



# Dressage at Stone Tavern I & II

626 Route 524, Allentown, NJ 08501  
September 8 & 9, USEF/USDF #329354 – Level #3  
September 10, USEF/USDF #315027 – Level #3



## Official Qualifying Competition for:

2023 Col. Bengt Ljungquist Memorial Championship (BLM) Qualifying Competition  
2023 Great American Insurance Group/USDF Qualifying Competition  
2024 FEI North American Youth Championships ♣ 2024 USEF Children Dressage  
National Championship ♣ 2024 USEF Pony Rider Dressage National Championship ♣  
2024 USEF Junior and Young Rider Dressage National Championships ♣ 2024 USEF  
Young Adult Brentina Cup Dressage National Championship ♣ 2024 USEF  
Intermediaire I Dressage National Championship ♣ 2024 USEF Grand Prix Dressage  
National Championship ♣ 2024 USEF Para Dressage National Championship

**SHOW DATES**  
September 8 – 10, 2023

**OPENING DATE**  
July 26, 2023

**CLOSING DATE**  
August 28, 2023

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**SHOW Licensee:**

Horse Park of NJ  
[www.horseparkofnewjersey.com](http://www.horseparkofnewjersey.com)

**ONLINE ENTRIES ONLY:**

[www.horseshowoffice.com](http://www.horseshowoffice.com)

**VET:**

Foundation Equine – on call  
609-291-0535

**FARRIER:**

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732-685-1509

**STABLE MANAGER:**

TBA

**TD:** TBA

**DAST JUDGES:** Marilyn Payne, S, NJ, Kem Barbosa, S, NJ, Barbara Ebner, S, NJ,  
additional judges TBA

### DRESSAGE AT STONE TAVERN CLASS LIST

Every class offered herein which is covered by the rules and specifications of the current USEF Rule Book will be conducted and judged in accordance therewith. USEF tests, Current editions.

Class number Fri/Sat/Sun	Class Name	Class Number Fri/Sat/Sun	Class Name
101/201/301	Training Level Test 1	102/202/203	Training Level Test 2/BLM
103/203/303	Training Level Test 3 GAIG/USDF Q	111/211/311	First Level Test 1
112/212/312	First Level Test 2 BLM Q	113/213/313	First Level Test 3 GAIG/USDF Q
121/221/321	Second Level Test 1	122/222/312	Second Level Test 2 BLM Q
123/223/323	Second Level Test 3 GAIG/USDF Q	131/231/331	Third Level Test 1
132/232/332	Third Level Test 2 BLM Q	133/233/333	Third Level Test 3 GAIG/USDF Q
141/241/341	Fourth Level Test 1	142/242/342	Fourth Level Test 2 BLM Q
143/243/343	Fourth Level Test 3 GAIG/USDF Q	150/250/350	FEI Prix St. Georges GAIG/USDF/BLM Q
151/251/351	FEI Intermediate I GAIG/USDF/BLM Q	152/252/352	FEI Intermediate II GAIG/USDF/BLM Q
153/253/343	FEI Grand Prix GAIG/USDF/BLM Q	154/254/354	FEI Test of Choice
155/255/355	USEF Test of Choice GAIG/USDF/BLM Q	156/256/356	Para Equestrian Test of Choice
157/257/357	USDF Musical Freestyle Test of Choice GAIG/USDF BLM Q	158/258/358	FEI Musical Freestyle Test of Choice GAIG/USDF/BLM Q
159/259/359	USDF Pas de Deux	160	FEI Pony Team Test USEF Q
260	FEI Pony Individual Test USEF Q	260-F	FEI Pony Freestyle USEF Q
161	FEI Children Team Test USEF Q	261	FEI Children Individual Test USEF Q
162	FEI Junior Team Test USEF/GAIG/USDF Q	262	FEI Junior Individual Test USEF Q
262-F	FEI Junior Freestyle USEF Q	163	FEI Young Rider Team Test USEF/GAIG/USDF Q
263	FEI Young Rider Individual Test USEF Q	263-F	FEI Young Rider Freestyle USEF Q
164	FEI Young Adult Brentina Cup Intermediate II Test USEF/GAIG/USDF Q	264	FEI Young Adult Bentina Cup Grand Prix 16-25 Test USEF Q
165	FEI Prix St Georges (USEF I-I Q) GAIG/USDF/BLM Q	265	FEI Intermediate I Test (USEF I-I Q) GAIG/USDF/BLM Q
166	FEI Grand Prix USEF/GAIG/USDF/BLM Q	266	FEI Grand Prix Special USEF/GAIG/USDF/BLM Q
167	FEI Para Dressage Team Test of Choice USEF Q	267	FEI Para Dressage Individual Test of Choice USEF Q
168/268/368	Materiale 3/4/5 year old fillies/mares	169/269/369	Materiale 3/4/5 year old colts/geldings/stallions
170/270/370	Young Horse Test of Choice (not including 7 year old)	171/271/371	Young Horse 7 Year Old Test of Choice
172/272/273	Quadrille	101-OP/201-OP/301-OP	Training Level Test 1 Opportunity
103-OP/203-OP/303-OP	Training Level Test 3 Opportunity	1A/2A/3A	Introductory Level Test A
1B/2B/3B	Introductory Level Test B	1C/2C/3C	Introductory Level Test C
173/273/373	Dressage Seat Equitation		

