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# REGION 4 DRESSAGE CHAMPIONSHIPS

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# Prize List





**Prize list for the  
Great American  
Insurance Group/  
United States Dressage Federation  
Region 4 Dressage Championships**  
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**October 1-4, 2020**

**The National Equestrian Center – Lake St. Louis, Missouri**  
A USEF Level 4 Dressage Competition  
USEF / USDF Recognition #336205

**Opening Date:** August 10, 2020

**Closing Date:** September 7, 2020

**USDF Region 4 Final Qualifying Date:** September 7, 2020

**Official Qualifying Competition for the 2021 Adequan FEI North American Youth; the 2021 USEF Children Dressage National Championship; the 2021 USEF Pony Rider Dressage National Championship; 2021 USEF Junior and Young Rider Dressage National Championships; and the 2021 USEF Young Adult 'Brentina Cup' Dressage National Championship.**

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

**Official Qualifying Competition for the 2020 US Dressage Finals presented by Adequan**  
**Featuring over \$25,000 in Prize Money from USDF**

The Official Prize List of the Great American/USDF Region 4 Dressage Championships appears in the USDF Regional Championship Master Omnibus that may be obtained after June 15, 2020 from the USDF web site or by calling USDF at 859-971-2277.

*Due to the current COVID-19 environment, items in this prize list are subject to change. Please refer back frequently for any updates.*

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**Great American/USDF Region 4 2020 Championships Qualifying Dates:** 9/3/2019 – 9/7/2020  
See [www.usdf.org](http://www.usdf.org) for more rules regarding the Great American/USDF Championships

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## OPEN SHOW INFORMATION

- **Freestyle entries:** 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. A photocopy of the test verifying eligibility, or copy of the USDF score verification, must be submitted with the entry for a freestyle class.  
Please note: A 60% or higher earned by a horse/rider combination at the FEI levels may be applied for a freestyle ridden at a lower level. Example: a 60% or higher earned by a horse/rider combination at the FEI Prix St. Georges level will allow a rider/horse combination to compete in a Fourth level freestyle (or any lower level freestyle). Additionally, as a reminder, a 60% or higher earned in the FEI Grand Prix 16-25 test will also qualify a rider/horse combination to ride the FEI Grand Prix Freestyle.
- Open show classes/divisions with less than 4 entries may be canceled or combined.
- Management will do its best to schedule specified Open classes before Championship classes where appropriate.

## **Regional Championship Rider Change of Region Timeline**

USDF will presume qualified horse/rider combinations will compete in the region in which the rider resides as determined by the address associated with the rider's membership information on file as of July 1. Riders are NOT required to be a resident of the region to compete in that region's championship. Riders, who wish to compete at Regional Championships in a region other than their region of residence, must submit a Change of Region Form. This form must be submitted with a \$25 fee until August 1. Change of Region Forms may be accepted August 2, up to the closing date of the championship region the rider is declaring for, with a fee of \$100. **No changes of region may be made after the closing date of the region in which a rider wishes to enter, for any reason.** In addition, all persons living outside of the United States, who intend to compete in a Regional Championship, must submit a Change of Region form and applicable fee to USDF to declare a region.

## **Dressage Seat Medal Semi Finals (13 and under; 14-18):**

All junior riders through age 18 who have qualified at any level for the Regional Championships (excluding freestyle) are automatically eligible to compete in the Semi-Final classes of the USEF/ USDF Dressage Seat Medal Program. Additionally, any rider that earns a score of 70% or higher, from an eligible Dressage Seat Equitation class, during the DSM qualifying period from August 1, 2019 through July 30, 2020 will be qualified to participate in the USDF Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Finals. One Semi-Final class will be offered for juniors, ages 13 and under, and a second Semi-Final class for riders 14 through 18 at each Great American/USDF Regional Championship. A regional champion and reserve champion for each age group will be named in each USDF region. For more details on this program and the Semi-Finals, see the USEF Rulebook, DR133 or visit the dressage page of the USEF website.

## **Management Rules and Procedures**

- During the competition, the performance arenas will be open to hand walking only up to one half hour prior to the start of the first class. No horses will be allowed in the performance arenas during breaks. On Wednesday, priority will be given to arena setup and maintenance, however, schooling might be allowed on a limited basis. Schooling will be allowed in performance arenas each evening if competition management deems it appropriate footing and weather.
- Both bridle numbers should be worn on each side of the horse when out of the stall. One bridle number is always required.
- ALL dogs **must** be leashed and attached to a person or immovable object *at all times!* \$100 fine for all violations.
- EVERY CLASS OFFERED HEREIN WHICH IS COVERED BY THE RULES AND SPECIFICATIONS OF THE CURRENT USEF RULEBOOK WILL BE CONDUCTED AND JUDGED IN ACCORDANCE THEREWITH.
- Open show entries accepted on first come first served basis, based on the postmark or date stamp with dates on and between open and close dates. Email, fax, snail mail and online entries accepted with valid payment.
- Sharps containers will be available in the stabling area and also in the show office for trailer in horses. 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.
- Post entries accepted on first come first served basis with space available, including USDF Region 4 Championship classes. Priority will be given to Championship Classes for post entries.



