (inc. Tr – 4<sup>th</sup> level, PSG/I1, I2, GP). The National Dressage Pony TOC classes will be counted towards qualification for the National Dressage Pony Cup and their year-end awards. For more info, go to <a href="http://nationaldressageponycup.com/info.html">http://nationaldressageponycup.com/info.html</a>. Ponies must have a current USEF Pony Measurement Card. Owners of Ponies without a card need to let the secretary know one week prior to the start of the show. Measurements will be done at 7:00 am on Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup>. (A \$50 fee may be charged). For more info on pony measurements go to <a href="https://www.usef.org/\_IFrames/Faqs/measurementFAQ.aspx">https://www.usef.org/\_IFrames/Faqs/measurementFAQ.aspx</a>. Ponies, riders and owners must be current members of USDF (Intro Test riders and ponies are not required to be members). USDF GMO membership will suffice. Ponies, riders and owners must be current USEF members. For Tr – 4<sup>th</sup> level, USEF non-members have the option of paying the non-member fee.

Freestyle Sound Checks – Will be held on Saturday from 7:00-8:00 am and during the lunch break.

**Stalls:** Temporary indoor 10x10 stalls with doors. Higher stall backing available for stallions. Rubber mats available for rent. All horse stalls will be on dirt, tack stalls may be on concrete.

**Post Entries:** Will be taken as scheduling permits, with \$25 added to the fee per class. Any horse/rider changes after an entry is submitted will incur a fee of \$25. All other changes made after the closing date will incur a charge of \$10/change. The Show Office must be notified by 3:00 pm the day prior to the requested ride change.

**Refunds:** Office fee is not refundable. Entries with written cancellation on or before the closing date will receive 100% refund less the office fee. No refunds after the closing date.

**Awards:** <u>Dressage</u>: Ribbons awarded through 6<sup>th</sup> place in Jr/Yg, AA, and Open divisions. Champion and Res. Champion ribbons awarded for the highest scores at each level in Jr/Yg, AA and Open divisions. Three High Point trophies will be awarded to the NDA junior, NDA AA member and NDA Open rider with the highest score (Training-Gr. Prix) from either show. A minimum score of 60% required for High Point Awards. Breed awards are available and will be posted on the website and in the show office.

**Confirmation/Times**: Confirmation of entry will be emailed. Ride times and show updates will be posted at <a href="https://www.nebraskadressage.org">www.nebraskadressage.org</a> and <a href="https://www.nebraskade.org">www.nebraskade.org</a> and <a href="https://www.nebraskade.org

**Ride Times:** Tentative ride times will be posted on <a href="www.nebraskadressage.org">www.nebraskadressage.org</a> and at <a href="www.horseshowoffice.com">www.horseshowoffice.com</a>. Official ride <a href="mailto:times">times</a> will be posted in the show office by noon the day before the show. It is the responsibility of the rider to inform show management of any time conflicts as soon as possible after receiving ride times.

**Competitor Party:** All competitors and their families are invited to a competitor party and awards show on Saturday after the last ride of the day. Check the show office for start time.

Arenas: All performance arenas are Kiser-designed indoor arenas with footing composed of sand/clay, separate sand/dirt indoor and outdoor warm-up and lunging areas. Introductory classes may be ridden in a small arena (20m x 40m). Training tests 1 and 2 may be in a small arena. All other classes will be in a standard arena (20m x 60m).

Accommodations: <u>Host Hotel:</u> Staybridge Suites, 1501 N. 86<sup>th</sup> St., 402-484-6000 (1 mi), ask for the Event Center discount. Country Inn & Suites, 5353 N 27<sup>th</sup> St, 402-476-5353 (6.6 miles). Candlewood Suites, 4100 Pioneer Woods Dr, 402-420-0330 (4.6 miles); Chase Suites Hotels, 200 S 68<sup>th</sup> St Plc, 402-483-4900 (4.2 miles); New Victorian Suites, 216 N 48<sup>th</sup> St, 402-464-4400 (6 miles). For more information, check out the following web site, http://www.lancastereventcenter.com/hotels.html.

**Security**: Provided on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights from 11 p.m. to 7 a.m.

**Directions**: <u>From I-80 East or West</u>: Take exit 409 for US Hwy 6 toward Waverly. Turn left onto Hwy 6 toward Lincoln for 2.7 miles. Turn left onto 84<sup>th</sup> St and continue for 1 mile. Turn left onto Havelock Ave or into the Event Center from 84<sup>th</sup> St.

