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Items in this prize list are subject to change. Please refer back for updates.
Competition will be run by the latest Official Prize List.

Online entries are accepted at www.HorseShowOffice.com. There is NO surcharge for entering online. Online entries may be paid by electronic check or credit card.

No hard copy entries accepted
Website: www.usdressagefinals.com

Thurs #	Fri #	Sat #	Sun #	US Dressage Finals Classes	Division	Fee
Junior/Young Rider Division Junior/Young Rider Finals classes are open only to those H/R combinations that have received an Invitation based on their placing or Wild Card score received at the 2023 GAIG/USDF Regional Championships.						
			409J	US Dressage Finals Training Level Championship	Jr/YR	$120
		319J		US Dressage Finals First Level Championship	Jr/YR	$120
			429J	US Dressage Finals Second Level Championship	Jr/YR	$120
		339J		US Dressage Finals Third Level Championship	Jr/YR	$120
			449J	US Dressage Finals Fourth Level Championship	Jr/YR	$120

Note: Classes may not necessarily run in the order listed above.

Thurs #	Fri #	Sat #	Sun #	US Dressage Finals Classes	Division	Fee
Open Division Open Finals classes are open only to those H/R combinations that have received an Invitation based on their placing or Wild Card score received at the 2023 GAIG/USDF Regional Championships.						
	209O			US Dressage Finals Training Level Championship	Open	$120
		319O		US Dressage Finals First Level Championship	Open	$120
			429O	US Dressage Finals Second Level Championship	Open	$120
139O				US Dressage Finals Third Level Championship	Open	$120
		349O		US Dressage Finals Fourth Level Championship	Open	$120
159O				US Dressage Finals Prix St. Georges Championship	Open	$150
	269O			US Dressage Finals Intermediate I Championship	Open	$150
179O				US Dressage Finals Intermediate II Championship	Open	$150
	289O			US Dressage Finals Grand Prix Championship	Open	$150
	619O			US Dressage Finals First Level Freestyle Championship	Open	$120
		729O		US Dressage Finals Second Level Freestyle Championship	Open	$120
	639O			US Dressage Finals Third Level Freestyle Championship	Open	$120
			849O	US Dressage Finals Fourth Level Freestyle Championship	Open	$120
		769O		US Dressage Finals Intermediate I Freestyle Championship	Open	$150
		789O		US Dressage Finals Grand Prix Freestyle Championship	Open	$150

Note: Classes may not necessarily run in the order listed above.

Thurs #	Fri #	Sat #	Sun #	US Dressage Finals Classes	Division	Fee
Adult Amateur Division						
Adult Amateur Finals classes are open only to those H/R combinations that have received an Invitation based on their placing or Wild Card score received at the 2023 GAIG/USDF Regional Championships.						
			409A	US Dressage Finals Training Level Championship	AA	$120
		319A		US Dressage Finals First Level Championship	AA	$120
	229A			US Dressage Finals Second Level Championship	AA	$120
		339A		US Dressage Finals Third Level Championship	AA	$120
	249A			US Dressage Finals Fourth Level Championship	AA	$120
			459A	US Dressage Finals Prix St. Georges Championship	AA	$150
	269A			US Dressage Finals Intermediate I Championship	AA	$150
179A				US Dressage Finals Intermediate II Championship	AA	$150
	289A			US Dressage Finals Grand Prix Championship	AA	$150
			819A	US Dressage Finals First Level Freestyle Championship	AA	$120
		729A		US Dressage Finals Second Level Freestyle Championship	AA	$120
			839A	US Dressage Finals Third Level Freestyle Championship	AA	$120
		749A		US Dressage Finals Fourth Level Freestyle Championship	AA	$120
		769A		US Dressage Finals Intermediate I Freestyle Championship	AA	$150
		789A		US Dressage Finals Grand Prix Freestyle Championship	AA	$150

Note: Classes may not necessarily run in the order listed above.