- Wait list will be maintained through Tuesday 8pm
- Management reserves the right to:
  - Add or cancel judges
  - Combine, divide, limit or cancel classes
  - Refuse entries for cause.
  - Waive penalty fees
- **NO SMOKING/VAPING FACILITY.** The National Equestrian Center has become a non-smoking/non-vaping facility under St. Charles County and Lake St. Louis city ordinances. No smoking is permitted within its buildings, barns and structures and nowhere within 15' of a building entrance. Violations may result in \$100.00 fines and removal from the property. Your understanding is much appreciated.
- Schooling (out of competition) horses may be brought to the show but must be registered on an entry form, with signatures and appropriate fees. Areas where they may be ridden in will be restricted, and priority given to horses in competition. Check with the show office for details. Stabling for competing will be prioritized over non-compete horses.
- Riders may compete in only ONE division, no cross entering divisions: You must choose either Open *or* Adult Amateur *or* Junior/Young Rider. Exception: you may cross enter into the GREAT AMERICAN/USDF Qualifying. For USDF Regional Championship Classes ONLY a Junior/Young Rider or Adult Amateur may cross enter into the Open Division.
- All horses entered in competition must have a USDF HID or Lifetime registration. All riders and owners must have a USDF nonmember ID, Group membership, or Participating membership and/or pay appropriate nonmember fees. All riders and owners must also have an Active USEF membership or pay appropriate nonmember fees.
- All horses in USDF Region 4 Championship classes MUST be lifetime registered with USDF and Annual or Lifetime recorded with USEF; riders must be current USDF Participating Members and Active USEF members, owners must have a current USDF Participating Membership or Business Membership and be USEF competing members.
- **Freestyle entries:** Sound checks will be Wednesday afternoon/evening, each morning of competition 45 minutes before the start of the arenas or another time set up in advance with the show office or show announcer once ride times have been released. Music will be accepted on a CD or flash drive only.
- Pony measurements will take place on Thursday morning at 10am for those who have notified the show office appropriately. Other times may be scheduled as needed by the show office. A measurement fee of no more than \$100 will be charged.
- Beginning in the 2016 competition year, which began on October 1st, 2015, participants and horses competing in **Para-Equestrian** classes at USDF recognized competitions will no longer be exempt from USDF memberships. Para-Equestrian competitors will now be required to have a USDF Group Membership, a USDF Participating Membership or a USDF Non-Member ID and pay the \$35 Non-Member fee per competition. Owners of horses competing in the Para-Equestrian classes will be required to have a USDF Participating Membership, a USDF Business Membership, a USDF Group Membership or a USDF Non-Member ID and pay the \$35 Non-Member fee per competition. The horses competing in Para-Equestrian classes will be required to have a USDF HID number or be USDF Lifetime registered.
- FEI Children Tests - Athletes are eligible as Children from the beginning of the calendar year in which they reach the age of 12 until the end of the calendar year in which they reach the age of 14. Athletes may compete on either a horse or pony.
- Management reserves the right to refuse entries in accordance with GR914. Divisions may be combined or cancelled if insufficient entries warrant; Management reserves the right to amend the Tentative Time Schedule, as it deems necessary. Neither The National Equestrian Center, nor 2 White Feet Inc, nor Heather Petersen, nor Joe Coleman, nor USDF Region 4 will be responsible in any way for loss or damage, to any persons, animals, or property or equipment that may be caused by any horse or pony entered by Exhibitor or due to the carelessness or negligence of the person or persons in charge of such horse or pony or their subordinates. This shall be the condition of entry into the show and show grounds.
- Mastercard, Visa, American Express and Discover are accepted in the horse show office with a 3% surcharge added to your final bill.

## **TIMES**

Provisional ride times will be emailed to riders if a legible email address is provided and posted at [www.necstl.com](http://www.necstl.com) and [www.horseshowoffice.com](http://www.horseshowoffice.com). Official times will be posted near the show office by noon on Wednesday in an area where social distancing can be adhered.

### **ATTENTION COMPETITORS**

Each competitor is responsible for supplying management with correct association numbers (USDF, United States Equestrian Federation) 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.

## ENTRIES and FEES

- Open classes (T-4): **\$40; FEI/MFS: \$50**
- Materiale Classes, Introductory classes and open dressage equitation classes: **\$40**
- All Championship classes: **\$80**
- Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Finals: **\$70**
- USDF Regional Adult Amateur Equitation Program: **\$80**
- NAYC/USEF Program Classes: **\$60**
- GREAT AMERICAN/USDF Qual. for 2021: **\$15** per class
- Late Entries:
  - September 8-14, 2020 - **\$30** per entry taken on space available
  - September 14-21, 2020 - **\$50** per entry taken on space available
  - September 22-30, 2020 - **\$75** per entry taken on space available
- **ANY CHANGES MADE AFTER CLOSING DATE will be charged: \$25** per horse/rider change
- Office Fee: **\$50** per horse/rider combination
- \$30 Non-competing horse fee per day
- USEF Drug fee: **\$23** (drugs & medications \$15; USEF \$8)
- USEF Show Pass (non-member fee): **\$45**
- USDF Affidavit Fee: **\$5**
- USDF Non member Fee: **\$35**
- RV hook up (30 amp only) with water per calendar day/night: **\$35** – **must reserve directly with NEC – [www.necstl.com](http://www.necstl.com) or call 636-561-8080.**
- Bad Check Fee: **\$50**
  
- INCLUDE WITH ENTRY:
  - For Test of Choice Classes, state level and division on entry blank.
  - Copies of USDF/USEF membership cards **MUST** be included with entry.

**ALL COMPETITORS MUST SUBMIT WITH THEIR ENTRY CURRENT PROOF (WITHIN 6 MONTHS OF THE FIRST DAY YOUR HORSE ENTERS THE COMPETITION GROUNDS) OF EQUINE INFLUENZA AND RHINOPNEUMONITIS VACCINATION. A NEGATIVE COGGINS MUST ALSO BE PROVIDED THAT IS CURRENT WITHIN 12 MONTHS. HEALTH CERT WILL ALSO BE REQUIRED FOR OUT OF STATE HORSES PER FEDERAL REGULATIONS.**

Make checks payable to The National Equestrian Center and mail to Heather Petersen. If you are mailing overnight, **please waive the required signature for delivery – If you do not waive the signature, you will be charged \$5.**

### ENTRY CANCELLATION/WITHDRAW:

The office fee is never refundable. Entries may be cancelled and withdrawn only in writing prior to or on the closing date. Cancellations made prior to or on the closing date will receive refunds of 50% class fees, all stabling fees and other fees less the office fees. Further refund consideration due to extreme veterinary or medical emergency situations will be at the sole discretion of the Show Management. Original veterinary/medical doctor's certificate must be furnished to the secretary within ten (10) days of cancellation. **NO REFUNDS WILL BE MADE AFTER CLOSING DATE.** This includes classes cancelled due to accidents, severe weather, Acts of God or other emergency conditions. Late entry fees are non-refundable. Refunds will be mailed to competitors approximately 3-4 weeks after the show.

**IMPORTANT:** All cancellations must be made in writing and mailed or e-mailed to show secretary.

You are responsible to confirm that your cancellation has been received. Anyone not appearing for any of their dressage tests without prior notification to the show secretary will be "scratched" from their remaining classes. Those rides will be filled if possible.

**SCHEDULING OF CLASSES/RIDE TIME CONFLICTS.** Classes will be scheduled to accommodate the judges, riders and management. They may not be run in the order listed in the Prize Lists. It is the responsibility of the Rider to inform Show Management of any time conflicts as soon as possible after receiving the schedule. Any ride-time changes need to be requested in the Show Office by 10:00am the day prior to the start of the competition.

