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**DEL MAR  
NATIONAL**  
*Horse Show*

Del Mar Horsepark

APRIL 11-14, 2024



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Entries Open March 14 | Entries Close March 28



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## DEL MAR NATIONAL HORSE SHOW WELCOME

Dear Exhibitors, Spectators, Vendors and Partners,

We are thrilled to extend a warm welcome to each and every one of you as we eagerly anticipate the return of the Del Mar National Horse Show! After a five-year hiatus, this legendary equestrian event is making a triumphant comeback, and we couldn't be more excited to celebrate its 75th anniversary with all of you.

This year marks a significant milestone in the history of the Del Mar National Horse Show, and we are proud to announce a new chapter as we move to our stunning new location, HITS Del Mar Horsepark. The state-of-the-art facilities at HITS Del Mar Horsepark provide the perfect backdrop for this iconic event, promising an unforgettable experience for both exhibitors and spectators alike.

As we bring together the finest horses, skilled riders, and passionate equestrian enthusiasts, we invite you to join us in commemorating this special occasion. The Del Mar National Horse Show has a rich legacy in Del Mar spanning back to 1946 and we are looking forward to celebrating what was once named, the number two horse show in the West by Horses Magazine.

Whether you are a seasoned exhibitor, a devoted spectator, or a first-time attendee, we extend our heartfelt gratitude for being a part of this momentous occasion. Your presence adds to the vibrancy of the Del Mar National Horse Show, and we are honored to have you join us in celebrating 75 years of equestrian excellence.

The Del Mar National Horse Show is not just an event; it's a cherished tradition that brings together people who share a passion for horses and the equestrian lifestyle.

We look forward to creating lasting memories together and building upon the legacy of the Del Mar National Horse Show. Welcome back to an event that has captured the hearts of many over the years, and here's to another 75 years of extraordinary horsemanship.

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Thank you!  
Dale Harvey, General Manager Del Mar Horsepark



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# HITS DEL MAR IS PROUD TO ANNOUNCE A NEW CIRCUIT CHAMPIONS PROGRAM!

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## **HITS DEL MAR DRESSAGE CIRCUIT CHAMPIONS**

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### **NATIONAL PROGRAM**

\$2,500 FEI OPEN averaged high score winner over the 2024 Season of seven HITS National Shows

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*Must compete at four of our seven National shows to win. Freestyles, Intro Level, Dressage Seat Medal and Young Horse/Materiale classes excluded.*

## DEL MAR NATIONAL DRESSAGE HORSE SHOW **STAFF & OFFICIALS**

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**April 11-14, 2024**, CDI4\*, USEF/USDF No. 3332, Level 5 CDI & Level 3 National Competition

**CDI Judges** Susanne Baarup (DEN), Maria Colliander (FIN), Sarah Geike (USA) President of the Ground Jury, Mariette Sanders van Gansewinkel (NED) Foreign Judge, Jane Weatherwax (USA), Isobel Wessels (GBR)

**National Judges** Louise Koch (S), Janet Hannon (S)

**FEI Stewards / USEF TD** Joan Fleser (Ch. Steward), Walter Nef (Assist. Steward), Victoria Powers (Assist. Steward), Doris North (TD)

**Veterinary Delegate** Dr. Emily Sander Burtness

**Announcers** Phillip Pierceall, Evin J. Rattner

**Entries open March 14 & close March 28**

**OFFICIAL QUALIFYING COMPETITION FOR:** 2024 FEI North American Youth Championships | 2024 USEF Children Dressage National Championship | 2024 USEF Pony Rider Dressage National Championship | 2024 Adequan® /USEF Junior Dressage National Championship | 2024 Horseware Ireland/USEF Young Rider Dressage National Championship | 2024 Adequan®/USEF Brentina Cup Dressage National Championship | 2024 Markel/USEF Young and Developing Horse Dressage National Championships | 2024 Neue Schule/USEF Intermediaire I Dressage National Championship | 2024 Neue Schule/USEF Grand Prix Dressage National Championship | 2024 Adequan®/USEF Para Dressage National Championship | 2024 FEI World Breeding Championships for Young Horses in Dressage (Five-, Six-, and Seven Year Olds) | Great American/USDF Regional Championships | CDS Recognized

Online Entries can be submitted through: [Equestrian-Hub.com](http://Equestrian-Hub.com)  
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MIKE & LAUREN FISHER  
wish everyone the best of luck  
at the HITS Del Mar Dressage Shows!





**CDI Class List**

Fri #	Sat #	Sun #	Class Name Any class (*) GAIG/USDF regional Qualifying	Class Fee	w/Q Fee
	399		\$5,000 FEI Grand Prix* (CDI4*) USEF Qualifying	\$300	\$315
		400	\$7,500 FEI Grand Prix Special* (CDI4*) USEF Qualifying	\$375	
		401	\$7,500 FEI Grand Prix Freestyle* (CDI4*) USEF Qualifying	\$375	\$390
402			FEI Grand Prix * (CDI3*) USEF Qualifying	\$225	\$240
	403		\$2,500 FEI Grand Prix Special (CDI3*) USEF Qualifying	\$250	
	404		FEI Intermediate A (CDI2*)	\$175	
		405	FEI Intermediate II* (CDI2*) NAYC/USEF Qualifying	\$175	\$190
406			FEI Prix St. Georges* (CDI1*) USEF Qualifying	\$175	\$190
	407		FEI Intermediate I * (CDI1*) USEF Qualifying	\$175	\$190
		408	\$1,500 FEI Intermediate I Freestyle* (CDI1*) USEF Qualifying	\$200	\$215
409			FEI Junior Rider Team* (CDIJ) NAYC/USEF Qualifying	\$150	\$165
	410		FEI Junior Rider Individual (CDIJ) NAYC/USEF Qualifying	\$150	
		411	\$1,500 FEI Junior Rider Freestyle (CDIJ) NAYC Qualifying	\$175	
412			FEI Young Rider Team* (CDIY) NAYC/USEF Qualifying	\$150	\$165
	413		FEI Young Rider Individual (CDIY) NAYC/USEF Qualifying	\$150	
		414	\$1,500 FEI Young Rider Freestyle (CDIY) NAYC Qualifying	\$175	
415			FEI Intermediate II (CDIU25) NAYC/USEF Qualifying	\$150	\$165
	416		FEI Grand Prix 16-25 (CDIU25) NAYC/USEF Qualifying	\$150	
		417	\$1,500 FEI Grand Prix Freestyle* 16-25 (CDIU25)	\$175	\$190
418			FEI Pony Rider Team (CDIP) USEF Qualifying	\$150	
	419		FEI Pony Rider Individual (CDIP) USEF Qualifying	\$150	
		420	FEI Pony Rider Freestyle (CDIP)	\$150	
	421		FEI Children Team (CDICh-A) NAYC/USEF Qualifying	\$150	
		422	FEI Children Individual (CDICh-A) NAYC/USEF Qualifying	\$150	
423			FEI Prix St. Georges for Amateur* (CDIAM Gold Tour) USEF Qualifying	\$150	\$165
	424		FEI Intermediate I for Amateur*(CDIAM Gold Tour) USEF Qualifying	\$150	\$165
		425	FEI Intermediate I Freestyle for Amateur* (CDIAM Gold Tour) USEF Qualifying	\$150	\$165
	426		FEI Intermediate A for Amateur (CDIAM Platinum Tour)	\$150	
		427	FEI Intermediate B for Amateur (CDIAM Platinum Tour)	\$150	
	428		FEI Grand Prix* for Amateur (CDIAM Diamond Tour) USEF Qualifying	\$150	\$165
		429	FEI Grand Prix Special for Adult Amateur (CDIAM Diamond Tour) USEF Qualifying	\$150	
	430		FEI Preliminary YH Test for 5 Year Olds (CDIYH) WBC/Markel/USEF Qualifying	\$125	
		431	FEI YH Test for 5 Year Olds – Final (CDIYH) WBC/Markel/USEF Qualifying	\$125	
	432		FEI Preliminary YH test for 6 Year Olds (CDIYH) WBC/Markel/USEF Qualifying	\$125	
		433	FEI YH Test for 6 Year Olds – Final (CDIYH) WBC/Markel/USEF Qualifying	\$125	
	434		FEI Preliminary Test for 7 Year Olds (CDIYH) WBC/Markel/USEF Qualifying	\$125	
		435	FEI YH Test for 7 Year Olds – Final (CDIYH) WBC/Markel/USEF Qualifying	\$125	