Thurs#	Fri#	Sat#	Sun#	Open Classes (restricted to horse/rider combinations entered in Finals classes or wait listed for US Dressage Finals Classes)	Divisions	Fee	Q
100	200	300		USEF Training Level Test of Choice*	AA/Open/Jr/YR	$75	$90
110	210	310		USEF First Level Test of Choice*	AA/Open/Jr/YR	$75	$90
120	220	320		USEF Second Level Test of Choice*	AA/Open/Jr/YR	$75	$90
130	230	330		USEF Third Level Test of Choice*	AA/Open/Jr/YR	$75	$90
140	240	340		USEF Fourth Level Test of Choice*	AA/Open/Jr/YR	$75	$90
			400	USEF Test of Choice (only Training, 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th) *	AA/Open/Jr/YR	$75	$90
150	250	350	450	FEI Test of Choice (only PSG, I1, I2 & GP) *	AA/Open	$100	$115
191				USDF First Level Freestyle*# ^	AA/Open	$75	$90
192				USDF Second Level Freestyle*# ^	AA/Open	$75	$90
193				USDF Third Level Freestyle*# ^	AA/Open	$75	$90
194				USDF Fourth Level Freestyle*# ^	AA/Open	$75	$90
195				FEI Intermediate I Freestyle*# ^	AA/Open	$100	$115
196				FEI Grand Prix Freestyle*# ^	AA/Open	$100	$115

Note: Classes may not necessarily run in the order listed here. *** Great American/USDF Qualifying**

 # Classes 191 through 196 are only open to those horse/rider combinations that are entered in US Dressage Finals Freestyle classes.

^ Music must be submitted in either WAV, MP3, MP4 or AIFF format and uploaded to horseshowoffice.com by November 3, 2023. CDs are highly discouraged and if used will not be returned after the competition. Sound tests will be scheduled via email once your music has been received. Time blocks will be on the schooling schedule. All freestyle competitors must complete a sound check.

Entry Information:

Entries must be submitted online at www.HorseShowOffice.com. No hard copy entries accepted. There is NO surcharge for entering online. Online entries may be paid by electronic check or credit card. Entries must be received by October 16, 2023, midnight ET. Any entry requiring a signature, payment, or copies of proof of valid membership will be considered incomplete and may incur additional fees. For an entry to be considered complete, it must contain the signed USEF Waiver & Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Indemnity Agreement. No refunds after closing date, for any reason, except for declared entries which do not receive an invitation and are not eligible for a wild card. Additional information on page 9.

Post Entries for US Dressage Finals Championship Classes: Nominated entries will be accepted to fill scratches, up to the start of competition, if scheduling permits. No late entry fee will be required.

Policy for Accepting Post Entries and Filling Scratches in US Dressage Finals classes:

- Must have declared (Exception: Wild Card entries)
- Must have nominated.
- Must have qualified and be eligible for class.
- Must have previously entered in competition as a competing or non-competing horse, (but not necessarily on grounds due to show being Thursday to Sunday). *Note: reserve/alternate entries must complete a full entry by closing date*.
- Must register with secretary and put name on wait list.
- If scratch was in by placing, first priority will be given to same Region as scratch.
- If there is no alternate from Region, will fill scratch outside of Region prioritized by highest qualifying score.
- If the scratch was in by Wild Card then priority based only on qualifying score

Post entries in Finals classes will only be accepted to fill scratches in allotted time slots (Time schedule determined by the draw held prior to the class). Exceptions will be made when two or more competitors meet the same criteria and are deemed equal in priority status. Exceptions may also be made when conditions are created by weather or other natural disasters.

Entry Information Requirements: Competitors are responsible to provide valid membership numbers on the entry form for all horse, owner, rider, and trainer names listed on the entry form. USEF and USDF registration is verified electronically if valid membership numbers are provided on the entry form. You may be asked to provide copies of your membership documents if your memberships cannot be verified for any reason. All entries must include a current negative EIA (Coggins) test. Horses entering the grounds must be accompanied by documentation of Equine Influenza Virus and Equine Herpes Virus (Rhinopneumonitis) vaccinations within 6 months prior to entering the stables. Horses not in compliance with this rule may be required to leave the grounds upon request by competition management (USEF GR845). All entries must include the signed USEF Waiver and Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Indemnity Agreement.

