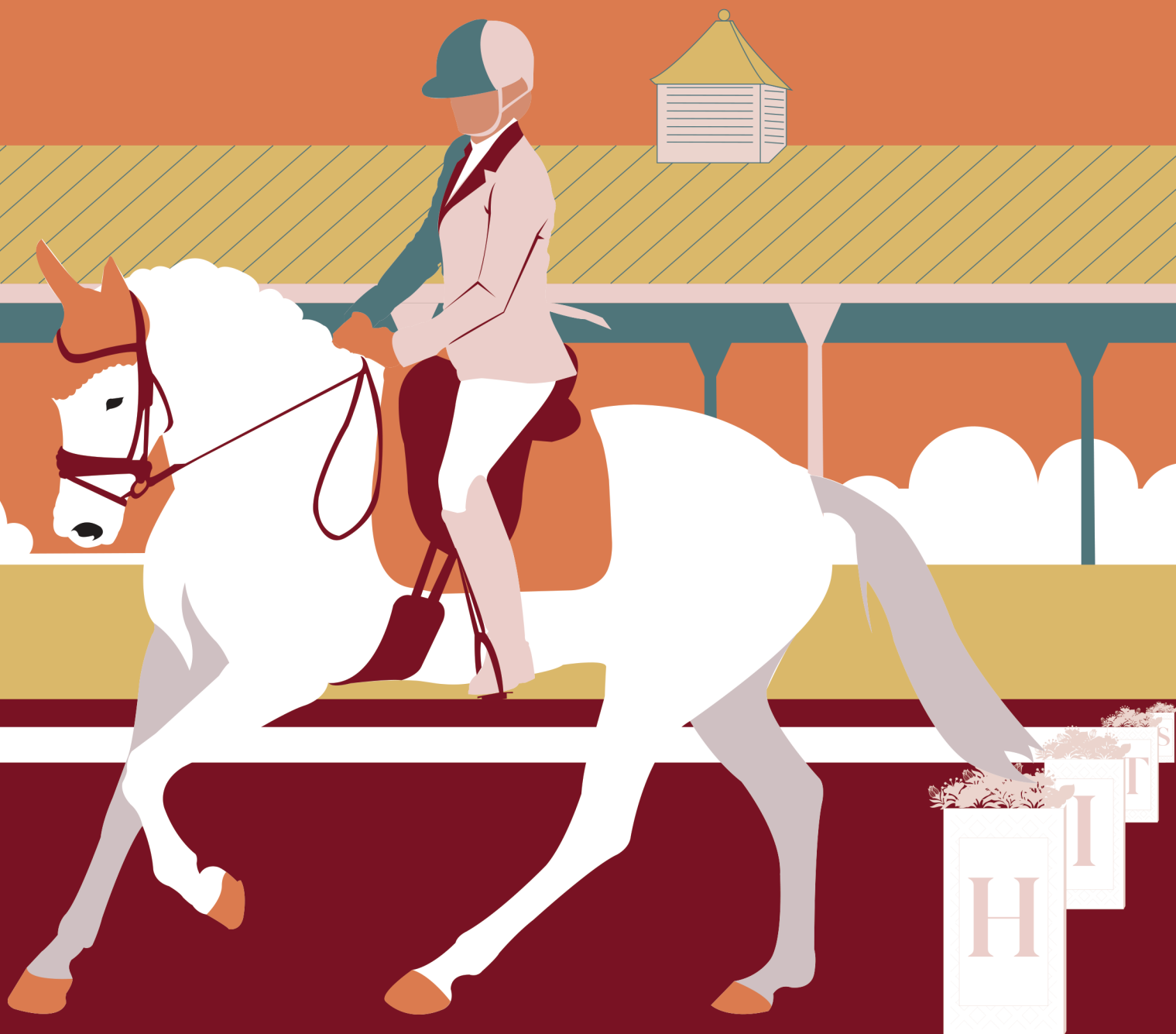




GREAT AMERICAN INSURANCE GROUP / UNITED STATES DRESSAGE FEDERATION

# REGION 8 DRESSAGE CHAMPIONSHIPS

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**/United States Dressage Federation**