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## CHICAGO USEF FESTIVAL OF CHAMPIONS

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**National Class List**

Fri #	Sat #	Sun #	Class Name Any class (*) GAIG/USDF regional Qualifying	Divisions Offered	Class Fee	w/Q Fee
101	201	301	USDF Intro A	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$60	
102	202	302	USDF Intro B	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$60	
103	203	303	USDF Intro C	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$60	
104	204	304	USEF Training Level Test One - O, AA, J/Y	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$60	
105	205	305	USEF Training Level Test Two - O, AA, J/Y	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$60	
106	206	306	USEF Training Level Test Three* - O, AA, J/Y	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$60	\$75
107	207	307	USEF First Level Test One - O, AA, J/Y	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$60	
108	208	308	USEF First Level Test Two - O, AA, J/Y	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$60	
109	209	309	USEF First Level Test Three* - O, AA, J/Y	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$60	\$75
110	210	310	USEF Second Level Test One - O, AA, J/Y	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$60	
111	211	311	USEF Second Level Test Two - O, AA, J/Y	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$60	
112	212	312	USEF Second Level Test Three* - O, AA, J/Y	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$60	\$75
113	213	313	USEF Third Level Test One - O, AA, J/Y	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$60	
114	214	314	USEF Third Level Test Two -O, AA, J/Y	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$60	
115	215	315	USEF Third Level Test Three* -O, AA, J/Y	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$60	\$75
116	216	316	USEF Fourth Level Test One - O, AA, J/Y	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$60	
117	217	317	USEF Fourth Level Test Two - O, AA, J/Y	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$60	
118	218	318	USEF Fourth Level Test Three* - O, AA, J/Y	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$60	\$75
119	219	319	FEI Prix St Georges* - O, AA, J/Y	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$75	\$90
120	220	320	FEI Intermediate I* - O, AA, J/Y	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$75	\$90
121	221	321	FEI Intermediate II* - O, AA, J/Y	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$75	\$90
122	222	322	FEI Grand Prix* - O, AA, J/Y	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$75	\$90
123	223	323	FEI Grand Prix Special – O, AA, J/Y	JR-YR / AA / Open	\$75	
124	224	324	USDF Freestyle TOC* (specify test – USDF TR-4th) Training level is not eligible for Qualifying	Open	\$60	\$75
125	225	325	FEI Freestyle TOC* (specify test)	Open	\$75	\$90
126	226	326	FEI or Equivalent TOC* (state test no freestyles, YH or Para)	Open	\$75	\$90
127	227	327	USEF TOC * (state test – no freestyles, YH)	Open	\$60	\$75
128	228	328	Equitation – Dressage Seat		\$50	
129	229	329	Para Equestrian TOC (state Grade & Test)		\$60	
130	230	330	USEF Vintage/Master TOC* (state test -no freestyles)		\$60	\$75
<b>Young &amp; Developing Horse</b>						
131	231		USEF 4 YR Old Horse Test (Practice)		\$60	
132	232		FEI Preliminary YH Test for 5-Year-Old (Practice)		\$60	
133	233		FEI YH Test for 5-Year-Old – Final (Practice)		\$60	
134	234		FEI Preliminary YH Test for 6-Year-Old (Practice)		\$60	
135	235		FEI YH Test for 6-Year-Old – Final (Practice)		\$60	
136	236		FEI Preliminary YH Test for 7-Year-Old (Practice)		\$60	
137	237		FEI YH Test for 7-Year-Old – Final (Practice)		\$60	
138	238		USEF Developing Prix St Georges (Practice)		\$60	
139	239		USEF Developing Grand Prix (Practice)		\$60	
<b>Materiale Division</b>						
140	240	340	Three-Year-Old Fillies		\$60	
141	241	341	Three-Year-Old Colts/Geldings		\$60	
142	242	342	Four and Five-Year-Old Mares		\$60	
143	243	343	Four and Five-Year-Old Stallions/Geldings		\$60	



# The Ocean Club

**Del Mar Ocean Club:** Start your day with a sumptuous breakfast and enjoy a delectable lunch in the luxurious Ocean Club tent. Savor two bottles of wine daily, or opt for nonalcoholic beverages on Friday and Saturday. Your experience includes a reserved table inside the tent and a box of six seats in the Evergate Stables Arena, complete with snacks and beverages while you enjoy the CDI. Del Mar Ocean Club guests are invited to enjoy a champagne brunch on Sunday.

- \$2,500 for a table of 6 for the weekend \*Limited availability\*

**"Enter at A" Seating:** Delight in exclusive seating inside the Evergate Stables Arena with our "Enter at A" option. Reserved tables for six offer the perfect vantage point for viewing the CDI. Enjoy two bottles of wine on both Friday and Saturday, accompanied by snacks for an enhanced viewing experience. This will include two bottles of champagne and pastries on Sunday. Please note that this option does not grant access to the Grand Pavilion Tent for meals.