Kentucky Health Regulations: Owners with horses from other states are responsible to check for most up-to-date health regulation Kentucky State Veterinarian website information before arrival: http://www.kyagr.com/statevet/import-equine.html

Horse Requirements for Entry into the Kentucky Horse Park: All horses entering Kentucky Horse Park grounds must have valid proof of negative EIA (Coggins) test (within 12 months). A 30-day certificate of veterinary inspection/health certificate is required for all horses arriving from outside the state of Kentucky. All horses considered Kentucky based must have a valid certificate of veterinary inspection/health certificate dated within 12 months. Horses who fail to arrive with appropriate paperwork will not be allowed to unload on park grounds. The Kentucky Horse Park requires all horses/ponies/mules be treated in a humane manner, in accordance with various state and local humane society guidelines. Show management is expected to enforce fair and humane treatment for all horses participating in an event at the park. **Competitors with out-of-state horses must present their health certificate to the show secretary upon arrival in order to receive their competitor number.**

Entry Fees:

DESCRIPTION	FEES
US Dressage Finals Nomination Fee- For each National Level Class (Applied to total amount due at Closing Date)	$120
US Dressage Finals Nomination Fee-For each FEI Level Class (Applied to total amount due at Closing Date)	$150
US Dressage Finals Training through Fourth Level Classes including Freestyles	$120
US Dressage Finals FEI Level Classes including Freestyles	$150
Open Classes Training through Fourth Level Classes	$75
Open FEI Level Classes	$100
Great American/USDF Qualifying Fee	$15 per eligible class
Office Fee per horse/rider combination	$75
Time Change within a class (request by 3 PM the day prior)	$20 per change if possible
Non-competing horse fee (Must also pay office fee of $75)	$100
USEF Fee (D&M $15.00, USEF $8.00)	$23 per horse
Post Entry Fee (does not apply to Finals entries that receive an invitation on or after Closing Date)	$50
+Kentucky Horse Park Equine Facility Fee (mandatory for all horses, including non-competing horses)	$10 per horse
Processing fee for ineligible entries (reserve/alternate list/in line by placing not be subject to this fee)	$10 per nominated class
Non-negotiable Payment Fee	$25

Stabling Fees & Information:

DESCRIPTION	FEES
Heated interior stall (10x10) in the Alltech Barn (Wednesday 12pm through Sunday 12:00 midnight)	$430/stall
Heated interior tack stall in the Alltech Barn (Wednesday 12pm through Sunday 12:00 midnight) – Management reserves the right to limit tack stalls in the Alltech Barn.	$475/stall
Double heated interior stall (10'x20') Alltech Barn only (Wednesday 12pm through Sunday 12:00 midnight) (not available for single nights) (Limited number of double stalls available; double stall requests will likely not be stabled with their group since they are only available in certain areas).	$860/double stall
Non-heated shed row stall (10x10) (Wednesday 12pm through Sunday 12:00 midnight)	$300/stall
Non-heated shed row tack stall (Wednesday 12pm through Sunday 12:00 midnight)	$300/stall
Non-heated shed row stall (10x10) (Single Night)	$160/stall
Early check in before noon on Wednesday, November 8 or layover past Sunday 12:00 midnight	$80/day

- Barns open Wednesday 12pm. Arrival prior to Wednesday 12pm requires approval and early stabling fee. Early arrivals may not arrive prior to Tuesday at 9am. Competitors will be charged for an extra day of stabling if they leave after Sunday 12:00 midnight. All stabling is permanent, but not all stabling is heated; permanent stall doors provided.
- **Priority for all stabling requests (including stabling in Alltech Barns and for double stalls) will be based on the date of receipt of the COMPLETED entry.** Each entry must include the following: full payment, fully signed 2023 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**.**
- There is no guarantee that all Alltech Barn requests can be filled. Non-competing horses will NOT be stabled in the Alltech Barn.
- Double stalls (in Alltech Barns) will be allotted per region. Anyone who receives a double stall will NOT receive a tack stall.
- All horses must have a stall and stalls cannot be shared by more than one horse. No trailer-ins allowed. Please list stable groups on entry form and use only one name for each stable group to ensure that your group will be stabled together. .
- No exhibitor may withdraw horses from a licensed show after it has commenced or remove them from the showgrounds without permission of the show secretary.
- Stalls have concrete or asphalt floors. Stall mats are available for rent through Deverinc.com.
- Nighttime arrivals: Bring lights to unload. Additional Stabling Information posted under Facility Information on pages 12-13.
- Electric heaters are prohibited per Kentucky Horse Park regulations, no exceptions.

Nightwatch available from 9pm-5am Wednesday-Sunday nights (Tuesday night available upon request)

To sign up, please respond to the email that will be sent out the week before the show; all pricing and details will be included. Contact Katherine Sclichter, (ksclichter@gmail.com) if you do not receive an email about Night Watch.

2023 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: Beginning in 2023, Freestyle classes at Regional Championships will have two different classes per level, Open/Junior/Young Rider and Adult Amateur. The top two declared horse/rider combinations from the Open/Jr/YR Freestyle class and the top two declared Adult Amateur horse/rider combinations from the AA Freestyle class for each level from each of the nine Regional Championships will be automatically invited.
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.

