# Saturday & Sunday, April 6 & 7, 2024 VADA/Nova, Inc. Spring Dressage Competition

Morven Park International Equestrian Center 41580 Sunday Morning Lane, Leesburg, VA 20176



2024 FEI North American Youth Championships
 2024 USEF Children Dressage National Championship
 2024 USEF Pony Rider Dressage National Championship
 2024 Adequan® /USEF Junior Dressage National Championship
 2024 Horseware Ireland/USEF Young Rider Dressage National Championship
 2024 Adequan®/USEF Brentina Cup Dressage National Championship
 2024 Markel/USEF Young and Developing Horse Dressage National
 Championships

2024 Neue Schule/USEF Intermediaire I Dressage National Championship
 2024 Neue Schule/USEF Grand Prix Dressage National Championship
 2024 Adequan®/USEF Para Dressage National Championship
 2024 FEI World Breeding Championships for Young Horses in Dressage (Five-, Six-, and Seven- Year Olds

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### Judges:

Jodi Lees (SC), S Janet Hannon (CO), S Janine Malone (NC), R

Opening Date: March 5, 2024

Closing Date: March 26, 2024

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Anita Jaffe (NY), r

Veterinarian: On Call

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Farrier: On Call, Hugh Ghiringhelli, 703-475-4062

# Show day phone number - 302-545-8855

Please check the VADA/Nova website, <a href="www.vadanova.org">www.vadanova.org</a> for detailed entry information.

### **ONLY ONLINE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

STABLING IS LIMITED!!!!!! STABLING IS ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS. IF YOU WANT STABLING, GET YOUR ENTRY IN EARLY.

ALL COMPETING HORSES MUST HAVE AS A MINIMUM A USEF HORSE ID & USDF HORSE ID.

# **Class Descriptions**

Sat	Sun	Fee	Open Classes
10	20	\$45.00	OPPORTUNITY USDF Intro A (std ring) Open
11	21	\$45.00	OPPORTUNITY USDF Intro B (std ring) Open
12	22	\$45.00	OPPORTUNITY USDF Intro C (std ring) Open
13	23	\$45.00	OPPORTUNITY Training 1 Open
14	24	\$45.00	OPPORTUNITY Training 2 Open
15	25	\$45.00	OPPORTUNITY Training 3 Open
16	26	\$45.00	OPPORTUNITY First 1 Open
17	27	\$45.00	OPPORTUNITY First 2 Open
18	29	\$45.00	OPPORTUNITY First 3 Open
19	29	\$45.00	OPPORTUNITY Dressage Seat Equitation Open
100	200	\$45.00	Dressage Seat Equitation Open/JR/YR/AA
101	201	\$50.00	Training 1 Open
102	202	\$50.00	Training 2 Open/CBLM Q
103	203	\$50.00	Training 3 Open/GAIG/USDF Q
111	211	\$50.00	First 1 Open
112	212	\$50.00	First 2 Open/CBLM Q
113	213	\$50.00	First 3 Open/GAIG/USDF Q
114#	214#	\$50.00	Training & First Level TOC Open/CBLM Q/GAIG/USDF Q
121	221	\$50.00	Second 1 Open
122	222	\$50.00	Second 2 Open/CBLM Q
123	223	\$50.00	Second 3 Open/GAIG/USDF Q
131	231	\$50.00	Third 1 Open
132	232	\$50.00	Third 2 Open/CBLM Q
133	233	\$50.00	Third 3 Open/GAIG/USDF Q
141	241	\$50.00	Fourth 1 Open
142	242	\$50.00	Fourth 2 Open/CBLM Q
143	243	\$50.00	Fourth 3 Open/GAIG/USDF Q
144#	244#	\$50.00	Second, Third & Fourth Level TOC Open/CBLM/GAIG/USDF Q
145	245	\$65.00	FEI Prix. St. Georges Open/CBLM Q/GAIG/USDF Q
146	246	\$65.00	FEI Intermediate I Open/CBLM Q/GAIG/USDF Q
147**	247	\$65.00	FEI Intermediate II Open/CBLM Q/GAIG/USDF Q/USEF Q**
148	248	\$65.00	FEI Grand Prix Open/CBLM Q/GAIG/USDF Q
149*	249*	\$65.00	FEI/Equivalent TOC (ex. YH,MFS,PE) Open/CBLM Q/GAIG/USDF Q
150##	250##	\$55.00	USDF Training - 4 MFS TOC Open/CBLM Q/GAIG/USDF Q
151	251	\$65.00	FEI Levels MFS TOC Open/CBLM Q/GAIG/USDF Q
152	252	\$45.00	USDF Pas de Deux TOC Open/CBLM Q (fee per team member)
153	253	\$65.00	FEI Para Dressage A TOC Para
154	254	\$65.00	FEI Para Dressage B TOC Para
			Materiale Division
155	255	\$45.00	USDF Materiale Fillies 3 yr old
156	256	\$45.00	USDF Materiale Colts /Geldings 3 yr old
157	257	\$45.00	USDF Materiale Mares 4, 5 yr old
158	258	\$45.00	USDF Materiale Stallions/Geldings 4, 5 yr old
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160		\$75.00	FEI Children Team Test USEF Q/CBLM Q

