### Nebraska Dressage Association 45th Annual Cornhusker Classic



Cornhusker Classic I (USEF/USDF #607, Level 3 Dressage Competition), Saturday, May 25, 2024 Cornhusker Classic II (USEF/USDF #84250, Level 3 Dressage Competition), Sunday, May 26, 2024 Quail Run Horse Center 22021 W. Maple Rd., Elkhorn, NE 68022

Opening Date: Saturday, April 1, 2024 ~ Received By Date: Monday, May 10, 2024

### Official Qualifying Competition for the ...

2024 FEI North American Youth Championships
2024 USEF Children Dressage National Championship
2024 USEF Pony Rider Dressage Championship
2024 USEF Junior Dressage National Championship
2024 Horseware Ireland/USEF Young Rider Dressage National Championship
2024 Adequan/USEF Brentina Cup Dressage National Championship
2024 Markel/USEF Young and Developing Horse Dressage Championships
2024 Neue Schule/USEF Intermediaire I Dressage National Championship
2024 Neue Schule/USEF Grand Prix Dressage National Championship
2024 Adequan/ USEF Para Dressage National Championship
2024 Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Championships

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Vet/Surgical Center: Nebraska Equine Veterinary Clinic (402) 533-1151

Farrier: On Call – Information in Show Office

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 are STRONGLY encouraged

\* Online entries can be done at <a href="http://horseshowoffice.com/beginning">http://horseshowoffice.com/beginning</a> 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)
- \* Health certificate (30 Days) and proof of vaccinations within previous 6 months per USEF rule GR 845
- \* Verification of membership and horse recording/registration
- \* Payment by check if mailing entry, Electronic payment by e-check or Paypal if entering online
- \* Any entry missing these items will be considered incomplete and the incomplete fee applies.

### Administrative Fees: Stabling & Fees:

One day/night Horse Stall: \$50 day/night Office Fee: \$40/show Tack Stall: \$50 day/night Late fee: \$50/rider Double Stall: \$100 day/night Incomplete entry fee: \$20/bridle # Post Entries (as sched permits): \$25 added to class fee Mailed entry fee: \$10/entry Bedding: \$12/bag\*

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(\*Any Bedding not purchased from Quail Run is subject to a \$25 stall cleaning fee)

**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 \$15 USDF Qualifying fee, in addition to the class fee, will be charged.

Freestyle Sound Checks – Will be held on Friday evening (subject to change, check show office). Music must be provided in WAV or AIFF format on a CD (USEF DR129) however we encourage you to bring additional backup formats (ie MP3).

**Stalls:** Temporary indoor 10x10 stalls with doors. Rubber mats available for rent. All horse stalls will be on dirt. If you need specific accommodations for a stallion, please contact the show secretary. If you bring in outside bedding, you will be assessed a \$25 cleaning fee per stall.

**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:** Ribbons awarded through 6th place in every class for each division, including Novice and 55+. Champion and Res. Champion ribbons awarded for the highest scores at each level on Saturday only (minimum score of 60%). 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.

**Opportunity Classes:** Horses and/or riders entered in Opportunity Classes can cross enter into rated/recognized classes in the same show. If cross entered, all applicable fees and membership requirements apply. There are no USEF or USDF membership requirements for horse/rider and no drug fees to participate in Opportunity classes.

**Confirmation/Times:** Confirmation of entry will be emailed. Ride times and show updates will be posted at www.nebraskadressage.org and at www.horseshowoffice.com.

**Ride Times:** Tentative ride times will be posted on www.nebraskadrossage.org and at www.horseshowoffice.com. Official ride times 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.

**Arenas:** All arenas are GGT outdoor all-weather footing. 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).

### **Local Hotels:**

Holiday Inn Express W. Omaha, 19040 Evans St, Elkhorn, NE 68022 (402)916-1800. Residence Inn by Marriott - Omaha West, 18202 Cuming St, Omaha, NE 68022 (402) 289-9500 Hilton Garden Inn - Omaha West, 17879 Chicago St, Omaha, NE 68118 (402) 289-9696 \*Limited camping spaces are available at Quail Run for \$130. Contact QR to reserve a spot.

Security: Provided on Friday and Saturday nights from 10 p.m. to 7 a.m.

Other Items: *Bridle Tags*: Numbers must be worn at all times when a horse is being exercised or ridden. Failure to do so shall be cause for elimination. *No Shows*: 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.