#### Opportunity Classes offered\*

Management reserves the right to split, cancel, or combine classes. **GAIG classes are 2023:** If entering as Great American/USDF Qualifying, please indicate on your entry form your rider status and include the \$15 Qualifying fee.

## Entry Fees

### **REQUIRED FEES-All entries should include these fees**

#### **Class Fees:**

Training thru Fourth Level	\$45
FEI Level Classes	\$55
USDF Musical Freestyles	\$55
FEI Musical Freestyles; Pas de Deux	\$60
Dressage Seat Equitation	\$40
Introductory Level Classes and Opportunity	\$40
Double Judged Classes (USEF Q)	\$110
Federation Fee: (\$15 drug fee & \$8 USEF fee)	\$23/horse
Office Fee (Non-Refundable)	\$40/entry(\$60 if entered in DAST I & II, credited on DASTII entry)

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#### **Additional Fees:**

GAIG/USDF Qualifying – additional per class	\$15/class
USDF Non-Member Fee	\$35
USDF Horse ID	\$35
Secretary Verification of Documents ( <b>ONLY</b> applied if entry is incomplete)	\$15
Class Change, if granted by show secretary	\$10 per change
Non-competing Horse Fee (in addition to office fee)	\$45
<b>Post Entry Surcharge:</b>	<b>\$30</b>
(Applies to all entries <b>RECEIVED</b> after the closing date)	
Stabling/Tack Stall for entire weekend (arrive Fri depart Sun)	\$135
Stabling/Tack Stall - day stall (must depart by 8 pm)	\$50
Shavings pre-ordered	\$12/bag
Shavings on-site	\$12/bag
Haul-in Fee (non-stabled horses)	\$16.50/day
Camper hook-up	\$45

**ENTRIES: Online entries only** through [horseshowoffice.com](http://horseshowoffice.com). **Payment in US currency only.** Entries must be **received** by the closing date or **\$30 late fee is applied**. Incomplete entries may be returned. A copy of negative Coggins test dated within 12 months of show date; proof of vaccination per GR 845 should be uploaded via the link provided in your entry confirmation. Emergency number must be included. *A \$10 fee will be assessed for secretary printing missing or incorrect information.* **No refunds after closing date or for “acts of god” which require management to cancel classes or day(s) of competition.**

**TIMES:** Times will be emailed to [competitor](mailto:competitor) and listed on the website [www.horseparkofnewjersey.com](http://www.horseparkofnewjersey.com) and at [Horseshowoffice.com](http://Horseshowoffice.com). Official times will available at noon the day before the show. All change requests must be made in writing by 4:00PM the Thursday prior to the show.

**AWARDS:** Award and ribbons 1-6 awarded each division (min 3 entries) Champion award and Reserve Champion ribbon per level.