	260	\$75.00	FEI Children Individual Test USEF Q	
161		\$75.00	FEI Pony Team Test USEF Q/CBLM Q	
	261	\$75.00	FEI Pony Individual Test USEF Q	
	262	\$75.00	FEI Pony Freestyle	
163		\$75.00	FEI YR Team NAYC/USEF Q/CBLM Q/GAIG/USDF Q	
	263	\$75.00	FEI YR Individual Test NAYC	
	264	\$75.00	FEI YR Freestyle Test NAYC/CBLM Q	
164		\$75.00	FEI JR Team NAYC/USEF Q /CBLM Q/GAIG/USDF Q	
	265	\$75.00	FEI JR Individual Test NAYC	
	266	\$75.00	FEI JR Freestyle Test NAYC/CBLM Q	
	267	\$75.00	USEF Developing Prix St. Georges USEF Q	
	268	\$75.00	USEF Developing Grand Prix USEF Q	
	269	\$75.00	FEI Young Rider Grand Prix 16-25 Test USEF Q	
165++		\$75.00	FEI Prix. St. Georges <b>USEF Q</b> /CBLM Q/GAIG/USDF Q	
	270++	\$75.00	FEI Intermediate I <b>USEF Q</b> /CBLM Q/GAIG/USDF Q	
166++		\$100.00	FEI Grand Prix <b>USEF Q</b> /CBLM Q/GAIG/USDF Q	
	271++	\$100.00	FEI Grand Prix Special <b>USEF Q</b>	
	272++	\$100.00	FEI Grand Prix or Intermediate I MFS TOC user Q/CBLM Q/GAIG/USD	
167		\$75.00	FEI Para Grand Prix A Test of Choice Para & USEF Q	
168		\$75.00	FEI Para Grand Prix B Test of Choice Para & USEF Q	
	273	\$75.00	FEI Para Grand Prix Freestyle Test of Choice Para & USEF Q	
			Young Horse Division	
175^^		\$75.00	FEI/USEF Young Horse TOC (ex. 7yo Test) (PRACTICE)	
	275	\$75.00	USEF Four-Year Old Test USEF Q	
176		\$75.00	FEI Five-Year Old Preliminary Test WBC Q	
	276	\$75.00	FEI Five-Year Old Final Test USEF Q/WBC Q	
177		\$75.00	FEI Six-Year Old Preliminary Test WBC Q	
	277	\$75.00	FEI Six-Year Old Final Test USEF Q/WBC Q	
178		\$75.00	FEI Seven-Year Old Preliminary Test WBC Q	
	278	\$75.00	FEI Seven-Year Old Final Test USEF Q/WBC Q	

### **Definitions/Eligibility**

**CBLM** - Qualifying class for 2024 CBLMs. Riders must be members of a participating GMO organization at the time of the show to be eligible.

**GAIG/USDF** - Qualifying class for the 2024 GAIG/USDF Championships (declare qualifying ride on entry form) – Entry fee plus additional \$15 fee required, **MUST BE PAID PRIOR TO THE START OF THE CLASS**.

**Open -** Open to all Horses and Riders. Show management may split into AA's and Junior/Young Rider sections based on class size

**AA** - Open to Adult Amateurs only; competitors must compete as adults from the beginning of the calendar year in which they reach the age of 22 & they must hold a current USEF Amateur card. **JR/YR** – Open to Juniors and Young Riders only; any rider is eligible until the end of the calendar year in which they reach the age of 21. Only riders ages 14-18 may ride FEI JR Tests. Only riders age 16-21may ride FEI YR Tests. Only riders ages 12-16 may ride FEI Pony Tests. Only riders ages 12-14 may ride FEI Children Tests.