Concessions: Available on the grounds one hour before start of show until the end of the show.

Dogs: Dogs must be leashed and attached to a person at all times. Management may assess a fine if leash rule is not complied with.

### **Important National Class Information:**

### **Amateur Division (AA)**

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

### The Junior/Young Rider Division (JR/YR)

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

### NEW for 2024! – 55 Plus Classes (55+)

The 55+ division is a Region 4 division only. Rider must be 55 years of age on the day of the competition. Rider must declare division for all classes and cannot ride in two different divisions. 55+ division can be declared for any offered classes.

### NEW for 2024! - Novice Classes

Novice classes are open to horses which have not attained three scores of 60% or higher in Dressage classes at Federation or Equine Canada licensed competitions in the particular level in which they are shown.

- Scores attained at a lower dressage level do not count in the reckoning of Novice status at a higher level, however, the same horse/rider combination cannot compete in Novice classes if they have previously competed at a higher dressage level in a Federation of Equive Canada licensed competition.
- The status of Novice entries is as of the closing date for this competition.
- See GR 136 for detailed information on Maiden, Novice and Limit classes and DR137 for detailed rules in Dressage Competitions.

### **Pony Classes**

Pony Classes offered are listed on the Prize List. The pony division is open to all breeds that meet the following measurement requirements. In the Dressage Division, a pony is an animal that does not exceed 148 cm (14.23 hh) without shoes, and 149 cm (14.27 hh) with shoes. The pony can be of any sex (Mare, Stallion, or Gelding).

- Ponies under the age of eight and in possession of a valid temporary card from another division or discipline should submit a copy with their entry.
- Measurement will be required for these pony specific classes if they do not currently have a valid measurement card. Measurement will be yearly beginning from the age of three (36 months) until the pony has reached the age of eight years. Animals three through seven years old will be issued an annual Temporary Certificate of Measurement and must be re measured annually until the age of eight years. Animals eight years and older will be issued Standard Certificates of Measurement which will not need to be renewed. Measurement must be done on USEF Combined Driving and Dressage Pony Measurement form. Individual responsible for presenting the pony for measurement must be 18 years old. Animals submitted for measurement or re-measurement must show no evidence of lameness and must be jogged for soundness prior to the measurement. Animals showing evidence of lameness are not eligible for measurement or re-measurement.
- The pony must be entered to compete at the competition for a measurement to take place.
- When the competition veterinarian is on call and an alternative measurement time is necessary, management must receive a written request for measurement from the owner or agent at least five days prior to the start of competition to set up a time.
- It will be the pony owner's responsibility for the fee charged (if any) by the veterinarian. This must be done prior to first ride.

### **NEW!!! The Cornhusker Classic Scramble**

- Have you heard the news? The Cornhusker Classic Scramble team competition is FREE in 2024, the competition's inaugural year! You may create your own 3-4 person team or you will be assigned to one if you do not sign up as a team with your entry. This new team competition is open to USEF Junior/Young Riders and Adult Amateurs (with amateur card) and non-members in Opportunity classes (no card required). Open (professional) riders are not included in the Scramble but can create their own teams for informal bragging rights. Each horse/rider combination may only be included on one team. No horse or rider substitutions after the show begins.
- Teams will consist of 3 or 4 entries with the 3 riders' highest scores (Saturday rides only, HC rides excluded) to be included in the team average (i.e. 1 score will be dropped for 4-person teams). Any combination of levels (Intro-Fourth only) and tests in those levels is allowed but you are expected to show at the same level you compete in at other competitions. The team

- with the highest average will be awarded gold medals, the second highest average will receive silver medals, and the third highest will receive bronze medals. In case of a tie, the highest single score will determine the winning team.
- The awards presentation will be Saturday evening on the showgrounds. At least one representative from each team is required to attend the awards ceremony (riders only, horses get to rest in their stalls). Please RSVP on your entry form as Yes/No/Maybe to help NDA plan for food. Guests are welcome and encouraged to come.
- The goal of the Scramble is to encourage friendly competition and build camaraderie among fellow dressage enthusiasts. You will have access to your teammates' cell numbers so you can decide on a team name, theme or colors, meeting place, secret handshake, victory dance, etc. Stall charts and ride times will also be available, as usual. The show will be even more fun for everyone if you find time to leave encouraging notes on stall doors, send a good luck text, cheer on your teammates at the show ring, and generally show off your excellent sportsmanship!