Other Items: <u>Bridle Tags:</u> Numbers must be worn at all times when a horse is being exercised or ridden. Failure to do so shall be cause for elimination. <u>No Shows:</u> All "No Shows" that have not contacted the show office prior to first ride will be considered a scratch for the rest of the show and time slots may be filled. <u>Concessions:</u> Available on the grounds one hour before start of show until the end of the show. <u>Dogs:</u> Dogs must be leashed and attached to a person at all times. Management may assess a fine if leash rule is not complied with. <u>Schooling Show:</u> Friday, May 27, 2016. Official Prize list found at <u>www.nebraskadressage.org</u>.

Sat #	Sun#	USDF/USEF Classes Offered	Divisions	Class Fee	Fee w/Q
1UA	2UA	USDF Introductory Test A	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$30	
1UB	2UB	USDF Introductory Test B	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$30	
1UC	2UC	USDF Introductory Test C	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$30	
1T1	2T1	USEF Training Level Test 1	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$35	
1T2	2T2	USEF Training Level Test 2	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$35	
1T3	2T3	USEF Training Level Test 3*	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$35	\$45
111	211	USEF First Level Test 1	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$35	Ψισ
112	212	USEF First Level Test 2	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$35	
113	213	USEF First Level Test 3*	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$35	\$45
121	221	USEF Second Level Test 1	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$40	Ψτο
122	222	USEF Second Level Test 2	· ·	\$40	
123	223	USEF Second Level Test 2* (Dover Medal Class)	JR-YR/AA/Open JR-YR/AA/Open	\$40	\$50
131		USEF Third Level Test 1			ψου
	231		JR-YR/AA/Open	\$40	
132	232	USEF Third Level Test 2	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$40	<b>Ф</b> ГО
133	233	USEF Third Level Test 3*	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$40	\$50
141	241	USEF Fourth Level Test 1	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$40	
142	242	USEF Fourth Level Test 2	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$40	
143	243	USEF Fourth Level Test 3*	JR-YR/AA/Open		\$50
1PSG		FEI Prix St. George*	JR-YR/AA/Open		\$55
1FI1		FEI Intermediare I*	JR-YR/AA/Open		\$55
1FIA		FEI Intermediare A	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$45	
1FIB		FEI Intermediare B	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$45	
1FI2	2FI2	FEI Intermediare II*	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$45	\$55
1GP	2GP	FEI Grand Prix*	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$45	\$55
1UFS	2UFS	USDF Freestyle* - Indicate Test. Note that Training Level is not eligible for Qualifying	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$45	\$55
1FFS		FEI Freestyle* - Indicate Test	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$45	\$55
1E	2E	Equitation (Walk/Trot/Canter)	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$25	
1RT	2RT	USEF Rider TOC - Indicate Tr, 1st or 2nd level	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$30	
1NP		National Dressage Pony TOC (Tr - GP) Note that pony must have USEF measurement card.	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$45	
1PE		FEI Para TOC - Indicate Test	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$35	
1PFS		FEI Para Freestyle TOC	JR-YR/AA/Open	\$45	
		USEF and NAJYRC Qualifying Classes		·	
1FJT		FEIJR Team*	JR	\$65	\$75
1FYT		FEI YR Team*	YR	\$65	\$75
1FPT		FEI Pony Team	JR-YR	\$65	Ψ. σ
	2FJI	FEI JR Individual	JR	\$65	
		FELYR Individual	YR	\$65	
		FEI Pony Individual	JR-YR	\$65	
1FJFS	£1 1 1	FEI JR Freestyle	JR-TR	\$65	
1FYFS		FEI YR Freestyle	YR	\$65	
11 153	2UBC	USEF Brentina Cup - YR Grand Prix 16-25 test	I IT	\$65	
1DHT	ZUBC	USEF Developing Horse TOC - not USEF Q eligible		\$65	
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		USEF Developing Horse - Developing PSG		\$65	\$75
4\// IT	ZUHGP	USEF Developing Horse - Developing Grand Prix		\$65	\$75
1YHT	01.14	USEF Young Horse TOC - not USEF Q eligible		\$65	
	2U4	USEF Four-Year-Old Test		\$65	
		FEI Five-Year-Old Final		\$65	
	2F6	FEI Six-Year-Old Final		\$65	
		Opportunity Classes			
10UA		USEF Introductory Level Test A - Opportunity	Open	\$30	
10UC		USEF Introductory Level Test C - Opportunity	Open	\$30	
10T1		USEF Training Level Test 1 - Opportunity	Open	\$30	
10T2	2OT2	USEF Training Level Test 2 - Opportunity	Open	\$30	
		USEA Eventing Classes			
1EVT	2EVT	USEA Eventing TOC	Open	\$30	