- \$1,500 for a table of 6 for the weekend
- \$300 for an individual seat for the weekend

**You can purchase either option [HERE](#) - we can't wait to see everyone! General admission is free.**

Fri #	Sat #	Sun #	USEF Qualifying Classes	Class Fee	w/Q Fee
		350	USEF YH Test for 4-Year-Old (Markel/USEF Qual)	\$90	
	251		FEI 5-Year Old Preliminary Test (Markel/USEF Qual)	\$90	
		352	FEI YH Test for 5-year-Old – Final (Markel/USEF Qual)	\$90	
	253		FEI 6-Year Old Preliminary Test (Markel/USEF Qual)	\$90	
		354	FEI YH Test for 6-Year-Old – Final (Markel/USEF Qual)	\$90	
	255		FEI 7-Year Old Preliminary Test (Markel/USEF Qual)	\$90	
		356	FEI YH Test for 7-year-Old – Final (Markel/USEF Qual)	\$90	
		357	USEF Developing Horse – PSG (Markel/USEF Qual)	\$90	
		358	USEF Developing Horse – GP (Markel/USEF Qual)	\$90	
159			FEI Para Grand Prix Test A TOC (USEF Qualifying)	\$90	
	260		FEI Para Grand Prix Test B TOC (USEF Qualifying)	\$90	
		361	FEI Para Grand Prix Freestyle TOC (USEF Qualifying)	\$90	
	262		FEI Prix St Georges * (Markel/USEF Qualifying ONLY)	\$90	\$105
		363	FEI Intermediate II (Markel/USEF Qualifying ONLY)	\$90	\$105

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



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**NOTABLE SALES**

- 1. Solana Beach \$8,100,000
- 2. Del Mar \$7,750,000
- 3. Rancho Santa Fe \$6,650,000
- 4. Cardiff \$6,350,000

**ACTIVE LISTINGS**

- 5. Rancho Santa Fe \$5,300,000
- 6. Encinitas \$4,850,000
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- 9. La Cresta \$1,625,000



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## IMPORTANT CDI CLASS INFORMATION

**CDI Horse inspection on Thursday at 3 pm. Location will be available at check in.** CDI Freestyle sound check at 5 pm in the EverGate Stables Arena. All freestyle music must be uploaded to [equestrianhub.com](http://equestrianhub.com) Email [Support@BlackHorse-One.com](mailto:Support@BlackHorse-One.com) with questions!

**Don't forget to download the FEI HORSE APP** to record your horse temperatures at the FEI App

All CDI horses stabling in the secured FEI barns **MUST** meet with the FEI VET upon arrival for official check in to FEI Barn. Allowance of companion horses in FEI barns is unfortunately no longer allowed. Email [DelMarHealth@HITSShows.com](mailto:DelMarHealth@HITSShows.com) to set up your arrival time.

**Grand Prix:** Class 399 Grand Prix 4\* qualifies for Class 400 Grand Prix Special and 401 Grand Prix Freestyle 4\* (must receive at least a 65% in the GP). Class 402 Grand Prix 3\* qualifies for Class 403 Grand Prix Special 3\* (must receive at least a 60% in GP). Limited to 2 horses per rider for the Grand Prix

**The Degree of Difficulty (DOD)** – Floorplan for the Grand Prix Freestyle will be used. Athletes are required to login using their own credentials on to <http://DressageFreestyle.FEI.org> to create or assign their Grand Prix Freestyle floorplan at the latest 2 hours prior to the draw.

**Intermediate A / Intermediate II:** (CDI2\*) Limit to 2 horses per rider

**Small Tour B (CDI1\*)** Prix St. Georges, Intermediate I, Intermediate I Freestyle. Limit to 2 horses per rider. Freestyle not compulsory.

**FEI Junior Rider / FEI Young Rider / FEI Pony Rider:** Team, Individual & Freestyle (Freestyles not compulsory). Jr/Yr and Pony limited to 2 horses per rider.

**FEI Children Rider:** All Children entries must ride Team Test to qualify for the Individual Test. Limited to 1 horse per entry.

**FEI U25 Rider:** Intermediate II 16-25, Grand Prix 16-25, Grand Prix Freestyle 16-25 (Freestyle not compulsory). Limited to 2 horse per rider.

**FEI Amateur Classes:** Athletes from 26 years. Athletes must have no ranking on the FEI Dressage World Ranking List at the date of definite entry. Athletes living abroad may compete in Events of their host country, with permission from the NF of their host country. FEI Passport not required if competing in their home country, however these horses must have a National Passport and be registered with their NF, be identifiable by diagram and have a valid vaccination certificate. Limited to 1 horse per rider.

**FEI Young Horse Classes:** Limited to 1 horse per rider and must have a valid passport.

**All CDI horses with passports stabling in the secured FEI barns MUST follow new FEI protocols:** In accordance with Art. 1029 and 1031 of the FEI 2022 Veterinary Regulations, as of January 2022, ALL Horses competing at ALL FEI Events worldwide must fulfill the Horse Health Requirements via the FEI HorseApp. There are three main requirements you must fulfill for each Horse:

1. Take two daily temperature readings for every Horse that will be present at an FEI Event for the three days leading up to the day of arrival and enter these recordings in the FEI HorseApp. For clarification, the three days prior to your arrival at the FEI Event are calculated as per this example: If you plan to arrive at the Event on the Thursday, you will have to enter the temperatures for the three preceding days, which are Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. To avoid violating the Horse Health Requirements, temperatures should be entered on a regular/daily basis.
2. Fill in a Horse Health FEI Self-Certification form for all Horses attending an FEI Event. To be filled in and submitted via the FEI HorseApp the day before or the day of arrival at an FEI Event
3. Take the temperature of each Horse twice a day at the FEI Event using your own thermometer and record the measurements directly in the FEI HorseApp.

**Access to the FEI HorseApp** is also available for your Grooms and Support Personnel so they can also enter the daily temperature recordings of your Horses. They can connect to the FEI HorseApp with their FEI ID number. If they do not yet have a FEI ID number they can create one <https://data.fei.org/GroomSelfRegistration>

**Non-compliance** with the FEI Veterinary Regulations and Horse Health Requirements will result in sanctions. These sanctions are already in force for Horses competing at FEI Events in Mainland Europe and will be introduced worldwide in due course. Support & Guidelines All information regarding the FEI HorseApp can be found here. You will need to log in to the FEI HorseApp with your FEI ID number and password.

**Guidelines** on how to use the FEI HorseApp to fulfil the Horse Health Requirements can be found here. The Horse Health Requirements can be found here, with a specific section for Athletes and Grooms. If you have any questions or require any assistance, please don't hesitate to contact us by email at [USERSupport@FEI.org](mailto:USERSupport@FEI.org)

### CDI AWARD INFORMATION

**Award Ceremonies:** Top eight (8) to return for all awards ceremonies. See Day sheets at the show for timing of ceremonies.