**STABLING.** All stalls are 10' x 10' wooden box stalls located under permanent roof with floor screenings and full doors. Two (2) bags of shavings accompany each rented horse stall, and each horse-occupied stall must maintain at least two (2) bags of shavings on the floor at all times. **EVERY HORSE MUST BE STALLED**; no tie-outs/jump-outs are permitted. Violations may be subject to fines. Exhibitors may not re-locate to unassigned stalls. All stabling changes must be processed by Show Management. Stabling is by the term, not the day. Move-in begins 11:30a the day prior to the first show day (Wednesday 9/30/2020). Stalls must be vacated by 11:59p the last day of the show. Requests to be stabled near specific Exhibitors must be made at the time of entry, and no stabling requests can be guaranteed. Exhibitors will be responsible for all damage to stalls. Do not disassemble walls or use screws, hooks, nails, or staples inside or outside stalls. Exhibitors should inspect stalls for damage and safety and report pre-existing damage to Show Management prior to use.

**BEDDING/SHAVINGS.** No outside bedding or shavings are allowed. All shavings must be purchased through Show Management in advance or during the show. Exhibitors with horses unable to use pine shavings for veterinary reasons must receive advance permission for alternate bedding. A veterinary letter may be required, and applicable clean-out fees will apply. Shavings will be delivered to stalls only after Show Management has received a secured method of payment. All shavings must be ordered by 2:30p to be delivered the same day. Once shavings are delivered, they cannot be returned for a refund.

**WASH RACKS/SHOWERS.** Wash racks and Showers with hot and cold running water are available in every stabling barn.

#### **STABLING PRICING**

▪ Full Show Stall (Wed-Sun)	<b>\$195</b>
▪ Full Show Tack (Wed-Sun)	<b>\$195</b>
▪ Weekend Show Stall (Fri-Sun)	<b>\$140</b>
▪ Weekend Show Tack (Fri – Sun)	<b>\$140</b>
▪ Additional Shavings	<b>\$9 – per bag, includes tax</b>
▪ Outside Shavings Violation	<b>\$50</b>
▪ Outside Shavings Clean Out Fee	<b>\$25</b>
▪ Early Arrival / Late Departure Stall Fee	<b>\$25 (per day)</b>

**EARLY ARRIVAL/LATE DEPARTURES.** Exhibitors may have access to stabling beginning 11:30a on Wednesday, September 30<sup>th</sup> and must vacate the Facility by 11:59p Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>. When animals, humans, tack, equipment, feed, supplies and/or other possessions occupy assigned stalls prior to the access date/time, Exhibitors will be responsible for early arrival stall fees; When animals, humans, tack, equipment, feed, supplies and/or other possessions occupy assigned stalls after the vacate date/time, Exhibitors will be responsible for late departure stall fees.

**AFTER-HOURS ARRIVALS.** Exhibitors who plan to arrive the National Equestrian Center after 8:30p should notify Show Management of an intended after-hours arrival so that the Facility may unlock assigned stalls and, if applicable, R.V. pads. Exhibitors who do not coordinate after-hours arrival may not have access to their stalls and other amenities. Please contact the Facility directly with any questions about after-hours arrivals at (636) 561-8080 or [info@necstl.com](mailto:info@necstl.com).

**PARKING.** Trailer parking is available behind the Barns in designated areas only. Do not park in R.V. Parking unless renting an R.V. Pad Hook-up. The front parking lot nearest the lobby is car-parking only. No trailers are allowed. Do not park in fire lanes, in front of dumpsters, manure pits or in other marked No Parking Zones. Violations may result in fines, and vehicles may be towed at Owner's expense.

#### **OFFICE HOURS** (Subject to change)

- Wednesday, 12 Noon to 6:00 PM;
- Thursday through Sunday 7:00 AM until 1 hour after final ride or as posted in show office.

## AWARDS

- Open Show Classes: Ribbons through sixth place, prize for first place.
- No placings, awards or ribbons for qualifying divisions.
- Other fun & special awards may be awarded during the show, look in the show program for details.
- Breed associations and individuals are being contacted for breed awards as well, not all breeds may be represented. Send in a copy of your registration papers with entry to be eligible for these awards.
- Prize money for Great American/USDF Regional Championships will be paid directly by the USDF office to the recorded horse owner within thirty (30) days of the last day of each championship. Champions in each region and division will receive \$475 in prize money. Reserve Champions in each region and division will receive \$317 in prize money.
- DSM (Dressage Seat Medal) Semi-Final awards: USDF will award ribbons to the top eight riders, and an engraved silver tray to the Champion and Reserve Champion. The Champion and Reserve Champion will also be invited to participate in the 2021 USEF Dressage Seat Medal Finals.
- USDF Adult Amateur Equitation Regional Final class: Neck Sashes are awarded through eighth place, champions will receive a \$100 gift certificate from Big Dees Tack and Vet Supply and an engraved silver bowl, reserve champions a \$75 gift certificate and an engraved silver bowl, and third place finishers a \$50 gift certificate.
- A tentative schedule for the Awards ceremonies will be printed in the Show Program and the official schedule will be posted in the show secretary's office by noon on the day prior to the beginning of the competition.

**ARENAS & FOOTING.** The Principal Competition Arena (120' x 240') and its associated warm-up area (100' x 200') are comprised of GGT Footing™; the Secondary Competition Arena (140' x 220') and its associated warm-up area (62' x 100') are comprised of blended sand/loam footing. An indoor lunging arena and outdoor lunging pads are composed of all-weather sand footing. The Principal and Secondary Arenas with warm-ups will be closed nightly for maintenance at 8:30p or following the conclusion of competition, whichever is the later time. Lunging arenas will be available overnight.

- All tests will be ridden in a 20x60 arena. Both indoor and outdoor competition arenas and warm-ups will be used.
- NO LUNGEING in warmup arenas – use lunging arenas only.
- Coaching may be done from the outside of the arenas ONLY.
- Competition arenas will be open for schooling on Wednesday (before show weekend) until posted close time in show office.

**R.V. PAD RENTALS.** 30 Amp R.V. Pads with electrical and water hook-ups are available on-site. Availability cannot be guaranteed without a reservation secured by a credit card. Contact the Services office at the National Equestrian Center at (636) 561-8080 directly or visit the R.V. Reservation page at [www.necstl.com](http://www.necstl.com). No dumping of Grey/Black water. Violations will incur significant fines and legal action. Mobile dump service is available with advance request.



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**GOLF CART RENTALS.** (2) and (4) passenger Golf Carts are available for rent in limited numbers from the National Equestrian Center with (10) days advance notice. Exhibitors wishing to rent carts should contact the National Equestrian Center at (636) 561-8080 directly or email [info@necstl.com](mailto:info@necstl.com) with a request.

**VENDORS.** Both indoor and outdoor vendor space is available at the National Equestrian Center. Vendors should contact directly the National Equestrian Center at (636) 561-8080 or email [info@necstl.com](mailto:info@necstl.com) for a vendor application.

