#### USEF/USDF# 328430 (AQHA APPROVED/NCDCTA RECOGNIZED) MAY 1, 2016 – OPENING DATE USEF LEVEL 3 JUNE 1, 2016 - CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF ENTRIES BY SEC'Y

## JUNE 18-19, 2016



## Virginia Summer Dressage HITS Commonwealth Park, Culpeper, VA

Official Qualifying Competition for the 2016 Adequan FEI North American Junior and Young Rider Championships presented by Gotham North; the 2016 USEF Pony Rider Dressage National Championship; 2016 AGCO/USEF Junior and Young Rider Dressage National Championships; and the 2016 USEF Young Adult 'Brentina Cup' Dressage National Championship presented by Dressage Today. Official Qualifying

Competition for the 2016 Markel/USEF Young and Developing Horse Dressage Championships

## Qualifying Event for 2016 GAIG/USDF Breeders Championship East Coast Series

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## <u>SATURDAY, June 13, 2016</u>

10. \*Opportunity USDF Introductory Test A 11. \*Opportunity USDF Introductory Test B 12. \*USDF Introductory Test C 13. \*Opportunity Training Level Test I 14. \*Opportunity Training Level Test 2 101. Training Level Test 1 102. Training Level Test 2 103. Training Level Test 3 111. First Level Test 1 112. First Level Test 2 113. First Level Test 3 121. Second Level Test 1 122. Second Level Test 2 123. Second Level Test 3 131. Third Level Test 1 132. Third Level Test 2 133. Third Level Test 3 141. Fourth Level Test 1 142. Fourth Level Test 2 143. Fourth Level Test 3 151. FEI Pony Team Test 152. FEI Junior Team Test 153. FEI Young Rider Team Test 154. + USEF & FEI Young Horse Test of Choice 155. USEF Developing Prix St. Georges Test (2012 ed.) 156. USEF Developing Grand Prix Test (2012 ed.) 161. FEI Prix St. Georges 162. FEI Intermediaire I 163. FEI Intermediaire B 164. FEI Intermediaire II 165. FEI Grand Prix

### JUDGES

Susan Mandas (OH) "S" & DSHB "R" Natalie Lamping (FL) "S" Elizabeth Lewis (VA) "S" Others TBA **TECHNICAL DELEGATE** Tamla Nichols (VA) "r" **VETERINARIAN ON CALL** Keswick Equine Clinic 540-832-5360 **FARRIER ON CALL:** TBA **EMT:** On Grounds; Dan Prescott, EMT **COMPETITION LICENSEE:** Rosinburg Events, LLC, Janine Malone, Pres.

> OPFN OPEN, JR/YR & AA OPEN **OPEN OPEN** OPFN **OPEN & CBLM** OPEN, JR/YR, AA & 2016 GAIG/USDF Q OPEN **OPEN & CBLM** OPEN, JR/YR, AA & 2016 GAIG/USDF Q OPEN OPEN, JR/YR, AA & CBLM OPEN & 2016 GAIG/USDF Q OPEN **OPEN & CBLM** OPEN, JR/YR, AA & 2016 GAIG/USDF Q OPEN OPEN, JR/YR, AA & CBLM OPEN, JR/YR, AA & 2016 GAIG/USDF Q Pony Riders NAJYRC/USEF Q & 2016 GAIG/USDF Q NAJYRC/USEF Q & 2016 GAIG/USDF Q OPFN OPEN (7-9 YO HORSES) OPEN (8-10 YO HORSES) OPEN, Jr/YR, AA, CBLM. 2016 GAIG/USDF Q OPEN, Jr/YR, AA, CBLM. 2016 GAIG/USDF Q OPEN, Jr/YR, AA OPEN, Jr/YR, AA, CBLM. 2016 GAIG/USDF Q OPEN, Jr/YR, AA, CBLM. 2016 GAIG/USDF Q

- 166. + FEI Level or Equivalent Test of Choice (ex.YH & Freestyle)
- 171. +USEF Eventing Test of Choice A
- 172. +USEF Eventing Test of Choice B
- 173. Dressage Seat Equitation
- 174. +FEI ParaEquestrian Test of Choice (ex. Freestyle)
- 181. +#^USDF & FEI Freestyle Test of Choice
- 182. + USEF Rider Test of Choice (2015 ed.)
- 183. +#^USDF Pas De Deux Test of Choice
- 184. + Pony Test of Choice

OPEN, JR/YR & AA OPEN OPEN JR/YR & AA PE OPEN, CBLM & 2016 GAIG/USDF Q OPEN, AA & JR/YR OPEN & CBLM OPEN

### YOUNG HORSE/DRESSAGE SPORT HORSE PROSPECT IN-HAND CLASSES

- (60% Movement, 30% Conformation, 10% General Impression)
- B1. FILLIES OF 2016 W/WO DAM
- B2. FILLY YEARLINGS
- B3. FILLY TWO YEAR OLDS
- B4. FILLY THREE YEAR OLDS
- B5. COLTS/GELDINGS OF 2016 W/WO DAM
- B6. COLT/GELDING YEARLING
- B7. COLT/GELDING TWO YEAR OLD
- B8. COLT/GELDING THREE YEAR OLD

### MATURE HORSE/DRESSAGE SPORT HORSE BREEDING STOCK IN-HAND CLASSES

(50% Movement, 40% Conformation, 10% General Impression)

- B9. \*BROODMARES W/ FOALS 4 YEARS & OLDER, mare only judged
- B10. \*BROODMARES (MAIDEN/YELD) 4 YEARS & OLDER
- B11. STALLIONS 4 YEARS & OLDER showing only in-hand
- B12. STALLIONS 4 YEARS & OLDER showing under saddle or in materiale classes

\*For competition purposes, a mare's breeding status on January 1 will remain the same until December 1 of the same calendar year. (USEF DR203.16)

### CHAMPIONSHIP IN-HAND CLASSES

B13. FOAL CHAMPIONSHIP -open to 1st-2nd place B1& B5 - GAIG/USDFBC

B14. FILLY CHAMPIONSHIP -open to 1st-2nd place B2-B4 – GAIG/USDFBC

- B15. COLT/GELDING CHAMPIONSHIP open to 1st- 2nd place B6-B8 GAIG/USDFBC
- B16. YOUNG HORSE CHAMPIONSHIP open to champion & reserve B13, B14 & B15
- B17. MARE CHAMPIONSHIP open to 1st-2nd place B9 & B10 GAIG/USDFBC
- B18. STALLION CHAMPIONSHIP open to 1st-2nd place B11& B12 GAIG/USDFBC
- B19. MATURE HORSE CHAMPIONSHIP open to champion & reserve B17-B18

### B20. GRAND CHAMPIONSHIP -open to champion & reserve B16 & B19

GROUP CLASSES (50% Movement, 40% Conformation, 10% General Impression)

### B21. BROODMARE & FOAL

- B22. PRODUCE OF DAM 2 or 3 offspring w/wo dam
- B23. GET OF SIRE without sire, 2 or 3 of get
- B24. DAM & PRODUCE -dam & 2 or 3 of offspring

B25. SIRE & GET - sire & 2 or 3 of get

B26. BREEDER'S GROUP - no more than 3 horses of any age or sex, all bred by exhibitor.

