# 2019 US Dressage Finals Presented By Adequan and USDF Dressage in the Bluegrass

We look forward to your arrival at the Kentucky Horse Park for the 2019 US Dressage Finals presented by Adequan and USDF Dressage in the Bluegrass. Please review the following information regarding the event:

- **1. Important information** will be posted on the bulletin boards at the stables & show office. Check the bulletin boards for stabling assignments, day sheets, schooling schedules, daily updates and other important information.
- 2. Show Office will be located on the lower floor level of the Alltech Arena complex near the warm up arena (see attached map). The office will be open Tuesday and Wednesday from 8am to 6pm. Competitor packets will be available for pick up at this time. The show office will be open at least 1 hour before and will close after the competition on all remaining days. Preliminary scores can be viewed on computer kiosks located on the Alltech concourse and final scores for all show days will be posted on a kiosk near the Awards table in the Alltech. In addition, there is a link in your ride times' email that allows text alert sign ups which is wonderful feature offered by HorseShowOffice.com.
- 3. Stabling. All horses for the US Dressage Finals and Dressage in the Bluegrass will be stabled in the Alltech Barns 22, 23 and 24; & Shed Row barns 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21 at the Kentucky Horse Park (see map). The stables are permanent buildings on asphalt (no mats). Devers has confirmed that they now renting stall mats at \$100/stall for the duration of the event. Competitors must pre-order mats when they order shavings and ask for one "set" of mats (6 mats per stall) to be delivered to their stall(s) when their shavings are delivered. If you plan on arriving Monday and did not mark it on your entry please be sure to contact the show secretary Bettina Longaker (540-222-5850 or entries@scriptsrides.com). After Monday the 4<sup>th</sup> please direct all stabling inquiries to our stable manager Kari Bradshaw at 860-307-0396; she will be on the grounds from Monday, November 4 through Monday morning, November 11<sup>th</sup>.
- **4.** Shavings. No initial bedding will be supplied. Straw and shavings are available for purchase from Devers on site or in advance between the hours of 8:00 am and 7:00 pm. It is recommended to contact them at least 24 hours prior to arrival to make arrangements. They will also be able to handle your feed & hay needs. They can be contacted at 859-233-9702 or <a href="mailto:info@deverinc.com">info@deverinc.com</a> or <a href="www.deverinc.com">www.deverinc.com</a>. If you will be arriving late, you may want to bring your own bedding for that night.
- 5. Schooling and Sound Checks. Schooling schedules will be posted on the bulletin boards at the stables and the show office. The schooling schedule for Monday, November 4, 2019 will be restricted to the Warm-up C and D on the grounds map and will not be available until 1 PM. The preliminary schooling schedule is posted on the US Dressage Finals website. Sound checks will be made available starting on Wednesday from 3pm to 5pm by signing up in the show office. Limited sound checks will also be made on Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday(if needed) from 6:30-7:30 AM in the Alltech and from 7:00-8:00 AM in Murphy, again by signing up in the show office. Two copies of your CD must be presented before you can check in and receive your numbers. If you have a freestyle class in both the Murphy ring and the Alltech arena PLEASE bring 2 sets of CDs.
- **6. Bridle Numbers**. All competitors will be issued 2 bridle numbers, all horses must have a bridle number on at all times when out of their stalls. NO EXCEPTIONS.
- 7. <u>Nightwatch Services</u> will be provided by Amy Struzzieri from 9 pm 5 am for \$10 per horse, per night. She can be contacted at 845-220-7206 or <u>brookesedge@aol.com</u> (please see attachment for sign up info).
- 8. Parking. A \$15.00 fee will be assessed for each parking pass per event. Parking passes may be obtained from the Parking Booth when attended. One parking pass is required per vehicle and is good from Monday-Sunday. In the interest of safety and security, parking on grounds will be in designated areas only. No parking is allowed in the barn area. All competitors must follow parking directions. Vans and trailers must be parked in the trailer parking area (see attached map). There is no overnight camping in the barn area at anytime. All camping must go to campground. For reservations please contact the KHP at 888-459-7275. NOTE illegally parked vehicles at the Kentucky Horse Park are subject to towing.