**CDI PRIZES WILL INCLUDE: Champion:** Champion neck sash, stall plaque and cooler. (Classes receiving a cooler will be called out in advance of ceremony)

**Reserve Champion:** Reserve Champion neck sash.

**Third through eighth place:** Placing neck sash.

**Prize Money:** Will be awarded to the classes listed in prize list and as defined in the FEI draft. Prize money for the competition will be paid directly to the owner of competing horse by the facility accounting office to the designated payee within thirty (30) days of the end of the competition. U.S. Athletes must report winnings to IRS Form W9. Prize Money Won by Foreign Competitors: Be advised that the U.S. Internal Revenue Service requires sporting events to withhold 30% of prize money won in the United States. Foreign competitors should apply for a U.S. Social Security number and will be asked to complete form 8283 or complete a W 8 Certificate of Foreign Status form. No prize money will be awarded without proper tax information on file with the show office for each competition. Failure to file proper documentation within one (1) week of the competition with the show office could result in forfeiture of prize money payment.

**Failure to appear for an Award Ceremony will entail elimination of a competitor from the class.** If a horse cannot participate in the Award Ceremony for safety reasons, permission to not participate must be given by the OC/ Chief Steward/Ground Jury prior to the ceremony. Please be on time for your award ceremony. Failure to present will result in loss of classification.

**CDI NO SHOWS / WITHDRAWALS:** Amount charged: Total amount of Entry fees (in full) if the entry is still in the FEI system the day after definite entry. It is the sole responsibility of the rider to inform the National Federation of a withdrawal to ensure that the entry is out and removed from the FEI Entry System by the date of definite entry. Failure to do so will result in entry fees being charged.



# HITS Del Mar Dressage

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# IMPORTANT NATIONAL CLASS INFORMATION

## AMATEUR CLASSES (AA)

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

**THE JUNIOR/YOUNG RIDER CLASSES (JR/YR)** Riders are eligible to compete in these classes until the end of the calendar year in which they reach the age of 21

**THE PONY DIVISION** For this competition, classes are offered from USEF Training Level through USEF Third level with classes designated for the JR/YR, the Adult Amateur, and the Open riders. The pony division is open to all breeds that meet the following measurement requirements. In the Dressage Division, a pony is an animal that does not exceed 148 cm (14.23 hh) without shoes, and 149 cm (14.27 hh) with shoes. The pony can be of any sex (Mare, Stallion, or Gelding).

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

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

**All Freestyle music** must be uploaded to [Equestrian-HUB.com](http://Equestrian-HUB.com). Email [Support@BlackHorse-One.com](mailto:Support@BlackHorse-One.com) with questions!

**VIP EXPERIENCE AVAILABLE.** CLICK [HERE](#) FOR INFORMATION

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

**ARENA SIZE:** All classes will be conducted in a standard size arena (20 m x 60 m)

**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 [USEF.org](http://USEF.org).

**CDS HIGH SCORE PONY AWARD:** A pony may enter a class to participate in the California Dressage Society High Score Pony award. Excludes Introductory and Freestyle class scores. USEF pony measurement cards are required to qualify. Ribbons will be mailed to the winner.

**AWARDS FOR NATIONAL CLASSES:** Ribbons to third place for each class and pinned by divisions - JR/YR, AA and Open but may be run concurrently as one class. 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.

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## HIGH POINT CHAMPIONS OF SHOW

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Six High Point Champion Awards will be available to earn at each show. Highest average percentage over the weekend is the winner.

Training through Fourth Level- one winner in each division- Open, AA and JR/YR

FEI Level- one winner in each division - Open, AA and JR/YR

Freestyles, Intro Level, Dressage Seat Equitation, Opportunity and Young Horse/Materiale classes do not count towards HP awards.

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## HITS NATIONAL SHOW CIRCUIT CHAMPION PROGRAM - Presented by The Brad & Kathy Coors Foundation

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\$2,500 FEI OPEN averaged high score winner over the 2024 Season of seven HITS National Shows

\$2,500 FEI AA/JR/YR averaged high score winner over the 2024 Season of seven HITS National Shows

\$2,500 TRAINING-FOURTH LEVEL OPEN averaged high score winner over the 2024 Season of seven HITS National Shows

\$2,500 TRAINING-FOURTH LEVEL AA/JR/YR averaged high score winner over the 2024 Season of seven HITS National Shows

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## BIOSECURITY REQUIREMENTS TO ENTER HITS DEL MAR DRESSAGE

**\*\*MUST BE SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY AT LEAST 24 HOURS PRIOR TO ARRIVAL\*\*** EMAIL TO: [DelMarHealth@HITSShows.com](mailto:DelMarHealth@HITSShows.com)

HITS Del Mar takes all precautions regarding the health, welfare and safety of all exhibitors, both equine and human. We are counting on everyone's cooperation with the protocols we have put in place to run a safe horse show for all.

THE FOLLOWING FOUR ITEMS ARE MANDATORY, AND MUST BE COMPLETED AT LEAST 24 HOURS PRIOR TO ARRIVAL.

1.) **VACCINATION RECORD:** Proof of vaccination for both Equine Influenza and Rhinopneumonitis within six months of entering the grounds must be submitted. If submitted on a letter from a veterinarian, it must show the date given as well as the date of vaccine administration. If given by someone other than a vet, proof must be submitted on a USEF vaccination form-available on the USEF website-and must include the type of vaccine, serial number and date given.

2.) **DECLARATION OF HEALTH:** The declaration below must be signed to confirm that all horses entering the grounds have been in good health, with no sign of infectious disease and have not had a fever above 101.5 **within the past 14 days**. Signing this form confirms that the horses listed are not demonstrating any signs of EHV-1, have not had any exposure to EHV-1 in 21 days and are not coming from a property with known EHV-1 positive cases.

4.) **ARRIVAL TIME:** Once entered in the show, sign up for an arrival date and time.

CDI Horses will be accepted between 2-5 pm on Wednesday or 8 am-2 pm on Thursday prior to the show. If needing an arrival time other than the listed window contact [DelMarHealth@HITSShows.com](mailto:DelMarHealth@HITSShows.com). Veterinary Fee will apply for CDI barn check in occurring outside the times above.

5) **COGGINS:** Coggins is only required from horses arriving from out of the state of California.

Failure to submit the required documentation will result in horses not being permitted on the showgrounds.

Any questions regarding biosecurity protocols should be submitted to [DelMarHealth@HITSShows.com](mailto:DelMarHealth@HITSShows.com).

**NOTE:** THIS BIOSECURITY PROTOCOL IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

## HITS HEALTH DECLARATION

**HORSE** \_\_\_\_\_

**RIDER** \_\_\_\_\_



"I declare that the horses listed have been in my care and are in good health, with no sign of infectious disease, have not had a fever above 101.5 within the past 14 days, have had no known exposure to EHV-1 in 21 days and are not coming from a property with known EHV-1 cases."