**HAZARDOUS WEATHER/ACT OF GOD/ ACCIDENT POLICY:** Management reserves the right to cancel any classes due to hazardous weather, Acts of God, accident or emergency. Every effort will be made to reschedule with priority given to

any qualifying classes being offered. No refunds for cancellations due to hazardous weather, Acts of God, accidents, pandemics, or emergencies.

**SCHEDULE:** In order to provide the best temperatures and footing, the highest level tests will be run first thing in the morning. Following those, Introductory through Fourth level will be run in the order that provides the best opportunity for success for the competitors.

**SCORES:** It is the responsibility of the competitor to verify the accuracy of all scores. Scoring errors must be reported to the Show Secretary within one hour of the official posting of the scores from the last class of the show day during which the score was earned.

**STABLING:** 10' x 10' temporary stalls, stall door provided. See the above fee schedule for information. Day stalls must be vacated by 8 pm same day of use; must purchase full weekend stabling to stable overnight. Please indicate stabling concerns on entry form.

**FOOTING:** Standard outdoor competition rings (sand/screenings mixture); indoor ring is sand. Separate ring for lunging. Warm-ups may be divided to increase social distancing.

**FREESTYLES/MUSIC:** Except for USEF/USDF Championship classes and for FEI Pony Riders, FEI Junior, FEI Young Rider, and FEI Para-Equestrian Freestyles, in order to enter a freestyle class at any level, a Horse/rider combination must have received a minimum score of **63% for Training through Fourth levels and 60% for FEI levels in the highest test of the declared freestyle level or any test of a higher level at a USEF/USDF licensed Dressage Competition**, Federation Licensed or FEI recognized Dressage Competition, or "open" Dressage class (i.e. open to all breeds) at a Federation Licensed Competition held prior to the competition where the horse/rider combination is entered to ride a freestyle class. Music for all freestyles must be in a MP3 file format and uploaded to the link provided in the entry confirmation. Sound checks will be done on breaks prior to scheduled times.

**OPPORTUNITY CLASSES/INTRO TESTS:** Opportunity classes are intended for entry level riders. Horses and riders entered only in "Opportunity" classes and Introductory tests are exempt from USEF and USDF membership requirements, and do not have to pay non-members (Show Pass) or HID fees. Federation and drug fees do not apply. Horses entered only in these classes are still subject to and must comply with the Drugs and Medications rules and are subject to drug testing. Riders and/or horses entered in "Opportunity" classes may not cross enter into other recognized classes at the show without membership or payment of non-member fees. Participants must abide by all USEF regulations to attire, tack, and equipment for the recognized show. Reference GR821 for additional information.

**PONY MEASUREMENT:** Pony measurements may be conducted Saturday morning. Fee is \$100 plus paid directly to the vet. Measurement requests must be received by the entry closing date. If an alternative measurement time is necessary, management must receive a written request from the owner or agent at least five days prior to the start of competition.

**ACCOMODATIONS:** Hampton Inn 609-426-1600, ask for Special Horse Park of NJ rate. See [horseparkofnewjersey.com](http://horseparkofnewjersey.com) for others.

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICES:** Contact numbers posted the day of the show in the secretary stand. An EMT/Med Tech will be on grounds. Vet and Farrier will be on call.

**DIRECTIONS:** 626 Route 524, Allentown, NJ 08501, Take I-95 to Exit 11, follow signs for Horse Park of NJ.

**OTHER:** At least one food truck will be present at the show.

If you must bring your dog, it MUST be leashed on a non-retractable leash at all times.

### **ATTENTION COMPETITORS**

Each competitor is responsible for supplying management with correct applicable numbers (USDF and USEF) for horse, owner, rider, and trainer before the day(s) of the competition. The scores of competitors who fail to supply correct numbers may not be counted toward national awards. **Important Entry Information Requirements:** Safe Sport Training must have been completed for USEF membership to be valid. All entries must include copies of all memberships for horse, owner, rider and trainer listed on entry form. SAFE SPORT TRAINING is required for all riders, owners and trainers within 30 days of membership. If Safe Sport Training has not been completed within 30 days of membership, entries will not be accepted until proof of completion is provided. If membership is renewed during show, Safe Sport Training must be completed within 30 days or results will be nullified. Senior members that are ineligible at the start of the show must complete Safe Sport and present their certificate prior to competing to be eligible to compete and for their points to count. The scores of competitors who fail to supply correct numbers may not be counted toward national awards. Reminder: All USEF Life and Senior Active members, as well as participants who have regular contact with minor athletes, are required to comply with the U.S. Center for SafeSport training requirement to be eligible to participate in the competition. All participants must adhere to the U.S. Center for SafeSport Code, USEF Safe Sport Policy, and the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies. More information about these can be found at [www.usef.org](http://www.usef.org).

