



Prizelist for the  
**Great American Insurance Group / United States Dressage Federation  
Region 4 Dressage Championships**

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and the

**Maffitt Lake Fall Harvest Dressage Show**

**September 23 - 26, 2021**

**Featuring over \$20,000 in Prize Money from USDF  
Qualifier for the 2021 US Dressage Finals presented by Adequan  
USDF Adult Amateur Equitation Regional Final Class presented by Big Dee's Tack and Vet Supply**

USEF/USDF Recognized No. 340780  
Level Four Competition  
Maffitt Lake Equestrian Center, Cumming, Iowa

**Opening Date: Monday, July 5, 2021**

**Entries Received by/Closing Date: Monday, August 30, 2021**

**Qualification Year for Championship Classes: Tuesday, September 8, 2020 to Monday, August 30, 2021**

**Official Qualifying Competition for:**  
2022 Great American/USDF Regional Championships

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**Farrier (on grounds during show hours):** Keith Raleigh 651-247-2291

**Night Watch:** Wesley Baker 515-326-1554

**EMT on grounds during show hours**

**Licensee:** Maffitt Lake Equestrian Center, Libby Hott

*The official prize list of the Great American/USDF Region 4 Dressage Championship appears in the USDF Regional Championship Official Prize List webpage and may be obtained after May 1, 2021 from the USDF website or by calling USDF.*

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

**Mailed entries:** Draw checks in **US Funds only** to Maffitt Lake Equestrian Center (MLEC). Credit cards are accepted  
Mail entries to: **Region 4 Championships c/o Show Secretary, 4420 57<sup>th</sup> ST NW, Rochester, MN 55901**  
**No entries will be accepted without funds.** If entry is received without funds, it will not be processed until funds are received. If entry is received and payment arrives later, it will be considered a late entry, regardless of receipt date.

**Important:** Competitors are responsible to include a copy of all USDF and USEF memberships for horse, owner, rider, trainer, and coach listed on entry form or pay non-member fees. Copies of the flu/rhino vaccinations and coggins are also required with entry.

Please review all Great American/USDF Regional Championship rules and eligibility requirements at <http://www.usdf.org>. Also see the "General Regulations and Entry Specification" section of this prize list for additional policies this show subscribes to and follows.



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**Maffitt Lake Equestrian Center (MLEC) - Physical Address:** 3297 105th Street Cumming, Iowa 50061  
See page 5 for detailed directions to MLEC.

**Phone numbers:** 515-981-1699 (office phone during show), 515-981-1698 (office fax during show)  
[www.maffittlakeequestriancenter.com](http://www.maffittlakeequestriancenter.com)

**Entry Fees:**

<b>Class fees:</b>	See class list starting on page 7 for specific class fees.
<b>Office charge per entry:</b>	\$50 per horse/rider combination.
<b>Late entries:</b>	\$75 if received after the Entries Received by Date of August 30 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Credit card fee</b>	A fee of 3% will be charged on all credit card transactions for mailed or emailed entries.
<b>Emailed entries:</b>	\$10 per entry.
<b>Post entries at show:</b>	Will be taken as scheduling permits, class fee plus \$10.00 (must request by 3 PM the day prior).
<b>Rider/Horse change:</b>	\$25 for either rider or horse change after entry submitted.
<b>Non-competing horses:</b>	\$100 for the weekend. Must fill out entry form for bridle number and pay stabling and office fees.
<b>RV Hook-up (50 amp only):</b>	\$50 per night. See the Maffitt Lake website for the camping reservation form.
<b>Golf cart rental:</b>	\$60 per day for a 2 person cart and \$75 per day for a 4 person cart.

Golf carts available for rent at the show office. Reservations are required to ensure enough carts are available on-site.

Outside golf cart vendors are not permitted. **NO ELECTRIC GOLF CARTS MAY BE CHARGED ON SHOW GROUNDS.**

**Stabling Fees:**

Stalls are 10' x 12' and have ¼ swing-out doors with hook closure. It is recommended to bring double end snaps and stall chains. Also, 10' x 10' tent stalls will be used if stabling fills. Full doors provided on tent stalls. Advanced bedding orders with entries will be placed in stalls prior to arrival. No outside feed/bedding vendors are allowed on Maffitt Lake Equestrian Center grounds. **NO SMOKING IN BARN!!**

**Stall Fees (stalls available 10 AM Wednesday to 7 PM Sunday):**

Full Show Stall (Wed – Sun)	\$250/stall
Full Show Tack Stall (Wed – Sun)	\$250/stall
Stabling per day	\$65/stall/day (not per night, must pay per day on grounds).
Tack Stall per day	\$65/stall/day (not per night, must pay per day on grounds).
<b>Turnout Paddocks:</b>	\$200 for the show or \$50 per day.
<b>Bedding, minimum of 4 bags:</b>	\$10/bag. Order on entry form or at show office. No initial bedding provided.
<b>Or pay Disposal fee:</b>	\$45/stall. Competitors not ordering 4 shavings will be charged a disposal fee per horse stall.
<b>Additional nights stabling:</b>	\$50 per stall per night for nights other than show dates.
<b>Hay:</b>	Grass hay- \$14/bale and Alfalfa mix hay- \$16/bale.
<b>Haul in Fee:</b>	\$40 per day (only if not doing a stall)

**NOTE:** Per USEF rules, horses entered in GAIG/USDF Championship classes must have a stall. Haul-ins will not be allowed.