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**SIGNATURE** Owner/Agent/Trainer

\_\_\_\_\_  
**DATE** Signed

\_\_\_\_\_  
**PRINT NAME**



## ENTRY INFORMATION

**New for 2024:** All Equine Canada competitors with a current Equine Canada membership must also have a complimentary USEF membership. If you Equine Canada membership is current for the show year, then the USEF membership will be No Charge. This rule change pertains to all Canadian riders & owners. Please see membership details at usef.org. You will also need a USDF membership, or a Non-Member Fee (\$35) will apply to each rider/owner.

### THE FOLLOWING IS REQUIRED FOR EACH ENTRY:

- Competitors are responsible to provide valid membership numbers on the entry form for all horse, owner, rider, and trainer names listed on the entry form.
  - USEF and USDF registration are verified electronically if valid membership numbers are provided on the entry form. You may be asked to provide copies of your membership documents if your memberships cannot be verified for any reason.
  - Entry forms must be complete with owner, riders, and trainers including association membership numbers.
  - Signatures of owner, riders, trainer and parent or guardian of minor exhibitors. Parents or guardians of minor exhibitors shall hold the Horse Show, HITS, LLC, West Palms Event Management, Inc., Del Mar Horsepark and staff harmless for injury to such minor(s).
  - Entries must be submitted electronically through [www.Equestrian-Hub.com](http://www.Equestrian-Hub.com)
  - Entries must be received by Midnight of the closing date in the time zone of the competition. Any entry requiring a signature, payment, or copies of proof of valid membership will be considered incomplete and may incur additional fees. No refunds after the closing date, for any reason.
  - All fees must be paid in US funds. Fees must accompany the entry form for each show entered. Entries not accompanied by fees will be considered late and not entered until fees are received including any late or post entry fees.
  - Entries postmarked or submitted after closing date will be considered late. Numbers will not be given out until entries have been submitted to the show AND owners, riders and coaches or trainers have signed all entry blanks.
- All entries for Open Classes are taken on a first come, first served basis. Only one horse-rider combination per entry form.

**LATE ENTRIES:** Late entries will be accepted after the closing date if space is available, upon payment of an additional late entry fee.

**POST ENTRIES:** Must be eligible for class. Must have previously entered in competition as a competing or non-competing horse. Must register with secretary and put name on wait list.

Post entries in national classes will only be accepted to fill scratches in allotted time slots that are available ("allotted time" slots are determined by the Official Schedule posted at the show office). Exceptions will be made when two or more competitors meet the same criteria and are deemed equal in priority status. Exceptions may also be made when conditions are created by weather or other natural disasters.

**Hazardous Weather/Acts of God/Accident/Emergency/Pandemic Policy:** Management reserves the right to cancel any classes due to Hazardous Weather, Acts of God, Accidents, Emergencies or Pandemics. Every effort will be made to reschedule with priority given to any Championship or qualifying classes being offered. No refunds for cancellations due to Hazardous Weather, Acts of God, Accidents, Emergencies or Pandemics.

**MUSICAL FREESTYLES:** Music must be submitted through the Equestrian Hub Portal by Thursday at Noon. On Equestrian Hub you can select the show in the menu on the left side under "Upcoming Shows". Scroll to the day/class you would like to upload music for and click on the button "Pick Music". Once the file is uploaded, the button switches to "Change Music". There is an option to listen to the music to ensure that it is the right file.

The schedule for sound checks will be posted at the show office. All Freestyle entries Training-Forth Level must submit proof of at least a 63% at the highest class of the level and all FEI at least a 60%.

Numbers must always be worn when a horse is outside of their stall.

**REFUNDS:** Request for a refund must be in writing and received before the closing date of entries and an office fee will be deducted. Card fees are nonrefundable at any time after the card has been processed. Refund requests will not be considered after the show in question.

**RETURNED CHECKS/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). Checks will not be deposited a second time.

**UNPAID CHARGES:** Any exhibitor leaving the show with an unpaid balance will be billed for these charges and a \$50 billing fee will be added to the total due. Until these charges are settled, all further entries of rider and owner will be returned.

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

**FACILITY FEE:** All horses entered in the competition must pay an all-inclusive facility fee which covers mandatory costs per horse for Del Mar environmental regulations and manure removal fee totaling \$65.

**LIVE STREAMING:** Live streaming will be available at the CDI events in February, March and April.

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

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

**SHOW PASS FEE** \*\*\*Effective 12.1.2022\*\*\* Any rider, handler, driver or owner is limited to one Show Pass purchase annually (December 1 - November 30). USEF Show Pass will be available for purchase by exhibitors on-line "ONLY" here: <https://www.USEF.org/show-pass>  
Individuals, including parents who are signing as trainer on behalf of a minor, who are participating as a trainer or coach are not eligible for a Show Pass and must obtain a Senior Competing membership to participate in a USEF-licensed competition.

**GREAT AMERICAN INSURANCE GROUP (GAIG)/USDF QUALIFYING CLASSES:** Please 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 J/Y rider classes must pay an additional \$15 USDF fee to have this score entered in the GAIG/USDF qualifying division at that level.

**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. Organizers cannot guarantee that CDI draw times will not conflict with open class times. Show Conflict/Rider Time Conflicts: Changes need to be requested in the show office by 3 pm the day prior. Times/ Scores: Times can be found at [www.Equestrian-Hub.com](http://www.Equestrian-Hub.com)

**SCHEDULING YOUR ARRIVAL TO DEL MAR HORSE PARK.** Email [DelMarHealth@HITSShows.com](mailto:DelMarHealth@HITSShows.com) to sign up for arrival window.

**HEALTH & BIOSECURITY REQUIREMENTS:** Declaration of health, Vaccination Record, and a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection done within 2 weeks of arrival including a VS statement are required for all horses entering the show grounds. Email all documents to [DelMarHealth@HITSShows.com](mailto:DelMarHealth@HITSShows.com). COGGINS IS ONLY REQUIRED FOR HORSES ARRIVING FROM OUT OF STATE!!

**IMPORTANT COMPETITOR INFORMATION:** Schooling and Sound Check Schedule for all arenas will be emailed to competitors and posted at the office.

#### FACILITY INFORMATION

**DIRECTIONS:** The Del Mar Horsepark is located 20 miles north of downtown San Diego, at 14550 El Camino Real in the city of Del Mar, California. From Interstate 5 take the Via de la Valle exit and head east (a right turn from the freeway exit if you are north bound; a left turn from the freeway exit if you are south bound). Take Via de la Valle to El Camino Real and turn right. Turn right at the second entrance past Mary's Tack and Feed. From Interstate 15 exit Valley Center Parkway and drive west continue on Del Dios Highway to El Camino Real and turn left. Turn right at the second entrance past Mary's Tack and Feed.