### **IMPORTANT VACCINATION REQUIREMENTS**

**HPNJ in compliance with GR 844 will require proof of Equine Influenza Virus and Equine Herpes Virus vaccination for all horses entering the show grounds prior to unloading the horse.**

Sharps Containers: Show management will provide one sharps container per 50 stabled horses, per USEF rule 1211.5. 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.

*USEF rules go into effect upon arrival at the show grounds. Per DR120.1-6 PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES WHEN MOUNTED. Bridle numbers must be worn at all times when a horse is out of stall or trailer.*

*HOLD HARMLESS CLAUSE: Understanding that horse sports may be hazardous and dangerous, even leading to permanent injury or death, each owner, rider, spectator, and other participant assumes any and all risk of loss or injury and agrees to hold harmless, regardless of negligent acts or omissions The Horse Park of New Jersey, the show management, show committee, and all horse show personnel.*

SHOW PASS FEE: Effective 12/1/2013, a non-member who wishes to participate in a USEF competition must pay a Show Pass fee in lieu of a USEF non-member fee. Please see GR 205 for additional information.

## Some Fun

### HPNJ End of Season Showdown

Riders competing in the following classes and indicating their desire to be considered for the HPNJ End of Season Showdown, \$25 fee per horse and rider combination, will be in the running to receive the title of HPNJ Showdown Champion or Reserve Champion an additional ribbon and prize money. At the conclusion of the last class in the series.

#### Training Level

101, 202, 303 (Opportunity classes not included)

#### First Level

111, 212, 313

#### Second Level

121, 222, 323

#### Third Level

131, 232, 333

#### Fourth Level

141, 242, 243

#### FEI

Any combination of non-Freestyle FEI tests equaling 1 test each day

Prize Money will be the total amount of showdown fees collected for your level split with the Champion receiving 60% and the reserve receiving 40%.

i.e. 4 people in your level paid the \$25 to be in the showdown so the total prize money for your level is \$100. The Champion for your level would receive \$60 and the Reserve Champion would receive \$40.

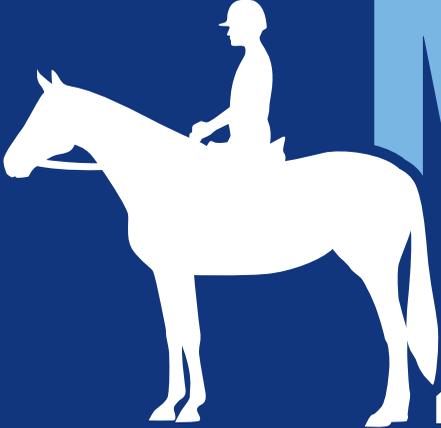
The more that enter, the bigger the prize!

Additional sponsors are welcome to join in this venture to sweeten the pot.

USEF Competition Name:

USEF#:

Competition Division(s) and Rating(s):



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



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

**This  
competition  
is recognized  
by USDF  
for 2023**

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

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

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

**Exceptions:**

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

**Memberships Defined**

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

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

**Business Membership (BM):** A membership that runs December 1 through November 30 and is issued to a business or organization directly by USDF. The USDF BM (\$240) offers a wider variety of advertising benefits. BMs satisfy requirements of horse ownership only.

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

**Horse Identification (HID) Number:** A one-time tracking number for horses (\$35). Scores earned by a horse with an HID number will be recorded but will NOT be counted towards Adequan<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. An HID number can be upgraded to a Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR) for a fee of \$80. If a horse has a USDF LHR it does not need an HID number. An HID number is a one-time fee that does not need to be renewed.