This does not apply to the Dressage Seat Equitation Championship classes.

**Purina feed available:** (Ultium (\$27/bag), Ultium Gastric Care (\$30/bag), Equine Senior (\$23/bag), Strategy (\$20/bag), Outlast (\$40/bag), Omolean 200 or 400 (\$22/bag), Enrich (\$32/bag), and Strategy Healthy Edge (\$22/bag).

All feed and bedding questions should be directed to the Horse Show Secretary. Bedding and feed can be purchased on the show grounds.

**Late Entries:** Late entries, including Great American Championship entries, that are postmarked after the Entries Received by Date/Closing Date of August 30<sup>th</sup> will be accepted at the discretion of the show secretary and show committee based on a space available basis and charged a \$75 late fee. If the classes are oversubscribed, a waiting list (in the order of date received) will be maintained.

**USEF Equine Vaccination Rule & Health Requirements for entry to show grounds in 2021:** All horses entering the show grounds of a USEF licensed competition MUST be accompanied by documentation showing vaccinations for Equine Influenza Virus and Equine Herpes Virus (Rhinopneumonitis) within 6 months as well as have a current negative EIA/Coggins test (within 12 months) **This is mandatory for every horse entry. See USEF rule GR845.** Also, a health certificate (30-day) is needed on all out of state horses. Horses not entered in the show may not be brought onto the show grounds without prior arrangement with show management.

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

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

**Great American Insurance Group (GAIG)/USDF Qualifying Classes:** Indicate that the class is to count for qualifying by placing a **Q** after the class number on your entry. Qualifying does not require a separate ride. An exhibitor riding in the Open, AA, or JR/YR rider classes must pay an additional \$15 USDF qualifying fee to have this score entered in the GAIG/USDF qualifying division at that level.

**Confirmation/Ride Times:** Confirmation of entry will be e-mailed. All e-mail addresses must be clearly printed. Ride times and show updates will be posted on [www.DressageShowInfo.com](http://www.DressageShowInfo.com). Official ride times will be posted at show office by noon on Wednesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Entries taken on a first come, first served basis. Entries may close early for non-championship classes if time limits for judges are filled. Remaining entries received before the Received by Date will be placed on a wait list.

**Awards for Open Show Classes:** Divisions (JR/YR, AA, Open) may be run concurrently as one class. Divisions will be pinned separately. Riders must clearly specify division choice. When no designation is made, riders will automatically be entered as Open. Riders may enter only one division per class. Ribbons to sixth for each class. No awards for Qualifying classes.

**Accommodations:** Hampton Inn on Mills Civic (515-218-1110), Candlewood Suites (515-221-0001) on Office Plaza Drive N., and Super 8 Clive on Forest (515-259-1347).

**Arenas:** Outdoor arenas have all weather sand mix footing on limestone base. Warm-up arenas have comparable footing. All tests will be ridden in an outdoor 20 x 60 arena. NO LUNGEING in warmup arenas – use designated lunging arenas only. Coaching may ONLY be done from the outside of the arenas. Competition arenas will be open for schooling on Wednesday (before show weekend) until posted close time in show office. Limited schooling may be available in the evening by management decision. Hours and availability will be posted in the show office.

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

**Vendors:** Vendors must contact Libby Hott at 515-306-1140 or [libbyhott@gmail.com](mailto:libbyhott@gmail.com)

**Golf Cars/Mopeds/ Other Motorized Vehicles:** Minors who do not have a valid driver’s license which allows them to operate a motorized vehicle in the state in which they reside will not be permitted to operate a motorized vehicle of any kind, including, but not limited to, golf carts, motorcycles, scooters, or farm utility vehicles, on the competition grounds of 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/legal guardian 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 penalties against those responsible for the child committing the offense. Wheelchairs and other mobility assistance devices for individuals with disabilities are exempt from this rule.

The unsafe use of personal electronic transport devices, as determined by the competition officials and management in their sole discretion, that do not require a driver’s license to operate, including but not limited to segways, hover boards, and single wheeled scooters is prohibited on competition grounds. Operating such devices in areas where people gather may be deemed “unsafe use” if there is a risk of harm to others. If the operator of the device is a minor, the parent/legal guardian or individual who signs the entry blank as a parent or guardian of a minor operating the device in violation of this rule is accountable and may be subject to penalties. Wheelchairs and other mobility assistance devices for individuals with disabilities are exempt from this rule. **See USEF rule GR1301.7.**

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

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



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**Don't forget that declarations for the US Dressage Finals are due by midnight on the day prior to the first day of your regional championship competition.**

**For more information, visit.**  
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## Great American / USDF Region 4 Championships Information

**Awards ceremonies for Regional Championship classes:** A tentative schedule for the awards ceremonies will be printed in the show program and the official schedule will be posted in the show secretary's office by noon on the day prior to the beginning of the competition and in an area where social distancing can be adhered to. Classes are placed Champion and Reserve through eighth place for each level and listed division.

**Attendance at the award ceremonies is not mandatory this year.** Riders placing in Great American/USDF Regional Championship classes, and wanting to participate in the award ceremonies, must be present, mounted, and in full riding attire for award ceremonies (through eighth place for all Championship classes). In the case of inclement weather, unmounted ceremonies may be held. It is recommended that saddlery for ceremonies be the same as in the competition, however, black or white leg bandages are allowed. Competitors who do not wish to participate in the victory lap may be excused.