**FOOTING/ARENAS:** All competition arenas and designated competition warm-up rings will be geotextile (GGT) mix footing with ebb and flow drainage.

**LUNGEING:** In designated areas only.

**STABLING:** CDI stalls are \$400.00 for permanent matted 12x12 and 10x12 stalls with sliding yoke doors. National stalls are \$325.00 for permanent matted 10x12 with sliding yoke doors. No temporary equipment may be permanently attached to any existing property such as signs, barricades, stabling, trees, etc

**FEED & BEDDING:** No initial bedding is provided. Feed and bedding must be purchased through the Del Mar Feed Office. Only shavings will be permitted for bedding stalls. Exhibitors may be assessed a disposal fee for anything other than shavings. Contact Karla Palmer at 619.818.3538.

**CONCESSIONS:** Food and concessions will be available on the show grounds starting one hour before competition till the end of the competition day.

**EARLY ARRIVALS AND LAYOVERS:** Horses occupying early ship-in or layover stabling allowed provided stabling is available. Schooling areas may be limited. The listed daily fee will be enforced for both horse stalls and tack stalls. Waiver of liability must be on file with the show office for non-competition days. Please contact show secretary for approval.

**PARKING:** Parking allowed in designated areas only. Violators parked in NO PARKING ZONES and FIRE LANES will be issued citations and/or towed from the premises at the owner's expense. There are Handicap parking areas in the Stable Area and public parking lot.:

**CAMPING/RV RESERVATIONS:** Can be reserved for \$300 for show stay Thursday through Sunday. Additional nights are @\$100/night. Water and 30amp Electric hookup available. A few 50amp also available. Waste pump out available on Sunday AM. \*\*\*DO NOT CONNECT TO ANY TANKS IN THE LOT!!!\*\*\* Please contact show office with questions.

**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 [USEF.org](http://USEF.org).



75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

DEL MAR NATIONAL

Horse Show

FEES	
Office Fee per entry	\$60
CA Drug Fee per horse	\$14
Facility Fee (Manure Removal & Del Mar Environmental Fees)	\$65
GAIG/USDF Qualifying Fee per class	\$15
Time Change within a National Class (request by 3 pm the day prior)	\$10
Non-competing horse fee for period of event	\$100
USEF Fee (D&M \$15, USEF \$8) Horses in National Classes	\$23
USEF Fee (D&M \$25 USEF \$8) Horses in CDI only	\$33
IHP Fee (International High Performance) Riders in CDI only	\$35
CDS LICENSE FEE	\$3
Haul In Fee for National Show	\$90/day
USDF Non-Member Fee (for each NM owner and rider)	\$35
USDF Affidavit	\$5
USDF HID (Horse Identification Number)	\$35
Late Entry Fee	\$50
Incomplete Entry Fee	\$25
Non-Negotiable check or declined credit card	\$50
CDI Horse Stall (Wednesday, 2 pm through Sunday 6 pm - tax included)	\$400
CDI Tack Stall (Wednesday, 2 pm through Sunday 6 pm - tax included)	\$400
National Horse Stall (Thursday, 8 am through Sunday 6 pm - tax included)	\$325
National Tack Stall (Thursday, 8 am through Sunday 6 pm - tax included)	\$325
Early Arrival Fee for Horse/Tack Stall (for every day/night beyond what is listed above)	\$60
RV FEE (3 nights)	\$300/weekend



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## GENERAL CONDITIONS

**USEF ENTRY AGREEMENT:** These competitions are governed and approved by the United States Equestrian Federation Every class offered herein which is covered by the rules and specifications of the current USEF Rule Book will be conducted and judged in accordance therewith. To the extent there is a conflict between the prize list and the USEF rules, USEF rules will prevail.

**USEF WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK & INDEMNITY AGREEMENT:** Effective immediately, all individuals on the property will be required to sign the USEF Waiver and Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Indemnity Agreement. The Agreement will be available on our website (HITSDeMar.com) and can be executed and signed electronically.

By entering a Federation Licensed Competition and signing this entry blank as the Owner, Lessee, Trainer, Manager, Agent, Coach, Driver, Rider, Handler, Vaultor or Longeur and on behalf of myself and my principals, representatives, employees and agents, I agree that I am subject to the Bylaws and Rules of The United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. (the "Federation"). I agree to be bound by the Bylaws and Rules of the Federation and of the competition. I will accept as final the decision of the Hearing Committee on any question arising under the Rules, and agree to release and hold harmless the competition, the Federation, their officials, directors and employees for any action taken under the Rules. I represent that I am eligible to enter and/or participate under the rules, and every horse I am entering is eligible as entered. I also agree that as a condition of and in consideration of acceptance of entry, the Federation and/ or the competition may use or assign photographs, videos, audios, cablecasts, broadcasts, internet, film, new media, or other likenesses of me and my horse taken during the course of the competition for the promotion, coverage or benefit of the competition, sport, or the Federation. Those likenesses shall not be used to advertise a product and they may not be used in such a way as to jeopardize amateur status. I hereby expressly and irrevocably waive and release any rights in connection with such use, including any claim to compensation, invasion of privacy, right of publicity, or to misappropriation. The construction and application of Federation rules are governed by the laws of the State of California, and any action instituted against the Federation must be filed in California State. See GR 908.4. The Horse Show Committee reserves the right to itself to interpret all questions and conditions in regard to or arising out of, or incident to the show without claims for damages or recourse of any kind. All questions not covered in these Rules and Regulations shall be decided by the Horse Show Management; its decision to be final. The Horse Show Management reserves to itself the right to limit entries in any class, section or division, to refuse, accept conditionally, or to cancel any entries, disqualify any riders or exhibitors, prohibit exhibition of entries, and cancel award prizes, without any claim for damages; to change any course, to add a dotted line, to cancel or combine any unfilled classes, or to reschedule classes, after due notice to exhibitors; to change rings or rotate judges. Every horse entered herein for competition will be under the control of the Horse Show Management, but the Show Management will in no case be responsible for any loss or damage that may occur, and it shall be a condition of entry that each exhibitor shall hold the horse show and the officials, employees, directors, officers, sponsoring entities of the horse show and the facilities at which the horse show is held blameless for any loss or accident to his horse(s), employee(s), or equipment which may occur from sickness, fire or other cause. Every class offered herein which is covered by the rules and specifications of the current USEF Rule Book will be conducted and judged in accordance therewith.