**USEF QUAL** – Qualifying class for 2024 USEF National Championships

**NAYC/USEF Q** – Qualifying class for the 2024 North American Youth Championships and USEF National Junior and Young Rider and Developing Horse Championships

**USEF/ WBC QUAL** – Qualifying class for 2024 World Breeding Championships for 5, 6 & 7 yr old horses.

**MFS** – USDF or FEI Musical Freestyle only; no Pas de Deux or Quadrille.

**TOC** - Test of Choice (specify test level on entry form). May be qualifier if proper test ridden and fees paid.

**OPPORTUNITY CLASSES** - No USEF/USDF memberships or Horse ID required for Opportunity classes if entered ONLY in Intro and/or Opportunity classes. Horses entered only in Opportunity classes are exempt from the \$23 USEF fee. However, horses entered in these classes are still subject to and must comply with all D&M rules and are subject to drug testing at the competition. Riders/horses are permitted to cross-enter into other recognized classes at this show. **Note GR 821.2.e.2 states "Opportunity Classes are for entry level participants and may be offered to encourage participation in Federation Licensed Competitions."** 

- \* Excludes Young Horse, MFS, and Para Dressage tests. Depending on class size, divisions may be pinned separately. Levels will not be split
- # Specify test and if GAIG Q on entry. Depending on class size, divisions may be pinned separately. Levels will not be split.
- ^^ Class 175 **is NOT** a qualifier class, warm-up only. MUST include horse proof of age (breed registration certificate or vet certificate showing foaling date) with entry form. Specify test on entry form. (excludes FEI 7 Year-Old Tests.)

## USDF Training MFS is not eligible as a USDF/GAIG/USDF Qualifier.

++ Qualifying classes for USEF Dressage Intermediate I or Grand Prix National Championship. Limited to USEF Q entries.

### PRIZE LIST DIRECTIVES

### **General:**

- 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.
- US EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION rules are in force from the moment show management allows access to the showgrounds. This includes conduct, COVID compliance, correct saddlery and equipment, and attire.
- Management reserves the right to split, combine, delete, or add classes dependent on entries.
   Management also reserves the right to add or substitute judges or make any changes required by circumstances.
- All "No Shows" that have not contacted the show office will be considered a scratch for the rest of the show and time slots may be filled. Competitors enter with this understanding and agreement.
- DOGS MUST BE ON LEASHES AT ALL TIMES WHILE ON SHOW GROUNDS OR IN STABLE AREAS. PENALITIES WILL APPLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH USEF GR1301.6.
- . All horses must be wearing numbers when outside of stall or trailer.
- Anyone mounted on a horse must wear protective headgear that meets that complies with one of the certifications listed on the USEF website, https://www.usef.org/forms-pubs/wGqEFLaPc60/list-ofapplicable-international. NO EXCEPTIONS. Per USEF DR120.6.

### <u>Levels:</u>

All tests current editions. USEF Training-FEI Levels; USDF/FEI Freestyles (TR-FEI Levels), USDF
Pas de Deux, Introductory & Materiale, USEF/FEI Young Horse, FEI Para Dressage, & Dressage
Seat Equitation.

### Awards:

- Ribbons for First through Sixth place will be awarded for all classes. Prize for each First place.
- Separate awards for Open, AAs and/or Jr/Yrs in any Dressage Open class with four or more in any division. All divisions (if specifically offered) pinned separately. Exception: Open, GAIG/USDF Qualifying & CBLM scored & pinned together.
- Show High Score Awards: Ribbons will be given for each of the following: Training, First, Second, Third, Fourth Levels; Prix St. Georges; Combined FEI levels (I1, I2, IA, IB, I2 and GP); Musical Freestyle (Excluding Pas de Deux and Quadrille); Para-Equestrian. NOTE: No High-Score Award will be awarded unless there are at least 3 competitors in the category. Special ribbons and prizes will be given for the overall high score JR/YR, Adult Amateur, and Open competitors. Young Horse, Opportunity, Intro, Equitation, Materiale, Musical Freestyle (except for MFS specific award) and Para-Equestrian (except for Para-Equestrian specific award) are excluded from High Score Award calculations. Scores below 57% will not be considered for high score awards.
- High Score VADA/Nova Member. One High Score Ribbon for Open, AA and JR/YR members.