#### 9. Vet and Farrier Phone Numbers

Treating Veterinarian: Hagyard Equine Medical Institute, 859-255-8741

Farrier: Chris Giebler: 859-312-3514

They will be on-grounds during competition hours. Farrier location indicated on map.

10. <u>Video/Photographers.</u> We will have video and photographer services on the grounds:

Richard's Equine Video - 404 308-8713 / <u>richardsequinevideo@gmail.com</u> Sue Stickle Photography / Hoofprints – 973 885-3203 / <u>www.susanjstickle.com</u> (Please see attached for sign up information).

11. <u>USEF Headgear Rule.</u> Protective headgear will be required for all riders at all times *from the time of arrival to the time of departure* per USEF rule DR120.6

12. VIP Club Packages. We have several VIP Packages and hospitality options to choose from. The VIP Club Package includes a ring side table, VIP parking passes, internet access, three buffet meals each day (two on Sunday), beverages including wine service with dinner and a hosted bar for the first two hours of each dinner and other amenities. We also offer a VIP Saturday dinner including wine service. Tables of six and individual packages are available. For advanced purchases make your reservation at http://www.cvent.com/events/2019-us-dressage-finals/event-summary-7d7971caf6b24565bcf4effcee97447d.aspx. The deadline for online purchases is Monday, November 4, 2019 but seating availability is limited and allocated on a first come basis. Tickets may be available on site while supplies last.

#### 13. Parties!!

**Competitor Welcome Party and Trade Fair Kick Off –** Thursday November 7, 2019 5:30 pm – 7:00 pm located in the Alltech Arena, open to all.

**Bluegrass Buffet** – Friday November 8, 2019 in the Alltech Arena. Tickets are complimentary for competitors and extra tickets are available at the show office at \$35 for non-competitor guests. Beer and Wine available.

#### 14. Shopping!!!

Again this year, USDF is implementing a game at the trade fair. Attendees will be given a stamp card, called a Trade Fair Passport, and are challenged to visit every booth to get a stamp. Once attendees have received their stamp from every booth, they will be entered for a chance to win one of three \$50 trade fair coupons. Winners will be drawn at the Friday Night Buffet, and the coupons will be redeemable at any vendor booth/trailer of their choosing

### 15. Reminders

Horses entered in a US Dressage Finals class cannot be taken off the "Designated Competition Grounds" as outlined on the attached grounds map from the time of arrival on the grounds until after their last championship class. (<u>This means NO RIDING</u> on the cross-country course!)

DR127.6 - Under penalty of disqualification from all championship classes for the horse/rider combination, within 24 hours prior and at no time during a USEF/USDF Championship competition may any horse entered in that Championship competition be ridden by anyone other than the rider entered in the Championship competition on that horse (Exception: grooms riding on loose rein). Further, any horse entered in a Championship competition, even if entered at two levels, must be ridden by the same rider throughout the competition. *Note: This rule applies until the end of the show on Sunday, even if the horse finished his championship classes earlier in the week!* 

#### 16. Links to Facility. Alltech and Food Service Maps

 $Competition \ Grounds \ map: \ \underline{http://www.usdf.org/usdressagefinals/competitors/compmap.pdf} \\ Alltech \ Floor \ Plan: \ \underline{http://www.usdf.org/usdressagefinals/competitors/alltechfloorplan.pdf} \\$ 

Concessions map: <a href="http://www.usdf.org/usdressagefinals/competitors/foodmap.pdf">http://www.usdf.org/usdressagefinals/competitors/foodmap.pdf</a>

Campground Reservations: <a href="https://kentuckystateparks.reserveamerica.com/camping/kentucky-horse-">https://kentuckystateparks.reserveamerica.com/camping/kentucky-horse-</a>

park/r/campgroundDetails.do?contractCode=KY&parkId=90800

On behalf of the US Dressage Finals Organizing Committee we look forward to seeing all of you!