**CONCESSIONS.** Full-meal hot and cold food and beverage service is available on-site at the National Equestrian Center's Café. Please no outside food or beverage in the concession seating area or in grand-stands surrounding the competition arenas.

**NO DRIVERS UNDER AGE 16.** 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 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.





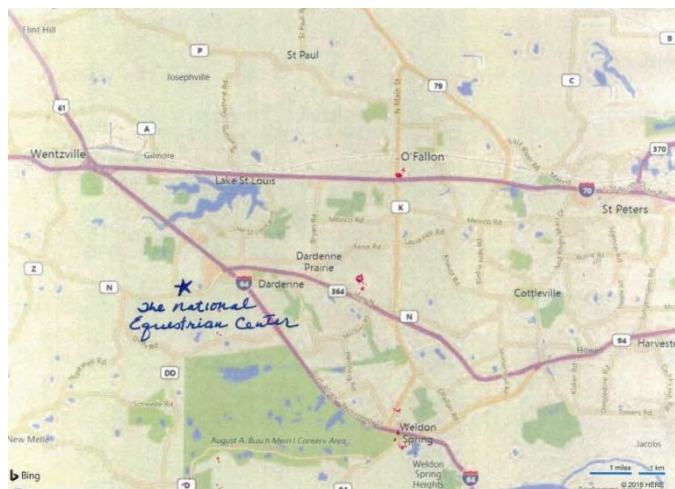
**WARNING UNDER MISSOURI LAW and the EQUINE ACTIVITY LIABILITY ACT.** Each participant who engages in an equine activity expressly assumes the risks of engaging in and legal responsibility for injury, loss, or damage to person or property resulting from the risk of equine activities. An equine-activity sponsor, an equine professional, a livestock activity sponsor, a livestock auction market or any employee thereof is not liable for any injury to or the death of a participant in equine or livestock activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine or livestock activities pursuant the revised statutes of MISSOURI. V.A.M.S. 537.325 (2017).

**NEAREST EQUINE SURGICAL CENTER:** MID-RIVERS EQUINE CENTER is (8) miles from the National Equestrian Center at 404 Stable Ln, Wentzville, MO 63385 - phone (636) 332-5373

**DRIVING DIRECTIONS TO NEC.**

From the West: I-70 east to Hwy. 40/61 (I-64) east. Go approximately 3 miles to the Lake St. Louis Blvd. exit. Turn left at the top of the ramp continue approx. 1 mile to National Equestrian Center.

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# UNITED STATES DRESSAGE FEDERATION™

**USDF**

## **2020 REVISED DUE TO COVID-19** Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Championships Required Rules for Prize List

### **A. MEMBERSHIP/REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS FOR QUALIFYING AND CHAMPIONSHIPS**

#### **Rider:**

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

#### **Rider:**

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

#### **Horse:**

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

#### **Owner:**

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

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

### **B. QUALIFYING CLASS AND CHAMPIONSHIP ELIGIBILITY**

1. Having won a USEF/USDF Regional Championships three times (in any region over their lifetime), a horse/rider combination may no longer compete in USEF/USDF Regional Championship competition at that or a lower level (Grand Prix excepted), if they received the minimum qualifying score or higher for that division and level in the championship test per USEF DR127.5.
2. A horse may not be entered in more than one USEF/USDF Regional Championship at a particular level in the same calendar year.
3. USDF will presume qualified horse/rider combinations will compete in the region in which the rider resides as determined by the address associated with the rider's membership information on file as of July 1. Riders are NOT required to be a resident of the region to compete in that region's championship. Riders, who wish to compete at Regional Championships in a region other than their region of residence, must submit a Change of Region Form.

This form must be submitted with a \$25 fee prior to ~~July~~ August 1. Change of Region Forms may be accepted from ~~August 2~~ July 2 up to August 1, with a fee of \$100; from August 2, up to the closing date of the championship region the rider is declaring for, with a fee of ~~\$300~~ \$100. No changes of region may be made after the closing date of the region in which a rider wishes to enter, for any reason. In addition, all persons living outside of the United States, who intend to compete in a Regional Championship, must submit a Change of Region form and applicable fee to USDF to declare a region.

4. A rider may not compete in more than one Regional Championship competition in the same calendar year.
5. In the event a competitor is unable to produce copies of the USDF membership or lifetime horse registration documents required to enter a qualifying class, a USDF competition affidavit with appropriate fee may be completed and filed with the competition secretary. The affidavit and appropriate fee must be submitted to USDF by the competition secretary. Copies of the required memberships and registrations MUST be included with the championship entry. Affidavits will not be accepted for USEF or USDF membership or horse recording verification purposes for entry in championship classes.
6. Horses must be entered in qualifying and championship classes under their official recorded names and ownership as specified in USEF GR1102.3, and transfers of ownership or lease registrations must be completed in compliance with USEF rules GR1105 and GR1108 prior to the competition in order for the horse to compete under the name of the new owner or lessee. (USEF DR127.2)

### **E. CHAMPIONSHIP RULES**

1. All Regional Championship competitions are considered Level 4. Please refer to USEF Dressage Level Requirements for specifics.
2. Each entry must designate the division being entered (open, adult amateur or junior/young rider) and must meet minimum percentage requirements for the championship division entered.
3. Cross entering open and junior/young rider divisions or open and adult amateur divisions for a horse/rider combination is permitted at adjacent levels. It is not permitted at the same level. Exception: freestyle or equivalent FEI Junior or FEI Young Rider levels.
4. If a rider intends to enter a Regional Championship as an adult amateur, the rider must be an adult by the current USEF definition (DR 119.3) and a current amateur by the USEF definition. (USEF GR1306, 1307)