UNDER SADDLE CLASSES (60% movement, 30% conformation, 10% general impression)

B27. THREE YEAR OLD FILLIES

B28. THREE YEAR OLD COLTS/GELDINGS

B29. FOUR YEAR OLD & OLDER MARES

B30. FOUR YEAR OLD & OLDER STALLIONS/GELDINGS

B31. CHAMPIONSHIP UNDER SADDLE - open to 1st-2nd place in B27-B30

**MATERIALE CLASSES** Judged under saddle at walk/trot/canter according to criteria listed on the "USDF Materiale Class" score sheet. Horses must be at least 36 months of age to participate.

B32. THREE YEAR OLD FILLIES

B33. THREE YEAR OLD COLTS/GELDINGS

B34. FOUR & FIVE YEAR OLD MARES

B35. FOUR & FIVE YEAR OLD STALLIONS/GELDINGS

### OTHER CLASSES

B36. AMATEUR/JR/YR HANDLER - To be shown in-hand by an AA or Jr/YR. AAs must have current USEF Amateur card. Open to fillies/mares & geldings in any age. No stallions/colts ex.weanlings. Judged on presentation, neatness & appearance of handler, overall condition, handling techniques, appropriate tack/equipment, demonstration of correct training & ability to show horse to best of its ability.

#### INDIVIDUAL BREED CLASSES (IBC)

B37. HANOVERIAN – Open to any American Hanoverian Society-registered horse of any age and sex whose owner is current AHS member. Eligibility with AHS verified week prior to show. Special ribbon and trophy to winner. Horses judged at walk and trot on triangle. Scored 60% movement, 30% conformation 10% general impression. FMI, contact AHS at 859-255-4141.

B38. CLEVELAND BAY – Send breed registration papers for eligibility.

B39. OLDENBURG/ISR AND GOV – Send breed registration papers for eligibility.

B40. SWEDISH WARMBLOOD - Send breed registration papers for eligibility.

B41. DUTCH WARMBLOOD (KWPN or NAWPN) - Send breed registration papers for eligibility.

B42. FRIESIAN - Send breed registration papers for eligibility.

B44. ARABIAN /HALF-ARABIAN - Send breed registration papers for eligibility

B45. ANDALUSIAN/LUSITANO/HALF-ANDALUSIAN/HALF-LUSITANO - Send breed registration papers for eligibility

B46. RHEINLAND PFALZ-SAAR INTERNATIONAL (RPSI) - Send breed registration papers for eligibility

B47. BELGIAN WARMBLOOD (BWP) - Send breed registration papers for eligibility

B48. NEW FOREST PONY – Send breed registration papers for eligibility

B49. GYPSY VANNER – Send breed registration papers for eligibility

B50. DANISH WARMBLOOD – Send breed registration papers for eligibility

B51. WELSH PONY – Send breed registration papers for eligibility

B52. APPALOOSA – Send breed registration papers for eligibility

B53. THOROUGHBRED – Send breed registration papers for eligibility

#### <u>SUNDAY, June 19, 2016</u>

20. \*Opportunity USDF Introductory Test A 21. \*Opportunity USDF Introductory Test B 22. \*USDF Introductory Test C 23. \*Opportunity Training Level Test I 24. \*Opportunity Training Level Test 2 201. Training Level Test 1 202. Training Level Test 2 203. Training Level Test 3 211. First Level Test 1 212. First Level Test 2 213. First Level Test 3 221. Second Level Test 1 222. Second Level Test 2 223. Second Level Test 3 231. Third Level Test 1 232. Third Level Test 2 233. Third Level Test 3 241. Fourth Level Test 1 242. Fourth Level Test 2 243. Fourth Level Test 3 250. FEI Pony Individual Test 251. FEI Junior Individual Test 252. FEI Young Rider Individual Test 253. USEF Four-Year Old Test 254. FEI Five-Year-Old Final Test 255. FEI Six-Year-Old Final Test 256. + USEF & FEI Young Horse Test of Choice 257. USEF Developing Prix St. Georges Test (2012 ed.) 258. USEF Developing Grand Prix Test (2012 ed.) 259. FEI Young Rider Grand Prix 16-25 Test 261. FEI Prix St. Georges 262. FEI Intermediaire I 263. FEI Intermediaire B 264. FEI Intermediaire II 265. FEI Grand Prix 266. + FEI Level or Equivalent Test of Choice (ex.YH & Freestyle) 271. +USEF Eventing Test of Choice A 272. +USEF Eventing Test of Choice B

**OPEN** OPEN, JR/YR & AA OPEN OPFN **OPEN** OPEN **OPEN & CBLM** OPEN, JR/YR, AA & 2016 GAIG/USDF Q OPFN **OPEN & CBLM** OPEN, JR/YR, AA & 2016 GAIG/USDF Q OPEN OPEN, JR/YR, AA & CBLM OPEN, Dover Medal & 2016 GAIG/USDF Q OPEN **OPEN & CBLM** OPEN, JR/YR, AA & 2016 GAIG/USDF Q OPEN OPEN, JR/YR, AA & CBLM OPEN, JR/YR, AA & 2016 GAIG/USDF Q **Pony Riders** NAJYRC NAJYRC Markel/USEF Q Markel/USEF Q Markel/USEF Q OPEN USEF Q (7-9 YO HORSES) USEF Q (8-10 YO HORSES) USEF Q OPEN, Jr/YR, AA, CBLM. 2016 GAIG/USDF Q OPEN, Jr/YR, AA, CBLM. 2016 GAIG/USDF Q OPEN, Jr/YR, AA OPEN, Jr/YR, AA, CBLM. 2016 GAIG/USDF Q OPEN, Jr/YR, AA, CBLM. 2016 GAIG/USDF Q OPEN, JR/YR & AA OPFN OPEN

- 273. Dressage Seat Equitation JR/YR & AA 274. +FEI ParaEquestrian Test of Choice (ex. Freestyle) PE 275. #FEI Junior Freestyle Test NAJYRC 276. #FEI Young Rider Freestyle Test NAJYRC 281. +#^USDF & FEI Freestyle Test of Choice OPEN, CBLM & 2016 GAIG/USDF Q 282. + USEF Rider Test of Choice (2015 ed.) OPEN, AA & JR/YR 284. USDF Materiale Cl. for 3, 4 & 5 YO Fillies/Mares OPEN 285. USDF Materiale CI. for 3,4 & 5 YO Colts/Geldings/Stallions OPEN 286. + Pony Test of Choice OPEN
- State level and test on entry form. Olympic GPS no longer permitted.
- Music must be on good quality CD and must be presented to the announcer at least two hours before scheduled ride. Freestyle entries (ex. FEI Jr/FEI YR & FEI Pony) must be accompanied by photocopy of test verifying eligibility (i.e. min. Λ
- 60% in highest test of declared Freestyle level or any test of higher level from a USEF Licensed "open" Dressage division). No USEF/USDF memberships or Horse ID required for Intro or Opportunity Classes. Opportunity
- classes also exempt from \$16 USEF fee.