Debra Reinhardt – Show Manager (<u>debra@centerlineevents.com</u> or 203-671-0904) Bettina Longaker – Show Secretary (<u>entries@scriptsrides.com</u> or 540-222-5850)

#### **Attachments or Links:**

Show Schedule
Special Events Schedule
Information on Nightwatch, Photography, and Video Services
Competition Grounds Map
Food Service Map
Preliminary Awards Schedule
Preliminary Schooling Schedule

#### **Special Events Schedule**

#### **Thursday**

5:30 – 7:00 pm Competitor Welcome Party and Trade Fair Kick-Off located in the Alltech

Open to all, on Thursday evening in the Alltech Arena. Shop in the Trade Fair and enjoy

delicious appetizers and beverages with live Bluegrass music. Cash bar.

<u>Friday</u>

6:30 – 8:30 pm Bluegrass Buffet in the Alltech

Join us for a Kentucky-themed dinner for competitors and guests in the Alltech Arena on Friday evening. Tickets are complimentary for competitors and \$35 for non-competitor

guests. Enjoy a taste of what Kentucky has to offer. Beer and wine provided.

Saturday

5:30 – 6:30 pm Hors d'oeuvres in VIP 6:30 – 9:00 pm VIP Dinner (Ticketed Event)

Enjoy the evening performances while dining ringside. Full course dinner and drinks provided including wine service. Limited tickets available at the USDF Information Booth.

## **Night Watch Service**

Monday (Nov 4) – Sunday night (Nov 10). Individual Nightwatch will be provided by Amy Struzzieri from 9pm to 5am for \$10 per horse, per night. This includes checking your horse every 2 hours, hay as needed, water as needed, turning off fans, and feeding in the AM if you desire. Due to the enormity of the show, signing up in advance would be greatly appreciated!

The information needed for <u>each</u> horse is as follows:
Horse's Show Name
Horse's Barn & Stall #
Emergency Contact Name & Phone #
What Nights Horse Will Be On The Grounds
Whether Or Not We Will Be Feeding For You In The AM

Any Unusual Needs or Habits (ie...wet hay, never finishes dinner, etc...)

If you are unsure of any of this information, don't worry... it can be updated or changed at any time. Please send info to Amy Struzzieri - <a href="mailto:Brookesedge@aol.com">Brookesedge@aol.com</a> or text 845-220-7206

## Video Provider

Congratulations Competitors on your qualification to compete in the US Dressage Finals. I will be there with my crew to record your requested rides providing a link by email shortly afterward. If you prefer a Flash drive, drop one by my table and I will load the file. You can sign up using the following link <a href="http://www.richardsequinevideo.com">http://www.richardsequinevideo.com</a> or by texting to 404-308-8713 or by email at <a href="richardsequinevideo@gmail.com">richardsequinevideo@gmail.com</a> Our table will be in the Alltech Arena beginning Wednesday after 9am booth 22 your convenience. You will have an information form in your competitor packets giving you additional information. Have a great time! See you there!!!

Thank You

Richard Taylor

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## **Photography Provider**

SusanJStickle.com Photography

We're heading to Lexington for the US Dressage Finals and we will be on hand to photograph rides at the show.

As always, we will be working by request so let us know if you would like your rides photographed. Our shooting fee is \$35.00 per horse & rider for the show and we've included the link below if you'd like to pay the photo shooting fee online.

SIGN UP ONLINE AT: www.susanjstickle.com

Text your ride info to: 941.885.3203. Safe travels, best of luck & we'll see you in Lexington!

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## **BRAIDING**

At the time of publishing this newsletter we have no braider information. However, we are sure there will be braiding services maybe available on the grounds. Please look for postings, check on USDF website, USDF Facebook or check in the show office.