See next page for Breed Show Classes

<sup>\* =</sup> GAIG/USDF regional qualifying test

<sup>\*\* =</sup> See Prize list for details on National Dressage Pony Classes

## **Breed Show Classes**

		Materiale Classes (Under saddle group classes)			
1M3F	2M3F	Materiale - 3 yr old Fillies	Open	\$30	
1M3C	2M3C	Materiale - 3 yr old Colts/Geldings	Open	\$30	
1M4M	2M4M	Materiale - 4 & 5 yr old Mares	Open	\$30	
1M4S	2M4S	Materiale - 4 & 5 yr old Stallions/Geldings	Open	\$30	
		Sport Horse Prospects In-Hand (Horses 3 & Under)			
1F16	2F16	Fillies Current Year (with or without dam)		\$35	
1CG16	2CG16	Colts/Geldings Current Year (with or without dam)		\$35	
116CH	216CH	Current Year Foal Champioship (GAIG/USDFBC Qualifer)		\$35	
1FY	2FYI	Fillies Yearling		\$35	
1F2	2F2	Fillies Two year old		\$35	
1F3	2F3	Fillies Three year old		\$35	
1FCH	2FCH	Filly Championship (GAIG/USDFBC Qualifer)		\$35	
1CGY	2CGY	Colts/Geldings Yearling		\$35	
1CG2	2CG2	Colts/Geldings Two year old		\$35	
1CG3	2CG3	Colts/Geldings Three year old		\$35	
1CGCH	2CGCH	Colts/Gelding Championship (GAIG/USDFBC Qualifier)		\$35	
		Breeding Stock In-Hand (Horses 4 & Older)			
1M4MY	2M4MY	Mares Four year old & Older Maiden & Yeld Mares		\$35	
1MB	2MB	Mares Four year old & Broodmares		\$35	
1MCH	2MCH	Mare Championship (GAIG/USDFBC Qualifer)		\$35	
1S4+	2S4+	Stallions Four year old & Older		\$35	
1SCH	2SCH	Stallion Championship (GAIG/USDFBC Qualifier)		\$35	

<sup>\* =</sup> GAIG/USDF regional qualifying test \*\* = See Prize list for details on National Dressage Pony Classes

<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 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 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.

#### 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

1. USDF/Dover Saddlery Medal Recipient

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

- 2. USDF/Dover Saddlery National Merit Award
  - A USDF/Dover Saddlery National Merit Award will be awarded to riders winning three USDF/Dover Saddlery Medals in the same competition year.
- 3. Year-End Awards

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

## Rider Eligibility

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

#### Owner & Horse Eligibility

1. 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.



## 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 <a href="https://www.usdf.org">www.usdf.org</a>. 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.

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

The minimum percentages are as follows:

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

<sup>\*</sup> PMs are USDF members who join USDF directly. USDF Group Members (GM) are ineligible.

#### 2016 Great American Insurance Group/USDF Breeders Championship Series



The Great American Insurance Group/USDF Breeders Championship Series (USDFBCS) is a program intent on recognizing quality bloodlines and dressage prospects across the nation. Through a combination of in-hand and materiale classes, the USDFBC program strives to provide top-notch

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

#### **IN-HAND CHAMPIONSHIP DIVISION**

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

- All horses entered in any USDFBC series qualifying class must have either a USDF Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR) or USDF Horse Identification Number (HID), and submit identification information. Horses registered with a breed organization must have a copy of their registration papers submitted directly to USDF. Any horse participating in the series final classes must have a LHR with USDF. The HID fee will apply toward the LHR fee
- Owner is not required to be a USDF member for qualifying events; however, owner must have a current USDF Participating Membership (PM) or Business Membership (BM) for their horse to compete in the series final class.
- 3. No USDF membership is required for the handler.
- 4. Horses participating in USDFBC qualifying or final events are not required to be registered with any studbook, but "if a horse is registered with any breed organization, the name of the breed, sire, dam, damsire, and breeder must be given on the entry blank. For unregistered horses competing in DSHB classes, the information is strongly recommended, if available." (GR 907).
- It is strongly recommended that horses not registered with a breed registry be listed as "unregistered".
- It is the responsibility of the horse owner to ensure that their USDF membership and USDF horse registration are correct and current prior to the start of the series final class.

## B. REQUIREMENTS FOR USDFBC SERIES QUALIFYING EVENTS (IN-HAND CLASSES)

- 1. Classes must be offered and judged according to USEF DR 209.
- All divisions must offer Sport Horse Prospect In-Hand and Breeding Stock In-Hand classes.
- 3. A separate championship class must be held for all divisions, even those that have only one class or one horse in the division. For example, if there is only one class of mares, the top two mares from that class would then be shown in the championship class. If there is only one stallion in the one stallion class, that stallion would then show again in the championship class. All horses must be reevaluated by the judge(s) at both the walk and the trot in the championship class. If any one of the judges

- adjudicating this class has not previously judged all of the horses in this class, conformation must also be reevaluated on every
- 4. Each qualifying event must offer a current year filly class, a separate current year colt/gelding class and a current year foal championship class. This current year foal championship class is a USDFBC series qualifying class. This class must be held and judged (i.e. re-evaluated at the walk and the trot, and possibly the conformation) in accordance with USEF DR210.5.