**Prize money for Regional Championship classes:** Prize money for Great American/USDF Regional Championships will be paid directly by the USDF office to the recorded horse owner within thirty (30) days of the last day of each championship. Champions in each region and division will receive \$378 in prize money. Reserve champions in each region and division will receive \$252 in prize money.

### Special Notes:

- Advertisements and sponsorships, contact Libby Hott at 515-306-1140 or [libbyhott@gmail.com](mailto:libbyhott@gmail.com) for sponsor packages and ad rates.
- Volunteers: Competitors, friends, and family, please take the time to help out at your Championship show. Contact Libby Hott at 515-306-1140 or [libbyhott@gmail.com](mailto:libbyhott@gmail.com). You can help with tasks like running tests or helping at the awards ceremonies.



## 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 three 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

- a) 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](http://www.usdf.com).

## Directions to Maffitt Lake Equestrian Center

3297 105th Street  
Cumming, Iowa 50061

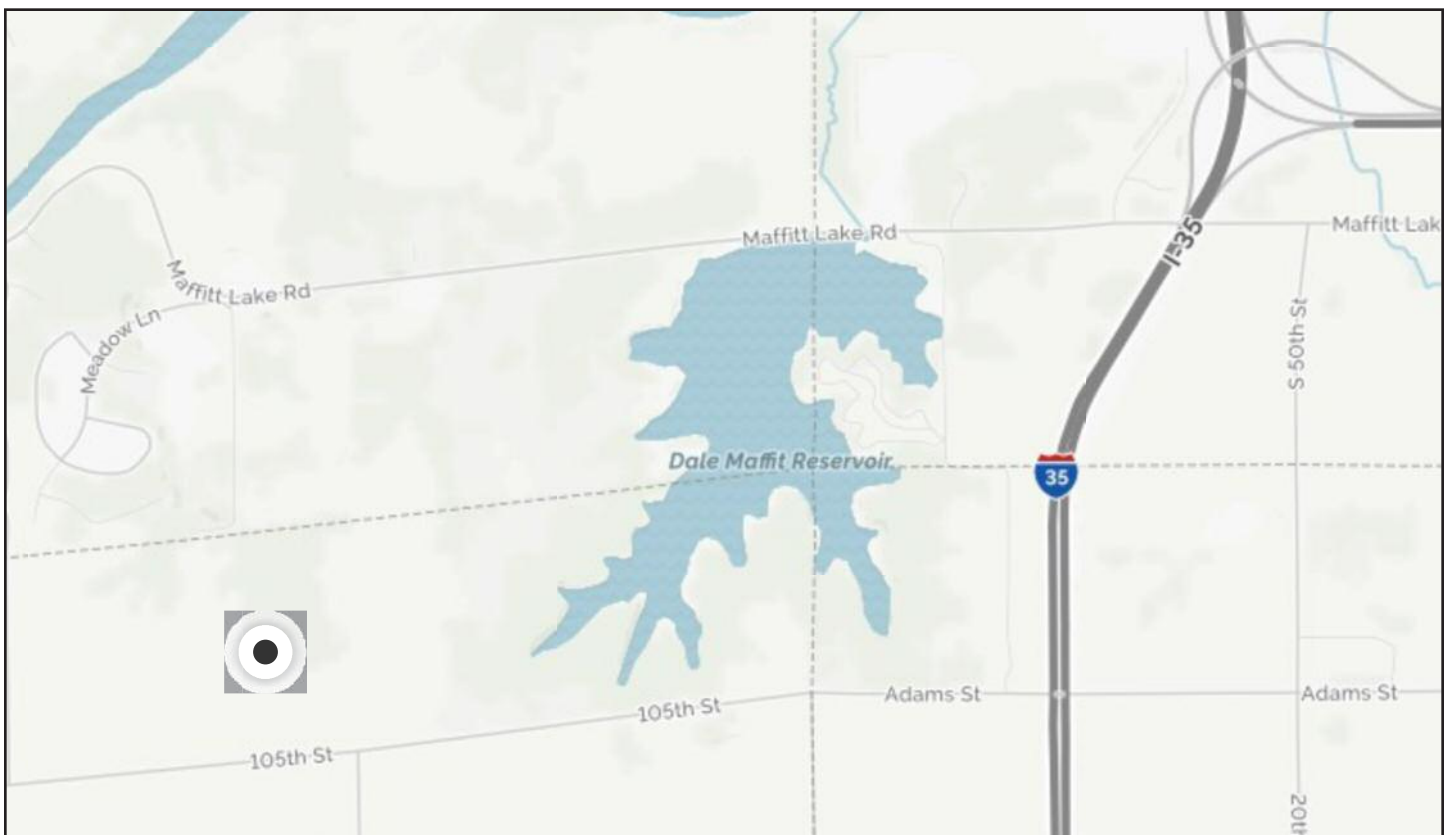
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Trailer/Camper Entrance From North (Minneapolis) – Approximate time is 5 hours. I-35 South through Des Moines Exit 65 for Cumming/Norwalk Turn right/west on the Cumming Road and travel 1.5 miles. Turn right/north on Woodland Avenue (Street sign is on south side of Cumming Road). Travel 1.5 miles north on Woodland Avenue. Entrance to facility is on the north corner of 105th Street and Woodland Avenue.

Trailer/Camper Entrance From South (Kansas City) – Approximate time is 3 1/2 hours. I-35 North, Exit 65 for Cumming/Norwalk Turn left/west on the Cumming Road and travel 1.5 miles. Turn right/north on Woodland Avenue (Street sign is on south side of Cumming Road) Travel 1.5 miles north on Woodland Avenue. Entrance to facility is on the north corner of 105th Street and Woodland Avenue.