# Virginia Summer Dressage ~ General Information

## DEFINITIONS/ELIGIBILITY:

- JR/YR Open to Juniors and Young Riders only; any rider is eligible until the end of the calendar year in which they reach the age of 21. Only riders ages 14-18 may ride FEI JR Tests. Only riders age 16-21 may ride FEI YR Tests. Only riders ages 12-16 may ride FEI Pony Tests.
- AA Open to Adult Amateurs only; riders must compete as adults from the beginning of the calendar year in which they reach the age of 22. Must hold current USEF Amateur card.
- <u>PE</u> Riders must have a current USEF Dispensation Certificate which indicates their classification status to be eligible. All tests in Standard arena.
- CBLM Colonel Bengt Ljungquist Memorial Championship qualifying class for 2016. Riders must be members of a participating organization at the time of the show to be eligible.
- <u>USEF QUAL</u> Qualifying class for 2016 USEF National Championships
- GAIG/USDF QUAL Qualifying class for 2016 GAIG/USDF Regional Dressage Championships. Declare qualifying ride on entry form. Class fee plus additional \$10 fee must be paid prior to start of the class.
- Markel/USEF QUAL Qualifying class for 2016 Markel/USEF Young Horse Dressage Program
- NAJYRC and USEF QUAL Qualifying class for 2016 FEI NAJYRC and AGCO/USEF National Junior and Young Rider Championships
- OPPORTUNITY CLASSES No USEF/USDF memberships or Horse ID required for Opportunity classes if entered ONLY in Intro and/or Opportunity classes. Horses entered only in Opportunity classes are exempt from the \$16 USEF fee. However, horses entered in these classes are still subject to and must comply with all D&M rules and are subject to drug testing at the competition. Riders/horses are permitted to cross-enter into other recognized classes at this show.

## LEVELS:

All tests/scoresheets current editions. USEF Training-FEI Levels; USDF/FEI Freestyles (TR-FEI Levels), USDF Pas de Deux, Introductory. Materiale, USEF Rider Tests, USEF/FEI Young Horse, FEI ParaEquestrian, USEF/FEI Eventing & Dressage Seat Equitation. DSHB In-Hand, Group, Materiale, Under Saddle and IBC.

## AWARDS:

- Prize and five ribbons in each Dressage & DSHB class.
- Separate awards for Open, AAs and/or Jr/Yrs in any Dressage Open class with four or more in any division. All divisions (if specifically offered) pinned separately. Exception: Open, GAIG/USDF Qualifying & CBLM scored & pinned together.
- Dressage High Score awards at Training-Fourth Levels, FEI Levels combined (ex. Equitation, Materiale, Freestyle, Opportunity, Rider & YH tests).
- DSHB Championship classes receive Champion and Reserve Championship ribbons.
- DSHB Grand Champion: Will receive special award and neck sash.
- GAIG/USDFBC: Champion & Reserve Champion in classes B13, B14, B15, B17 & B18 will receive special ribbons & qualify for GAIG/USDF Breeders Championship East Coast Series Final at Dressage at Devon.
- Trainers Award (Dressage): Trainer plus min. two students. Awarded to team with highest average. Sign-up in office by 10:00 am on Saturday. Additional details posted on sign-up form.
- USDF Dover Medal: Awarded to highest scoring eligible AA receiving at least 60% in Class #223.
- M&M Tack Pro Am Team Challenge. One professional plus 2-3 AAs, JRs or Yrs. Awarded on Saturday.
- High Score AA: To highest scoring AA in any class ex. Equitation, Materiale, Freestyle, Intro, Rider & YH tests.
- High Score Jr/YR: To highest scoring Jr/YR in any class ex. Equitation, Materiale, Freestyle, Intro, Rider & YH tests.

- "Newcomer" Award: A special award drawing for a rider competing in his/her first USEF/USDF Dressage Competition.
- Club High Score: To the highest scoring VADA member in any class except Equitation, Materiale, Freestyle, Intro, Rider & YH tests.
- TIP Awards: The Jockey Club Thoroughbred Incentive Program (T.I.P.) is offering a high score and reserve ribbons for Thoroughbreds. Eligible horses must provide T.I.P. Numbers to the event secretary with entry. For more information, visit <u>www.tjctip.com</u>. All classes count except Equitation, Materiale, Freestyle, Intro, Rider & YH tests.
- American Hanoverian Society: Special ribbon to the highest placing eligible Hanoverian in individual inhand classes (IBC excluded). In order to be eligible, horse must be AHS registered and owner must be a current AHS member. Eligibility with AHS verified week prior to show.
- Dressage High Score Hanoverian: Sponsored by AHS. No AHS membership required. All levels eligible, excluding Intro, Equitation, Materiale, Freestyle, Rider & YH tests. Winner receives neck sash.
- "Born in the USA" Award: Separate DSHB and Dressage awards. To highest scoring (not highest placing) horse foaled in U.S. Eligibility determined by breeder's address on horse's registration papers or other verification in writing. Excl. Equitation, Materiale, Freestyle, Intro, Rider & YH tests. DSHB includes indiv. in-hand & IBC, but not handler, group, under saddle or Materiale classes. Winner will receive a special award.
- High Score Virginia Horse: To highest scoring (not highest placing) DSHB horse born in VA. Eligibility to be determined by breeder's address on horse's registration papers or other verification in writing. Includes indiv. in-hand & IBC, but not handler, group, under saddle or Materiale classes. Winner will receive a special award.
- Pony Test of Choice: Entries in these classes will be eligible for 2016 National Dressage Pony Cup (NDPC) year-end awards.
- National Dressage Pony Cup Championship and High Point Awards: High Point award to the highest scoring pony in any class except Equitation, Materiale, Freestyle, Intro, Rider & YH tests. NDPC Championship ribbon to be sent from NDPC. Only ponies with valid USEF measurement certificates submitted to the show secretary will be eligible for either award. All eligible for NDPC year-end awards.
- American Saddlebred High Point Award (each show): Sponsored by ASHA; Neck ribbon to the highest scoring Saddlebred or Half Saddlebred enrolled in the American Saddlebred Year End Awards Program. Owner must be an ASHA member. Must provide proof of membership and awards eligibility sticker on registration papers.
- North American Danish Warmblood Association (sponsored by NADWA): To highest scoring NADWA member-owned registered horse in any class ex. Equitation, Materiale, FS, Intro, Rider & YH tests.
- Best Groom Award: Sign up in show office. Winner chosen by ring stewards on Saturday.
- Other special awards, including Best Seat and breed awards, to be announced in Official Program.