The current year foal championship class, at qualifying events, must be open to first and second place winners of Sport Horse Prospect In-Hand classes for all foals of current calendar year, as listed below. First and second place (and third if desired) fillies and colts/geldings of current year will compete against each other in the same class. (Organizers have the option of including third placed horses in qualifier championship classes.) No scores are given. Ties are not allowed.

#### **Current Year Foal Championship:**

Fillies of current calendar year Colts/Geldings of current calendar year

The champion and reserve champion current year foals at each qualifier event are eligible to compete in their respective USDFBC series final class. A third place foal in the championship class must be named as well.

 Each qualifying event must offer a Filly Championship class and a Colt/Gelding Championship class. These classes are USDFBC series qualifying classes. These classes must be held and judged (i.e. re-evaluated at the walk and the trot, and possibly the conformation) in accordance with USEF DR210.

The filly and colt/gelding championship classes must be open to first and second placed winners of Sport Horse Prospect In-Hand classes for all horses, as listed below. (Organizers have the option of including third placed horses in qualifier championship classes.) No scores are given. Ties are not allowed.

#### Filly Championship: Colt/Gelding Championship:

Yearling Fillies

Two-year-old Fillies

Two-year-old Colts/Geldings

Three-year-old Fillies

Three-year-old Colts/Geldings

The champion and reserve champion filly and the champion and reserve champion colt/gelding at each qualifier event are eligible to compete in their respective USDFBC series final class. A third place horse in each championship class must be named as well.

Current Year Foals ARE NOT ALLOWED in Filly Championship and Colt/Gelding Championship classes.

6. Each qualifying event must offer a Mare Championship class and a Stallion Championship class. These championship classes are USDFBC series qualifying classes. These classes must be held and judged (i.e. re-evaluated at the walk and the trot, and possibly the conformation) in accordance with USEF DR210.

Mare and Stallion Championship classes must be open to first and second placed winners of Breeding Stock In-Hand classes for horses age four years old and over, as listed below. (Organizers have the option of including third placed horses in qualifier championship classes): No scores are given. Ties are not allowed.

#### Mare Championship:

Mare classes may be divided by age, competition and/or breeding status (as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current competition year), as in the following example:

- Four-year-old and older maiden mares never bred
- Four-year-old and older yeld mares previously bred but not currently bred or nursing
- Four-year-old and older broodmares in foal or currently nursing (mare only to be judged).

For details on determining breeding status for competition purposes, please refer to USEF, DR203.

#### **Stallion Championship:**

Stallion classes may be divided by age, competition and/or breeding status, as in the following example:

- Four-year-old and older stallions showing only inhand
- Four-year-old and older stallions showing also under saddle

The champion and reserve champion mare and the champion and reserve champion stallion at each qualifier event are eligible to compete in their respective USDFBC series final class. A third place horse in each championship class must be named as well.

- 7. Age/sex eligibility is determined as follows:
  - Fillies, colts, and geldings three years of age or under may show ONLY as sport horse prospects, not in breeding stock classes/categories.
  - b. Mares and stallions age four and over, may show ONLY in breeding stock classes/categories. Note: Two and three–year-olds are ONLY eligible to compete in the filly or colt championships. They are NOT eligible for the mare or stallion championships.
  - Geldings of any age may NOT show in breeding stock classes/categories. Geldings age three and under may show ONLY in sport horse prospect classes.
- 8. Scoresheets: Age group classes must be judged using the appropriate scoring categories and percentages. Sport horses three years old and under MUST be evaluated on the current USDF Dressage Sport Horse Prospect In-Hand scoresheets and breeding stock MUST be evaluated on the current USDF Dressage Sport Horse Breeding Stock scoresheets.
- Horses in all USDFBC Series qualifying classes must be evaluated for movement according to USEF DR210.4 – DR210.8. Each horse competing at a USDFBC series qualifying show will have only ONE opportunity to qualify for the championship class appropriate to their age/sex category.
- 10. During the same or separate awards ceremonies, the current year foal champion and reserve, the filly champion and reserve, the colt/gelding champion and reserve, the mare champion and reserve, and the stallion champion and reserve, must be named USDFBC series qualifying champions and reserve champions for the show. A third place horse in each championship class must be named as well. NO ties allowed. Announcements must identify sponsors and horses' breeding information.
- 11. Each qualified champion and reserve champion (up to ten), must be presented with a qualifier ribbon. These ribbons will be supplied to the show by USDF. Only the champion and reserve champion will receive the qualifier ribbons, even if they have previously qualified. The third place horse in the qualifier championship class will not receive a qualifier ribbon. The qualifier ribbons for champion and reserve champion are identical.
- 12. All champions and reserve champions will be eligible to compete in the breeders series finals. In the event that a champion and/or reserve has already qualified for the final, the third-placed horse from the pertinent qualifying championship class will be eligible to compete in the final. Competition management is required to have judges place qualifying championship classes to three places, with no ties. In addition, any other horse receiving a