A. **United States Citizenship Requirement**: To compete in any US Dressage Finals class, the rider must be a US citizen.

B. **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 to declare.

C. **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.

	OPEN:	AA:	JR/YR:
Training:	72%	68%	68%
First:	72%	68%	68%
Second:	69%	65%	65%
Third:	69%	65%	65%
Fourth:	69%	65%	65%
Prix St. Georges:	68%	65%	
Intermediate I:	68%	64%	
Intermediate II:	66%	64%	
Grand Prix:	66%	64%	
Freestyles			
First:	70%	70%	
Second:	70%	70%	
Third:	70%	70%	
Fourth:	70%	70%	
Intermediate I:	68%	68%	
Grand Prix:	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 16, 2023 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. Each online entry must include the following: full payment, fully signed 2023 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 4, 2023**	**Thursday, October 12, 2023**
2	**Wednesday, September 20, 2023**	**Thursday, September 28, 2023**
3	**Wednesday, October 4, 2023**	**Thursday, October 12, 2023**
4	**Wednesday, September 27, 2023**	**Thursday, October 5, 2023**
5	**Thursday, September 28, 2023**	**Thursday, October 5, 2023**
6	**Wednesday, October 4, 2023**	**Thursday, October 12, 2023**
7	**Wednesday, September 20, 2023**	**Thursday, September 28, 2023**
8	**Wednesday, September 20, 2023**	**Thursday, September 28, 2023**
9	**Wednesday, October 4, 2023**	**Thursday, October 12, 2023**
Above deadlines are midnight in the time zone of the specific Regional Championship		
Entry Closing Date is October 16, 2023 midnight Eastern Time		

$50,000 in Travel Grant Funds Available

Competitors who fall into the following groups (based on the rider's address of record as associated with the USDF membership) will be eligible to apply for travel grants:

Group 1 (WA, OR, CA, HI, AK, MT, ID, AZ, NV, UT)
Group 2 (WY, NM, CO)

Group 1 competitors are eligible to apply for grants of up to $1,400. Those in Group 2 are eligible to apply for grants of up to $1,000. Group 1 applicants will receive priority allocation. Grants will be based solely on the rider's residence of record.

Grants will be awarded to the horse/rider combination. A rider may apply for a grant with each eligible horse entered. Riders are permitted to receive additional grants from other entities. To be considered for a grant, the competitor must submit a grant-request

application with entry, which can be done through the online entry process. Grants will be awarded only after the horse/rider combination is verified as having arrived on the competition grounds. Travel grants will be paid to the USDF recorded owner of the horse within 30 days after the competition. Travel grants will not be paid at the competition.

Additional Entry Policies

- Reserve/alternate entries must complete a full entry by closing date.
- Horse/Rider combinations must declare for each level in which they wish to compete.
- Jr/YRs wishing to compete in the US Dressage Finals in an FEI or freestyle class must qualify and compete in the open division at their Regional Championship and earn qualification through their placing in the class or through a Wild Card score.
- Eligible riders may compete in the AA division in Freestyles at the US Dressage Finals provided they have AA status with USEF at the time of their Regional Championship and at the time of the Finals.

US Dressage Finals Entries and Refunds:

- Completed entries for the US Dressage Finals competition *must be received* by the closing date, October 16, 2023, midnight ET.
- The Nomination fee for each US Dressage Finals class is the listed entry fee for that class. The Nomination fee paid will be applied to the total amount due at Closing Date.
- Nominated horse/rider combinations that do not receive an invitation and are ineligible for a Wild Card will receive a full refund of nomination fees paid minus the $10 processing fee per nominated class. Exception: Reserve/alternate list/in line by placing entries will not be subject to the processing fee. Complete/fully paid entries that do not receive an invitation and are ineligible for a Wild Card and/or do not compete in the show will have the office fee ($75) and processing fee deducted from their entry refund.
- Nominated horse/rider combinations that receive an invitation before the US Dressage Finals closing date, but do not complete their entries by the closing date, will not be eligible for any refund of fees paid.
- Invited horse/rider combinations that have completed entries, and that notify the secretary in writing prior to closing date of their intention to scratch, will receive a 75% refund of stabling fees paid to the competition. All other fees will be refunded with the exception of any processing fees.
- In the event that an invited horse/rider combination scratches, invitations may be issued up to the start of competition. (See pg. 5 for policy on accepting post entries to fill scratches.) There will be no late entry fees applied to the US Dressage Finals entry in these cases.
- **Horse/rider combinations that receive an invitation after the closing date of the US Dressage Finals competition, and are unable to attend due to late notification, will receive a full refund of Nomination fees paid.**
- Complete entries are allowed on opening date for competitors in any region and a refund will be given if the horse/rider is not eligible to participate on the Closing Date. Complete/fully paid entries that do not receive an invitation and are ineligible for a Wild Card and/or do not compete in the show will have the office fee ($75) and processing fee deducted from their entry refund.
- Refunds will be paid within 30 days after the competition.