#### ENTRY FEES:

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Intro, Opportuni	ty & Equitation		\$40
Training – Secor	d, Eventing		\$45
Third – Fourth			\$50
Freestyle, Pas de	e Deux, YH (ex.USEF Q), ParaEquestrian		\$55
FEI & USEF Deve	L PSG/GP (ex. USEF Q)		\$60
NAJYRC & USEF	Q (YH, Pony,JR,YR,Dev PSG & GP,Brentina	a)	\$65
DSHB In-hand, M	Nateriale and Under Saddle classes		\$45
DSHB Group clas	ses		\$50/group
DSHB Champion			NO CHARGE!
GAIG/USDF Qua	ifying	Add	\$10 to class fee
USEF Fee per ho	rse (D&M \$8, USEF \$8)		\$16/horse
USEF Show Pass			\$30 (for each NM rider, owner, trainer, coach)
USDF Non-Memb	ber Fee		\$25 (for each NM rider & owner)
Late Fee			\$30 (for entries <u>received</u> after June 1)
Non-Competing	Horse Fee		\$35
	QUIRED for non-stabled horses)		\$40/horse/show day
Office Fee (non-			\$35 (for ea H/R combination)
•	all (Fri-Sun) (Single stalls only)		\$125
	(One day – <i>NO nights!</i> )		\$85
Shavings			\$8/bag (pre-ordered)
0	tric/water/sewer - reservations req.)		\$75/space/event
NSF check charg	• •		\$35
	c changes after closing date/if schedule allows)		NO CHARGE!!
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#### ENTRY INFORMATION:

- ALL FEES <u>MUST</u> BE PAID IN U.S. DOLLARS AND ENTRIES <u>MUST</u> BE <u>RECEIVED</u> BY CLOSING DATE! No processing fee for online entries.
- <u>Make check payable to Rosinburg Events LLC</u> and mail to secretary with entry and negative Coggins (for horses six months and older, and valid within 12 months of first competition day).
- 2016 Entry form required. Entry form must be properly signed with original signatures; an adult (18 or older) must sign for JR riders and on trainer blank.
- Proof of membership must be included with entry form. Please provide the USEF/USDF Master Verification (<u>www.eqverification.org</u>) although membership cards or photocopies of cards are still acceptable. Failure to provide proof of USEF and/or USDF membership will result in competitor being charged Show Pass or non-member fees.
- USEF and USDF membership numbers and horse registration numbers must be provided where required. Photocopied signatures not permitted. *Unless exempt:* Must provide verification of (1) 2016 USEF "competing" membership for rider, handler, owner, trainer, and coach or pay Show Pass fee; (2) 2016 USDF membership verification for rider (PM or GM) and owner (PM, GM or BM), or copy of nonmember ID card and pay Non-Member fee; and (3) USEF Recording, USDF Lifetime Registration or USDF HID #. Owners of horses without USDF registration or HID MUST complete application, submit breed registry papers (if horse is registered) and pay \$25 USDF HID fee upon arrival at competition in order to participate (except IBC and exempt Dressage classes).
- Adult Amateur entries must provide verification of their USEF Amateur status.
- Pony Rider, Junior and Young Rider entries must include birth date on entry form.
- Non-U.S. citizen participants must send proof, in English, of current membership in good standing from their own NF, a photocopy of their 2016 USEF membership card, or must pay the USEF Show Pass fee.
- Post entries accepted with Late Fee, if scheduling permits, or placed on wait list to fill scratches.
- Non-negotiable checks void entry and incur a \$35.00 charge. Entry will be placed on waiting list until a money order, certified check or cash is received.
- All horses entered in breeder's group class must list what group they are to be shown with (only one entry/group pays the fee).
- Trainers: Email your "Stable With" list and stall order to show sec'y at least seven days before show.
- Show office hours: Noon—7pm Friday, 7am—7pm Saturday, 7am—1 hour after show ends on Sunday.

#### NON-COMPETING HORSES:

Must submit completed and signed Entry form to the Show Secretary, show proof of current Coggins, and pay \$35 N/C Horse fee plus \$35 Office fee. Parking or stabling fees are also required. USEF/USDF fees or Late fee NOT required. No N/C fee due for N/C mare with foal.

#### MEMBERSHIP/REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS FOR GAIG/USDF QUALIFYING CLASSES

Riders must be current USDF Participating members & USEF members (Junior, Senior or Life) in good standing. Horses must be USDF registered and USEF recorded. Horses with only an HID are not eligible. Owners must be current USDF Participating or Business members & USEF members (Junior, Senior or Life) in good standing.

### HANDLERS AND ASSISTANT HANDLERS IN DSHB CLASSES:

**Handler:** Any person who holds, walks or trots a horse while it is being judged in the in the competition area or ring for any In-Hand, Group or Championship class, except as noted below.

Assistant Handler: Any person, other than Handler, who holds or walks a horse in competition arena during a class, whether or not horse is being judged at the time. An Asst. Handler is permitted only for call-backs after In-Hand or Group classes, for Championships and for handling non-competing mares/foals which accompany another entry in the competition arena. Asst Handlers may not show a horse at the trot, *(ex. for horses not being judged but accompanying a mare or foal being judged)*. If not USEF members, are exempted from the USEF Show Pass fee. All Handlers and Asst Handlers MUST sign original entry form or Handler/Assistant Handler Release (on website) prior to entering ring and MUST have wristbands.

#### **MATERIALE CLASSES**

Judged under saddle as a group at walk, trot and canter according to criteria listed on the "USDF Materiale Class" score sheet. Horses must be at least 36 months of age to participate.

#### **REFUNDS**:

No refunds after closing date or after the start of the competition for any reason, including in the event of cancellation of classes due to severe weather or other emergency. GAIG/USDF Q fees refunded if request received before start of class until end of competition (unless applied to other indebtedness); otherwise will be paid to USDF. Refunds will be made before closing date less a \$35 fee.

#### ENTRY STATUS & TIMES:

- Acknowledgement of entry showing status will be emailed (or mailed for competitors without email address) to each competitor. Include LEGIBLE email address with your entry. Please check for errors and notify the secretary immediately.
- Official times posted by noon on Friday at show office. Unofficial times posted on website approximately five days before show.

#### STABLING:

**NEW** permanent barns with **12'x12' stalls with half doors**. Half in center aisle barns; half in shed-row with 3' overhang on sides and 12' overhang on barn ends. No double stalls. Many electric outlets but bring electric cords. All electric cords must be 12-gauge, 3-wire, negative ground type. No initial bedding. Those wanting bedding at stalls upon arrival must pre-order through Sec'y at least 24 hours prior to arrival. Shavings available for purchase at show. <u>Arrival time is no earlier than 11:00 am on Friday</u>. **\$40 per night for each additional night after Sunday**. Each entry MUST include stabling or parking fee. Night security on competition grounds Friday and Saturday nights. Participants are required to complete a stall ID card, listing contact information in the event of emergency.