- 77.00 percent or better in its age/sex class will be qualified and eligible to compete in the breeders series final.
- A list of qualified horses is maintained, by series, on the USDF website.
- 14. Horses must qualify in the same series in which they enter the final. Exception: Horses that have qualified for a series final which is either not scheduled or is cancelled may participate in the final of any other USDFBC series in the same calendar year, without having to re-qualify for that series final. Owners of horses that have qualified for a final that is not held must indicate which breeders series their horse qualified in on their entry form for the alternative final.
- Horses may compete in qualifying events in any series, but if qualified for more than one series final, they may participate in only one final class.
- 16. If there is a change of ownership of the horse, the new owner(s) may choose to participate in the series final where they reside, regardless of where the horse qualified, provided that the new owner contacts the USDF office and initiates the transfer of ownership at least 30 days prior to the new series final date.

## C. CONDUCT OF IN-HAND FINALS CLASSES AT THE BREEDERS SERIES CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL

- At least two USEF DSHB judges (USEF DR202) must officiate in each series final class, one of the two required judges must be a USEF 'R' DSHB judge. Each judge will evaluate each entry independently, and scribes must be provided for each judge. Winners will be determined by the average of all judges' scores. The highest scoring horses will be declared champions and the second highest will be declared reserve champions.
- 2. Ties in USDFBC Finals classes must remain unbroken.
- 3. There are five championship classes in the USDFBC series finals. Current year foal champions and reserves from each qualifying event will compete together in the USDFBC current year foal final class. Filly champions and reserves from each qualifying event will compete together in the USDFBC filly final class. Colt/gelding champions and reserves from each qualifying event will compete together in the USDFBC colt/gelding final class. Mare champions and reserves from each qualifying event will compete together in the USDFBC mare final class. Stallion champions and reserves from each qualifying event will compete together in the USDFBC stallion final class.
- 4. A grand champion and reserve grand champion current year foal, a grand champion and reserve grand champion filly, a grand champion and reserve grand champion colt/gelding, a grand champion and reserve grand champion mare, and a grand champion and reserve grand champion stallion will be named at each breeders series final event. Grand and Reserve champions will receive awards and prizes provided by USDF. Third through sixth placed horses in final classes will receive ribbons provided by USDF. After the final event, special certificates will be available from USDF via the website to owners of all horses that competed in USDFBC series final classes.
- USDF reserves the right to change, alter, or retract any placings and/or prizes for up to 60 days after the last day of the championship if an error or violation is discovered, after which no changes will be made.
- 6. Horses must be shown individually on the triangle at the walk and trot, and standing for conformation. Each horse must be evaluated in the same manner. Callbacks are permitted. If horses may be recalled, the prize list or program must state that this procedure will be used. (USEF DR 209.1.c)

- Owner must enter the qualified horse in the USDFBC series final championship class. The horse is NOT automatically entered in the finals class because it qualified earlier in the day or at another show.
- Horses in the current year foal final class, filly final class and the colt/gelding final class MUST be evaluated using the USDF Dressage Sport Horse Prospect In-Hand scoresheets. Horses in the mare final class and the stallion final class MUST be evaluated using the USDF Dressage Sport Horse Breeding Stock scoresheets.
- Management must collect USDF Lifetime Horse Registration and/or Participating or Business Memberships applications and fees prior to commencement of the series final classes for eligible entries that wish to participate in the series final classes. These applications and fees must be submitted to the USDF office within 24 hours of the series final classes.
- Series final events must agree to allow late entries in the series final classes for horses that qualified for the series final event after the official closing date.

#### **MATERIALE CHAMPIONSHIPS**

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

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

- All horses entered in any materiale class held at a USEF/USDF recognized Dressage Sport Horse Breeding (DSHB) or dressage competition must have either a USDF Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR) or USDF Horse Identification Number (HID), and submit identification information. Horses registered with a breed organization must have a copy of their registration papers submitted directly to USDF. Any horse participating in the Breeders Series Final Materiale Championship classes must have a LHR with USDF. The HID fee will apply toward the LHR fee
- 2. Owner is not required to be a USDF member for a horse to compete in materiale classes or earn USDF Breeders Series materiale championship qualification scores at USEF/USDF recognized DSHB or dressage competitions. If the owner is not a USDF Group, Participating or Business member, non-member fees will apply. However, the owner must have a current USDF Participating Membership (PM), or Business Membership (BM), for the owner's horse to compete in a USDF Breeders Series Final Materiale Championship class.
- Rider is required to have a current USDF PM at the time a horse's qualifying score is earned and at the time of the USDF Breeders Series Final Materiale Championship class.
- 4. Horses participating in USDFBC qualifying or final events are not required to be registered with any studbook, but, "if a horse is registered with any breed organization, the name of the breed, sire, dam, dam sire and breeder must be given on the entry blank" (GR907.2).