5. If a rider intends to enter a championship as a junior/young rider, the rider must be a junior/young rider by the current USEF definition and her/his birth date must be on file with USDF by July 1 of the championship year.
6. Photocopies of USDF/USEF membership cards and horse recording and registration certificates must accompany championship entry (USDF PM for rider, USDF PM or BM for owner, etc.).
7. Under penalty of elimination, whips may not be carried in championship tests (Exception: Competitors riding sidesaddle may carry a whip no longer than 47.2 inches (120 cm), including lash, in USEF/USDF Championships.) An adjustable-length whip may not be carried by a mounted rider.
8. Under penalty of elimination, all championship tests must be ridden from memory. (USEF DR122.1)
9. The gate at "A" must be closed for every USEF/USDF championship ride. (USEF DR126.1.f.5)
10. Under penalty of disqualification from all championship classes for the horse/rider combination, within 24 hours prior and at no time during a USEF/USDF Regional Championship competition may any horse entered in that Championship competition be ridden by anyone other than the rider entered in the Championship competition on that horse (exception: grooms riding on loose rein). Further, any horse entered in a championship competition, even entered at two levels, must be ridden by the same rider throughout competition. (USEF DR127.6) (NOTE: This applies throughout the entire competition, even after a horse has completed its championship classes.)
11. In the event of a tie (equality of total points) for champion and/or reserve champion in USEF/USDF championship classes, the collective marks will determine first, second, and/or third or all three places; (i.e. when a tie for first place is broken by collective marks, tied competitors will receive first and second places, etc.). If collective marks are equal, the tie will remain unbroken (i.e. two first places will be awarded next third place, etc.). For ties in freestyle classes refer to USEF DR129.5 which states the highest score shall be declared the winner of the class. In the case of a tie, the higher artistic score shall determine the winner. Ties (equality of total points) after second place will be broken by collective marks. Ties (equality of total points and collective marks or artistic scores) occurring in third through eight places will remain unbroken. In the case of a tie (equality of total points and collective marks or artistic scores) for champion, prize money designated for champion and reserve champion will be combined and divided equally between the two competitors.
12. Hors de Concours entries are not permitted in USEF/USDF championship classes. (USEF DR119.5)
13. In a USEF/USDF championship class, the horse/rider combination must obtain the necessary minimum percentage score to be named champion or reserve champion. (USEF DR123.6) If the highest placed horse/rider combination receives less than the minimum percentage, no championship awards or prize money will be issued, however a non-mandatory awards ceremony will be held for the entire class. In lieu of a champion and/or reserve neck sash, a first and/or second place ribbon will be awarded.
14. In USEF/USDF championship classes, a steward must be appointed to conduct a visual check of the saddlery, bits and spurs, on both sides of each horse, immediately after it has completed its test and has left the arena. The Technical Delegate may follow the competitor to a designated area if necessary. Any discrepancy to the saddlery rules will result in immediate elimination. (USEF DR126.1.i.6)
15. A Registered (R) Dressage Technical Delegate (TD), who is a current Participating Member of USDF, is required to officiate at USEF/USDF championships. TDs for competitions offering qualifying and/or championship classes must investigate incidents of non-compliance and report violations to USEF. "R" Dressage TDs hired to officiate Regional Championship classes must be selected from outside the region. This applies only to the primary competition TD, who is the person responsible for filing the TD report for the competition with USEF. (See section H.3. c, and USEF GR1018.3 and DR127.3)
16. Entries in USEF/USDF dressage championship classes are limited to competitors who have met the qualifications, membership, horse recording and registration requirements, and deadlines outlined in USEF DR127 and published by USDF. Competitors who are properly qualified, whose completed entries are received by the closing date for a particular Regional Championship, and who have complied with all championship rules may not be denied entry into the Regional Championship classes for which they have qualified. Only one class per division and/or level may be held to determine USEF/USDF regional champions. (USEF DR127.7)
17. USEF/USDF championships classes may not be split. (USEF DR126.1a.4)
18. Championship classes for juniors and young riders must only be held on Friday, Saturday, and/or Sunday. Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Finals classes must be held on Saturday or Sunday. Juniors and young riders' entries (horse/rider combinations) are limited to entry in only two championship classes, excluding freestyle.
19. Except for freestyles, the FEI Junior Team Test, and FEI Young Rider Team test, championship classes at consecutive levels, for the same division, may not be held on the same day.
- ~~20. Ribbons and prizes cannot be distributed prior to the arrival at the awards ceremony.~~
- ~~21.~~20. All horses competing in Regional Championships classes must be stabled on the competition grounds and must remain on the grounds for the duration of their participation in the event, from the time of arrival until the horse has finished competing in all classes. (USEF DR127.8)



**TENTATIVE CLASS SCHEDULE**  
**O=Open A=Adult Amateur J/Y=JR/YR**  
**Q=GREAT AMERICAN/USDF Qualifying for 2021**

The schedule below does not necessarily indicate the order of go for the classes.

Please note that the Great American/USDF qualifying class will be the highest or single test of the level. For this reason, only the Training Level Test 3, First Level Test 3, Second Level Test 3, Third Level Test 3, and Fourth Level Test 3, may be ridden as qualifying for the Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Championships in their applicable test of choice class.

\*\* The classes marked with 2 \*\* will attempted to be scheduled prior to the Championship class for that level.

**THURSDAY, October 1**

**Class**

100	O,A,J/Y	USDF Introductory Test of Choice
100.5	O,A,J/Y	USDF Introductory Test of Choice
101	O, A, J/Y, Q	Training Level Test of Choice**
102	O, A, J/Y, Q	Training Level Test of Choice
103	O, A, J/Y, Q	First Level Test of Choice**
104	O, A, J/Y, Q	First Level Test of Choice
105	O, A, J/Y, Q	Second Level Test of Choice**
106	O, A, J/Y, Q	Second Level Test of Choice
107	O, A, J/Y, Q	Third Level Test of Choice
108	O, A, J/Y, Q	Third Level Test of Choice
109	O, A, J/Y, Q	Fourth Level Test of Choice
110	O, A, J/Y, Q	Fourth Level Test of Choice
111	O, A, J/Y, Q	FEI Test of Choice (Q on appropriate classes only)
112	O, A, J/Y, Q	FEI Test of Choice (Q on appropriate classes only)
113	O,Q	Freestyle Test of Choice (Q on appropriate classes only)
114	J, Q	FEI Junior Team Test – Official Qualifying Class for 2021 NAYC/USEF
115	Y,Q	FEI Young Rider Team Test – Official Qualifying Class for 2021 NAYC/USEF
116	J	FEI Pony Team Test – Official Qualifying Class for 2021 USEF Championships
117	O,Q	FEI Intermediate 2 – Official Qualifying Class for 2021 USEF Brentina Cup Championships
118	O	Young Horse TOC
119	O	Para Equestrian TOC
120	O	3 Year Old Fillies Materiale
121	O	3 Year Colts/Geldings Materiale
122	O	4&5 Year Old Mare Materiale
123	O	4&5 Year Stallion/Gelding Materiale
124	O, A, J	Dressage Seat Equitation
125	P, Q	National Pony Cup Test of Choice
126	J	FEI Children Team Test – Official Qualifying Class for 2018 USEF Championships
<b>141</b>	<b>O, Q</b>	<b>Great American/USDF Training Level Championship-Open</b>
<b>142</b>	<b>A, Q</b>	<b>Great American/USDF Training Level Championship – Adult Amateur</b>
<b>143</b>	<b>O, Q</b>	<b>Great American/USDF Second Level Championship-Open</b>
<b>144</b>	<b>A, Q</b>	<b>Great American/USDF Second Level Championships – Adult Amateur</b>