#### ACCOMMODATIONS:

Host hotel: **Best Western**, 791 Madison Rd, Culpeper 22701 (540) 825-1253. Ask for horse show rate of \$99.99+ tax for double and queen rooms. Must reserve EARLY to get special rate; Holiday Inn Express and Suites, 787 Madison Rd, Culpeper (540) 825-7444; Microtel Inn & Suites, 885 Willis Lane, Culpeper (540)829-0330; Comfort Inn, 890 Willis Lane, Culpeper (540) 825-4900;. On-site RV spaces include water and electric hook-up. Most RV spaces relocated to back of facility. RV spaces must be ordered on Entry Form and must be prepaid. RV Spaces are non-refundable after the closing date of entries. All RV's on the grounds will be charged a site fee according to the VA Board of Health.

#### ARENAS:

Numerous outdoor all-weather sand/bluestone/fiber or sand/bluestone rings of various sizes used for dressage and DSHB competition, warmup and lungeing. All dressage classes in 20 x 60 meter arenas inside enclosed rings. Lungeing permitted only in designated rings. All dressage competition rings and warmups are enclosed in perimeter fencing. <u>DSHB warmup/competition ring separate from Dressage competition and warmup rings</u>. Sand/bluestone/fiber footing in Grand Prix ring in several dressage and warmup rings.

#### **DIRECTIONS:**

HITS Commonwealth Park is located just off of Route 522, 4 miles south of the intersection with Rte 3. **From the North (Warrenton):** US Hwy 15/29 south to the exit for US Rte 522/VA Rte 3 West, towards Fredericksburg. Turn Left off the ramp, less than 1/8 mile to a right at the light onto Rte 522 south. Commonwealth Park is about 4 miles on the left. **From the South (Charlottesville):** Take US Hwy 29 north to the exit for US Rte 522/VA Rte 3 West, towards Fredericksburg. Turn right off the ramp, take the next right at the light onto Rte 522 south. Commonwealth Park is about 4 miles on the left. **From the South (Charlottesville):** Take US Hwy 29 north to the exit for US Rte 522/VA Rte 3 West, towards Fredericksburg. Turn right off the ramp, take the next right at the light onto Rte 522 south. Commonwealth Park is about 4 miles on the left. **From the East (Fredericksburg):** Take VA Rte 3 west towards Culpeper. Turn left at the light on US Rte 522 south. Commonwealth Park is about 4 miles on the left.

#### PRO-AM TEAM CHALLENGE:

• One Professional plus two - three Adult Amateurs, Juniors and/or Young Riders make up a Pro-Am Team. Any level may be ridden; levels may be combined. The three highest scores will be averaged to find the Team Score from the Saturday rides of all Team Members. (Intro, MFS, Materiale, Young Horse Tests, Rider tests and DSE scores will not be included.) Team members (Professionals, Amateurs, Juniors and Young Riders) are considered as a horse/rider combination – if a rider has more than one horse entered in the competition, he/she may ride on more than one team – each team must have unique horse/rider combinations.

• Awards: Special prizes for all members of 1st through 3rd placing Teams. All team members should be present at the Awards Ceremony to receive prizes. Ceremony will take place at competitors' party immediately after show on Saturday afternoon.

• Entries: No GMO memberships required and NO EXTRA FEES! Teams must be named with all team members indicated by 10:00 am Saturday. Competitors must sign up in show office.

#### **VENDORS**

Must submit application to Manager. For vendor application go to <u>www.rosinburg-events.com</u>. Outdoor space only. Must provide trailer or tent.

#### HOSPITALITY:

Food on grounds (from start until end of classes) during show. Competitor's party after show on Saturday. Hot beverages and muffins each morning. **ABSOLUTELY NO** cooking in the Stable area!!

#### OTHER:

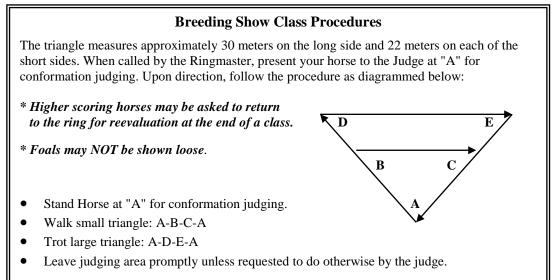
- Management reserves the right to add, combine or divide classes, add or substitute judges, or make any changes required by circumstances.
- If a competitor NO SHOWS their first class of the day, they may be considered a SCRATCH for the remainder of the day at show management's discretion.
- DOGS MUST BE ON LEASHES or otherwise restrained AT ALL TIMES WHILE ON SHOW GROUNDS (INCUDING IN STABLE AREAS). Owner may be fined. Individuals must not lead dogs on a leash while mounted. Dog owners are solely responsible for any damages, claims, losses or actions resulting from their dogs' behaviors. All pets must be leashed. Dog owners failing to comply will be issued a Yellow warning card and non-compliance may result in further USEF penalties.
- If ponies are entered in FEI Pony Test(s) or Pony TOC class, or wish to be eligible for dressage or DSHB pony awards, and are in need of a USEF measurement card, an appointment for measuring MUST be made with management <u>at least five days</u> prior to the show. The official measurement session will be scheduled on Friday, June 17. Owners of ponies needing measurement will be charged a fee not to exceed \$100 to cover the fee charged by the official veterinarian.
- All emergency numbers will be posted in/outside the Secretary's office and in the barns.
- Veterinarian and farrier will be on call. EMT on grounds.
- Riders may substitute horses once they have entered only upon presentation of a Vet Certificate for the incapacitated horse, or a bill-of-sale, and only in classes in which the first horse was entered. The Secretary must be notified 24 hours before the class(es) take(s) place, and a new entry form must be completed.
- Anyone bringing non-competing horses must supply, prior to Closing Date, a current Coggins and a signed entry form before entering the show grounds.
- Numbers must be worn at all times when a horse is being exercised or ridden.
- Bridles MANDATORY on horses age two and over (USEF DR206.2)
- In accordance with GR1301.7: Minors who do not have a valid driver's license which allows them to operate a motorized vehicle in the state in which they reside will not be permitted to operate a motorized vehicle of any kind, including, but not limited to, golf carts, motorcycles, scooters, or farm utility vehicles, on the competition grounds of licensed competitions. Minors who have a valid temporary license may operate the above described motorized vehicles as long as they are accompanied by an adult with a valid driver's license. The parent(s), legal guardian(s), or individual who signs the entry blank as a parent or guardian of a minor operating a motorized vehicle in violation of this rule are solely responsible for any damages, claims, losses or actions resulting from that operation. Violations of this rule will be cause for sanctions against the parent(s), guardian(s) and/or trainer(s) who are responsible for the child committing the offense. Penalties may include exclusion of the child, parent(s), guardian(s), and/or trainer(s) from the competition grounds for the remainder of the competition and charges being filed against any of the above individuals in accordance with Chapter 6. Wheelchairs and other mobility assistance devices for individuals with disabilities are exempt from this rule.
- Sharps containers are located in the barns. Per USEF rules, 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. Medical waste must NOT be discarded in stalls, manure pits, garbage cans or on the ground.
- All owners and competitors are personally responsible for damages to third parties caused by themselves, their employees, their agents, or their horses. They are therefore strongly advised to take out third-party insurance providing full coverage for participation in equestrian events.
- For current Great American/USDF Championship requirements, go to
- www.usdf.org/competitions/competitions-championships/regionals/index.asp
- For current CBLM Championship requirements, go to <u>www.cblm.org</u>
- For Dover Medal Program information, go to <u>www.usdf.org/awards/performance/adultmedalprogram.asp</u>
- Golf Carts: Available for rent through Virginia Golf Cars (888) 853-7746 or (540) 433-7881 or complete rental form online: <u>www.vagolfcars.com</u>. Must reserve by Tuesday June 9, 2016.
- New USEF rule, effective 12.1.15: Horses entering the grounds must be accompanied by documentation of Equine Influenza Virus and Equine Herpes Virus (Rhinopneumonitis) vaccinations within 6 months prior to entering the stables. Horses not in compliance with this rule may be required to leave the grounds upon request by Competition Management. (See GR845)