### Classes per Day

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

### **Consecutive Levels**

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

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

### Para-Equestrian

Competitors and their horses are no longer exempt from USDF memberships. Para-Equestrian competitors will now be required to have a USDF participating membership or a USDF group membership or a Non-Member fee will apply. All horses will need a life or HID USDF membership.

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.

### 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 re- schedule with priority given to CDI or USEF Program classes. No refunds for cancellations due to hazardous weather, Acts of God, Accidents or Emergencies.

### Membership/Registration Requirements:

Riders/Owners/Trainers/Coaches must be current USEF members or a \$45 Non-Member Show Pass fee will apply. Riders/Owners must also be a member of the USDF (participating for GAIG/USDF qualifying) or a \$35 Non-Member fee will apply. Horses must have at least a USDF HID number (\$35) to show. For GAIG/USDF qualifying the horse needs a USEF life or annual membership and a USDF life membership. Horses with only an HID are not eligible.

### **Show Conflict/Rider Time Conflicts:**

Changes need to be requested in the show office by 3 pm the day prior.

**SAFE SPORT STATEMENT:** Reminder: All USEF Life and Senior Active members, as well as participants who have regular contact with minor athletes, are required to comply with the U.S. Center for SafeSport training requirement to be eligible to participate in the competition. All participants must adhere to the U.S. Center for SafeSport Code, USEF Safe Sport Policy, and the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies. More information about these can be found at <a href="https://www.usef.org">www.usef.org</a>.

### **Directions**

### From KC Area:

- 1. I-29 N via the exit on the **left** toward **KC I Airport/St Joseph** (Crossing into **Iowa**). Merge onto I-80 (EXPRESS) W via the exit on the **left**.
- 2. I-80 (EXPRESS) W becomes I-80 W (Crossing into Nebraska).
- 3. Merge onto I-680 N via EXIT 446.
- 4. Merge onto W Dodge Rd/US-6 W via EXIT 3 toward Boys Town.
- 5. Merge onto NE-31 N toward Elkhorn.
- 6. Turn left onto W Maple Rd/NE-64/County Hwy-29.
  - a. If you are on N 204th St and reach N 203rd St you've gone about 0.1 miles too far
- 7. Make a **U-turn** onto W Maple Rd/NE-64/County Hwy-29.
  - a. If you reach N 230th St you've gone about 0.6 miles too far
- 8. Quail Run Horse Center Inc, 22021 W MAPLE RD is on the right.

### From the East

- 1. From I-80 West
- 2. Take the I-680 W exit, EXIT 27, toward Sioux City/North Omaha.
- 3. Merge onto I-880 W.
- 4. Take the I-680 W exit, EXIT 13A, on the left toward Omaha/Council Bluffs/1-29 S.
- 5. Merge onto I-29 S.
- 6. Merge onto I-680 W via EXIT 61B toward North Omaha (Crossing into Nebraska).
- 7. Take the NE-64/Maple Street exit, EXIT 4.
- 8. Turn right onto W Maple Rd/NE-64. Continue to follow W Maple Rd.
- 9. Make a U-turn onto W Maple Rd/NE-64/County Hwy-29.
  - a. If you reach N 230th St you've gone about 0.6 miles too far
- 10. Quail Run Horse Center Inc, 22021 W MAPLE RD is on the right.
  - a. If you reach Old Northeast 64 you've gone a little too far

### From West:

- 1. I-80 E via EXIT 401D toward Omaha.
- 2. Take the NE-31 exit, EXIT 432, toward Gretna/US-6.
- 3. Turn left onto S Highway 31/NE-31/County Hwy-80. Continue to follow NE-31.
- 4. Turn left onto W Maple Rd/NE-64/County Hwy-29.
  - a. If you are on N 204th St and reach N 203rd St you've gone about 0.1 miles too far
- 5. Make a U-turn onto W Maple Rd/NE-64/County Hwy-29.
  - a. If you reach N 230th St you've gone about 0.6 miles too far
- 6. Quail Run Horse Center Inc, 22021 W MAPLE RD is on the right.
  - a. If you reach Old Northeast 64 you've gone a little too far