Trailer/Camper Entrance From East (Chicago) – Approximate time is 6 hours. I-80 West to Altoona, Iowa Highway 65 South. Highway 65 South becomes Highway/By-Pass 5I-35 South towards Kansas City Exit 65 for Cumming/Norwalk. Turn right/west on the Cumming Road and travel 1.5 miles. Turn right/north on Woodland Avenue (Street sign is on south side of Cumming Road) Travel 1.5 miles north on Woodland Avenue. Entrance to facility is on the north corner of 105th Street and Woodland Avenue.

Trailer/Camper Entrance from West (Omaha) – Approximate time is 2 ½ hours. I-80 East to Des Moines. I-35 South through Des Moines, Exit 65 for Cumming/Norwalk. Turn right/west on the Cumming Road and travel 1.5 miles. Turn right/north on Woodland Avenue (Street sign is on south side of Cumming Road) Travel 1.5 miles north on Woodland Avenue. Entrance to facility is on the north corner of 105th Street and Woodland Avenue.



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## Great American / USDF Region 4 Championships Class List

Thu #	Fri #	Sat #	Sun #	Class Name (* GAIG/USDF Qualifying)	Divisions	Fee	Q
<b>Great American/USDF Championship Classes</b>							
<b>Freestyle Championship Classes</b>							
		351		Great American/USDF Freestyle – First Level *		\$90	\$105
		352		Great American/USDF Freestyle – Second Level *		\$90	\$105
		353		Great American/USDF Freestyle – Third Level *		\$90	\$105
		354		Great American/USDF Freestyle – Fourth Level *		\$90	\$105
		355		Great American/USDF Freestyle – Intermediate 1 *		\$90	\$105
		356		Great American/USDF Freestyle – Grand Prix *		\$90	\$105
<b>Open Division Championship Classes</b>							
	432			Great American/USDF Training Level Championship *	Open	\$90	\$105
		435		Great American/USDF First Level Championship *	Open	\$90	\$105
			436	Great American/USDF Second Level Championship *	Open	\$90	\$105
	433			Great American/USDF Third Level Championship *	Open	\$90	\$105
430				Great American/USDF Fourth Level Championship *	Open	\$90	\$105
			437	Great American/USDF PSG Championship *	Open	\$90	\$105
	434			Great American/USDF I1 Championship *	Open	\$90	\$105
431				Great American/USDF I2 Championship *	Open	\$90	\$105
			438	Great American/USDF Grand Prix Championship *	Open	\$90	\$105
<b>Adult Amateur (AA) Division Championship Classes</b>							
			536	Great American/USDF Training Level Championship *	AA	\$90	\$105
		535		Great American/USDF First Level Championship *	AA	\$90	\$105
	532			Great American/USDF Second Level Championship *	AA	\$90	\$105
			537	Great American/USDF Third Level Championship *	AA	\$90	\$105
530				Great American/USDF Fourth Level Championship *	AA	\$90	\$105
	533			Great American/USDF PSG Championship *	AA	\$90	\$105
			538	Great American/USDF I1 Championship *	AA	\$90	\$105
531				Great American/USDF I2 Championship *	AA	\$90	\$105
			539	Great American/USDF Grand Prix Championship *	AA	\$90	\$105
	534			USDF Adult Amateur Equitation Regional Final	AA	\$90	

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

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Thu #	Fri #	Sat #	Sun #	Class Name (* GAIG/USDF Qualifying)	Divisions	Fee	Q
<b>Great American/USDF Championship Classes</b>							
				<b>Junior / Young Rider (JR/YR) Division Championship Classes</b>			
	630			Great American/USDF Training Level Championship *	JR/YR	\$90	\$105
		635		Great American/USDF First Level Championship *	JR/YR	\$90	\$105
			640	Great American/USDF Second Level Championship *	JR/YR	\$90	\$105
		636		Great American/USDF Third Level Championship *	JR/YR	\$90	\$105
	631			Great American/USDF Fourth Level Championship *	JR/YR	\$90	\$105
		637		Great American/USDF PSG Championship *	JR/YR	\$90	\$105
	632			Great American/USDF I1 Championship *	JR/YR	\$90	\$105
		638		Great American/USDF I2 Championship *	JR/YR	\$90	\$105
			641	Great American/USDF Grand Prix Championship *	JR/YR	\$90	\$105
	633			Great American/USDF FEI JR Championship *	JR	\$90	\$105
	634			Great American/USDF FEI YR Championship *	YR	\$90	\$105
		639		USDF Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Finals 13 and Under	JR	\$55	
			642	USDF Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Finals 14 to 18	JR	\$55	