#### **ATTENTION COMPETITORS**

Each competitor is responsible for supplying management with correct association numbers (USDF, 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.

### USEF Membership Statement (GR901.9)

Life, senior active and junior active members shall be eligible to participate in all classes at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions at the Preliminary Level or above and Combined Driving Competitions at the Advanced Level, Dressage, Reining and Vaulting Competitions and Endurance Rides. A nonmember may participate as a handler, rider, driver, owner, lessee, agent, coach or trainer at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions, Dressage Competitions, Reining Competitions and Combined Driving Competitions upon payment of a \$30 Show Pass fee. Participants in the following classes are exempted from the Requirements of this rule: 1) leadline; 2) exhibitions; 3) games and races; 4) classes for 4-H members; 5) walk trot and academy classes (academy classes are classes limited to horses used regularly in a lesson program); 6) USDF introductory level tests, pas de deux and quadrille classes; 7) NRHA Endorsed Reining Competitions. 8) Opportunity classes, 9) citizens of other nations who have proof, in English, of current membership in good standing of their own National Federation, 10) USEA beginner novice division; and 11) assistant handlers in Dressage Sport Horse Breeding classes.



## U.S. Equestrian Federation, Inc. Entry Agreement

By entering a Federation-licensed Competition and signing this entry blank as the Owner, Lessee, Trainer, Manager, Agent, Coach, Driver, Rider, Handler, Vaulter or Longeur and on behalf of myself and my principals, representatives, employees and agents, I agree that I am subject to the Bylaws and Rules of The United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. (the "Federation") and the local rules of the competition.

I agree to be bound by the Bylaws and Rules of the Federation and of the competition. I will accept as final the decision of the Hearing Committee on any question arising under the Rules, and agree to release and hold harmless the competition, the Federation, their officials, directors and employees for any action taken under the Rules.

I represent that I am eligible to enter and/or participate under the Rules, and every horse I am entering is eligible as entered.

I also agree that as a condition of and in consideration of acceptance of entry, the Federation and/or the Competition may use or assign photographs, videos, audios, cable -casts, broadcasts, internet, film, new media or other likenesses of me and my horse taken during the course of the competition for the promotion, coverage or benefit of the competition, sport, or the Federation. Those likenesses shall not be used to advertise a product and they may not be used in such a way as to jeopardize amateur status. I hereby expressly and irrevocably waive and release any rights in connection with such use, including any claim to compensation, invasion of privacy, right of publicity, or to misappropriation.

The construction and application of Federation rules are governed by the laws of the State of New York, and any action instituted against the Federation must be filed in New York State. See GR908.4.

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

#### **ONLINE ENTRIES:**

Go to <u>www.rosinburg-events.com</u> to enter online via horseshowoffice.com and pay using PayPal or electronic check. Select the classes you wish to enter, GAIG/USDF qualifying fees and stabling and total your fees. You can either make secure payment through Paypal, or electronic check, or print the entry form and mail with your paper check. Either scan your Coggins and signature page and upload directly to horseshowoffice.com or send via email to the Secretary, or present your Coggins and sign entries upon arrival at the show. [Rosinburg Events, LLC covers all PayPal, credit card, electronic check, and online entry system fees.] THERE ARE NO EXTRA FEES TO COMPETITORS FOR USING THIS SYSTEM.

#### ATTENTION COMPETITORS – HEADGEAR RULE FOR DRESSAGE

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

NOTICE TO COMPETITORS: Individuals utilizing the online entry system for this competition do so with the agreement that they have read the OFFICIAL PRIZE LIST and agree to follow all the class specifications, requirements and conditions in the OFFICIAL PRIZE LIST.

Waiving Jackets before Competition and Modified Dress Code when Jackets are Waived In locations with high average heat and humidity on the date of a competition, management can publish in their prize list that jackets will be waived for the duration of the competition. This waiver applies to all classes including FEI classes at National Competitions. However, competitors must wear protective headgear and a shirt with sleeves and collar, without neckwear, and without decoration except as described under DR120.14. T-shirts are not permitted. Members of the Armed Services or police units may wear summer uniforms. USEF DR120.8. ACCORDINGLY, JACKETS WILL BE WAIVED FOR THE ENTIRE VSD COMPETITION.

#### Modified Dress Code for Riders in Opportunity Classes

Riders in classes and tests at all levels in Level 1 Competitions, and riders in Opportunity classes in Level 2 and Level 3 Competitions, may compete wearing breeches and shirts of any color as permitted in DR120.8. Jackets or vests of any type are allowed but not required and neckwear may be worn only if the rider chooses to compete in a riding jacket. Boots and protective headgear are required as specified in DR120.1-6. USEF DR120.5

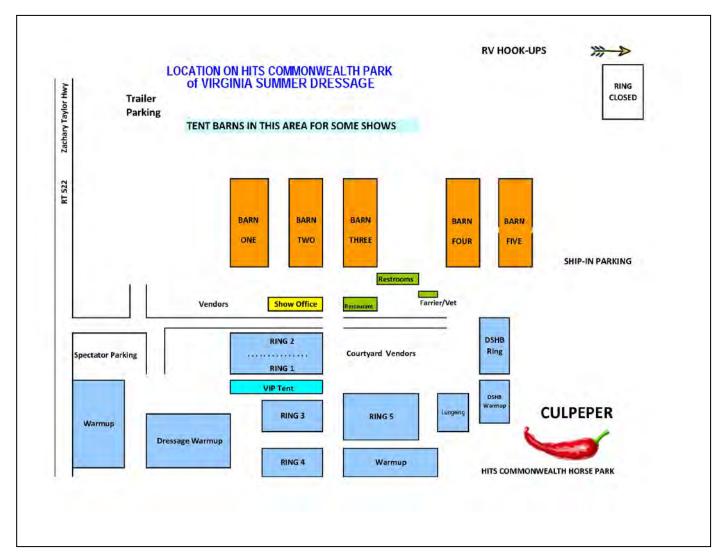
### NEW USEF RULE: Fly Hoods now permitted for all classes (indoor and outdoor)