**MANAGEMENT:** Horse Show Management reserves the right to interpret all questions and conditions in regard to or arising out of an incident to the show without claims for damages or recourse of any kind. All questions not covered in these Rules and Regulations shall be decided by Horse Show Management- their decision to be final. Horse Show Management reserves the right to refuse, accept conditionally or to cancel any entries, disqualify riders or exhibitors, prohibit exhibition of entries and cancel award prizes, without claim for damages; to change any course, to cancel or combine any unfilled classes, or to reschedule classes, after due notice to exhibitors; to change rings or rotate or change judges and officials; to change specifications in jumper classes in order to facilitate the time schedule. Management reserves the right to combine or cancel. Management reserves the right to limit entries in a class. Refused entries will be returned.

"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."

All questions not covered in these rules and regulations shall be decided by the Show Management whose decision shall be final.

**ASSUMPTION OF RISK:** By signing the entry blank, the Owner, Lessee, Trainer, Manager, Agent, Coach, Driver, Rider, Handler, Vaultor or Loungeur acknowledges that horseback riding, particularly jumping, is a dangerous activity and involves inherent risks that may cause serious injury and in some cases death because of the unpredictable nature and irrational behavior of horses, regardless of their training and past performance and expressly assumes all such inherent risks whether identified herein, in the entry blank, or in the Federation Rules and Regulations. A horse, without warning or any apparent cause, can buck, stumble, fall, rear, bite, kick, run, make unpredictable movements, spook, jump obstacles, step on a person's foot or push a person-all of which may cause the rider or observer to fall or be jolted, resulting in serious injury or death. A horse may also become loose and cause injury to an observer or rider or to another horse-a loose horse can run at full gallop in a panic and run into objects or persons or other horses. The Show Ground Facilities are bordered by highways/ roads and thus noise from traffic and other sources occurs that can and will cause a horse to unexpectedly spook or react quickly. The Show Ground Facilities contain roads or driveways that are traversed by cars, golf carts, tractors, trailers, and heavy equipment all of which may spook a horse. The above warnings and risks are meant as an example of some of the risks that are inherent and may be encountered but it is agreed this is not an exhaustive list and there are numerous additional conditions and/or events that may result in injuries while participating in the Competition and/or being present on the Show Ground Facility.

**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.

**CONDITIONS OF ENTRY:** Every horse entered for competition will be under the control of the Horse Show Management, but Horse Show Management will, in no case, be responsible for any loss or damage that may occur, and it shall be a condition of entry that each exhibitor shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Horse Show and its officials, employees, directors, officers, West Palms Event Management, HITS LLC and its Sponsors, etc for any loss or accident to his horse, horses, employees or equipment which may occur from sickness, fire or other cause.

**RESPONSIBILITY OF PAYMENT OF SERVICES & SUPPLIES:** All owners and exhibitors will be held responsible for any damage incurred by them, their animals, agents, or employees, to stalls, buildings and other properties on the Show grounds and shall be billed accordingly. Any exhibitor not meeting their obligations to the official Show Veterinarian, farrier and feed/bedding vendor will be termed an undesirable exhibitor and entries from that exhibitor may not be accepted at subsequent shows.

Exhibitors should exercise extreme caution before medicating their horses and should be aware of the US EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION and FEI Anti-Doping rules governing drugs and medications.

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



**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.

**SHARPS DISPOSAL:** Competition management may fine any individuals including trainers, owners, exhibitors, or their agents up to \$500 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 can and will be removed from the grounds at the owner's expense! Loose dogs will be picked up and detained and the owner fined \$100. \*\*\*NO DOGS WILL BE ALLOWED IN THE OCEAN CLUB TENT OR IN THE EVERGATE STABLES ARENA\*\*\*

**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:** Eventing Competitions at the Modified Level or above, Combined Driving Competitions at the Advanced Level, Dressage Competitions, Endurance Rides and Vaulting Competitions: (See GR828.4 of the Federation rules). 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 is defined as a riding helmet, which meets or exceeds current ASTM (American Society for Testing and Materials)/SEI (Safety Equipment Institute) standards for equestrian use and carries the SEI tag. 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.

**Emergency Veterinary Treatment of the Horse:** In the event of an acute and serious injury to or illness of a horse on competition grounds when the owner or trainer of the horse or agent of the owner is not present, after reasonable effort to contact that individual has been made, competition management, in consultation with a licensed equine veterinarian, may authorize the provision of emergency veterinary treatment of the horse. If competition management so authorizes treatment under the provisions of this rule, competition management and veterinarian are not liable for any resulting costs, damages, losses, claims, or actions arising directly or indirectly from the treatment of the horse. BOD 6/20/22 Effective 12/1/22

**Tack Inspections:** Exhibitors must present bridles and bits, if and when requested, to the technical delegate for inspection utilizing the methods, timeframe(s) and location(s) identified by competition management with the agreement of the technical delegate. These methods must be communicated to the competitors prior to the start of the competition. The technical delegate must inspect at least 50% of the bits and bridles of horses entered in the competition. Technical Delegates must also conduct random ringside bit checks immediately after rides are completed, some of which can be included in the 50%, using a new disposable protective glove on each hand for each horse. When non-permitted bits, saddlery, or equipment are identified prior to the horse having worn the non-permitted items, there will be no elimination. Elimination will occur only when the horse is wearing non-permitted items or they are identified immediately after use.

The online USEF Medication Report Form can be found at, <https://competitions.usef.org/drugs-and-meds/medication-report-form/usef>.

**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 USEF.org.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN ANY FORM MAY NOT BE BROUGHT ONTO THE SHOW GROUNDS

## USDF Statement on Animal Welfare

The United States Dressage Federation, Inc. (USDF), a federation of over 100 independent organizations throughout the United States with a membership of nearly 30,000 members, supports the concept of ethical treatment of animals.

Dressage is a classical method of training horses, based upon the horse's natural responses, as carried out in a gradual, planned program during which the horse's athletic abilities are improved in a systematic manner. As a result, the horse becomes capable, comfortable, and responsive in partnership with the rider without the use of force. Dressage competition at various levels of achievement is the ultimate test of the training program to determine whether the desired harmony between horse and rider has been achieved.

The rules pertaining to dressage competition prohibit the use of artificial appliances, training aids, and drugs, which would force the horse to submit. Instead, the emphasis is upon training and a cooperative partnership with the rider. Major competitions are carefully monitored to assure that there is no unnecessary force or harshness displayed.

Unlike other horse sports in which horses enter training at a relatively immature state, dressage training is usually not seriously begun until the horse is three or four. The top levels of achievement require five or more years of progressive training, and it is not unusual to see horses in international competition in their late teens. This, in itself, places a premium on good care and soundness throughout the horse's life.

While supporting the concept of animal welfare in its broadest form, the United States Dressage Federation, Inc., also recognizes that it is unrealistic to ascribe human emotions and responses to the horse which in its wild state is a creature of flight, living a hard and precarious existence. Under domestication, the horse is assured of ample food, water, and shelter, as well as protection against infectious diseases and damaging parasites, thus leading a longer and healthier life with a high rate of survival.