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Thu #	Fri #	Sat #	Sun #	Class Name (* GAIG/USDF Qualifying)	Divisions	Fee	Q
<b>Open Show Classes</b>							
1	101	201	301	USEF Training Level Test One	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$50	
2	102	202	302	USEF Training Level Test Two	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$50	
3	103	203	303	USEF Training Level Test Three *	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$50	\$65
4	104	204	304	USEF First Level Test One	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$50	
5	105	205	305	USEF First Level Test Two	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$50	
6	106	206	306	USEF First Level Test Three *	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$50	\$65
7	107	207	307	USEF Second Level Test One	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$50	
8	108	208	308	USEF Second Level Test Two	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$50	
9	109	209	309	USEF Second Level Test Three*	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$50	\$65
10	110	210	310	USEF Third Level Test One	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$50	
11	111	211	311	USEF Third Level Test Two	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$50	
12	112	212	312	USEF Third Level Test Three *	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$50	\$65
13	113	213	313	USEF Fourth Level Test One	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$50	
14	114	214	314	USEF Fourth Level Test Two	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$50	
15	115	215	315	USEF Fourth Level Test Three *	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$50	\$65
16	116	216	316	FEI Prix St George *	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$50	\$65
17	117	217	317	FEI Intermediare I *	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$50	\$65
18	118	218	318	FEI Intermediare II *	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$50	\$65
19	119	219	319	FEI Grand Prix *	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$50	\$65
20				USDF Freestyle TOC (specify test TR to 4 <sup>th</sup> level) * Training (TR) level is not eligible for qualifying.		\$50	\$65
21				FEI Freestyle TOC (specify test) *		\$50	\$65

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# UNITED STATES DRESSAGE FEDERATION™

## USDF US Dressage Finals Eligibility

The US Dressage Finals is an Invitational competition using the USEF/USDF Regional Championship program to qualify. Qualifying takes place at each of the nine Great American/USDF Regional Dressage Championships, based on either 1) Ranking in a Regional Championship Class or 2) Wild Card Eligibility. Either must be achieved at a Regional Championship in a class and eligible division offered at the US Dressage Finals. **NOTE: Riders who qualified for the US Dressage Finals in 2020 are eligible to compete in the 2021 US Dressage Finals pending all requirements have been met.**

### I. Qualification Based on Ranking in a Regional Championship Class:

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

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

- 1) **United States Citizenship Requirement: To compete in any US Dressage Finals class, the rider must be a US citizen.**
- 2) **Declaration Requirement: The horse/rider combination must declare their intention to participate** by completing the Declaration of Intent form by midnight on the day prior to the first day of their Regional Championship competition (including any open class day before the start of championship classes). **There is no fee to declare, but horse/rider combinations must declare at the level(s) and eligible division(s) they intend to compete in at the US Dressage Finals. Go to [www.usdressagefinals.com](http://www.usdressagefinals.com) to declare.**
- 3) **Ranking in a Regional Championship Class: Eligibility to enter US Dressage Finals classes is based on a horse/rider combination's ranking in a Regional Championship class. Champions and Reserve Champions in eligible classes will be automatically invited, as long as they have declared by the deadline. *Note: In order to be named Champion and Reserve Champion in a Regional Championship class, a horse/rider combination must have achieved a score of 57% or higher.***

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

1. **Are a US citizen.**
2. **Completed the Declaration of Intent for that particular level and division by the deadline.**
3. **Achieved the pre-requisite score of 57% or higher.**

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

**No notifications will be issued beyond the fifth ranked, of declared horse/rider combination except as may be eligible through the Wild Card invitations described below.**

### II. Qualification Based on Wild Card Eligibility:

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

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

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

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

### III. Invitations:

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

- 1) Invitation emails will be sent to the top two of the top five declared horse/rider combinations.
- 2) Invitation emails will be sent to combinations eligible for a Wild Card.
- 3) Notification emails will be sent to the third to fifth declared horse/rider combinations, notifying them that they are on the reserve/alternate list and reminding them to check the website for any status changes that would make them eligible for an invitation.

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

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

### IV. Nomination Requirement:

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

### V. Entry Requirements

Completed entries for the US Dressage Finals *must be received* by the closing date, October 25, 2021 midnight Eastern Time. Priority for all stabling requests (including stabling in Alltech Barns and for double stalls) will be based on the date of receipt of the COMPLETE online entry. Due to COVID-19 Best Practices, each online entry must include the following: full payment, fully signed 2021 US Dressage Finals entry form and signed USEF Waiver, current negative Coggins test and current Flu/Rhino Vaccine Record. All documents must be uploaded when you receive your online entry confirmation from Horseshowoffice.com, that is

emailed immediately to you after you enter online. The last factor in determining stabling priority will be the allotted number of Alltech stalls available per region.

US Dressage Finals Deadlines		
Regional Championship	Declaration	Nomination
1	Wednesday, October 13, 2021	Thursday, October 21, 2021
2	Wednesday, October 6, 2021	Thursday, October 14, 2021
3	Thursday, October 7, 2021	Thursday, October 14, 2021
4	Wednesday, September 22, 2021	Thursday, September 30, 2021
5	Wednesday, September 15, 2021	Thursday, September 23, 2021
6	Wednesday, September 22, 2021	Thursday, September 30, 2021
7	Wednesday, September 22, 2021	Thursday, September 30, 2021
8	Wednesday, September 22, 2021	Thursday, September 30, 2021
9	Wednesday, October 6, 2021	Thursday, October 14, 2021
<p><i>Above deadlines are midnight in the time zone of the specific Regional Championship</i></p> <p>Entry Closing Date is October 25, 2021 midnight Eastern Time</p> <p><b>See Official Prize List for more information.</b></p>		

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## Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Championships Required Rules for Prize List

### A. MEMBERSHIP/REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS FOR QUALIFYING AND CHAMPIONSHIPS

#### Rider:

*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 (Junior Active, Senior 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) of record.
- A horse is not required to have breed registry papers.

#### Owner:

- Must have a USDF Participating or Business Membership and a USEF membership (Junior Active, Senior Active, Life, or Recorded Farm (with Active Farm Owner)). 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.