## **Region 8 Dressage Championships**

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**And HITS Open Dressage**

**Featuring over \$30,000 in Prize Money from USDF**



**Opening Date:** July 28, 2025  
**Closing Date:** August 25, 2025  
**Entry Date:** Date/Time Show Secretary received Entry  
**Days & Dates:** Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday  
**September 18, 19, 20, and 21, 2025**  
**Show Office Opens:** Tuesday, September 16, 2025 at 4:00pm  
**Stabling Open:** Tuesday, September 16, 2025 at 4:00pm  
**Qualifying Period:** August 27, 2024 through August 25, 2025

**Official Name:** Great American Insurance Group/United States Dressage Federation Region 8 Dressage Championships, Licensed by United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. and HITS Open Dressage

*This official prize list of the Great American/USDF Region 8 Dressage Championship appears in the USDF Regional Championship Official Prize List webpage and may be obtained after May 1, 2025 from the USDF website or by calling USDF. Championships Qualifying dates are August 27, 2024 through August 25, 2025.*

**USDF Adult Amateur Equitation Regional Final Class presented by Big Dee's Tack and Vet Supply**

**Qualifier for the 2025 US Dressage Finals presented by Adequan**  
2026 FEI North American Youth Championship  
2026 USEF Children Dressage National Championship  
2026 USEF Pony Rider Dressage National Championship  
2026 USEF Junior Dressage National Championship  
2026 USEF Young Rider Dressage National Championship  
2026 USEF Brentina Cup Dressage National Championship  
2026 USEF Intermediaire I Dressage National Championship  
2026 USEF Grand Prix Dressage National Championship  
2026 USEF Para Dressage National Championships  
2026 GAIG/USDF Regional Championship Qualifier

**USEF/USDF#** 342302, Dressage Level 4 for the Regional championships classes, Dressage level 3 for all USEF/NAYC Qualifiers, and for all open classes.

**Location:** 454 Washington Ave Ext,  
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**USEF Judges:** Willette Brown, NJ, (S)  
Joan Darnell, WA, (S)  
Lilo Fore, CA, (S)  
Janet Foy, CO, (S)  
Margaret Freeman, SC, (S)  
Brian Mac Mahon, FL, (S)  
Others TBA, if needed

Beverly Rogers, AZ, (S)  
Jennifer Roth, SC, (S)  
Debby Savage, OH, (S)  
Cesar Torrente, FL, (S)  
Charlotte Trentleman, FL, (S)  
Lois Yukins, MA, (S)

**USEF Technical Delegate:** Fran Cross, FL, (R)  
Karen Cederholm, IL, (R)

**Veterinarian:** Rhinebeck Equine Assoc, (845) 876-7085

**Awards:**

- 1) Each open class will be pinned for Open, AA and JrYR. Up to six Ribbons for each class and division. First Place Trophy will be awarded if there are 3 or more riders in the division or first place winner has 65% (68% for MFS) or higher score. No mounted award ceremonies for the open show classes.
- 2) Region 8 Championships ribbon to 8 places. Champions in each region and division will receive \$476 in prize money. Reserve champions in each region and division will receive \$317 in prize money. In a USEF/USDF championship class, the horse/rider combination must obtain the necessary minimum percentage score (57%) to be named champion or reserve champion. (USEF DR123.6) If the highest and/or second 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. 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.

**Award Ceremonies:** Riders placing in Great American/USDF Regional Championship classes must be present at the designated time, mounted and in full riding attire for awards ceremonies (eight places for all Championship classes). Attendance to award ceremonies is not mandatory, but riders should let show management know if they are not attending. A tentative schedule for the Awards Ceremonies will be printed in the "Show Program" and posted on [www.horseshowoffice.com](http://www.horseshowoffice.com). The official schedule will be posted in the show secretary's office by noon on the day prior to the beginning of the competition. It will also be available at the Awards office and on [www.horseshowoffice.com](http://www.horseshowoffice.com). If the posted awards schedule is changed, all affected competitors will be notified by email, text, and announcements.

**Entry Fees:**

GAIG/USDF Qualifying classes add \$20 to class fee

USDF Non-Member	\$55
USEF Drug Fee (\$8 Drug & \$15 USEF Fee)	\$23/horse
Office Fee (Non-Refundable)	\$75/entry
Non-competing Horse Fee plus office fee	\$100
Post Entry Surcharge	\$50

(Applies to all entries **RECEIVED** after the closing date.)