- It is strongly recommended that horses not registered with a breed registry be listed as "unregistered".
- It is the responsibility of the horse owner to ensure that the owner's and rider's USDF membership and USDF horse registration are correct and current.

#### **B. REQUIREMENTS FOR MATERIALE CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFICATION**

- A horse may qualify for competition in a USDF Breeders Series Final Materiale Championship class by receiving <u>one</u> score of 72.0% or higher in a materiale class held at any USEFlicensed/USDF-recognized DSHB or Dressage competition during the relative competition year.
- Scores must be earned at competitions licensed by USEF as
  dressage competitions. Scores earned at competitions licensed
  by USEF as Regular or Local competitions are not eligible to be
  used as qualifying scores for the USDFBC series finals materiale
  championships.
- The materiale championships will run on the same calendar year as the USDFBC series (January 1-December 31).
   Qualifications to compete in a class must be earned in the calendar year that the championship will occur. Any qualifications earned in other calendar years will not apply.
- Qualifying scores must be earned in materiale classes run under USEF rule DR134 and DR 204.1. Fillies and/or mares may not be combined in classes with colts, geldings and/or stallions (exception: championship materiale classes – see USEF rule DR 204.2.d).
- 5. At each USDFBC series final, two age-group materiale championship classes will be held. All qualified horses regardless of sex will compete against one another in their respective age groups. This means that all qualified three-year-olds will compete in one class to determine the USDFBC series materiale champion three-year-old, and all four-and-five-year-olds will compete in a separate class to determine the USDFBC series materiale champion four/five-year-old.
- Horses will be evaluated according to the criteria listed on the current "USDF Materiale Class" scoresheet, and classes must be conducted according to the current USDF "Procedures to Host USDF Materiale Classes".
- Qualifying scores to compete in a class may be earned up until the championship class occurs.
- 8. Once a horse has qualified to compete in a USDFBC Series Final Materiale Championship class, the horse is eligible to compete at the USDFBC series final of the owner's choice. This means that the horse does <u>not</u> have to attend the series final being held within the same geographical area or series that the qualifying score was earned in. However, a horse may only compete in one USDFBC Series Final Materiale Championship class in a given calendar year.
- 9. A list of qualified horses is maintained on the USDF website.
- 10. A horse may qualify with a different rider than the rider that competes the horse in the class.
- 11. Any materiale score earned at any USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized dressage competition with materiale classes scheduled prior to the USDFBC series final material championship class entered in the same calendar year are eligible for qualification to participate in that USDFBC series final.
- Dressage competitions with materiale classes scheduled after the USDFBC series finals are held, are not eligible to participate in the USDFBC program, and will not be qualifying events for the next year's series final.

C. Conduct of Materiale Championship Classes at the Breeders Series Final

- At least two USEF DSHB judges must officiate in each USDFBC Series Final Materiale Championship class. One of the two required judges must be a USEF 'R' DSHB judge. The other judge may be a USEF "r" DSHB judge or may have an appropriate guest card. Each judge will evaluate each entry independently, and scribes must be provided for each judge. Winners will be determined by the average of all judges' scores. The highest scoring horse will be declared grand champion, and the second highest will be declared reserve grand champion for their respective age-group classes. Scores must be awarded to all competitors competing in materiale classes, as well as USDFBC series finals Materiale Championship classes.
- Ties in USDFBC series finals Materiale Championship classes must remain unbroken.
- b. A Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion will be named for both the three-year-old and four/five-year-old USDFBC Series Final Materiale Championship classes at each USDFBC series final. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champions will receive awards and prizes provided by USDF. Third through sixth placed horses in these materiale championship classes will receive ribbons provided by USDF.
- After the final event, special certificates will be available from USDF via the website to owners of all horses that competed in USDFBC Series Final Materiale Championship classes.
- d. USDF reserves the right to change, alter, or retract any placings and/or prizes for up to 60 days after the last day of the championship if an error or violation is discovered, after which no changes will be made.
- e. Owner must enter the qualified horse in the horse's appropriate USDFBC Series Final Materiale Championship class prior to commencement of the class. The horse is NOT automatically entered in the class because the horse qualified earlier in the day or at another show. All appropriate memberships and horse recordings must also be correct prior to commencement of the class.
- f. Management must collect all USDF Lifetime Horse Registration and/or Participating or Business Membership applications and fees for eligible entries that wish to participate in a USDFBC Series Final Materiale Championship class prior to commencement of the class. The applications and fees then must be submitted to the USDF office within 24 hours of the USDFBC Series Final Materiale Championship classes.
- g. USDFBC series final events must agree to allow late entries in the USDFBC Series Final Materiale Championship classes for horses that qualified for the championship after the official closing date.
- Series final events must hold materiale classes allowing for qualification opportunities prior to holding the USDFBC Series Final Materiale Championship classes.