### GMO Team Challenge:

- Open to teams of at least 3 horse/rider combinations. Must be current members of any GMO/GMO Chapter. Each rider must be unique so riders with multiple horses must participate on separate teams.
- Winner based on team with the highest average score. Any Training through Grand Prix ride will count. Musical Freestyles, Young Horse, Para-Equestrian tests are excluded.
- Teams must sign-up in office by noon on Saturday. Rides through Sunday noon are included in the team score calculation. Winning team will be announced on Sunday afternoon.
- Special ribbons and prizes awarded to the First Place GMO Team.

### **Entries:**

- Entries may be limited if numbers exceed capacity of the facility. Entries received after show is full will be placed on a waiting list. SHOW MAY FILL PRIOR TO CLOSING DATE.
- Please include a valid, LEGIBLE e-mail address. All correspondence will be through e-mail.
- On-Line Entries ONLY may be processed through <u>www.vadanova.org</u>. Individuals
  utilizing the online entry system for this competition do so with the agreement that they
  have read the OFFICIAL PRIZE LIST and agree to follow all the class specifications,
  requirements, and conditions in the OFFICIAL PRIZE LIST.
- Entries accepted ONLY with entry form and full payment. Entry form must be signed in ALL
  THREE signature blocks in accordance with USEF rules, as well as signature in COACH block if
  applicable. Electronic signatures are accepted.
- There is a separate USEF Waiver form that must be signed by each person associated with the horse. This is includes rider, owner, trainer, coach, parent, groom.
- ENTRIES MUST BE <u>RECEIVED</u> BY THE SECRETARY BY THE CLOSING DATE. LATE FEE
  OF \$50.00 WILL BE ASSESSED FOR ANY ENTRY RECEIVED AFTER THE CLOSING DATE.
- Fees must be paid in full with entry form. If full payment is not received, the entry will be placed on a waiting list until all fees are paid in cash, money order, or cashier's check.
- NO MAILED ENTRIES OR PAPERWORK. All documents MUST be uploaded via Fox Village or submitted by email to the secretary. Paperwork needed is entry form, signature page, USEF Waiver(the USEF waivers separate from and required in addition to the entry agreement), current

Coggins test, current Flu/Rhino vaccine record. All waivers must contain the name and phone number of a point of contact.

- ALL DOCUMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY APRIL 1 TO AVOID \$25 INCOMPLETE ENTRY FEE.
- Proof of membership must be included with entry form. Please provide the Master Verification from USEF & USDF (<u>www.eqverification.org</u>). Failure to provide proof of USEF and/or USDF membership or affidavit will result in competitor being charged non-member fees.
- Show management reserves the right to refuse entries, make changes, deletions, or corrections as deemed necessary.
- EFFECTIVE 12/1/22: To be eligible to compete at Federation Licensed Competitions, coaches, trainers, and legal guardians signing as coaches or trainers on behalf of their minors must be Senior Active Members in good standing, Riders and owners are eligible for one (and ONLY one) Show Pass per year. Trainers and coaches are no longer eligible to participate under a Show Pass.
- Negative Coggins valid through the last day of the show is required for entry to show grounds for all horses. The provided copy must have the date, results, horse name, and vet signature are legible. Electronic copies are preferred. DO NOT provide the original. Entries without a current Coggins (valid through show date) WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
- Horses entering the show grounds must be accompanied by documentation of Equine
  Influenza Virus and Equine Herpes Virus (Rhinopneumonitis) vaccinations within 6 months
  prior to entering the show grounds. Horses not in compliance with this rule may be required to
  leave the grounds upon request by Competition Management.
- Riders/Handlers **MUST** provide emergency contact information on their entry form.
- **DO NOT MAIL entries**. They will not be accepted or opened. No telephone, FAX, or email entries.
- Post entries (received after the closing date) will be accepted on a space available basis. Must include \$50.00 Late Fee.
- USEF SAFE SPORT TRAINING REQUIREMENT: 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 <a href="https://www.usef.org">www.usef.org</a>.