**FRIDAY – October 2**

<u>Class</u>	<u>Division</u>	<u>Level/Test</u>
200	O,A,J/Y	USDF Introductory Test of Choice
200.5	O,A,J/Y	USDF Introductory Test of Choice
201	O, A, J/Y,Q	Training Level Test of Choice
202	O, A, J/Y,Q	Training Level Test of Choice
203	O, A, J/Y,Q	First Level Test of Choice**
204	O, A, J/Y,Q	First Level Test of Choice
205	O, A, J/Y,Q	Second Level Test of Choice
206	O, A, J/Y,Q	Second Level Test of Choice



207	O, A, J/Y, Q	Third Level Test of Choice
208	O, A, J/Y, Q	Third Level Test of Choice
209	O, A, J/Y, Q	Fourth Level Test of Choice
210	O, A, J/Y, Q	Fourth Level Test of Choice
211	O, A, J/Y, Q	FEI Test of Choice (Q on appropriate classes only)
212	O, A, J/Y, Q	FEI Test of Choice (Q on appropriate classes only)
213	O, Q	Freestyle Test of Choice (Q on appropriate classes only)
214	J	FEI Junior Individual Test – Official Qualifying Class for 2021 NAYC/USEF
215	Y	FEI Young Rider Individual Test – Official Qualifying Class for 2021 NAYC/USEF
216	J	FEI Pony Individual Test – Official Qualifying Class for 2021 USEF Championships
217	O	Young Horse TOC
218	O	Para Equestrian TOC
219	O	3 Year Old Fillies Materiale
220	O	3 Year Colts/Geldings Materiale
221	O	4&5 Year Old Mare Materiale
222	O	4&5 Year Stallion/Gelding Materiale
223	O, A, J	Dressage Seat Equitation
224	O, A, J	FEI Grand Prix 16-25 – Official Qualifying Class for 2021 USEF Brentina Cup Championships
226	J	FEI Children Individual Test – Official Qualifying Class for 2021 USEF Championships
241	A, Q	<b>Great American/USDF First Level Championship – Adult Amateur</b>
242	O, Q	<b>Great American/USDF First Level Championship - Open</b>
243	A, Q	<b>Great American/USDF Prix St Georges – Adult Amateur</b>
244	O, Q	<b>Great American/USDF Prix St George - Open</b>
245	J, Q	<b>Great American/USDF Junior Team Championship</b>
246	Y, Q	<b>Great American/USDF Young Rider Team Championship</b>
247	A	<b>USDF Regional Adult Amateur Equitation Championships</b>

### **SATURDAY – October 3**

<u>Class</u>	<u>Division</u>	<u>Level/Test</u>
300	O, A, J/Y	USDF Introductory Test of Choice
300.5	O, A, J/Y	USDF Introductory Test of Choice
301	O, A, J/Y, Q	Training Level Test of Choice
302	O, A, J/Y, Q	Training Level Test of Choice
303	O, A, J/Y, Q	First Level Test of Choice**
304	O, A, J/Y, Q	First Level Test of Choice
305	O, A, J/Y, Q	Second Level Test of Choice
306	O, A, J/Y, Q	Second Level Test of Choice
307	O, A, J/Y, Q	Third Level Test of Choice
308	O, A, J/Y, Q	Third Level Test of Choice
309	O, A, J/Y, Q	Fourth Level Test of Choice
310	O, A, J/Y, Q	Fourth Level Test of Choice
311	O, A, J/Y, Q	FEI Test of Choice (Q on appropriate classes only)
312	O, A, J/Y, Q	FEI Test of Choice (Q on appropriate classes only)
313	J	FEI Junior Freestyle – 2021 NAYC/USEF Qualifying
314	Y	FEI Young Rider Freestyle – 2021 NAYC/USEF Qualifying
315	O	Young Horse TOC
316	O	Para Equestrian TOC
317	O	3 Year Old Fillies Materiale
318	O	3 Year Colts/Geldings Materiale
319	O	4&5 Year Old Mare Materiale
320	O	4&5 Year Stallion/Gelding Materiale
341	J/Y, Q	<b>Great American/USDF First Level Championship – Junior/Young Rider</b>
342	J/Y, Q	<b>Great American/USDF Third Level Championship – Junior/Young Rider</b>
343	A, Q	<b>Great American/USDF Third Level Championship - Adult Amateur</b>
344	O, Q	<b>Great American/USDF Third Level Championship - Open</b>
345	J/Y, Q	<b>Great American/USDF Prix St Georges Championship – Junior/Young Rider</b>
346	A, Q	<b>Great American/USDF Intermediate 1 Championship – Adult Amateur</b>
347	O, Q	<b>Great American/USDF Intermediate I Championship – Open</b>

348	J/Y,Q	<b>Great American/USDF Intermediate II Championship – Junior/Young Rider</b>
349	A,Q	<b>Great American/USDF Grand Prix Championship – Adult Amateur</b>
350	O,Q	<b>Great American/USDF Grand Prix Championship – Open</b>
351	O, Q	<b>Great American/USDF Freestyle Championship Second Level</b>
352	O, Q	<b>Great American/USDF Freestyle Championship Fourth Level</b>
353	J	<b>USDF Dressage Seat Medal Semi Final 13 &amp; Under</b>
354	J	<b>USDF Dressage Seat Medal Semi Final 14 – 18</b>