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

**How to Join USDF**

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

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

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



## 2023 Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Dressage Championships

A single Regional Dressage Championship program organized by the United States Dressage Federation (USDF), and recognized by the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. (USEF), will be held in each of the nine USDF regions. In addition, Alaska and Hawaii may each hold state championships if an official request from a Group Member Organization (GMO) is received by April 1 of the prior year. The Regional Championship Program Rules can be found on the USDF website at [www.usdf.org](http://www.usdf.org). Please refer to the 2023 USDF Member Guide for the comprehensive list of rules and requirements for this program.

### Membership/Registration Requirements for Qualifying and Championships

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

Rider:

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

Horse:

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

Owner:

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

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

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

**New for 2023!** Combined Open/Jr/YR Freestyle and AA Freestyle classes.

The minimum percentages are as follows:

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

### **USEF Membership Statement**

Life, senior active and junior active members shall be eligible to participate in all classes at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions at the Modified Level or above and Combined Driving Competitions at the Advanced Level, Dressage, Reining and Vaulting Competitions and Endurance Rides. A non-member may participate as a handler, rider, driver, owner, lessee, or agent, at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions, Dressage Competitions, Reining Competitions and Combined Driving Competitions upon payment of a Show Pass fee. Participants in the following classes are exempted from the Requirements of this rule: 1) leadline; 2) exhibitions; 3) games and races; 4) classes for 4-H members; 5) walk trot (exception: Friesian performance FR231) 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.

### **Motorized Vehicle Statement:**

Minors who do not have a valid driver's license which allows them to operate a motorized vehicle in the state in which they reside will not be permitted to operate a motorized vehicle of any kind, including, but not limited to, golf carts, motorcycles, scooters, or farm utility vehicles, on the competition grounds of licensed competitions. Minors who have a valid temporary license may operate the above described motorized vehicles as long as they are accompanied by an adult with a valid driver's license. The parent/legal guardian or individual who signs the entry blank as a parent or guardian of a minor operating a motorized vehicle in violation of this rule are solely responsible for any damages, claims, losses or actions resulting from that operation. Violations of this rule will be cause for penalties against those responsible for the child committing the offense. Wheelchairs and other mobility assistance devices for individuals with disabilities are exempt from this rule.

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

### **USDF Statement on Animal Welfare**

The United States Dressage Federation, Inc. (USDF), a federation of individual members and over 100 independent organizations throughout the United States, supports the concept of ethical treatment of animals.

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

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

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

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

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

## **ATTENTION COMPETITORS**

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

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

## ATTENTION FREESTYLE COMPETITORS



UNITED STATES DRESSAGE FEDERATION™

### Freestyle Competitor Reminders

- Submit your music in the format(s), method(s), and time frame specified in the prize list. If a CD is required, please clearly label it with your name, horse's name, and freestyle level.
- Be present for your optional sound check.
- Know the rules for the level you are riding. This includes forbidden and allowed movements for your level.

### Questions?

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# FEDERATION ENTRY AGREEMENT

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

**BY SIGNING BELOW, I AGREE** that I have read, understand, and agree to be bound by all applicable Federation Bylaws, rules, and policies including the USEF Safe Sport Policy and Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies (MAAPP) as published at www.usef.org, as amended from time to time, as well as all terms and provisions of this Prize List. If I am signing and submitting this Agreement electronically, I acknowledge that my electronic signature shall have the same validity, force and effect as if I affixed my signature by my own hand.

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

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

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

**TRAINER** (mandatory)

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

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

**OWNER/AGENT** (mandatory)

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

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

**COACH** (if applicable)

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

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

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

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

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



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

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

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

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

### WARNING:

**UNDER NEW JERSEY LAW, AN EQUESTRIAN AREA OPERATOR IS NOT LIABLE FOR AN INJURY TO OR THE DEATH OF A PARTICIPANT IN EQUINE ANIMAL ACTIVITIES RESULTING FROM THE INHERENT RISKS OF EQUINE ANIMAL ACTIVITIES, PURSUANT TO P.L., CHAPTER 287**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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