Important Competitor Information:

- Trailer parking is a significant distance from the barns, vehicle parking area and competition rings. Note that vehicle and trailer parking is not permitted by the KHP near or around any barns. Stable areas are monitored by parking attendants and access is permitted only for unloading and loading horses and equipment.
- Paddock rentals available through Dever Show Services at 859-233-9702.
- **Open schooling times and locations will be posted. Absolutely no schooling permitted outside of posted hours.**
- **Mandatory sign-up for late schooling will be available in the show office.**
- A preliminary schooling schedule will be posted on the Finals website prior to the event.

US Dressage Finals Rules:

1. The US Dressage Finals is a Level 5 competition. Please refer to USEF Dressage Levels Chart for specific competition requirements.
2. Each entry must designate the division being entered (open, adult amateur or junior/young) and must meet invitation or wild card requirements for each championship class entered.
3. If a rider intends to enter the US Dressage Finals 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).
4. If a rider intends to enter the US Dressage Finals as a junior/young rider, the rider must be a junior/young rider by the current USEF definition (DR119.3).
5. A Rider must be a US citizen at the time of the US Dressage Finals competition in order to ride in a Finals class.
6. Proof of membership: USEF and USDF registration are verified electronically if valid membership numbers are provided on entry form. Copies of USEF and USDF memberships, horse recordings, and Lifetime Horse Registration ARE NOT REQUIRED with your entry provided you include the membership numbers on your entry form. You may be asked to provide copies if your memberships cannot be verified for any reason.
7. 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 with both USEF and USDF.
8. Whips may not be carried in championship tests (Exception: Competitors in possession of a Federation Dispensation Certificate or Presidential Modification letter. 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.
9. All championship tests must be ridden from memory. (USEF DR122.1)
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 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 the Finals competition, even entered at two levels, must be ridden by the same rider throughout the 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) Horses competing Hors de Concours in a non-championship class at the competition, are no longer eligible for further prizes, awards, or placings at that competition.
13. In a US Dressage Finals 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 an awards ceremony will be held for the entire class.
14. In USEF/USDF championship classes, a steward will be appointed to check 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.1)
15. TDs must investigate incidents of non-compliance and report violations to USEF.
16. A tentative schedule for the awards ceremonies will be available in the show office and within the Event Program.

17. The confirmed schedule for the awards ceremonies will be posted in the show office by noon on the day prior to the beginning of the competition. If the posted awards schedule is changed, all affected competitors will be notified.
18. Participation in awards ceremonies by placed rider/horse combinations is not mandatory. If riders placed in US Dressage Final classes choose to participate in awards ceremonies, they must be present, mounted and in full riding attire at their designated times. It is recommended that saddlery for awards ceremonies be the same as in the competition, but that dark or white leg bandages or boots are also allowed. Conservative bell boots are permitted, i.e. bling, metallic are not allowed. For safety reasons competitors may decline to participate in the victory round.

Awards Information:

Awards and Prize Money for US Dressage Finals Classes: Prize money for US Dressage Finals Championship classes will be paid directly by the USDF office to the recorded horse owner within thirty (30) days of the end of the championship. The amount of prize money to be awarded for the US Dressage Finals Championships classes will be $1800 for Champion, $900 for Reserve Champion, $400 for third place, $200 for fourth place and $150 for fifth place.