Class Change, if granted by show secretary	\$30/class
Preferred Parking, parking by Barns 1-6	\$125/duration

All entries MUST submit applicable USEF and USDF documents for rider, owner, trainer and horse, a negative Coggins dated within 12 months of show, proof of EIV and EHV vaccinations dated within six months of the show, a drug fee, and non-refundable office fee. All USEF memberships and horse recordings must be done before the show as none can be done at the show. Please include USDF non-member fee if applicable. All entries must have three signatures and also emergency info for rider in case of injury to rider on the entry form. In addition, USEF waiver must be signed by all parties on the entry. Checks payable to **HITS, LLC** or fill out Credit Card info on the entry form. American Express, Mastercard and Visa accepted. Entries can be mailed, emailed or online via [www.HorseShowOffice.com](http://www.HorseShowOffice.com). Emailed or online entries are only accepted with CC as payment. Post entries including late championship entries will be accepted to fill scratches with a \$50 post entry fee on [www.HorseShowOffice.com](http://www.HorseShowOffice.com). Completed entries will be processed in the order they are received. Please note any conflict with Judges. If notified after scheduling, there will be no refunds if conflict cannot be avoided.

**Non-negotiable check, declined credit card or chargebacks:** Checks returned by the bank or Credit card chargebacks for any reason are regarded as a most serious offense and will be handled according to the following procedure: A \$50 penalty will be assessed for each returned check or chargeback OR 10% of the face value of the check or chargeback, whichever is greater. Accounts will be given ten (10) days to be paid in full with cash or cash equivalent or they will be reported to the U.S. Equestrian Federation, Inc., PCHA and other appropriate association(s) for further disciplinary action. Checks will not be deposited a second time. In the case that the debt is not cleared within 30 days of the conclusion of the show, all prize money will be forfeited.

**Communication with Competitors:** Show secretary will maintain as much communication with competitors as possible using email. Be sure to include email address on entry form

**HorseShowOffice.com:** Ride Times, Schooling Schedule, Show Grounds Map, Award Schedule, Stabling Assignments, and Wait lists will all be found on the website and updated regularly.

**Written Notification:** (1) notification to Show Secretary by email and (2) reply by email from Show Secretary. No changes or refunds will be processed without both (1) and (2) above.

**No changes to ride times for Regionals Championships classes.** Changes to Open Classes may be only done by paying the Change/Add Fee; In addition, any Change or Add that requires issuance of new Bridle Number (and therefore new Entry Form into the computer system) will be charged Office Fee and if after closing Late Entry Fee plus an Office Fee.

### **Refund Policies**

Checks are cashed and credit cards are charged upon receipt of entry. Any refund monies will be issued after show and refunded according to initial payment method and party. Full refunds, except for Office Fee, through Closing Date only with Written Notification (email) to Show Secretary and with written receipt from Secretary. No refunds after Closing Date.

Any unused USEF or USDF fees will be refunded after any indebtedness is settled.

No refunds for cancellation of Event, portion(s) of Event and / or class(es) for any reason including (but not exclusively) situations resulting from: grounds (or portion of grounds) unavailable to / unusable by HITS for any reason; inclement weather; Acts of God; local / national emergency, act(s) of terrorism.

**Times:** Times will be on the website, [www.horseshowoffice.com](http://www.horseshowoffice.com), at least one week prior to the competition. Please email or upload music. Music must be in compressed MP3 or WAV formats, 192Kbps or lower. IF CDs are the only medium CDs will NOT be returned. Once music is received, sound check time will be assigned.

**Stabling: 1,100 Stalls available in permanent barns with sliding full doors and 180 temporaries 12x12 with full doors.** There are three options for stabling. **Option 1:** 484 12x12 matted stalls in "Front Barns" at \$400 for stall or tack stall. Preferred parking by the barns can be purchased. **Option 2:** 180 12x12 matted temporary stalls located behind the "Front Barn" at \$325 for stall and tack stall. Preferred parking near the barns can be purchased. **Option 3:** 536 10x12 stalls in "Back Barns" at \$325 will have plenty of parking by and near the barns at no cost. Please note your stabling group on your entry. **No**

**refunds on stabling after closing.** May arrive on Tuesday after 4 pm, must vacate by 7pm Sunday. Earlier arrivals and later departures must get permission from management and \$65/night fee. Unexpected early arrivals may have to wait and shavings may not be available. All stalls will be stripped before arrival. No initial bedding. Bedding is \$11/bag. Hay available for \$22/bale. Pre order and pay for bedding with Show Secretary only on or before Friday (9/12) before the show. After this date bedding and hay may still be ordered with the Show Secretary at the show office. Night watch will be provided 9:00 PM until 6:00 AM at show expense. Please make sure your contact information is on your stall card. Limited number of paddocks on first come bases are available for \$400. The sharps containers are placed in each barn.