### B. QUALIFYING CLASS AND CHAMPIONSHIP ELIGIBILITY

1. Having won a USEF/USDF Regional Championships three times (in any region over their lifetime), a horse/rider combination may no longer compete in USEF/USDF Regional Championship competition at that or a lower level (Grand Prix excepted), if they received the minimum qualifying score or higher for that division and level in the championship test per USEF DR127.5.
2. A horse may not be entered in more than one USEF/USDF Regional Championship at a particular level in the same calendar year.
3. USDF will presume qualified horse/rider combinations will compete in the region in which the rider resides as determined by the address associated with the rider's membership information on file as of July 1. Riders are NOT required to be a resident of the region to compete in that region's championship. Riders, who wish to compete at Regional Championships in a region other than their region of residence, must submit a Change of Region Form. This form must be submitted with a \$25 fee prior to July 1. Change of Region Forms may be accepted from July 2 up to August 1, with a fee of \$100; from August 2, up to the closing date of the

championship region the rider is declaring for, with a fee of \$300. **No changes of region may be made after the closing date of the region in which a rider wishes to enter, for any reason.** In addition, all persons living outside of the United States, who intend to compete in a Regional Championship, must submit a Change of Region form and applicable fee to USDF to declare a region.

4. A rider may not compete in more than one Regional Championship competition in the same calendar year.
5. In the event a competitor is unable to produce copies of the USDF membership or lifetime horse registration documents required to enter a qualifying class, a USDF competition affidavit with appropriate fee may be completed and filed with the competition secretary. The affidavit and appropriate fee must be submitted to USDF by the competition secretary. Copies of the required memberships and registrations **MUST** be included with the championship entry. Affidavits will not be accepted for USEF or USDF membership or horse recording verification purposes for entry in championship classes.
6. Horses must be entered in qualifying and championship classes under their official recorded names and ownership as specified in USEF GR1102.3, and transfers of ownership or lease registrations must be completed in compliance with USEF rules GR1105 and GR1108 prior to the competition in order for the horse to compete under the name of the new owner or lessee. (USEF DR127.2)

### E. CHAMPIONSHIP RULES

1. All Regional Championship competitions are considered Level 4. Please refer to USEF Dressage Level Requirements for specifics.
2. Each entry must designate the division being entered (open, adult amateur or junior/young rider) and must meet minimum percentage requirements for the championship division entered.
3. Cross entering open and junior/young rider divisions or open and adult amateur divisions for a horse/rider combination is permitted at adjacent levels. It is not permitted at the same level. Exception: freestyle or equivalent FEI Junior or FEI Young Rider levels.
4. If a rider intends to enter a Regional Championship as an adult amateur, the rider must be an adult by the current USEF definition (DR 119.3) and a current amateur by the USEF definition. (USEF GR1306, 1307)
5. If a rider intends to enter a championship as a junior/young rider, the rider must be a junior/young rider by the current USEF definition and her/his birth date must be on file with USDF by July 1 of the championship year.
6. Photocopies of USDF/USEF membership cards and horse recording and registration certificates must accompany championship entry (USDF PM for rider, USDF PM or BM for owner, etc.).