## **SUNDAY – October 4**

<u>Class</u>	<u>Division</u>	<u>Level/Test</u>
400	O,A,J/Y	USDF Introductory Test of Choice
400.5	O,A,J/Y	USDF Introductory Test of Choice
401	O, A, J/Y,Q	Training Level Test of Choice**
402	O, A, J/Y,Q	Training Level Test of Choice
403	O, A, J/Y,Q	First Level Test of Choice
404	O, A, J/Y,Q	First Level Test of Choice
405	O, A, J/Y,Q	Second Level Test of Choice**
406	O, A, J/Y,Q	Second Level Test of Choice
407	O, A, J/Y,Q	Third Level Test of Choice
408	O, A, J/Y,Q	Third Level Test of Choice
409	O, A, J/Y, Q	Fourth Level Test of Choice
410	O, A, J/Y, Q	Fourth Level Test of Choice
411	O, A, J/Y, Q	FEI Test of Choice (Q on appropriate classes only)
412	O, A, J/Y, Q	FEI Test of Choice (Q on appropriate classes only)
413	O	Young Horse TOC
414	O	Para Equestrian TOC
415	O	3 Year Old Fillies Materiale
416	O	3 Year Colts/Geldings Materiale
417	O	4&5 Year Old Mare Materiale
418	O	4&5 Year Stallion/Gelding Materiale
441	J/Y,Q	<b>Great American/USDF Training Level Championship – Junior/Young Rider</b>
442	J/Y,Q	<b>Great American/USDF Second Level Championship – Junior/Young Rider</b>
443	J/Y,Q	<b>Great American/USDF Fourth Level Championship – Junior/Young Rider</b>
444	A,Q	<b>Great American/USDF Fourth Level Championship – Adult Amateur</b>
445	O,Q	<b>Great American/USDF Fourth Level Championship – Open</b>
446	J/Y,Q	<b>Great American/USDF Intermediate 1 Championship – Junior/Young Rider</b>
447	A,Q	<b>Great American/USDF Intermediate 2 Championship – Adult Amateur</b>
448	O,Q	<b>Great American/USDF Intermediate 2 Championship – Open</b>
449	J/Y,Q	<b>Great American/USDF Grand Prix Championship – Junior/Young Rider</b>
450	O, Q	<b>Great American/USDF Freestyle Championship First Level</b>
451	O, Q	<b>Great American/USDF Freestyle Championship Third Level</b>
452	O, Q	<b>Great American/USDF Freestyle Championship Intermediate I</b>
453	O, Q	<b>Great American/USDF Freestyle Championship Grand Prix</b>

\*\* The classes marked with 2 \*\* will attempted to be scheduled prior to the Championship class for that level.

## **Motorized Vehicle Statement**

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/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.

## **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, agent, coach or trainer at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions, Dressage Competitions, Reining Competitions and Combined Driving Competitions upon payment of a \$45 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 FR218) 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.

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## US Dressage Finals Eligibility

The US Dressage Finals is an Invitational competition using the USEF/USDF Regional Championship program to qualify. Qualifying takes place at each of the nine Great American/USDF Regional Dressage Championships, based on either 1) Ranking in a Regional Championship Class or 2) Wild Card Eligibility. Either must be achieved at a Regional Championship in a class and eligible division offered at the US Dressage Finals.

### I. Qualification Based on Ranking in a Regional Championship Class:

**Champion and Reserve Champion horse/rider combinations for each level and eligible division from each of the nine Regional Championships will be automatically invited, provided the following three requirements are met: US Citizenship; Declaration of Intent completed by the deadline; and earning an eligible ranking in a Regional Championship class.**

***Note: Since Freestyle classes at Regional Championships are not split by division, the top two declared Open horse/rider combinations and the top two declared Adult Amateur horse/rider combinations for each level from each of the nine Regional Championships will be automatically invited. In addition, to be eligible for the Adult Amateur division in the Freestyles at the US Dressage Finals, competitors must check the AA box on the Regional Championship entry form and must provide proof of Adult Amateur status prior to competing in their Regional Championship classes.***

- 1) **United States Citizenship Requirement: To compete in any US Dressage Finals class, the rider must be a US citizen.**
- 2) **Declaration Requirement: The horse/rider combination must declare their intention to participate by completing the Declaration of Intent form by midnight on the day prior to the first day of their Regional Championship competition (including any open class day before the start of championship classes). There is no fee to declare, but horse/rider combinations must declare at the level(s) and eligible division(s) they intend to compete in at the US Dressage Finals. Go to [www.usdressagefinals.com](http://www.usdressagefinals.com) to declare.**
- 3) **Ranking in a Regional Championship Class: Eligibility to enter US Dressage Finals classes is based on a horse/rider combination's ranking in a Regional Championship class. Champions and Reserve Champions in eligible classes will be automatically invited, as long as they have declared by the deadline. *Note: In order to be named Champion and Reserve Champion in a Regional Championship class, a horse/rider combination must have achieved a score of 57% or higher.***

**In the event that the Champion and/or Reserve Champion declines the invitation, or are ineligible to compete in the US Dressage Finals, the horse/rider combination that has the next highest ranking in the class will be eligible, providing they:**

1. **Are a US citizen.**
2. **Completed the Declaration of Intent for that particular level and division by the deadline.**
3. **Achieved the pre-requisite score of 57% or higher.**

**If that combination declines, the same process will be followed down through the fifth ranked declared horse/rider combination for that Finals level and division.**

**No notifications will be issued beyond the fifth ranked, of declared horse/rider combination except as may be eligible through the Wild Card invitations described below.**

### II. Qualification Based on Wild Card Eligibility:

**Horse/rider combinations who are not otherwise qualified to compete in the US Dressage Finals based on their Regional Championship ranking (see above) may be invited to participate in a Finals class by earning a Wild Card score achieved at one of**

the nine Regional Championships, provided the following two requirements are met: US Citizenship and earning an eligible Wild Card score in a Regional Championship class.

- 1) United States Citizenship Requirement: To compete in any US Dressage Finals class, the rider must be a US citizen.
- 2) Eligible Wild Card Score: Eligibility to enter US Dressage Finals classes is based on a Wild Card score earned in a Regional Championship class. For all levels and divisions from Training through Grand Prix, a horse/rider combination that competes in a Regional Championship class and achieves a score at or above the score listed below for that level and division may compete in the same level and division at the US Dressage Finals.

*Note: Horse/rider combinations are not required to have filed a "Declaration of Intent" in order to receive a Wild Card invitation.*

	<u>OPEN:</u>	<u>AA:</u>
Training:	72%	68%
First:	72%	68%
Second:	68%	65%
Third:	68%	65%
Fourth:	68%	65%
Prix St. Georges:	68%	65%
Intermediate I:	66%	64%
Intermediate II:	66%	64%
Grand Prix:	66%	64%
All Freestyles	68%	68%

### III. Invitations:

Invitations and notifications will be emailed to eligible/qualified horse/rider combinations immediately after each Regional Championship. There will be three categories of emails:

- 1) Invitation emails will be sent to the top two of the top five declared horse/rider combinations.
- 2) Invitation emails will be sent to combinations eligible for a Wild Card.
- 3) Notification emails will be sent to the third to fifth declared horse/rider combinations, notifying them that they are on the reserve/alternate list and reminding them to check the website for any status changes that would make them eligible for an invitation.

In the event that an invited horse/rider combination scratches, invitations may be issued up to the start of the competition.

*Note: Competitors do not need to receive an actual invitation to nominate themselves for the US Dressage Finals. The entry system will have their eligibility status and they can nominate prior to receiving an email invitation.*

### IV. Nomination Requirement:

Nomination, including payment of the nomination fee, is required for participation in US Dressage Finals classes, whether qualifying through ranking in a Regional Championship class or by Wild Card Eligibility. The nomination deadline is midnight, 96 hours after the last championship day in the regional championship show in which the horse/rider combination competed. Each US Dressage Finals horse/rider combination is required to complete the nomination (preliminary entry) process including the horse/rider combinations on the reserve/alternate list. The Nomination fee paid will be applied to the total amount due at Closing Date.