**Stabling Assignments:** Stalls will be assigned just after Closing Date by Entry Date. Assignments are by first come first serve. Incomplete entries will not be scheduled until complete. Once the front barns are full, online entry system will give you an option to pay for temporary stabling or back barns but put on the waitlist for front stabling. Once a front stall becomes available, the secretary will notify, and you must accept or decline within 24hours. If accepted, the credit will be charged the additional fee. If you are assigned a front barn location and chose to go to the temporary barns or back barns to be with your group, no refund will be issued. Competitors who have not scratched may arrange privately to share stall with another party. Competitor must (1) arrange privately the details of cost, bedding, switching horses and (2) notify Show Secretary by Written Notification (email plus written receipt) of the details.

**Preferred Parking:** There is a limited number of parking spaces available near the barns which can be reserved for \$125 for the show. All other parking will be at Gate D and walk across the bridge.

## **LOCAL RULES**

On Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup> , all competition arenas, warm-ups, and lunging will be available at 9am to 6pm.

On Competition days warmups and lunging are open at 7am to 6pm. Before the start of competition, areas around outside of dressage competition arenas are available for hand walking only before 7:30 AM. From end of final class until 6 PM riding is allowed inside rings. Please check final schooling schedule at the show office or [www.horseshowoffice.com](http://www.horseshowoffice.com). Competitors must remain on the designated show grounds, see map at office or on [www.horseshowoffice.com](http://www.horseshowoffice.com).

**Gate Closing:** The gate at "A" will be left open for every USEF/USDF championship ride.

**Photographer** - Sue Stickle and staff are on the grounds as the official photographer. No one else may market / sell any event photographs, nor submit to any website or publication.

**Flames.** No flames of any kind in barns, including cigarettes and BBQs.

**Mounting.** No horse may be mounted **within** any barn.

**Dogs.** Dogs must be leashed with a human carrying the leash. Dogs may not be tied in barn aisles.

**Cross Tying.** Horses may not be cross tied in barn aisles.

**Manners.** Please treat volunteers, staff and show management with respect.

**Enforcement.** TDs, in consultation with Show Management, will enforce these rules.

**Photography.** This is a Level 4 competition and USEF rules state that a show photographer is required and that a videographer is recommended. Q2 Photography will be on site to meet the photographic needs of the competitors. Any photographer coming to the show to photograph their clients follow the HITS policy for outside photographers. Please visit their policy using this link, [Photography Policy](#). Any photographer violating this policy will be required to leave the show grounds.

## **Accommodations:**

Hotels can be found on [www.hitsshow.com](http://www.hitsshow.com).

Camper Hookups are \$400 for duration.

**Golf Carts:** Go directly to Devers, [www.deverinc.com](http://www.deverinc.com), to make your reservation.

**Directions:**

From the North: Take I-87 (NY State Thruway) to Exit 20 – Saugerties. Turn right on Rt 32 N

\*Travel 0.5 mi past Peoples Rd to 'Y' intersection. Bear right at 'Y' intersection to County Rt 34 and go 0.1 mi to 4-way stop. Turn right onto Malden Turnpike/County Rt 34. Go 1.6 mi to stop sign at intersection for Rt 9W. Turn right onto Rt 9W South. Go 0.4 mi to Krout Rd. Turn right onto Krout Rd – Caution! This is a steep downhill grade. HITS will be on your left at the base of the hill. Turn in at Gate A.

From the South: Take I-87 (NY State Thruway) to Exit 20 – Saugerties. Turn left at traffic light after tollbooth. Immediately move into the right lane and bear right onto Rt 32 North. Follow directions from “\*”. Maps available on [www.hitsshow.com](http://www.hitsshow.com).

**Footing:** All dressage classes will be scheduled in large (20mx60m) sand arenas with drained all weather sand footing. All weather sand warm ups for dressage competitors. Lunging available. Unusual conditions may force show management to alter these arrangements. Water trucks available in dry conditions.

**Entertainment:** Food available on the grounds beginning 7am each day. Competitors Parties and VIP details to come. VIP Sponsorships are available for class sponsor, VIP tables, etc. More information to come.