Fly hoods (ear covers) are permitted for all classes in order to protect horses from insects. The fly hoods should be discreet in color and design and should not cover the horse's eyes. After completion of the test, the rider or his representative is responsible for removing the fly hood to present o the designated ring steward for inspection to ensure that nothing prohibited has been added (for example, ear plugs. USEF DR121.7

Under Virginia law, an equine activity sponsor or equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting exclusively from the inherent risks of equine activities. CODE OF VIRGINIA TITLE 3.1. AGRICULTURE, HORTICULTURE AND FOOD, CHAPTER 27.5. EQUINE ACTIVITY LIABILITY ACT, Va. Code Ann. § 3.1-796.130 (1994)

### Important USEF rule changes for DSHB classes in 2016:

- No handler or assistant handler under age fourteen is permitted to handle two or three year old colts, or stallions of any age.
- No rider under age fourteen is permitted to ride a three-year old colt, or stallion of any age, in any under saddle class including Dressage Sport Horse Prospect Under Saddle, Materiale and Suitability classes.
- Handlers, assistant handlers and whip assistants <u>of any age</u> must wear protective headgear as defined by this rule and otherwise in compliance with GR801 while handling or assisting in the competition ring. Any handler or assistant violating this rule at any time must immediately be prohibited from further participation until such headgear is properly in place.





### Thoroughbred Incentive Program Awards

**Eligibility** – Only Thoroughbreds that have been registered with The Jockey Club or a foreign Thoroughbred stud book recognized by The Jockey Club are eligible to participate in T.I.P. classes and awards. Riders and owners should obtain a T.I.P. number for all horse/rider combinations. T.I.P. number applications are done online at <u>www.tjctip.com</u>. **T.I.P. numbers must be provided to the horse show**.



## 2016 Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Dressage Championships

A single Regional Dressage Championship program organized by the United States Dressage Federation (USDF), and recognized by the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. (USEF), will be held in each of the nine USDF regions. In addition, Alaska and Hawaii may each hold state championships if an official request from a Group Member Organization (GMO) is received by April 1 of the prior year. The Regional Championship Program Rules can be found on the USDF website at <u>www.usdf.org</u>. Please refer to the 2016 USDF Member Guide for the comprehensive list of rules and requirements for this program.

#### Membership/Registration Requirements for Qualifying and Championships

Rider:

- Must have a USDF Participating\* Membership (PM) at the time qualifying scores are earned and at the time of the championships.
- Must have a USEF membership (Junior Active, Senior Active, or Life) at the time the qualifying scores are earned and at the time of the championships.

Horse:

- Must have a USDF Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR) at the time qualifying scores are earned and at the time of the championships.
- Must have a USEF (Annual or Lifetime) Membership recorded at the time qualifying scores are earned and at the time of the championships.
- USDF horse registration and USEF horse/recording must be in the name(s) of the current owner(s) or lessee(s) of record.
- A horse is not required to have breed registry papers.

Owner:

- Must have a USDF membership (PM\* or Business Member (BM)) at the time the qualifying scores are earned and at the time of the championships.
- Must have a USEF membership (Junior Active, Senior Active, or Life) at the time qualifying scores are earned and at the time of the championships.
- \* 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 levels through Grand Prix, in three divisions: open, adult amateur and junior/young rider. FEI Junior and FEI Young Rider classes have only one respective division. Freestyles have only open divisions.

The minimum percentages are as follows:

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

## 2016 USDF/Dover Saddlery Adult Amateur Medal Program

The USDF/Dover Saddlery Adult Amateur Medal Program is designed to specifically recognize and encourage adult amateurs riding at Second Level.

#### Awards

1. USDF/Dover Saddlery Medal Recipient

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

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

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

### Rider Eligibility

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

Owner & Horse Eligibility

1. Horse and owner must meet minimum competition eligibility requirements at the time scores are earned.

Additional Information

For additional information and an updated list of competitions offering the USDF/Dover Saddlery Adult Amateur Medal Program, please visit

http://www.usdf.org/awards/performance/adultmedalprogram.asp.

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**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.

This competition is recognized by USDF for 2016

## <u>Membership Requirements for USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized Competitions:</u> Owners and riders, including foreign riders and owners who are not residents of the US, wishing to participate in a USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competition as a rider or

owner/lessee, must have either a USDF Group Membership (GM), Participating Membership (PM), or have a USDF Non-Member (NM) identification number and pay the USDF Non-Member (NM) fee. (Note: USDF Business Members can own horses but cannot compete as riders with their USDF Business Membership.) Individuals cannot compete at a USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competition with a USDF Education Membership.

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

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

#### Exceptions:

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

#### **Memberships Defined**

Participating Membership (PM): A membership issued to an individual directly by USDF. The membership year is December 1 through November 30. PMs are available for 1-year (\$75), 5-years (\$300), or life (\$1,500). A USDF Youth Participating Membership (YPM) is available for individuals who have not reached their 21<sup>st</sup> birthday by December 1 of the current membership year (\$60). A PM allows the member to compete at USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competitions and to participate as a rider and/or owner/lessee for all Adequan®/USDF Year-End Awards, Great American Insurance Group/USDF Breeders Championship Series Finals and the Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Dressage Championship program.

Group Membership (GM): A membership issued to an individual by USDF when the member name and dues are submitted to USDF through an affiliate Group Member Organization (GMO). The GM year begins December 1 and ends November 30. A GM allows the member to compete at USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competitions and participate in the USDF Rider Awards program.

Business Membership (BM): A membership that runs December 1 through November 30 and is issued to a business or organization directly by USDF. The USDF BM (\$200) offers a wider variety of advertising benefits. BMs satisfy requirements of horse ownership only.

Education Membership (EM): A membership issued to an individual directly by USDF. This online education only membership expires 12 months after the date joined. This membership type does NOT allow an individual to compete at a USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competition.

Non-Member (NM) Identification Number: For each USDF NM owner/lessee and USDF NM rider there will be a USDF NM fee of \$25 per competition that must be collected by the show secretary and submitted to USDF, along with the USDF Report of Fees document and the \$5 affidavit fee and Competition Affidavit Form if the person cannot provide a copy of their USDF NM card. Owners/lessees or riders exempt from the NM number requirements are also exempt from paying the USDF NM fee. If there are multiple owners of a horse and all are NMs, only one of the owners must pay the NM fee. If the horse has at least one owner who is a current USDF PM, GM, or BM there is no NM fee assessed. Competition management will be invoiced for all applicable USDF NM fees not received with the USDF post competition paperwork, along with a report listing all USDF NMs. Competition management is then required to submit the NM fees within 30 days to the USDF. An individual with a USDF NM identification number is not eligible for any USDF membership benefits. Once a USDF NM number has been assigned, a USDF NM card can be obtained from the USDF website.