#### **AWARD CEREMONIES**

#### A. Requirements

- For all finals, a USDF sponsor banner must be prominently displayed. If the banner is misplaced or damaged, the event will be responsible for the cost of repair or replacement. Banners must be returned to USDF within 30 days of the competition.
- In addition to the general requirements above, the awards
  presentation ceremonies and award presenters at each series
  final event must be arranged in cooperation with USDF. USDF
  will contact sponsors to determine if they or a representative
  plan to attend the award ceremonies. USDF will forward this
  information to the appropriate management team.
- All USDFBC sponsors (or their representatives) should be invited to participate in the final event award ceremonies. Award ceremony announcements must identify the sponsoring organizations. Any sponsors in attendance at these events

- should be provided with a complimentary copy of the competition program and be given free admission to the event.
- 4. Management must send two champion photos of in-hand competitors, as well as two champion photos of materiale competitors, electronically to USDF for publication with the final results. Persons and horses in the photos must be identified. A photographer's release must also be submitted.
- 5. Public announcements must be made, which credit the title sponsor and promote the program to the public. These announcements <u>are required</u> to be made throughout the event, in particular, during the awarding of Current Year Foal, Filly, Colt/Gelding, Mare and Stallion Championships and Three Year Old Materiale and Four/Five Year Old Materiale Championships. The name of the breeder(s) must be announced during award ceremonies. It is also strongly recommended that breeder(s) and owners of placing horses be invited to participate in award ceremonies.
- 6. All unused ribbons and prizes must be returned to USDF within 30 days of the competition. If awards are misplaced or damaged, the event will be responsible for the cost of replacement. For series qualifiers, USDF will provide ten qualifier ribbons (two per division). For series finals, USDF will provide neck sashes and plaques for Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion and ribbons for third through sixth place, as well as a cooler for the Grand Champions. Ribbons and prizes will be sent directly to the designated competition contact about two weeks prior to the event.
- 7. Show management is responsible to have a professional photographer for the USDFBC Finals.

#### **COMPETITION MANAGEMENT**

#### A. Applying for and Scheduling Qualifier and Final Events

- The USDFBC series is scheduled on a calendar year basis (January 1-December 31).
- A series must have a minimum of three qualifying events in order to hold a series final. All shows in the series, including qualifier classes held in conjunction with the series final, are qualifying events.
- 3. The final event of each series is often the last USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized dressage competition holding DSHB classes scheduled in a particular geographical area of the United States. However, a series final must also be held in conjunction with a USDFBC qualifying event. Host sites of series finals will be designated on or about November 1 of the year prior to the series final year.
- 4. The official USDFBC host site application form for qualifiers and series finals will be available from the USDF office during the summer, prior to the start of the next competition year. USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized dressage competitions interested in hosting a final for a series must submit a completed USDFBC event application form and contract to the USDF office by October 1 of the year prior to the series final to request consideration for hosting the series final.
- 5. The series final must meet the minimum requirements for a series final: 1) minimum USEF Level 2 competition 2) Show manager and secretary must both be members of USEF and USDF (USDF Participating or Group Membership is required) at the time of championships. 3) all other requirements as stated in the USDFBC Finals Host Site Application.
- It is recommended that a series final be held in conjunction with a USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competition unless it has a proven stand-alone history.

- All applications for a series final will be considered on a case-bycase basis.
- 8. A series final will be considered "definite" when at least three qualifying events have registered with USDF to participate in the series for the year. If it meets the minimum requirements, a series final will be considered "tentative" until at least three events have registered for the series.
- 9. If two or more qualified events in the same series wish to host the series final, a working group appointed by the Sport Horse Committee, will select the host site of the series final, after consultation with the chair of the USDF Sport Horse Committee, the regional director(s) of the region(s) with qualifying events in the series and the USDF Sport Horse Committee liaison. Priority for the final will be given to 1) the date of event, which must be after all qualifying events are normally scheduled, and ideally, between August 1 and October 1 of the series final year, 2) the most prestigious DSHB show, or USDF Regional Dressage Championship in the geographical area, 3) location and accessibility to competitors, 4) experience of the competition management with DSHB competitions and 5) history of rule compliance with USEF and USDF.
- 10. All USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized dressage competitions with DSHB classes scheduled prior to the series final in the same calendar year and geographical area are eligible to participate in their USDFBC series. Dressage competitions with DSHB classes scheduled after the series final in their area are not eligible to participate in the USDFBC program, and will not be qualifying events for the next year's series final.
- 11. Only one USDFBC series, or part of a series, may be held in any particular geographical area in the same calendar year. The boundaries of a series will be determined by USDF in consultation with regional directors and the chair of the USDF Sport Horse Committee. Series will include clusters of DSHB shows, and may cross the regional boundaries established for dressage competitions.
- If a USDFBC series does not have at least three qualifying events recognized by USDF by June 1 of the series final year, the final will not be held.