**Other:** Farrier on the grounds. Veterinarian on the grounds and on call, and contact info will be posted. Management reserves the right to combine, divide, or cancel classes or championships specified in this prizelist.

For Pony measurement, the owner or agent must notify competition management and/or competition secretary, and request a measurement within five days of the start of the competition (9/13). A \$25 fee will be incurred to cover the measurement session and scheduling and cost of the veterinarian.

New bridle & bit check procedures: Per the updated bridle & bit inspection requirements in USEF Rulebook DR126.2.i.1.a (page 48) Technical Delegates (TD) are now required to inspect at least 50% of bridles & bits of horses entered in the competition. Along with ringside inspections the TD will be walking through the barns inspecting bridles & bits.

EVERY CLASS OFFERED HEREIN WHICH IS COVERED BY THE RULES AND SPECIFICATIONS OF THE CURRENT USEF RULEBOOK WILL BE CONDUCTED AND JUDGED IN ACCORDANCE THEREWITH.

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 [www.usef.org](http://www.usef.org).



**Great American Insurance / USDF Region 8 Championship and HITS Open show Class List**

Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Class Name	Division (Specify)	Fee	Qual
101	201	301	401	USEF Training Test One	Open/AA/JrYR	\$55	
102	202	302	402	USEF Training Test Two	Open/AA/JrYR	\$55	
103	203	303	403	USEF Training Test Three	Open/AA/JrYR	\$55	\$20
109O				Great American/USDF Training Championship	Open	\$95	\$20
		309A		Great American/USDF Training Championship	Amateur	\$95	\$20
			409J	Great American/USDF Training Championship	Jr/YR	\$95	\$20
111	211	311	411	USEF First Level Test One	Open/AA/JrYR	\$55	
112	212	312	412	USEF First Level Test Two	Open/AA/JrYR	\$55	
113	213	313	413	USEF First Level Test Three	Open/AA/JrYR	\$55	\$20
			419O	Great American/USDF 1 <sup>st</sup> Level Championship	Open	\$95	\$20
	219A			Great American/USDF 1 <sup>st</sup> Level Championship	Amateur	\$95	\$20
		319J		Great American/USDF 1 <sup>st</sup> Level Championship	Jr/YR	\$95	\$20
121	221	321	421	USEF Second Level Test One	Open/AA/JrYR	\$55	
122	222	322	422	USEF Second Level Test Two	Open/AA/JrYR	\$55	
123	223	323	423	USEF Second Level Test Three	Open/AA/JrYR	\$55	\$20
		329O		Great American/USDF 2 <sup>nd</sup> Level Championship	Open	\$95	\$20
		329A		Great American/USDF 2 <sup>nd</sup> Level Championship	Amateur	\$95	\$20
			429J	Great American/USDF 2 <sup>nd</sup> Level Championship	Jr/YR	\$95	\$20
131	231	331	431	USEF Third Level Test One	Open/AA/JrYR	\$65	
132	232	332	432	USEF Third Level Test Two	Open/AA/JrYR	\$65	
133	233	333	433	USEF Third Level Test Three	Open/AA/JrYR	\$65	\$20
			439O	Great American/USDF 3 <sup>rd</sup> Level Championship	Open	\$95	\$20
	239A			Great American/USDF 3 <sup>rd</sup> Level Championship	Amateur	\$95	\$20
		339J		Great American/USDF 3 <sup>rd</sup> Level Championship	Jr/YR	\$95	\$20
141	241	341	441	USEF Fourth Level Test One	Open/AA/JrYR	\$65	
142	242	342	442	USEF Fourth Level Test Two	Open/AA/JrYR	\$65	
143	243	343	443	USEF Fourth Level Test Three	Open/AA/JrYR	\$65	\$20
149O				Great American/USDF 4 <sup>th</sup> Level Championship	Open	\$95	\$20
			449A	Great American/USDF 4 <sup>th</sup> Level Championship	Amateur	\$95	\$20
			449J	Great American/USDF 4 <sup>th</sup> Level Championship	Jr/YR	\$95	\$20
151	251	351	451	FEI Test of Choice (Specify test / no freestyles)*	Open/AA/JrYR	\$95	\$20*
		356EF		FEI Pony Team	USEF	\$95	
			456EF	FEI Pony Individual	USEF	\$95	
	257EF			FEI Junior Team	USEF/NAYC	\$95	\$20
		357EF		FEI Junior Individual	USEF/NAYC	\$95	
		358EF		FEI Young Rider Team	USEF/NAYC	\$95	\$20
			458EF	FEI Young Rider Individual	USEF/NAYC	\$95	
		359EF		FEI Children's Team	USEF/NAYC	\$95	
			459EF	FEI Children's Individual	USEF/NAYC	\$95	
	261EF			FEI Intermediate II – U25	USEF/NAYC	\$95	\$20
		361EF		FEI Grand Prix (16-25) – U25	USEF/NAYC	\$95	
162EF				FEI Prix St.George – National Qualifier	USEF	\$95	\$20