Prizes will include:
Champion: Embroidered wool dress sheet from SmartPak, embroidered saddle pad from Adequan®, prize from Platinum Performance, helmet gift certificate from UVEX sports, engraved crystal plate, neck sash
Reserve Champion: Deluxe halter with engraved nameplate from SmartPak, prize from Platinum Performance, riding gloves gift certificate from UVEX sports, engraved crystal plate, neck sash
Third through Tenth place: Neck sash

Awards for open Classes: Ribbons to sixth place for each class. First place competitors will receive a prize. Divisions (AA, Open, Jr/YR (for national level non-freestyle classes) may be run concurrently as one class. Divisions will be pinned separately. Riders must clearly specify division choice. When no designation is made, riders will automatically be entered as open. Riders may enter only one division per class.

High Score Breed Awards: Participating breed and performance registries will award one high score award for a junior/young rider for the national levels (Training through Fourth Level combined), two high score awards for adult amateur riders, one for the national levels (Training through Fourth levels combined) and one for the FEI levels (Prix St. Georges through Grand Prix levels combined). There will also be two high score awards offered for open riders, one for the national levels (Training through Fourth levels combined) and one for the FEI levels (Prix St. Georges through Grand Prix levels combined). Results from freestyle and open classes will not be included. Only scores from the US Dressage Finals classes will be used for high score calculations. **Competitors must indicate their intent to be eligible for high score breed awards at the time they enter the competition.** More information on participating breeds and registries, and how to register for these awards will be available on the USDF website at http://www.usdf.org/usdressagefinals/competitors/breed.asp

A "Regions Cup" awards competition will be held for teams of riders from each region. Each regional team will consist of the top scoring eligible athlete/horse combination from Training/First Level regional championship classes, the top scoring eligible athlete/horse combination from FEI Level regional championship classes, the top scoring eligible adult amateur athlete/horse combination from Second-Fourth Level regional championship classes and the top scoring eligible junior/young rider athlete/horse combination from Training-Fourth Level regional championship classes. Reserve athlete/horse combinations will be substituted only once the athlete/horse combination they would be replacing has withdrawn from the finals class(es). The winning team is determined by averaging the highest final scores achieved by each athlete/horse combination in their US Dressage Finals class. In the case of competitors having the same score in one of the three categories (Training-First, Second-Fourth, Training-Fourth, FEI), the competitor with the score from the highest level (i.e. Grand Prix vs. Prix St. Georges) will be given first option of accepting. If competitors have the same score at the same level, the placing at the regional championship will be used to determine who will be given first option of accepting. If both levels and placings are the same, a coin toss will decide which rider would have the first option of accepting. Visit usdressagefinals.com for complete rules.

Awards Ceremony Schedule & Rules for US Dressage Finals Classes: A tentative schedule for the awards ceremonies will be placed within the Event 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. Classes will be placed champion, reserve champion, and third through tenth place for each US Dressage Finals Class. Riders placing in the US Dressage Finals classes that choose to participate in awards ceremonies must be present, mounted and in full riding attire for award ceremonies (ten placings for all championship classes). It is recommended that saddlery for awards ceremonies be the same as in the competition, but that dark or white leg bandages or boots are also allowed. Conservative bell boots are permitted, i.e. bling, metallic are not allowed. Unmounted horses may not participate in awards ceremonies. If mounted horses are led in the groom must be appropriately dressed.

Trophies/prizes will be mailed at the expense of the competitor upon request.

US Dressage Finals Perpetual Trophies: The US Dressage Finals is pleased to offer a variety of beautiful perpetual trophies, donated by generous individuals and organizations. Please see the US Dressage Finals website for more information, including specific eligibility requirements, and pictures of these beautiful trophies. Contact USDF if you would like to dedicate/sponsor/donate a US Dressage Finals perpetual trophy.

Facility Information:

Directions: The Kentucky Horse Park is located on Iron Works Pike, north of Lexington. From I-75, take exit 120. From other highways, watch for Kentucky Horse Park signs. Enter main gate entrance for the park, watch for signs to US Dressage Finals stabling (or ask for directions from the gate attendant). Address for GPS: 4089 Iron Works Parkway, Lexington, KY, 40511

Parking: Passes may be obtained from the Parking Booth or Visitor Information Center upon entry**.** The fee is **$18.00** assessed for each **parking pass** per event or **$6.00** per day. All trailers must park in approved lot. No parking is allowed in the barn area. Trailers must be dropped in the main Kentucky Horse Park parking lot and not in the stabling area.

Kentucky Horse Park $10 (per horse) Equine Facility Fee: This fee has been enacted to produce a sustainable stream of revenue to support show facility maintenance. These funds will go into a restricted account that can only be used for footing maintenance and/or replacement, barn repair, water truck/drag maintenance, etc. This fee will also pertain to non-competing horses, as well as those who choose to show out of their trailers; helping to keep Kentucky Horse Park a world-class facility for years to come. Note: Trailer-ins are not permitted at this competition. ALL horses must be stabled.