### From North:

- 1. US-77 S. Continue to follow US-77 S. Pass through 1 roundabout.
  - a. US-77 S is just past W 8th St
  - b. If you reach E 10Th St you've gone a little too far
- 2. US-77 S becomes Highway 77.
- 3. Highway 77 becomes US-77 S. Pass through 1 roundabout.
- 4. Merge onto US-275 E toward **Omaha**.
- 5. Take the NE-64/W Maple Rd exit toward Waterloo.
- 6. Stay **straight** to go onto W Maple Rd/NE 64/County Hwy-29. 7.
- 8. Quail Run Horse Center Inc, 22021 W MAPLE RD is on the right.
  - a. Your destination is 0.1 miles past N 222nd St

Sat #	Sun #	USDF/USEF Classes Offered	Fee	Fee if Qual			
1UA	2UA	USDF Introductory Test A	\$45				
1UB	2UB	USDF Introductory Test B	\$45				
1UC	2UC	USDF Introductory Test C	\$45				
1T1	2T1	USEF Training Level Test 1	\$45				
1T2	2T2	USEF Training Level Test 2	\$45				
1T3	2T3	USEF Training Level Test 3*	\$45	\$60			
111	211	USEF First Level Test 1	\$45				
112	212	USEF First Level Test 2	\$45				
113	213	USEF First Level Test 3*	\$45	\$60			
121	221	USEF Second Level Test 1	\$45				
122	222	USEF Second Level Test 2	\$45				
123	223	USEF Second Level Test 3*	\$45	\$60			
131	231	USEF Third Level Test 1	\$45				
132	232	USEF Third Level Test 2	\$45				
133	233	USEF Third Level Test 3*	\$45	\$60			
141	241	USEF Fourth Level Test 1	\$45				
142	242	USEF Fourth Level Test 2	\$45				
143	243	USEF Fourth Level Test 3*	\$45	\$60			
1UTOC	2UTOC	USEF TOC* - Indicate Test	\$45	\$60			
1PSG	2PSG	FEI Prix St. George* (USEF Qualifying)	\$50	\$65			
1FI1	2FI1	FEI Intermediate I* (USEF Qualifying)	\$50	\$65			
1FIA	2FIA	FEI Intermediare A	\$50				
1FIB	2FIB	FEI Intermediare B	\$50				
1FI2	2FI2	FEI Intermediate II* (Brentina Cup Q on Sunday ONLY) (NAYC/USEF Qualifying)	\$50	\$65			
1GPYA	2GPYA	FEI Grand Prix 16-25 (NAYC/USEF Qualifying)	\$50				
1GP	2GP	FEI Grand Prix* (USEF Qualifying)	\$50	\$65			
1GPS	2GPS	FEI Grand Prix Special (USEF Qualifying)	\$70				
1FTOC	2FTOC	FEI TOC* - Indicate Test	\$50	\$65			
1FFS	2FFA	FEI Freestyle TOC* - Indicate Test	\$50	\$65			
1UFS	2UFS	USDF Freestyle* - Indicate Test. Note that Training Level is not eligible for Qualifying	\$50	\$65			
1FCT		FEI Children Team (NAYC/USEF Qualifying)	\$70				
	2FCI	FEI Children Individual (NA YC/USEF Qualifying)	\$70				
1FJT		FEI JR Team* (NAYC/USEF Qualifying)	\$70	\$85			
	2FJI	FEI JR Individual (NAYC /USEF Qualifying)	\$70				
1FYT		FEI YR Team* (NAYC/USEF Qualifying)	\$70	\$85			
	2FYI	FEI YR Individual (NAYC/USEF Qualifying)	\$70				
	2FJFS	FEI JR Freestyle (NAYC/ USEF Qualifying)	\$70				
	2FYFS	FEI YR Freestyle (NAYC /USEF Qualifying)	\$70				
1FPT		FEI Pony Team (USEF Qualifying)	\$70				
	2FPI	FEI Pony Individual (USEF Qualifying)	\$70				
1PDT	2PDT	FEI Para Grand Prix Test A TOC ( USEF Qualifying Saturday Only)	\$50				
1PE	2PE	FEI Para Grand Prix Test B TOC (USEF Qualifying Saturday Only)	\$50				
1PFS	2PFS	FEI Para Grand Prix Freestyle TOC (USEF Qualifying Sunday Only) \$50					
1EWT	2EWT	Equitation (Walk/Trot) \$25					
1EWTC	2EWTC	Equitation (Walk/Trot/Canter)	\$25				
1EAA	2EAA	Adult Amateur Equitation	\$25				