	262EF			FEI Intermediate I – National Qualifier	USEF	\$95	\$20
163EF				FEI Grand Prix – National Qualifier	USEF	\$95	\$20
	263EF			FEI Grand Prix Special – National Qualifier	USEF	\$95	
171EF				FEI Para Intermediate A TOC	USEF	\$95	
	271EF			FEI Para Intermediate B TOC	USEF	\$95	
172EF				FEI Para Grand Prix A TOC	USEF	\$95	
	272EF			FEI Para Grand Prix B TOC	USEF	\$95	
190				FEI & USDF Freestyle Test of Choice (Specify test)**	Open/AA/JrYR	\$70	\$20**
			492EF	FEI Junior Freestyle	NAYC	\$95	
			493EF	FEI Young Rider Freestyle	NAYC	\$95	
	294EF			FEI Para Intermediate Freestyle TOC	USEF	\$95	
	295EF			FEI Para Grand Prix Freestyle TOC	USEF	\$95	
	259O			Great American/USDF FEI PSG Championship	Open	\$95	\$20
	259A			Great American/USDF FEI PSG Championship	Amateur	\$95	\$20
	259J			Great American/USDF FEI PSG Championship	Jr/YR	\$95	\$20
169O				Great American/USDF FEI I1 Championship	Open	\$95	\$20
			469A	Great American/USDF FEI I1 Championship	Amateur	\$95	\$20
			469J	Great American/USDF FEI I1 Championship	Jr/YR	\$95	\$20
179O				Great American/USDF FEI I2 Championship	Open	\$95	\$20
			479A	Great American/USDF FEI I2 Championship	Amateur	\$95	\$20
			479J	Great American/USDF FEI I2 Championship	Jr/YR	\$95	\$20
		389O		Great American/USDF FEI GP Championship	Open	\$95	\$20
		389A		Great American/USDF FEI GP Championship	Amateur	\$95	\$20
		389J		Great American/USDF FEI GP Championship	Jr/YR	\$95	\$20
			819O	Great American/USDF 1st Level Freestyle Championship	Open/Jr/YR	\$95	\$20
			829O	Great American/USDF 2nd Level Freestyle Championship	Open/Jr/YR	\$95	\$20
		739O		Great American/USDF 3rd Level Freestyle Championship	Open/Jr/YR	\$95	\$20
		749O		Great American/USDF 4th Level Freestyle Championship	Open/Jr/YR	\$95	\$20
		769O		Great American/USDF FEI I-I Freestyle Championship	Open/Jr/YR	\$95	\$20
	689O			Great American/USDF FEI GP Freestyle Championship	Open/Jr/YR	\$95	\$20
			819A	Great American/USDF 1st Level Freestyle Championship	AA	\$95	\$20
			829A	Great American/USDF 2nd Level Freestyle Championship	AA	\$95	\$20
		739A		Great American/USDF 3rd Level Freestyle Championship	AA	\$95	\$20
		749A		Great American/USDF 4th Level Freestyle Championship	AA	\$95	\$20
		769A		Great American/USDF FEI I-I Freestyle Championship	AA	\$95	\$20
	689A			Great American/USDF FEI GP Freestyle Championship	AA	\$95	\$20
			4M9A	USDF Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Finals (13 & Under)	Jr	\$95	
			4M9B	USDF Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Finals (14 to 18)	Jr	\$95	
			475	USDF Regional Adult Amateur Equitation Final	AA	\$95	

Note: All Non-Championship Open classes will be split Open, AA, and/or JrYR if entries warrant.

Qual GAIG / USDF qualifier. Add the fee to the class fee.

\* No Para Eq or Young Horse tests. GAIG/USDF qualifiers at FEI level if Applicable

\*\* Training Level is not GAIG/USDF Qualifier



## **Motorized Vehicle – GR1301.7 & GR 1301.8**

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.