7. Under penalty of elimination, whips may not be carried in championship tests (Exception: Competitors riding sidesaddle may carry a whip no longer than 47.2 inches (120 cm), including lash, in USEF/USDF Championships.) An adjustable-length whip may not be carried by a mounted rider.
8. Under penalty of elimination, all championship tests must be ridden from memory. (USEF DR122.1)
- ~~9. The gate at "A" must be closed for every USEF/USDF championship ride. (USEF DR126.1.f.5)~~
10. Under penalty of disqualification from all championship classes for the horse/rider combination, within 24 hours prior and at no time during a USEF/USDF Regional Championship competition may any horse entered in that Championship competition be ridden by anyone other than the rider entered in the Championship competition on that horse (exception: grooms riding on loose rein). Further, any horse entered in a championship competition, even entered at two levels, must be ridden by the same rider throughout competition. (USEF DR127.6) (NOTE: This applies throughout the entire competition, even after a horse has completed its championship classes.)
11. In the event of a tie (equality of total points) for champion and/or reserve champion in USEF/USDF championship classes, the collective marks will determine first, second, and/or third or all three places; (i.e. when a tie for first place is broken by collective marks, tied competitors will receive first and second places, etc.). If collective marks are equal, the tie will remain unbroken (i.e. two first places will be awarded next third place, etc.). For ties in freestyle classes refer to USEF DR129.5 which states the highest score shall be declared the winner of the class. In the case of a tie, the higher artistic score shall determine the winner. Ties (equality of total points) after second place will be broken by collective marks. Ties (equality of total points and collective marks or artistic scores) occurring in third through eight places will remain unbroken. In the case of a tie (equality of total points and collective marks or artistic scores) for champion, prize money designated for champion and reserve champion will be combined and divided equally between the two competitors.
12. Hors de Concours entries are not permitted in USEF/USDF championship classes. (USEF DR119.5)
13. In a USEF/USDF championship class, the horse/rider combination must obtain the necessary minimum percentage score to be named champion or reserve champion. (USEF DR123.6) If the highest placed horse/rider combination receives less than the minimum percentage, no championship awards or prize money will be issued, however an awards ceremony will be held for the entire class. In lieu of a champion and/or reserve neck sash, a first and/or second place ribbon will be awarded.
14. In USEF/USDF championship classes, a steward must be appointed to **conduct a visual** check the saddlery, bits and spurs, on both sides of each horse **immediately after it has completed its test and has left the arena. The Technical Delegate may follow the competitor to a designated area if necessary.** Any discrepancy to the saddlery rules will result in immediate elimination. (USEF DR126.1.i.6)
15. A Registered (R) Dressage Technical Delegate (TD), who is a current Participating Member of USDF, is required to officiate at USEF/USDF championships. TDs for competitions offering qualifying and/or championship classes must investigate incidents of non-compliance and report violations to USEF. **"R" Dressage TDs hired to officiate Regional Championship classes must be selected from outside the region. This applies only to the primary competition TD, who is the person responsible for filing the TD report for the competition with USEF. (See section H.3.e, and USEF GR1018.3 and DR127.3)**
16. Entries in USEF/USDF dressage championship classes are limited to competitors who have met the qualifications, membership, horse recording and registration requirements, and deadlines outlined in USEF DR127 and published by USDF. Competitors who are properly qualified, whose completed entries are received by the closing date for a particular Regional Championship, and who have complied with all championship rules may not be denied entry into the Regional Championship classes for which they have qualified. Only one class per division and/or level may be held to determine USEF/USDF regional champions. (USEF DR127.7)
17. USEF/USDF championships classes may not be split. (USEF DR126.1a.4)
18. Championship classes for juniors and young riders must only be held on Friday, Saturday, and/or Sunday. Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Finals classes must be held on Saturday or Sunday. Juniors and young riders' entries (horse/rider combinations) are limited to entry in only two championship classes, excluding freestyle.
19. Except for freestyles, the FEI Junior Team Test, and FEI Young Rider Team test, championship classes at consecutive levels, for the same division, may not be held on the same day.
- ~~20. Ribbons and prizes cannot be distributed prior to the arrival at the awards ceremony.~~
21. All horses competing in Regional Championships classes must be stabled on the competition grounds and must remain on the grounds for the duration of their participation in the event, from the time of arrival until the horse has finished competing in all classes. If the horse has been found to have left the grounds, and returned, it would be eliminated from championship classes, but not in non-championship classes. (USEF DR127.8) (USEF DR127.8)
22. For USEF/USDF freestyle championship classes, the competitor must provide the show with two CDs that contain their freestyle music, with only one freestyle music per CD that will play on a CD player (i.e. no rewritable CDs).
23. The test ridden for national level USEF/USDF championship classes will be the highest test of the level.





## 2022 Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Dressage Championships

A single Regional Dressage Championship program organized by the United States Dressage Federation (USDF), and recognized by the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. (USEF), will be held in each of the nine USDF regions. In addition, Alaska and Hawaii may each hold state championships if an official request from a Group Member Organization (GMO) is received by April 1 of the prior year. The Regional Championship Program Rules can be found on the USDF website at [www.usdf.org](http://www.usdf.org). Please refer to the 2022 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 (Junior Active, Senior Active, Life, or Recorded Farm (with Active Farm Owner)). 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. 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	62%	60%	60%
Intermediate I	62%	60%	60%
Intermediate II	62%	60%	60%
Grand Prix	60%	60%	60%

FREESTYLE	OPEN	AA	JR/YR
First Level	65%	—	—
Second Level	65%	—	—
Third Level	65%	—	—
Fourth Level	65%	—	—
Intermediate I	65%	—	—
Grand Prix	65%	—	—

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**Membership Requirements for USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized Competitions:** Owners and riders, including foreign riders and owners who are not residents of the US, wishing to participate in a USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competition as a rider or owner/lessee, must have either a USDF Group Membership (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 21<sup>st</sup> 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](http://www.usdf.org). You can submit the application online or download the form and fax or mail it to the USDF office.
- In the show office at USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competitions classified by USEF as Dressage Competitions, and Regular Competitions which are open to all breeds.
- By calling or writing the USDF office at (859) 971-2277, 4051 Iron Works Parkway, Lexington, KY 40511

The effective date of membership is the date the form and correct fees are received in the USDF office or, if applying at a competition, the date accepted by the competition secretary, provided the application is signed and dated by the competition secretary, member, and/or horse owner on that same day.

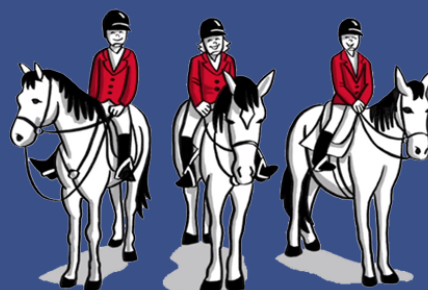
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## **General Regulations, Policies and Entry Specifications:**

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

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

**Liability** – Horses by their inherent nature present a risk. This show, the management, the USEF Licensee, and the facility will not be responsible for any loss or damage or injury to horses exhibited, or for any article of any kind or nature that may be lost or destroyed, or in any way injured. Each exhibitor will be responsible for any injury that may be occasioned to any person, whomsoever, by any horse owned or exhibited by said exhibitor and shall indemnify the show, the management, the show committee and volunteers, the USEF Licensee, the USEF and USDF, or any member thereof, against all claims and demands, of any nature or kind, that may grow out of any injury occasioned by any horses owned or exhibited by them, or arise from the negligence of the person in charge of any such horse. All horses exhibited in this show participate entirely at the owner's risk. Neither the Organizing Committee, show volunteers and staff, the facility or its owners, USEF or USDF or their members will be responsible for any damage, injury, or loss to persons, horses, or property of exhibitors or spectators. All owners and competitors are personally responsible for damages to third parties caused by themselves, their employees, their agents or their horses. They are therefore strongly advised to take out third-party insurance providing full coverage for participation in equestrian events at home and abroad, and to keep the policy up to date.