1DHT		USEF Developing Horse TOC - not USEF Q eligible	\$70	
	2DHP	USEF Developing Horse - Developing PSG (USEF Qualifying)	\$70	
	2DHGP	USEF Developing Horse - Developing Grand Prix (USEF Qualifying)	\$70	
1YHT		USEF Young Horse TOC - Preliminary/Final Practice Only (morning test)	\$70	
1F5P		FEI Five-Year-Old Preliminary Test (FEI WBC Q Only) (afternoon test)	\$70	
1F6P		FEI Six-Year-Old Preliminary Test (FEI WBC Q Only) (afternoon test)	\$70	
1F7P		FEI Seven-Year-Old Preliminary Test (FEI WBC Q Only) (afternoon test)	\$70	
	2U4	USEF Four-Year-Old Test (USEF Qualifying)	\$70	
	2F5	FEI Five-Year-Old Final Test (National and FEI WBC Q) (USEF Qualifying)	\$70	
	2F6	FEI Six-Year-Old Final Test (National and FEI WBC Q) (USEF Qualifying)	\$70	
	2F7	FEI Seven-Year-Old Final Test (FEI WBC Q) (USEF Qualifying)	\$70	
Sat #	Sun#	Opportunity Classes		
1OIC	2OIC	Opportunity Introductory Level Test C ***	\$30	
1OT3	2OT3	Opportunity Training Test 3 ***	\$30	
1013	2013	Opportunity First 3 ***	\$30	
Sat #	Sun#	USEA Eventing Classes		
1EVT	2EVT	USEA Eventing TOC	\$35	
Sat #				
Sut II	Sun #	Materiale Classes (Under saddle group classes)		
1M3F	Sun # 2M3F	Materiale Classes (Under saddle group classes)  Materiale - 3 yr old Fillies	\$35	
			\$35 \$35	
1M3F	2M3F	Materiale - 3 yr old Fillies		

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

<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 2024

Membership Requirements for USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized Competitions:

Owners and riders, including foreign riders

and owners who are not residents of the US, wishing to participate in a USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competition as a rider or owner/lessee, must have either a USDF Group Membership (GM), Participating Membership (PM), or have a USDF Non-Member (NM) identification number and pay the USDF Non-Member (NM) fee. (Note: USDF Business Members can own horses but cannot compete as riders with their USDF Business Membership.)

Horses competing at USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competitions must have either a USDF Horse Identification (HID) number or a USDF Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR). Proper credentials or verification certificates must be presented to the competition secretary.

Riders and owners wishing to participate in a USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competition, and not able to present the competition secretary with verification of a USDF membership or NM identification, and USDF LHR or USDF HID, must complete a USDF Competition Affidavit Form and pay the \$5 affidavit filing fee. A copy of a completed affidavit form from another competition may also be used for verification purposes for up to 60 days. (Exception: Affidavits cannot be used at Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Dressage Championships.)

### **Exceptions:**

- Horses competing only in Individual Breed Classes (IBCs) at DSHB competitions, sires and dams of horses in DSHB group classes, where those
  sires or dams are not actually competing in the same competition, horses competing only in breed restricted dressage or DSHB classes at
  Regular Competitions (e.g. all Arabian, all Friesian, or all Morgan classes), or in USDF Introductory Level tests, pas de deux or quadrille, are
  exempt from this requirement. Also exempt are horses ridden in leadline, exhibitions, games and races, classes for 4-H members, walk-trot,
  academy, and opportunity classes.
- Riders and owners/lessees competing only in classes which are exempt from the USDF HID requirements are also exempt from the USDF NM
  identification number and NM fee requirements. Also exempt are handlers of horses competing in DSHB In-Hand or Group classes.

### **Memberships Defined**

Participating Membership (PM): A membership issued to an individual directly by USDF. The membership year is December 1 through November 30. PMs are available for 1-year (\$90), 5-years (\$360), or life (\$1,800). A USDF Youth Participating Membership (YPM) is available for individuals who have not reached their 21st birthday by December 1 of the current membership year (\$72). A PM allows the member to compete at USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competitions and to participate as a rider and/or owner/lessee for all Adequan®/USDF Year-End Awards and the Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Dressage Championship program.