## **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 Modified Level or above and Combined Driving Competitions at the Advanced Level, Dressage, Reining and Vaulting Competitions and Endurance Rides. A non-member may participate as a handler, rider, driver, owner, lessee, or agent at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions, Dressage Competitions, Reining Competitions and Combined Driving Competitions upon payment of a Show Pass fee. Participants in the following classes are exempted from the Requirements of this rule: 1) leadline; 2) exhibitions; 3) games and races; 4) classes for 4-H members; 5) walk trot and academy classes (academy classes are classes limited to horses used regularly in a lesson program); 6) USDF introductory level tests, pas de deux and quadrille classes; 7) assistant handlers in Dressage Sport Horse Breeding classes

## **Protective headgear –DR120.1.1 (GR801)**

Protective headgear in compliance with the accepted testing standards published on the Federation's website. Protective headgear must carry the applicable quality testing tag and/or label. See GR801. 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, mounted participants in exhibition classes, and those competing in all classes and tests, including Para Dressage tests, must wear protective headgear as defined by this rule and otherwise in compliance with GR801. The harness must be secured and properly fitted. Any rider violating this rule at any time must immediately be prohibited from further riding until the headgear is properly in place. Protective headgear may be the same as or a coordinating color with the coat, and may include contrast coloring, accent, and crystal decoration. See DR136 for dress code rules for exhibitions.

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**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.



**US Dressage Finals**  
*presented by Adequan®*

**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.  
[usdressagefinals.com](http://usdressagefinals.com)**



## **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

- 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://usdf.org).

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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 (\$100), 5-years (\$400), or life (\$2,000). 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 (\$80). 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.

**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 (\$280) 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 \$55 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 (\$45). 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 \$95. 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 (\$140) 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.
- 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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## 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 (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.
- 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)

#### 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.

### 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 \$40 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. Verification 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" may be left open for every USEF/USDF championship ride. Decisions to either close the gate or leave it open must be consistent for all championship classes. Each Regional Championship competition management must publish in its official prize list if the gate will be closed in championship classes. (USEF DR126.2.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 after coefficients have been applied 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. Should the artistic mark be the same, the higher mark for harmony will decide. If still tied the higher mark for choreography will decide. Ties (equality of total points and total collective marks after coefficients have been applied) after second place will be broken by collective marks. Ties (equality of total points and total collective marks after coefficients have been applied) occurring in third through eighth places will remain unbroken. In the case of a tie (equality of total points and total collective marks after coefficients have been applied) 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 DR123.7) If the highest placed horse/rider combination receives less than the minimum percentage, no championship awards or prize money will be issued, however an awards ceremony will be held for the entire class. In lieu of a champion and/or reserve neck sash, a first and/or second place ribbon will be awarded.
14. In USEF/USDF championship classes, a steward must be appointed to check the saddlery, bits and spurs, on both sides of each horse immediately after it has completed its test and has left the arena. Any discrepancy to the saddlery rules will result in immediate elimination. (USEF DR126.2.i.6)
15. A Registered (R) Dressage Technical Delegate (TD), who is a current Participating Member of USDF, is required to officiate at USEF/USDF championships. TDs for competitions offering qualifying and/or championship classes must investigate incidents of non-compliance and report violations to USEF. "R" Dressage TDs hired to officiate Regional Championship classes must be selected from outside the region. This applies only to the primary competition TD, who is the person responsible for filing the TD report for the competition with USEF. (See section H.3. c, and USEF GR1018.3 and DR127.3)
16. Entries in USEF/USDF dressage championship classes are limited to competitors who have met the qualifications, membership, horse recording and registration requirements, and deadlines outlined in USEF DR127 and published by USDF. Competitors who are properly qualified, whose completed entries are received by the closing date for a particular Regional Championship, and who have complied with all championship rules may not be denied entry into the Regional Championship classes for which they have qualified. Only one class per division and/or level may be held to determine USEF/USDF regional champions. (USEF DR127.7)
17. USEF/USDF championships classes may not be split. (USEF DR126.2a.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 can be distributed prior to the arrival at the awards ceremony. Award ceremony attendance is not mandatory. Riders should let show management know if they plan not to attend.
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)
22. For USEF/USDF freestyle championship classes, the competitor must provide the show with music for the freestyle. Acceptable formats/methods must be specified in the prize list. Formats must include CDs and/or digital files (MP3 and/or WAV.). Only one freestyle music per CD or digital file. All music must be submitted in the time frame specified in the prize list. Video files (MP4 or .mov) will not be accepted. Digital files must be sent and received electronically or on a thumb drive. Music should not be played via a competitor's cell phone, iPad, or any other personal mobile device. The competitor is required to bring a back-up copy (thumb drive or CD) with them to the competition. See also H.7.
23. The test ridden for national level USEF/USDF championship classes will be the highest test of the level.
24. Great American/USDF Regional Championship competitions will be required to hold USEF/NAYC Junior/Young Rider Qualifying Classes in the non-championship portion of the show. These classes are listed below.
  - FEI Junior Team Test
  - FEI Junior Individual Test
  - FEI Junior Freestyle Test
  - FEI Young Rider Team Test
  - FEI Young Rider Individual Test
  - FEI Young Rider Freestyle Test