Additionally, Maffitt Lake Equestrian Center (MLEC), and their officials, sponsors and employees will not be responsible for any accident or loss which may occur to any exhibitor, spectators, guest, rider, groom, attendant or other employee, animal or equipment at any of the competition.

### **USEF Membership Statement (GR901.9)**

**Life, senior active and junior active members shall be eligible to participate in all classes at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions at the Preliminary Level or above and Combined Driving Competitions at the Advanced Level, Dressage, Reining and Vaulting Competitions and Endurance Rides. A nonmember may participate as a handler, rider, driver, owner, lessee, agent, coach or trainer at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions, Dressage Competitions, Reining Competitions and Combined Driving Competitions upon payment of a \$45 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 (exception: Friesian performance FR222) and academy classes (academy classes are classes limited to horses used regularly in a lesson program); 6) USDF introductory level tests, pas de deux and quadrille classes; 7) NRHA Endorsed Reining Competitions. 8) Opportunity classes, 9) citizens of other nations who have proof, in English, of current membership in good standing of their own National Federation, 10) USEA beginner novice division; and 11) assistant handlers in Dressage Sport Horse Breeding classes.**

Exhibitors should exercise extreme caution before medicating their horses and should be aware of the US EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION rules governing drugs and medications. Any questions about the use of certain medications and regarding Rule IV should be directed to the USEF Federation Equine Drugs and Medications Program, 956 King Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43212-2655. (800) 633-2472, (614) 299-7707, FAX (614) 299-7706.

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

**Protective Headgear Rule:** From the time horses are officially admitted to the competition grounds by competition management, anyone mounted on a horse at any time on the competition grounds including non-competing riders, riders on non-competing horses and those competing in all classes and tests must wear protective headgear as defined by this rule and otherwise in compliance with GR801. Any rider violating this rule at any time must be immediately prohibited from further riding until such headgear is properly in place. Protective headgear is defined a riding helmet which meets or exceeds ASTM (American Society for Testing and Materials)/SEI (Safety Equipment Institute) standards for equestrian use and carries the SEI tag. The harness must be secured and properly fitted.

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

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



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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**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.

OWNER'S/AGENT'S SIGNATURE (MANDATORY)	RIDER/HANDLER SIGNATURE (MANDATORY)	TRAINER'S SIGNATURE (MANDATORY)	COACH'S SIGNATURE (IF APPLICABLE)
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PRINT NAME	PRINT NAME	PRINT NAME	PRINT NAME
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PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE IF RIDER/DRIVER/TRAINER/HANDLER/VAULTER/LONGEUR IS UNDER 18	PRINT PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME
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### RIDER EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

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

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# WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

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 to be bound and abide by the rules, regulations, and policies of USEF as published in the USEF Rule Book and on the website 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").

### EQUINE ACTIVITY LIABILITY ACT WARNING:

CAUTION: HORSEBACK RIDING AND EQUINE ACTIVITIES CAN BE DANGEROUS. RIDE AT YOUR OWN RISK.

**Under the laws of most States, an equine activity sponsor or equine professional is not liable for any injury to, or the death of, a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities.**

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, I (as the participant or as the Parent/Legal Guardian of the minor identified below) hereby accept and agree to the terms and conditions of this Agreement in connection with my (or the minor's) participation in any USEF Event. 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.**

RIDER/DRIVER/HANDLER/VAULTER/LONGEUR  OWNER  TRAINER  OFFICIAL  STAFF  VOLUNTEER  COACH (IF APPLICABLE)

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: (Required if Rider/Driver/Handler/Vaulter/Longeur is a minor) \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Parent//Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Contact Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_



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

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

**Attention Competitors:** Each competitor is responsible for supplying the show management with the correct and required association numbers of USDF and/or USEF for the horse, owner, rider, coaches, and trainer, before the day(s) of the competition. The scores of competitors who fail to supply correct numbers may not count towards national awards. All entries for Open Classes are taken on a first come, first served basis. Only one horse-rider combination per entry form.

**No Shows:** All "No Shows" that have not contacted the show office will be considered a scratch for the rest of the show and time slots may be filled. Exhibitors enter with this understanding and agreement.

**Sharps Disposal:** Competition management may fine any individuals including trainers, owners, exhibitors, or their agents up to \$100 for improper disposal of needles or other sharp disposable instruments. Containers are located at the end of each barn aisle and within center aisles when center aisles are present within the barns.

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

**Membership/Registration Requirements for GAIG/USDF Qualifying Classes:** Riders must be current USDF Participating members and active USEF members (Junior, Senior, or Life) in good standing. Horses must be USDF Lifetime registered and USEF Annual or Lifetime recorded. Horses with only an HID registration are not eligible. Owners must be current USDF Participating or Business members and active USEF members (Junior, Senior, or Life) in good standing. For current Great American/USDF Championship requirements, go to the USDF website ([www.usdf.org](http://www.usdf.org)).

**Show Schedule and Ride Time Conflicts:** It is the responsibility of the rider to inform the management of any time conflicts as soon as possible after receiving the schedule. Changes need to be requested in the show office by 3pm the day prior.

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**Safe Sport:** 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 [www.usef.org](http://www.usef.org).

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