**Group Membership (GM):** A membership issued to an individual by USDF when the member name and dues are submitted to USDF through an affiliate Group Member Organization (GMO). The GM year begins December 1 and ends November 30. A GM allows the member to compete at USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competitions and participate in the USDF Rider Awards Program and the USDF Regional Schooling Show Awards Program. **Business Membership (BM):** A membership that runs December 1 through November 30 and is issued to a business or organization directly by USDF. The USDF BM (\$240) offers a wider variety of advertising benefits. BMs satisfy requirements of horse ownership only.

Non-Member (NM) Identification Number: For each USDF NM owner/lessee and USDF NM rider there will be a USDF NM fee of \$35 per competition that must be collected by the show secretary and submitted to USDF, along with the USDF Report of Fees document and the \$5 affidavit fee and Competition Affidavit Form if the person cannot provide a copy of their USDF NM card. Owners/lessees or riders exempt from the NM number requirements are also exempt from paying the USDF NM fee. If there are multiple owners of a horse and all are NMs, only one of the owners must pay the NM fee. If the horse has at least one owner who is a current USDF PM, GM, or BM there is no NM fee assessed. Competition management will be invoiced for all applicable USDF NM fees not received with the USDF post-competition paperwork, along with a report listing all USDF NMs. Competition management is then required to submit the NM fees within 30 days to the USDF. An individual with a USDF NM identification number is not eligible for any USDF membership benefits. Once a USDF NM number has been assigned, a USDF NM card can be obtained from the USDF website.

Horse Identification (HID) Number: A one-time tracking number for horses (\$35). Scores earned by a horse with an HID number will be recorded but will NOT be counted towards Adequan®/USDF Year-End Awards. A horse with an HID number is not eligible to compete in Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional qualifying or championship classes. An HID number can be upgraded to a Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR) for a fee of \$80. If a horse has a USDF LHR it does not need an HID number. An HID number is a one-time fee that does not need to be renewed.

**Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR):** A horse with an LHR (\$115) is eligible for Adequan®/USDF Year-End Awards, and eligible to compete in Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional qualifying and championship classes, assuming requirements for the owner and rider are met. If a horse has an LHR it does not need an HID number. An LHR does not need to be renewed.

### **How to Join USDF**

Applications for USDF Participating Membership (PM), Business Membership (BM), Horse Identification (HID) number, and Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR) may be found in the following locations:

- On the USDF website: www.usdf.org. You can submit the application online or download the form.
- 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.



### 2024 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="www.usdf.org">www.usdf.org</a>. Please refer to the 2024 USDF Member Guide for the comprehensive list of rules and requirements for this program.

### Membership/Registration Requirements for Qualifying and Championships

All memberships and registrations/recordings must be correct and current at the time qualifying scores are earned and at the time of the championships.

### Rider:

- Must have a USDF Participating\* Membership (PM).
- Must have a USEF membership (Active or Life).

### Horse:

- Must have a USDF Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR).
- Must have a USEF (Annual or Lifetime) Horse Recording.
- USDF horse registration and USEF horse recording must be in the name(s) of the current owner(s) or lessee(s).
   A horse is not required to have breed registry papers.

### Owner:

- Must have a USDF Participating or Business Membership and a USEF membership (Active or Life Membership or Annual or Life Recorded Farm/Business). If the horse has more than one owner, at least one owner must have both active USEF membership and active USDF Participating or Business Membership and must be the owner of record with USEF and USDF.
   For a business or farm to be the valid owner under this requirement, it must be listed as an owner of the horse with both USEF and USDF.
- \* PMs are USDF members who join USDF directly. USDF Group Members (GM) are ineligible.