## 2026 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 2026 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.
- 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)

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.

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%
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%



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## US Dressage Finals Eligibility

The US Dressage Finals is an Invitational competition using the USEF/USDF Regional Championship program to qualify. Qualifying takes place at each of the nine Great American/USDF Regional Dressage Championships, based on either 1) 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.

### 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.**

*Freestyle classes at Regional Championships have two different classes per level, Open/Junior/Young Rider and Adult Amateur. The top two declared horse/rider combinations from the Open/Jr/YR Freestyle class and the top two declared Adult Amateur horse/rider combinations from the AA Freestyle class for each level from each of the nine Regional Championships will be automatically invited.*

*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.*

	OPEN:	AA:	JR/YR:
Training:	72%	68%	68%
First:	72%	68%	68%
Second:	69%	65%	65%
Third:	69%	65%	65%
Fourth:	69%	65%	65%
Prix St. Georges:	68%	65%	65%
Intermediate I:	68%	64%	64%
Intermediate II:	66%	64%	
Grand Prix:	66%	64%	
<u>Freestyles</u>			
First:	70%	70%	
Second:	70%	70%	
Third:	70%	70%	
Fourth:	70%	70%	
Intermediate I:	68%	68%	
Grand Prix:	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 on Friday 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, Saturday, October 11th 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. Each online entry must include the following: full payment, fully signed 2025 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.

US Dressage Finals Deadlines		
Regional Championship	Declaration	Nomination
1	Wednesday, October 1, 2025	Friday, October 10, 2025
2	Wednesday, September 9, 2025	Friday, September 19, 2025
3	Thursday, October 2, 2025	Friday, September 26, 2025
4	Wednesday, October 1, 2025	Friday, October 10, 2025
5	Wednesday, September 17, 2025	Friday, September 26, 2025
6	Wednesday, October 1, 2025	Friday, October 10, 2025
7	Wednesday, September 17, 2025	Friday, September 26, 2025
8	Wednesday, September 17, 2025	Friday, September 26, 2025
9	Wednesday, October 1, 2025	Friday, October 10, 2025
<p><i>Above deadlines are midnight in the time zone of the specific Regional Championship</i></p> <p>Entry Closing Date is Saturday, October 11th midnight Eastern Time</p> <p><b>See Official Prize List for more information.</b></p>		

For evolving event and competitor information, [usdressagefinals.com](https://usdressagefinals.com) will be your source.

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BREED	SEX	HEIGHT	COLOR	COGGINS DATE (ENCLOSED COPY)		SIRE	DAM	
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RIDER/HANDLER \_\_\_\_\_

USEF# \_\_\_\_\_ USDF# \_\_\_\_\_ FEI/LOCAL# \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/ST/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ JR/YOUNG RIDER BIRTHDAY \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

RIDER CITIZENSHIP (IF NOT USA) \_\_\_\_\_

RIDER STATUS (CIRCLE ONE): JR/YG ☐ AA ☐ OPEN ☐

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SUBTOTAL CLASS FEES AND QUALIFYING FEES	0
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Stalls							
Tack Stalls							

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**RIDER/DRIVER/HANDLER/VAULTER/LONGEUR** (mandatory)

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

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

**TRAINER** (mandatory)

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

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

**OWNER/AGENT** (mandatory)

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

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

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

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

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

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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](http://www.usef.org), as amended from time to time.

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**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](http://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.**

☐ 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: \_\_\_\_\_

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