Footing/Arenas: All competition arenas and designated competition warm-up rings will be standard size with silica sand and fiber manufactured by OttoSport or another company. Some warm-up arenas may be sand/clay base. Indoor competition arena (Alltech) in addition to outdoor competition arenas will be used. Outside and covered lungeing areas with sand/clay footing.

Stabling: Stalls are 10'x10' in permanent shed row barns or indoor heated barns and have full sliding doors. A limited number of double heated interior stalls (10'x20') are available in the Alltech Barn. No temporary equipment may be permanently attached to any existing KHP property such as signs, barricades, stabling, trees, etc. Staples, nails, and/or screws of any kind are not allowed.

Bedding: No bedding will be supplied. Straw and shavings are available for purchase from Dever at the horse park (859-233-9702, or info@deverinc.com, or www.deverinc.com) each day between the hours of 8:00am and 7:00pm. Exhibitors should contact Dever at least 24 hours prior to their arrival to make arrangements. Exhibitors may also bring their own bedding, but only wood shavings or straw are permitted. **Bring your own bedding if you are planning to arrive after 7:00pm** or contact Dever earlier in the day to ensure that you will receive your bedding that night.

Feed and Hay: Feed and hay can be pre-ordered from Dever (859-233-9702 or info@deverinc.com or www.deverinc.com). Exhibitors should contact Dever at least 24 hours prior to their arrival. Exhibitors may also bring their own feed and hay.

Concessions: Indoor and outdoor food and concessions will be available on the show grounds Wednesday through Sunday.

Early Arrivals and Layovers: Horses occupying early ship-in (from Tuesday 8am until Wednesday 12pm) or layover stabling (past Sunday midnight) are not allowed in any Park arena, ring or other facilities.

Golf Carts/Mopeds Etc.: Must be at least 16 years of age, with valid driver's license to operate a golf cart, moped, etc. Not allowed in the tourist/visitor areas of the park. No four-wheelers, three-wheelers, or motor bikes over 50 cc are allowed on park grounds. Golf carts can be rented through Dever Rentals . (859-233-9702 or info@deverinc.com). Reserve golf car here..

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.

Warning: Under the Equine Activity Liability Act, each participant who participates 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.

UNDER KENTUCKY LAW, A FARM ANIMAL ACTIVITY SPONSOR, FARM ANIMAL PROFESSIONAL, OR OTHER PERSON DOES NOT HAVE THE DUTY TO ELIMINATE ALL RISKS OF INJURY OF PARTICIPATION IN FARM ANIMAL ACTIVITIES. THERE ARE INHERENT RISKS OF INJURY THAT YOU VOLUNTARILY ACCEPT IF YOU PARTICIPATE IN FARM ANIMAL ACTIVITIES. **KRS 247.4027**

Weather/Acts of God/Accidents or Emergency Policy: Management reserves the right to cancel any classes due to hazardous weather, Acts of God, Accidents or Emergencies. In addition, management reserves the right to move, close or add designated lungeing areas due to hazardous weather, Acts of God, accidents or emergencies. Every effort will be made to reschedule with priority given to Championship classes. No refunds for cancellations due to hazardous weather, Acts of God, Accidents or Emergencies.

Reminder: All USEF Life and Senior Active members, as well as participants who have regular contact with minor athletes, are required to comply with the U.S. Center for SafeSport training requirement to be eligible to participate in the competition. All participants must adhere to the U.S. Center for SafeSport Code, USEF Safe Sport Policy, and the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies. More information about these can be found at www.usef.org.

Accommodations:

For hotels listings and detailed information visit www.usdressagefinals.com
Kentucky Horse Park Campground: Must go to campground for all camping. No camping allowed in barn area at any time. To make reservations for camping at the KHP call 888-459-7275 or reserve online at http://www.kyhorsepark.com/.

General Regulations, Policies and Entry Specifications:

EVERY CLASS OFFERED HEREIN WHICH IS COVERED BY THE RULES AND SPECIFICATIONS OF THE CURRENT FEDERATION 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, correct saddlery and equipment, and attire.