### Fees:

\$145.00 Horse or Tack Stall, weekend \$115.00 Horse Stall, Friday Night Only \$95.00 Horse Stall, Day or Early Arrival \$30.00 Haul-in Fee (per day/for all horses not stabled) \$50.00 Stall Change fee (without permission) \$30.00 Camper Hook-up per day \$50.00 Office Fee (non-refundable, before close date) \$50.00 Late Fee (non-refundable, after close date)

### \$25.00 Incomplete Entry (deadline Apr 1)

\$35.00 USDF non-member fee \$23.00 USEF D&M/horse \$15.00 GAIG/USDF Qualifying rides \$50.00 Non-competing horse (must also pay Office Fee, grounds fee or stabling, but not USEF/USDF Fees) \$10.00 class change fee (during show)

- \$10.00 class change fee (during show) \$50.00 Return Check Fee
- During the show, acceptable payment is cash or check. Make checks payable to: VADA/Nova, Inc.
- **Return Check Policy:** Entry will be removed from the schedule, charged the return check fee and placed on the Wait List until a money order or certified check is received by the Secretary.

• Show office will be open: Noon – 6:30pm Friday, 7am – 6:00pm Saturday, 7am -- 1 hour after show ends on Sunday.

### Refunds:

- Until closing date, refunds on entries minus Office Fee.
  - NO REFUNDS after closing date, including stabling and overpayments, for any reason including cancellations due to Acts of God, acts of terrorism, inclement weather, and/or other emergencies.
  - GAIG/USDF Q fees refunded if request received before start of class until end of competition (unless applied to other indebtedness); otherwise will be paid to USDF.

### Entry Status and Times:

- Acknowledgement of entry showing status will be e-mailed to each competitor. Please be sure to include a valid, legible e-mail. Please check for errors and notify the secretary immediately.
- Official times posted by noon on Friday on the website. Unofficial times posted on website and emailed to competitors before show.

### Ponies:

- Pony Measurement will be offered on Friday, between 4pm and 5pm. Please notify the Show Manager of need for measurement in writing, at least 5 days before the competition.
- If an alternate measurement time is needed, please notify the Show Manager of need for measurement in writing, at least 5 days before the competition.
- \$100 fee will apply to each measurement session.

### Freestyle Requirements:

- Freestyle entries (ex. FEI Jr/FEI YR & FEI Pony) must be accompanied by photocopy of test verifying eligibility (i.e., min. 63% for Training-Fourth Levels and 60% for FEI levels) in highest test of declared Freestyle level or any test of higher level from a USEF Licensed "open" Dressage division).
- Riders must present music either on good quality CD's and/or digital files (MP3 and/or WAV) to the Show Secretary at least 2 hours prior to scheduled time for the ride. Digital files may be emailed to the secretary in advance of the show.
- Times for sound checks will be announced at the show. Please check in the show office.

### **Non-Competing Horses**:

 Must submit completed and signed Entry form to the Show Secretary, show proof of current Coggins/Vaccinations, and pay non-compete fee and office fee. Grounds/stabling fees are additional. Non-Compete horses do not pay separate USEF/USDF Fees.

### Stabling:

- Limited permanent 10'x10' stalls, with doors, available on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Due to limited stabling, stalls may be restricted to competing horses WITH WEEKEND STABLING whose entries are received by the closing date.
- If stabling is oversubscribed, Non-Competing Horses requiring stabling will not be permitted.
- Safe stabling for stallions is a priority.
- Horse and tack stalls are \$145 for the weekend (12 noon Friday to 7PM Sunday). Early arrival/late departure fee is \$95 per stall. Day stalls (6AM to 6PM) are \$95. Use of tack stalls may be limited.

- Day stalls may only be available in shedrow barns or temporary stabling. Group requests will not be honored with day stalls. NO REFUNDS for day stalls.
- Friday night stall available for \$115.00. Must depart by end of show on Saturday. No group requests will be honored.
- \$50.00 stall change fee for anyone changing stalls without prior permission of show management.
- Initial bedding IS NOT provided.
- SHAVINGS PRE-ORDER: MPIEC has set the price for pre-ordered shavings at \$10/bag, delivered. You can place your pre-order with your entry and include shavings price with your entry fee. Additional shavings may be purchased during the show for \$8/bag. Shavings should be paid for at the show office, and then picked up at the shavings shed between Barn 2 and Barn 3; they will not be delivered.
- HAUL-IN FEE: \$30.00 per day for each horse not stabled during the show.
- Competitors must contact the Secretary to arrange early or late arrivals and may be responsible for additional security or fees associated with their early arrival. Stall assignments will be posted at entrance and show office.
- Hourly Night Watch and Feeding Service available for an additional fee. Contact Andy Barbour at docbarber51@gmail.com. Details are also available in show office.
- Each barn has one sharps container per 50 horses available. Competition Management may fine any individual including trainers, owners, exhibitors, or their agents up to \$100 for improper disposal of needles or other sharp disposable instruments.