**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.

The minimum percentages are as follows

	OPEN	AA	JR/YR
Training Level (Test 3)	68%	63%	63%
First Level (Test 3)	66%	62%	62%
Second Level (Test 3)	64%	61%	61%
Third Level (Test 3)	62%	60%	60%
Fourth Level (Test 3)	62%	60%	60%
FEI Junior (Team Test)	_	_	60%
FEI Young Rider (Team Test)	_	_	60%
Prix St. Georges	62%	60%	60%
Intermediate I	62%	60%	60%
Intermediate II	62%	60%	60%
Grand Prix	60%	60%	60%
FREESTYLE	OPEN/Jr/YR	AA	
First Level	65%	65%	
Second Level	65%	65%	
Third Level	65%	65%	
Fourth Level	65%	65%	
Intermediate I	65%	65%	
Grand Prix	65%	65%	

## ATTENTION FREESTYLE COMPETITORS



# United States Dressage Federation™

# Freestyle Competitor Reminders

- The format for the music should be listed in the prize list. If not check with competition management.
- Submit your music clearly labeled with your name, horse's name, bridle number, and freestyle level.
- Make sure to bring a backup in the format requested.
- · Be present for your sound check.
- Know the rules for the level you are riding. This includes forbidden and allowed movements for your level.

### Questions?

Contact: MusicalFreestyle@usdf.org

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### 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.



### United States Dressage Federation™

### Regional Adult Amateur Equitation Program

The USDF Regional Adult Amateur Equitation Program recognizes adult amateurs competing in equitation and promotes correct seat, position, and use of the aids in dressage. An Adult Amateur Equitation Regional Final class presented by Big Dee's Tack and Vet Supply will be held in conjunction with each of the nine USDF Regional Dressage Championship competitions, providing adult amateurs with additional opportunity for recognition. Ribbons awarded through 8<sup>th</sup> Place and gift certificates awarded to top four riders.

Adult amateurs wishing to qualify to compete in an Adult Amateur Equitation Regional Final may do so by meeting the following requirements.

### **Qualifying Requirements**

To be eligible for the USDF Adult Amateur Equitation Regional Final class, rider must have

Earned a score of 70% or higher in any dressage seat equitation class (except walk/trot) at a USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized Dressage competition within the qualifying period of the applicable regional championship.

or

b) Qualified to compete in any regional dressage championship class (excluding freestyles).

### **Membership Requirements**

- Rider must have a USDF Participating Membership at the time the qualifying score is earned, and at the time of the Regional Final class.
- Rider must be an adult amateur, in accordance with GR1306 of the USEF rules, and be designated with USEF as an adult
  amateur when the score is earned, and at the time of the Regional Final class.
- Owner must have a USDF Participating or Business Membership when the qualifying score is earned, and at the time of the Regional Final class.
- Horse must have a USDF Lifetime Horse Registration when the qualifying score is earned, and at the time of the Regional Final class.

The USDF Regional Adult Amateur Equitation Program rules and information can be found on the USDF website.

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# USDF Statement on Animal Welfare

The Unifed States Dressage Federation, Inc. (USDF), a federation of individual members and over 100 independent organizations throughout the United States, 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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# OPPORTUNITIES FOR 3-6 YEAR OLD HORSES COMPETING IN MATERIALE AND/OR USEF/FEI YOUNG HORSE TESTS

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### For Adequan®/USDF Year-End Awards - at the time scores are earned

- \* Horse must have a USDF Lifetime Horse Registration Number (LHR)
- \* Owner must have a USDF Participating (PM) or Business Membership (BM)
  - \* Rider must have a USDF PM
  - \*Competition year starts October 1 and ends September 30

### For USDF Breeders Championship Series - to compete in the championships

- \*\* Horse must have a USDF Horse Identification Number or LHR
- \*\* Owner must have a USDF Group Membership, PM, BM or pay a non-member fee per competition
  - \*\* Rider must have a USDF PM
- \*\*Competition year starts January 1 and ends December 30

^Scores earned in the USEF Four- and FEI Five- & Six-Year-Old tests are also eligible to be used towards a USDF Horse Performance Certificate ^^ Horses competing in the USDF Breeders Championship Series Final Three-Year-Old Materiale Championships may also be eligible for the Three-Year-Old Prospect award

For and in consideration of United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. dba US Equestrian ("USEF") allowing me, the undersigned, to participate in any capacity (including as a rider, driver, handler, vaulter, longeur, lessee, owner, agent, coach, official, trainer or volunteer) in a USEF sanctioned, licensed or approved event or activity, including but not limited to equestrian clinics, practices, shows, competitions and related or incidental activities and \_\_\_\_\_("USEF Event" or "USEF Events"); I, for myself, and on behalf of my spouse, children, heirs and next of kin, and any legal and personal representatives, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns, hereby agree to and make the following contractual representations pursuant to this Agreement (the "Agreement"):

A. RULES AND REGULATIONS: I hereby agree that I have read, understand, and agree to be bound by all applicable Federation Bylaws, rules, and policies including the USEF Safe Sport Policy and Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies (MAAPP) as published at www.usef.org, as amended from time to time.

B. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RISK: I knowingly, willingly, and voluntarily acknowledge the inherent risks associated with the sport of equestrian and know that horseback riding and related equestrian activities are inherently dangerous, and that participation in any USEF Event involves risks and dangers including, without limitation, the potential for serious bodily injury (including broken bones, head or neck injuries), sickness and disease (including communicable diseases), trauma, pain & suffering, permanent disability, paralysis and death; loss of or damage to personal property (including my mount & equipment) arising out of the unpredictable behavior of horses; exposure to extreme conditions and circumstances; accidents involving other participants, event staff, volunteers or spectators; contact or collision with other participants and horses, natural or manmade objects; adverse weather conditions; facilities issues and premises conditions; failure of protective equipment (including helmets); inadequate safety measures; participants of varying skill levels; situations beyond the immediate control of the USEF Event organizers and competition management; and other undefined, not readily foreseeable and presently unknown risks and dangers ("Risks").

### WARNING:

Under Nebraska Law, an equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities, pursuant to this act..

C. ASSUMPTION OF RISK: I understand that the aforementioned Risks may be caused in whole or in part or result directly or indirectly from the negligence of my own actions or inactions, the actions or inactions of others participating in the USEF Events, or the negligent acts or omissions of the Released Parties defined below, and I hereby voluntarily and knowingly assume all such Risks and responsibility for any damages, liabilities, losses, or expenses that I incur as a result of my participation in any USEF Events. I also agree to be responsible for any injury or damage caused by me, my horse, my employees or contractors under my direction and control at any USEF Event.

D. WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY, HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNITY: In conjunction with my participation in any USEF Event, I hereby release, waive and covenant not to sue, and further agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the following parties: USEF, USEF Recognized Affiliate Associations, the United States Olympic & Paralympic Committee (USOPC), USEF clubs, members, Event participants (including athletes/riders, coaches, trainers, judges/officials, and other personnel), the Event owner, licensee, and competition managers; the promoters, sponsors, or advertisers of any USEF Event; any charity or other beneficiary which may benefit from the USEF Event, the owners, managers, or lessors of any facilities or premises where a USEF Event may be held; and all directors, officers, employees, agents, contractors, and volunteers of any of the aforementioned parties (Individually and Collectively, the "Released Parties" or "Event Organizers"), with respect to any liability, claim(s), demand(s), cause(s) of action, damage(s), loss, or expense (including court costs and reasonable attorney fees) of any kind or nature ("Liability") which may arise out of, result from, or relate in any way to my participation in the USEF Events, including claims for Liability caused in whole or in part by the negligent acts or omissions of the Released Parties.

E. COMPLETE AGREEMENT AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE: This Agreement represents the complete understanding between the parties regarding these issues and no oral representations, statements or inducements have been made apart from this Agreement. If any provision of this Agreement is held to be unlawful, void, or for any reason unenforceable, then that provision shall be deemed severable from this Agreement and shall not affect the validity and enforceability of any remaining provisions.

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS DOCUMENT IN ITS ENTIRETY, UNDERSTAND ALL OF ITS TERMS AND CONDITIONS, AND KNOW IT CONTAINS AN ASSUMPTION OF RISK, RELEASE AND WAIVER FROM LIABILITY, AS WELL AS A HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFICATION OBLIGATIONS.

By signing below, that I have read, understand, and agree to be bound by all applicable Federation Bylaws, rules, and policies including the USEF Safe Sport Policy and Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies (MAAPP) as published at www.usef.org, as amended from time to time, as well as all terms and provisions of this Prize List. If, despite this Agreement, I, or anyone on my behalf or the minor's behalf, makes a claim for Liability against any of the Released Parties, I will indemnify, defend and hold harmless each of the Released Parties from any such Liabilities as the result of such claim.

The parties agree that this agreement may be electronically signed. The parties agree that the electronic signatures appearing on this agreement are the same as handwritten signatures for the purposes of validity, enforceability, and admissibility.

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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 licensee, show management, competition staff, show committee and members, officers, directors, agents, and volunteers from and against any and all loss, liability or damage arising from or because of, or in connection with, participation in this competition or related activities.

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