Horse Identification (HID) Number: A one-time tracking number for horses (\$25). Scores earned by a horse with an HID number will be recorded, but will NOT be counted towards Adequan<sup>®</sup>/USDF Year-End Awards. A horse with an HID number is not eligible to compete in Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional qualifying or championship classes or Great American Insurance Group/USDF Breeders Championship Series Finals. An HID number can be upgraded to a Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR) for a fee of \$70. If a horse has a USDF LHR it does not need an HID number. An HID number is a one-time fee that does not need to be renewed.

Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR): A horse with an LHR (\$95) is eligible for Adequan<sup>®</sup>/USDF Year-End Awards, and eligible to compete at Great American Insurance Group/USDF Breeders Championship Series Finals and Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional qualifying and championship classes, assuming requirements for the owner and rider are met. If a horse has an LHR it does not need an HID number. An LHR does not need to be renewed.

#### How to Join USDF

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

- On the USDF website: www.usdf.org. You can submit the application online or download the form and fax or mail it to the USDF office.
- In the show office at USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competitions classified by USEF as Dressage Competitions, and Regular Competitions which are open to all breeds.
- By calling or writing the USDF office at (859) 971-2277, 4051 Iron Works Parkway, Lexington, KY 40511

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

## **USDF Statement on Animal Welfare**

The United States Dressage Federation, Inc. (USDF), a federation of over 120 independent organizations throughout the United States with a membership of 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 4051 Iron Works Parkway, Lexington, KY 40511 Phone: 859-971-2277, Fax: 859-971-7722, usdressage@usdf.org, www.usdf.org

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

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

adjudicating this class has not previously judged all of the horses in this class, conformation must also be reevaluated on every horse.

4. Each qualifying event must offer a current year filly class, a separate current year colt/gelding class and a current year foal championship class. This current year foal championship class is a USDFBC series qualifying class. This class must be held and judged (i.e. re-evaluated at the walk and the trot, and possibly the conformation) in accordance with USEF DR210.5.

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

#### Current Year Foal Championship:

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

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

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

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

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

Yearling Fillies	Yearling Colts/Geldings
Two-year-old Fillies	Two-year-old Colts/Geldings
Three-year-old Fillies	Three-year-old Colts/Geldings

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

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

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

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

#### Mare Championship:

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

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

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

#### Stallion Championship:

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

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

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

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

77.00 percent or better in its age/sex class will be qualified and eligible to compete in the breeders series final.

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

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

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

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

#### MATERIALE CHAMPIONSHIPS

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

#### AWARD CEREMONIES

#### A. Requirements

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

should be provided with a complimentary copy of the competition program and be given free admission to the event.

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

#### COMPETITION MANAGEMENT

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

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

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

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

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

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

#### C. PRIZES

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

#### D. RULES REGARDING CONTRACTS AND RECOGNITION

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

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

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

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

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**US Equestrian Federation, Inc. Entry Agreement** I have read the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. (the "Federation") Entry Agreement (GR906.4) as printed in the Prize List for [insert name here] ("Competition") and agree to all of its provisions. I understand and agree that by entering this Competition, I am subject to Federation Rules, the Prize List, and local rules of the competition. I agree to waive the right to the use of my photos from the competition, and agree that any actions against the Federation must be brought in New York State.

Federation Release, Assumption of Risk, Waiver and Indemnification This document waives important legal rights. Read it carefully before signing. I AGREE in consideration for my participation in this Competition to the following: I AGREE that "the Federation" and "Competition" as used herein includes the Licensee and Competition Management, as well as all of their officials, officers, directors, employees, agents, personnel, volunteers and Federation affiliates. I AGREE that I choose to participate voluntarily in the Competition with my horse, as a rider, driver, handler, vaulter, longeur, lessee, owner, agent, coach, trainer, or as parent or guardian of a junior exhibitor. I am fully aware and acknowledge that horse sports and the Competition involve inherent dangerous risks of accident, loss, and serious bodily injury including broken bones, head injuries, trauma, pain, suffering, or death. ("Harm"). I AGREE to hold harmless and release the Federation and the Competition from all claims for money damages or otherwise for any Harm to me or my horse and for any Harm of any nature caused by me or my horse to others, even if the Harm arises or results, directly or indirectly, from the negligence of the Federation or the Competition. I AGREE to expressly assume all risks of Harm to me or my horse, including Harm resulting from the negligence of the Federation or the Competition. I AGREE to indemnify (that is, to pay any losses, damages, or costs incurred by) the Federation and the Competition and to hold them harmless with respect to claims for Harm to me or my horse, and for claims made by others for any Harm caused by me or my horse while at the Competition. I have read the Federation Rules about protective equipment, including GR801 and, if applicable, EV114, and I understand that I am entitled to wear protective equipment without penalty, and I acknowledge that the Federation strongly encourages me to do so while WARNING that no protective equipment can guard against all injuries. If I am a parent or guardian of a junior exhibitor, I consent to the child's participation and AGREE to all of the above provisions and AGREE to assume all of the obligations of this Release on the child's behalf. I represent that I have the requisite training, coaching and abilities to safely compete in this competition. I AGREE that if I am injured at this competition, the medical personnel treating my injuries may provide information on my injury and treatment to the Federation on the official USEF accident/injury report form. BY SIGNING BELOW, I AGREE to be bound by all applicable Federation Rules and all terms and provisions of this entry blank and all terms and provisions of this Prize List. If I am signing and submitting this Agreement electronically, I acknowledge that my electronic signature shall have the same validity, force and effect as if I affixed my signature by my own hand. BOD 1/23/11 Effective 12/1/11

*RIDER/HANDLER (mandatory) *OWNER / AGENT (mandatory)					mandatory	/)	COACH (If applicable)						
Signature:	Si	Signature: Si			Signature (n	nust be 18 or	older):		Signature:				
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Signature:	Pr	int:								YES		NO	
* No entry is valid with	nout orig	inal signa	tures from	the above	e individua	als; Photo	copied si	gnatures o	r writing	g "same" are	NOT a	cceptable.	
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Contact NAME and NUMBER for Rider Emergency:       /         //       //         Name of Lodgings Where Rider or Responsible Party       Hotel Number at the Competition         Will be Staying During the Competition       (For Emergency Contact Purposes)							Before Mailing, Be Sure You Have: Completed Both Sides of Entry Form All Original Required Signatures Enclosed a Copy of the Current Negative Coggins (EIA) Certificate (Re to Show Specifications for Date Validity						
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