### **Competition Arenas:**

- One indoor 208'x88' with Attwood Equestrian Surfaces GGT footing.
- Two outdoor arenas, 350'x300', with Attwood Equestrian Surfaces Euro Tex blend. One outdoor arena, 350'x250', with Attwood Equestrian Surfaces Euro Tex blend.

### Warm-Up:

- One indoor arena, 138'x68', with Attwood Equestrian Surfaces GGT footing.
- Two outdoor arenas, 350'x300', with Attwood Equestrian Surfaces Euro Tex blend. One outdoor arena, 350'x250', with Attwood Equestrian Surfaces Euro Tex blend.
- Ample outdoor grass warm-up areas.
- Lunging permitted only in designated areas.

**Hospitality:** Food available on-site during show hours.

### **Accommodations:**

Springhill Suites	703-723-9300
Best Western	703-777-9400
Clarion Inn Historic Leesburg	703-771-9200
Comfort Suites	703-669-1650
Days Inn	703-777-6622
Hampton Inn & Suites	703-669-8640
Homewood Suites	571-258-1068
Lansdowne Resort	877- 509-8400

### <u>Directions:</u>

From Washington Beltway: (I-495): West on Rt. 7 to Leesburg. Take Rt. 15 Bypass north for 2.5 miles. Turn left onto Rt. 740 (Tutt Lane). One half mile, turn left into Morven Park driveway. From Fredericksburg and I-95: North to I-495 toward Dulles airport. Exit onto Rt. 7 West. Follow directions above. From Charlottesville: North on Rt. 29 past Warrenton to Rt. 15. Turn left on Rt. 15 and

continue to Leesburg. Take Rt. 15 bypass north. Follow directions above. From Pennsylvania & Maryland: Route 15 South to 2.5 miles north of Leesburg. Turn right onto Rt. 740 (Tutt Lane). After one half mile, turn left into Morven Park driveway.

Alternate Access to Equestrian Center: Morven Park has road to the Equestrian Center that is accessible through the main mansion entrance off Old Waterford Road. Follow directions through the property to the Equestrian Center. The usual access to the Equestrian Center via Tutt Lane is still available. The Equestrian Center also has a new address that reflects these new internal roads. It is 41580 Sunday Morning Lane but not all GPS know about it. You can still locate the Equestrian Center using the physical address: Morven Park International Equestrian Center, 41793 Tutt Lane, Leesburg, VA 20176.

### Hold Harmless Clause

• The Equine Activity Liability laws of the State of Virginia, VA Code Ann. Sec 3.2-6200-6203 state among its statutory provisions that , "NOTICE: Intrinsic dangers in equine activity, include (i) the propensity of equines to behave in ways that may result in injury, harm, or death to persons on or around them; (ii) the unpredictability of an equine's reaction to such things as sounds, sudden movement, and unfamiliar objects, persons, or other animals; (iii) certain hazards such as surface and subsurface conditions; (iv) collisions with other animals or objects; and (v) the potential of a participant acting in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury to the participant or others, such as failing to maintain control over the equine or not acting within the participant's ability." No Participant nor any participant's parent, guardian, or representative shall have or make any claim against or recover from any equine activity sponsor, equine professional, or any other person for injury, loss, damage, or death of the participant resulting from any of the intrinsic dangers of equine activities. It is further understood that each owner, rider, spectator, and other participants assume any and all risks of loss or injury and agrees to hold harmless, regardless of negligent acts or omissions VADA/Nova, Inc, Morven Park International Equestrian Center, USDF, USEF, its instructors, officers, directors, agents, show management, show committee, and all other horse show personnel.