As an educational organization, USDF has numerous programs, which teach people how to pursue the accepted, humane training methods. A program of certifying instructors also emphasizes protecting the horse's welfare in pursuit of dressage training.

United States Dressage Federation  
4021 Iron Works Parkway, Lexington, NY 40511  
Phone: 859-971-2277, Fax: 859-971-7722, [usdressage@usdf.org](mailto:usdressage@usdf.org), [www.usdf.org](http://www.usdf.org)



## 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://www.usdf.org).



## 2024 CDS MEMBERSHIP FORM



Active Membership .....\$75.00  
Additional Family Member..... \$65.00  
Life Membership .....\$1,500.00

[www.california-dressage.org](http://www.california-dressage.org) to join online

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter Preference \_\_\_\_\_

*Would you like to use your Visa or MC? (5% fee added)*

Card # \_\_\_\_\_

Exp Date \_\_\_\_\_ V code \_\_\_\_\_  visa  mastercard

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Group membership in the United States Dressage Federation (USDF) (\$20) included with CDS membership. All CDS memberships go from December to December. Anyone joining after October 1 will be a member for the following year.

Please check any of the following that apply:

- Renewing Member  New Member  Amateur  
 Instructor/Trainer  Junior Rider ( / / )  Judge \_\_\_\_\_  
 T.D.  EMT  Qualified Riding Member (QRM)  
 Nominate for Regional Adult Amateur Competition (add \$25) RAAC  
 Nominate for JRYR Championships (add \$25)  
 Nominate for CDS Championships (add \$25)

**CALIFORNIA DRESSAGE SOCIETY**  
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## ATTENTION COMPETITORS

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

The scores of competitors who fail to supply correct numbers may not be counted toward national awards.



# FEDERATION ENTRY AGREEMENT

By entering a Federation-licensed Competition and signing this entry blank as the Owner, Lessee, Trainer, Manager, Agent, Coach, Driver, Rider, Handler, Vaultor or Longeur and on behalf of myself and my principals, representatives, employees and agents, I agree that I am subject to the Bylaws and Rules of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. (the "Federation") and the local rules of \_\_\_\_\_ (Competition). I agree to be bound by the Bylaws and Rules of the Federation and of the competition. I will accept as final the decision of the Hearing Committee on any question arising under the Rules, and agree to release and hold harmless the competition, the Federation, their officials, directors and employees for any action taken under the Rules. I represent that I am eligible to enter and/or participate under the Rules, and every horse I am entering is eligible as entered. I also agree that as a condition of and in consideration of acceptance of entry, the Federation and/or the Competition may use or assign photographs, videos, audios, cable - casts, broadcasts, internet, film, new media or other likenesses of me and my horse taken during the course of the competition for the promotion, coverage or benefit of the competition, sport, or the Federation. Those likenesses shall not be used to advertise a product and they may not be used in such a way as to jeopardize amateur status. I hereby expressly and irrevocably waive and release any rights in connection with such use, including any claim to compensation, invasion of privacy, right of publicity, or to misappropriation. The construction and application of Federation rules are governed by the laws of the State of New York, and any action instituted against the Federation must be filed in New York State. See GR908.4.

If not currently a USEF Active Competing member or Subscriber, I acknowledge that I will be enrolled for no cost as a USEF Fan and my USEF Fan Account will continue to annually automatically renew in USEF's sole discretion. Additionally, I acknowledge that the benefits of a USEF Fan are subject to change without notice. USEF may in its sole discretion, at any time, terminate my USEF Fan status. I acknowledge that I may opt out at any time by going to My USEF Dashboard or calling (859) 810-8733.

**BY SIGNING BELOW, I AGREE** that I have read, understand, and agree to be bound by all applicable Federation Bylaws, rules, and policies including the USEF Safe Sport Policy and Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies (MAAPP) as published at www.usef.org, as amended from time to time, as well as 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.

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

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

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

**TRAINER** (mandatory)

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

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

**OWNER/AGENT** (mandatory)

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

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

**COACH** (if applicable)

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

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

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

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

Is Rider/Driver/Vaultor a U.S. Citizen:  Yes  No



## 2024 Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Dressage Championships

A single Regional Dressage Championship program organized by the United States Dressage Federation (USDF), and recognized by the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. (USEF), will be held in each of the nine USDF regions. In addition, Alaska and Hawaii may each hold state championships if an official request from a Group Member Organization (GMO) is received by April 1 of the prior year. The Regional Championship Program Rules can be found on the USDF website at [www.usdf.org](http://www.usdf.org). Please refer to the 2024 USDF Member Guide for the comprehensive list of rules and requirements for this program.

### Membership/Registration Requirements for Qualifying and Championships

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

Rider:

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

Horse:

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

Owner:

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

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

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

The minimum percentages are as follows:

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

**USDF Membership Benefits:** USDF is dedicated to education, the recognition of achievement, and promotion of dressage. For details on member benefits, including educational programs, awards, and other opportunities, refer to the *USDF Member Guide* or the USDF website at [www.usdf.org](http://www.usdf.org).

**This  
competition  
is recognized  
by USDF  
for 2024**

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

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

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

**Exceptions:**

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

**Memberships Defined**

**Participating Membership (PM):** A membership issued to an individual directly by USDF. The membership year is December 1 through November 30. PMs are available for 1-year (\$90), 5-years (\$360), or life (\$1,800). A USDF Youth Participating Membership (YPM) is available for individuals who have not reached their 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.
- 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.



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

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

### 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. \_\_\_\_\_





# MAAPP

## MINOR ATHLETE ABUSE PREVENTION

### LEARN ABOUT MAAP POLICIES



Safe Sport Training



Local Travel



One-On-One Interactions



Social Media & Electronic Communications



Read about these & more at [usef.org/MAAPP](https://usef.org/MAAPP)

### REPORT MAAP POLICY VIOLATIONS



[usef.org/safe-sport/reporting](https://usef.org/safe-sport/reporting)

859-225-6915 or Text Anonymously 855-682-8733

# YOU ARE NOT YOU ALONE



US Equestrian wants you to know: if you are a victim or survivor of sexual abuse or suspect abuse of any kind, there are resources and people to help.

## REPORT

833-5US-SAFE or [uscenterforsafesport.org/report-a-concern](https://uscenterforsafesport.org/report-a-concern)

## 24/7 HELPLINE

866-200-0796 or visit [safesporthepline.org](https://safesporthepline.org)

## TRAINING & RESOURCES

Free to US Equestrian members at [usef.org/safesport](https://usef.org/safesport).

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**Competition managers should now include the following reminder in all competition prize lists:** 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 [USEF.org](https://USEF.org).



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