#### **B. ADVERTISING AND PROMOTION**

- In order to receive full promotional benefits from USDF, qualifying and final events must be approved at least six months prior to the competition.
- Qualifiers and final events must be approved by USDF in writing each year before they advertise that they are participating as qualifying or final events in the USDFBC program.
- "Great American Insurance Group/USDFBC" or "Great American Insurance Group/USDF Breeders Championship Series" must be used in its entirety if included as the title of an event, or if referred to anywhere within the prize list or program. (In other words, you cannot title a competition the "XYZ Breeders Competition").
- 4. The title "Great American Insurance Group/USDF Breeders Championship\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Series Final" must be prominently listed in the final event official prize list, show program, promotional materials, and advertisements once the competition has received written approval of its status as a designated USDFBC Series Final competition.
- Unless a competition has received written confirmation from USDF of the Federation's approval to host a USDFBC series final competition, the competition cannot utilize any competition name or title that would include a USDFBC series final

designation. Any failure on the part of the competition management to follow this protocol will result in a \$100 fine.

#### C. PRIZES

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

#### D. RULES REGARDING CONTRACTS AND RECOGNITION

- Qualifying and final events must be USEF-licensed/USDFrecognized dressage competitions and all classes must be conducted under USEF rules.
- USDFBC event application, contract and rules for the upcoming competition year will be available to show managers during the summer of the year prior to each USDFBC competition year.
- Rule changes and requirements will be fully approved and publicized by July 1 of the year prior to each USDFBC competition year.
- Changes of rules, requirements, or contract obligations for competition management (and/or competitors, if applicable) are not permitted after August 1 of the year prior to the start of the USDFBC competition year, except when changed by the USEF and/or USDF Executive Board.
- USDFBC rules and procedures must be listed in the official prize list for the event, and must be available sufficiently in advance to all potential competitors, or the event may be in violation of USEF rules.
- 6. For qualifying events whose dates fall after the closing date for their series final event, the results must be emailed to USDF at results@usdf.org within 24 hours of completion of the qualifying event. USDF will verify those horses who have qualified with the series final event secretary.

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

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

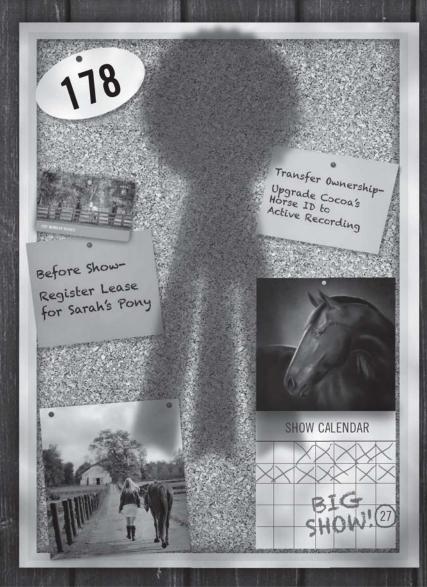
- 1. A minimum Level 2 competition.
- Show manager and secretary must both be members of USEF and USDF (USDF Participating or Group Membership is required) at the time of championships. All other requirements are as stated in the USDFBC Finals Host Site Application.
- DSHB competitions are not permitted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

## Membership Statement

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.

Minors who do not have a valid driver's license which allows them to operate a motorized vehicle in the state in which they reside will not be permitted to operate a motorized vehicle of any kind, including, but not limited to, golf carts, motorcycles, scooters, or farm utility vehicles, on the competition grounds of licensed competitions. Minors who have a valid temporary license may operate the above described motorized vehicles as long as they are accompanied by an adult with a valid driver's license. The parent(s), legal guardian(s), or individual who signs the entry blank as a parent or guardian of a minor operating a motorized vehicle in violation of this rule are solely responsible for any damages, claims, losses or actions resulting from that operation. Violations of this rule will be cause for sanctions against the parent(s), guardian(s) and/or trainer(s) who are responsible for the child committing the offense. Penalties may include exclusion of the child, parent(s), guardian(s), and/or trainer(s) from the competition grounds for the remainder of the competition and charges being filed against any of the above individuals in accordance with Chapter 6. Wheelchairs and other mobility assistance devices for individuals with disabilities are exempt from this rule.

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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 member-ship 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.

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## **ATTENTION COMPETITORS**

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