### Additional USEF and USDF Requirements:

- For current US Dressage Finals requirements, go to <a href="https://www.usdf.org/usdressagefinals/">https://www.usdf.org/usdressagefinals/</a>
- For current Great American/USDF Championship requirements, go to https://www.usdf.org/competitions/competitions-championships/regionals/index.asp
- For current CBLM Championship requirements, go to <u>www.cblm.org</u>
- See also VADA/Nova website, www.vadanova.org.
- 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.
- 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 and academy classes (academy classes are classes limited to horses used regularly in a lesson program); 6) USDF introductory level tests, pas de deux and quadrille classes; 7) assistant handlers in Dressage Sport Horse Breeding classes

- 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, Vaulter or Longeur and on behalf of myself and my principals, representatives, employees and agents, I agree that I am subject to the Bylaws and Rules of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. (the "Federation") and the local rules of (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 Stateof New York, and any action instituted against the Federation must be filed in New York State. See GR908.4. If not currently a USEF Active Competing member or Subscriber, I acknowledge that I will be enrolled for no cost as a USEF Fan and my USEF Fan Account will continue to annually automatically renew in USEF's sole discretion. Additionally, I acknowledge that the benefits of a USEF Fan are subject to change without notice. USEF may in its sole discretion, at any time,
- 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.



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# United States Dressage Federation™

### Regional Adult Amateur Equitation Program

The USDF Regional Adult Amateur Equitation Program recognizes adult amateurs competing in equitation and promotes correct seat, position, and use of the aids in dressage. An Adult Amateur Equitation Regional Final class presented by Big Dee's Tack and Vet Supply will be held in conjunction with each of the nine USDF Regional Dressage Championship competitions, providing adult amateurs with additional opportunity for recognition. Ribbons awarded through 8th Place and gift certificates awarded to top four riders.

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

### Qualifying Requirements

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

 Earned a score of 70% or higher in any dressage seat equitation class (except walk/trot) at a USEF-licensed/USDFrecognized Dressage competition within the qualifying period of the applicable regional championship.

<u>or</u>

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.

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# OPPORTUNITIES FOR 3-6 YEAR OLD HORSES COMPETING IN MATERIALE AND/OR USEF/FEI YOUNG HORSE TESTS

	3 YEAR	4 YEAR	5 YEAR	6 YEAR
	OLD	OLD	OLD	OLD
ADEQUAN®/YEAR-END AWARDS®				
Materiale Horse of the Year Award				
(min. 3 scores required)	×	×	×	
USEF Four-Year-Old Award		×		
(min. 4 scores required)^		^		
FEI Five-Year-Old Award			×	
(min. 4 scores required)^				
FEI Six-Year-Old Award				×
(min. 4 scores required)^				•
BREEDERS CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES**				
Materiale Championships				
(min. 1 score required of 72% or higher)				
Three-Year-Old Championship	×			
Four-Year-Old Championship		X		
Five-Year-Old Championship			×	

### For Adequan\*/USDF Year-End Awards - at the time scores are earned

- \* Horse must have a USDF Lifetime Horse Registration Number (LHR)
- \* Owner must have a USDF Participating (PM) or Business Membership (BM)

  \* Rider must have a USDF PM
  - \*Competition year starts October 1 and ends September 30

### For USDF Breeders Championship Series - to compete in the championships

- \*\* Horse must have a USDF Horse Identification Number or LHR
- \*\* Owner must have a USDF Group Membership, PM, BM or pay a non-member fee per competition
  - \*\* Rider must have a USDF PM
- \*\*Competition year starts January 1 and ends December 30

^Scores earned in the USEF Four- and FEI Five- & Six-Year-Old tests are also eligible to be used towards a USDF Horse Performance Certificate 
^^ Horses competing in the USDF Breeders Championship Series Final 
Three-Year-Old Materiale Championships may also be eligible for the 
Three-Year-Old Prospect award

Complete Award/Championship Requirements Listed in the current USDF Member Guide

### USDF Statement on Animal Welfare

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

Iressage 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 teems. This, in itself, places a premium on good care and soundness throughout the horse's life.