### V. Entry Requirements

Completed entries for the US Dressage Finals *must be received* by the closing date, October 19, 2020 midnight Eastern Time. Priority for all stabling requests (including stabling in Alltech Barns and for double stalls) will be based on the date of receipt of the COMPLETE online entry. Due to COVID-19 Best Practices, each online entry must include the following: full payment, fully signed 2020 US Dressage Finals entry form and signed USEF Waiver, current negative Coggins test and current Flu/Rhino Vaccine Record. All documents must be uploaded when you receive your online entry confirmation from Horseshowoffice.com, that is emailed immediately to you after you enter online. The last factor in determining stabling priority will be the allotted number of Alltech stalls available per region.



US Dressage Finals Deadlines		
Regional Championship	Declaration	Nomination
1	Wednesday, October 7, 2020	Thursday, October 15, 2020
2	Wednesday, September 16, 2020	Thursday, September 24, 2020
3	Wednesday, September 30, 2020	Thursday, October 8, 2020
4	Wednesday, September 30, 2020	Thursday, October 8, 2020
5	Wednesday, September 16, 2020	Thursday, September 24, 2020
6	Wednesday, September 30, 2020	Thursday, October 8, 2020
7	Tuesday, September 22, 2020	Thursday, October 1, 2020
8	Wednesday, September 16, 2020	Thursday, September 24, 2020
9	Wednesday, September 30, 2020	Thursday, October 8, 2020
<p><i>Above deadlines are midnight in the time zone of the specific Regional Championship</i></p> <p>Entry Closing Date is October 19, 2020 midnight Eastern Time</p> <p><b>See Official Prize List for more information.</b></p>		

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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](http://www.usdf.org).

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

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

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

Exceptions:

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

#### Memberships Defined

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

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

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

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

**Horse Identification (HID) Number:** A one-time tracking number for horses (\$35). Scores earned by a horse with an HID number will be recorded, but will NOT be counted towards Adequan®/USDF Year-End Awards. A horse with an HID number is not eligible to compete in Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional qualifying or championship classes. An HID number can be upgraded to a Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR) for a fee of \$80. If a horse has a USDF LHR it does not need an HID number. An HID number is a one-time fee that does not need to be renewed.

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

#### How to Join USDF

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

- On the USDF website: [www.usdf.org](http://www.usdf.org). You can submit the application online or download the form 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.





## 2021 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 2021 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 (Junior Active, Senior 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 (Junior Active, Senior Active, Life, or Recorded Farm (with Active Farm Owner)). 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. 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	62%	60%	60%
Intermediate I	62%	60%	60%
Intermediate II	62%	60%	60%
Grand Prix	60%	60%	60%
<b>FREESTYLE</b>	<b>OPEN</b>	<b>AA</b>	<b>JR/YR</b>
First Level	65%	—	—
Second Level	65%	—	—
Third Level	65%	—	—
Fourth Level	65%	—	—
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## Regional Adult Amateur Equitation Program

The USDF Regional Adult Amateur Equitation Program recognizes adult amateurs competing in equitation and promotes correct seat, position, and use of the aids in dressage. An Adult Amateur Equitation Regional Final class presented by Big Dee's Tack and Vet Supply will be held in conjunction with each of the nine USDF Regional Dressage Championship competitions, providing adult amateurs with additional opportunity for recognition.

Adult amateurs wishing to qualify to compete in an Adult Amateur Equitation Regional Final may do so by meeting the following requirements.

### Qualifying Requirements

To be eligible for the USDF Adult Amateur Equitation Regional Final class, rider must have

- a) Earned a score of 70% or higher in any dressage seat equitation class (except walk/trot) at a USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized Dressage competition within the qualifying period of the applicable regional championship.
- or*
- b) Qualified to compete in any regional dressage championship class (excluding freestyles).

### Membership Requirements

- Rider must have a USDF Participating Membership at the time the qualifying score is earned, and at the time of the Regional Final class.
- Rider must be an adult amateur, in accordance with GR1306 of the USEF rules, and be designated with USEF as an adult amateur when the score is earned, and at the time of the Regional Final class.
- Owner must have a USDF Participating or Business Membership when the qualifying score is earned, and at the time of the Regional Final class.
- Horse must have a USDF Lifetime Horse Registration when the qualifying score is earned, and at the time of the Regional Final class.

The USDF Regional Adult Amateur Equitation Program rules and information can be found on the USDF [website](http://www.usdf.org).

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## ATTENTION FREESTYLE COMPETITORS



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## Freestyle Competitor Reminders

- Submit two CDs of your music clearly labeled with your name, horse's name, bridle number, and freestyle level.
- Be present for your sound check.
- Know the rules for the level you are riding. This includes forbidden and allowed movements for your level.

## Questions?

Contact [freestyle@usdf.org](mailto:freestyle@usdf.org)





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BREED	SEX	HEIGHT	COLOR	COGGINS DATE (ENCLOSED COPY)		SIRE	DAM	
DAM'S SIRE		COUNTRY OF BIRTH	YEAR OF BIRTH		BREEDER	FEI/PASSPORT #		GROOM

**RIDER/HANDLER** \_\_\_\_\_

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

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

**OWNER** \_\_\_\_\_

USEF# \_\_\_\_\_ USDF# \_\_\_\_\_ LOCAL# \_\_\_\_\_

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Tack Stalls							

Stable Group: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

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

**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.

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

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

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

**TRAINER** (mandatory)

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

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

**OWNER/AGENT** (mandatory)

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**COACH** (if applicable)

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

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

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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 to be bound and abide by the rules, regulations, and policies of USEF as published in the USEF Rule Book and on the website at [www.usef.org](http://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**”).

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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.

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

By signing below, I (as the participant or as the Parent/Legal Guardian of the minor identified below) hereby accept and agree to the terms and conditions of this Agreement in connection with my (or the minor's) participation in any USEF Event. If, despite this Agreement, I, or anyone on my behalf or the minor's behalf, makes a claim for Liability against any of the Released Parties, I will indemnify, defend and hold harmless each of the Released Parties from any such Liabilities as the result of such claim.

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

#### PARTICIPANT:

**RIDER/DRIVER/HANDLER/VAULTER/LONGEUR/OFFICIAL/STAFF/VOLUNTEER**  
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Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

#### TRAINER (mandatory)

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

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

#### OWNER (mandatory)

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#### COACH (if applicable)

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