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

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

United States Dressage Federation
4051 Iron Works Parkway, Lexington, KY 40511
Phone: 859-971-2277, Fax: 859-971-7722, usdressage@usdf.org, www.usdf.org

# ATTENTION FREESTYLE COMPETITORS



- The format for the music should be listed in the prize list. If not check with competition management.
- Submit your music clearly labeled with your name, horse's name, bridle number, and freestyle level.
- · Make sure to bring a backup in the format requested.
- · 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: MusicalFreestyle@usdf.org

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### Map of Morven Park International Equestrian Center



**USEF Competition Name:** 

Competition Division(s) and Rating(s):

USEF#:

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SAFESPORT

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

This competition is recognized by USDF for 2024

Membership Requirements for USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized Competitions:

Owners and riders, including foreign riders

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

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

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

### **Exceptions:**

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

### **Memberships Defined**

Participating Membership (PM): A membership issued to an individual directly by USDF. The membership year is December 1 through November 30. PMs are available for 1-year (\$90), 5-years (\$360), or life (\$1,800). A USDF Youth Participating Membership (YPM) is available for individuals who have not reached their 21st 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. 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.



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

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

### Membership/Registration Requirements for Qualifying and Championships

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

### Rider:

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

### Horse:

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

### Owner:

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

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

The minimum percentages are as follows:

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

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I hereby agree to release, indemnify and hold harmless USDF, its instructors, officers, directors, agents, and volunteers from and against any and all loss, liability or damage arising from or because of, or in connection with, participation in this competition or related activities. I also hereby agree to release, indemnify and hold harmless the competition licensee, show management, competition staff, show committee and members, officers, directors, agents, and volunteers from and against any and all loss, liability or damage arising from or because of, or in connection with, participation in this competition or related activities.

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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)	OWNER/AGENT (mandatory)		
Signature:	Signature:		
Print Name:	Print Name:		
TRAINER (mandatory)	COACH (if appicable)		
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Print Name:	Print Name:		
Parent/Guardian Signature: (Required if Rider/Driver/Handler/Vaulter/Longeur is	a-minor)		
Print Parent//Guardian Name:	Emergency Contact Phone No.		
Is Rider/Driver/Vaulter a U.S. Citizen: Yes No.			

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

Print Parent//Guardian Name:

For and in consideration of United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. dba US Equestrian ("USEF") allowing me, the undersigned, to participate in any capacity (including as a rider, driver, handler, vaulter, longeur, lessee, owner, agent, coach, official, trainer or volunteer) in a USEF sanctioned, licensed or approved event or activity, including but not limited to equestrian clinics, practices, shows, competitions and related or incidental activities and("USEF Event" or "USEF Events"); I, for myself, and on behalf of my spouse, children, heirs and next of kin, and any legal and personal representatives, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns, hereby agree to and make the following contractual representations pursuant to this Agreement (the "Agreement"):
A. RULES AND REGULATIONS: I hereby agree that I have read, understand, and agree to be bound by all applicable Federation Bylaws, rules, and policies including the USEF Safe Sport Policy and Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies (MAAPP) as published at www.usef.org, as amended from time to time.
B. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RISK: I knowingly, willingly, and voluntarily acknowledge the inherent risks associated with the sport of equestrian and know that horseback riding and related equestrian activities are inherently dangerous, and that participation in any USEF Event involves risks and dangers including, without limitation, (i) the propensity of an equine to behave in dangerous ways which may result in injury to the participant; (ii) the inability to predict an equine's reaction to sound, movements, objects, persons, or animals; and (iii) hazards of surface or subsurface conditions; (iv) 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; (v) 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; (vi) accidents involving other participants, event staff, volunteers or spectators; contact or collision with other participants and horses, natural or manmade objects; adverse weather conditions; (vii) facilities issues and premises conditions; failure of protective equipment (including helmets); (viii) inadequate safety measures; participants of varying skill levels; (ix) situations beyond the immediate control of the USEF Event organizers and competition management; and (x) other undefined, not readily foreseeable and presently unknown risks and dangers. ("Risks").
CAUTION: HORSEBACK RIDING AND EQUINE ACTIVITIES CAN BE DANGEROUS. RIDE AT YOUR OWN RISK.: Under VA Code Ann. Sec 3.2-6200-6203, an equine activity sponsor or equine professional is not liable for any injury to, or the death of, a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities.
C. ASSUMPTION OF RISK: I understand that the aforementioned Risks may be caused in whole or in part or result directly or indirectly from the negligence of my own actions or inactions 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 (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, 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:

11.16.23

Date:\_

\_Emergency Contact Phone No. \_