Liability – Horses by their inherent nature present a risk. This show, the management, the USEF Licensee, and the facility will not be responsible for any loss or damage or injury to horses exhibited, or for any article of any kind or nature that may be lost or destroyed, or in any way injured. Each exhibitor will be responsible for any injury that may be occasioned to any person, whomsoever, by any horse owned or exhibited by said exhibitor and shall indemnify the show, the management, the show committee and volunteers, the USEF Licensee, the USEF and USDF, or any member thereof, against all claims and demands, of any nature or kind, that may grow out of any injury occasioned by any horses owned or exhibited by them, or arise from the negligence of the person in charge of any such horse. All horses exhibited in this show participate entirely at the owner's risk. Neither the Organizing Committee, show volunteers and staff, the facility or its owners, USEF or USDF or their members will be responsible for any damage, injury, or loss to persons, horses, or property of exhibitors or spectators. All owners and competitors are personally responsible for damages to third parties caused by themselves, their employees, their agents or their horses. They are therefore strongly advised to take out third-party insurance providing full coverage for participation in equestrian events at home and abroad, and to keep the policy up to date.

Exhibitors should exercise extreme caution before medicating their horses and should be aware of the US EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION rules governing drugs and medications. Any questions about the use of certain medications and regarding Rule IV should be directed to the USEF Federation Equine Drugs and Medications Program, 956 King Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43212-2655. (800) 633-2472, (614) 299-7707, FAX (614) 299-7706

A trainer is defined as any adult who has responsibility for the horse on the competition grounds. Trainers must sign the entry form and must be USEF active members.

Numbers must be worn at all times when a horse is being exercised or ridden.

USEF Membership Statement (GR901.9)

Life, senior active and junior active members shall be eligible to participate in all classes at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions at the 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.

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

violating this rule at any time must immediately be prohibited from further riding until the headgear is properly in place. Protective headgear may be the same as or a coordinating color with the coat, and may include contrast coloring, accent, and crystal decoration.

Show Management reserves the right to vary or add officials and refuse any entry for a cause; to disqualify any exhibitor and/or his or her horse for cause; to cause an exhibitor to forfeit his or her ribbons and winnings for cause; to return any entry and/or stall fee before or during the show for cause; all without being liable for damage or compensation. Show management reserves the right to make any changes deemed necessary for the safe and efficient conduct of this competition.

Important notice to all affected parties: Third parties may come upon the property or enter the facilities where any herein described or listed event will occur; provided, that this is a license to enter the premises, for the purpose of observing or participating in the event, but not otherwise, and such license to any individual is subject to revocation by the owner, lessee or organizer, and entry for any purpose other than granted herein, shall be deemed criminal trespass and subject to appropriate legal proceedings.

Attention Competitors: Each competitor is responsible for supplying the show management with the correct and required association numbers of USDF and/or USEF for the horse, owner, rider, coaches, and trainer, before the day(s) of the competition. The scores of competitors who fail to supply correct numbers may not count towards national awards. All entries for Open Classes are taken on a first come, first served basis. Only one horse-rider combination per entry form.

No Shows: 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. Exhibitors enter with this understanding and agreement.

Sharps Disposal: 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. Containers are located at the end of each barn aisle and within center aisles when center aisles are present within the barns.

Dogs: Must be on a maximum 6' leash at all times, with the leash being attached to a human or suitably restrained in a tack stall or crate as per USEF rules. Dogs are not allowed in the VIP area or the pre-awards gathering area. Loose animals may be removed from the grounds at the owner's expense. PLEASE CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR DOG AND DO NOT LEAVE DOGS IN VEHICLES.

Membership/Registration Requirements for Great American Insurance Group/USDF Qualifying Classes:
Riders must be current USDF Participating members & USEF members (Junior, Senior or Life) in good standing. Horses must be USDF Lifetime Registered and USEF Annual or Lifetime Recorded. Horses with only an HID are not eligible. Owners must be current USDF Participating or Business members & USEF members (Junior, Senior or Life) in good standing. 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 their requirement, it must be listed as an owner of the horse with both USEF and USDF. For current Great American/USDF Championship requirements, go to www.usdf.org/competitions/competitions-championships/regionals/index.asp.

2024 Great American/USDF Qualifying Classes: Only open (non-championship) classes will be offered as qualifying classes. Please indicate that the class is to count for qualifying by placing a Q after the class number. Class fee plus additional $15 fee must be paid prior to start of the class. Qualifying will not require a separate ride. An exhibitor riding in the Open or AA classes will pay an additional $15 USDF fee to have this score entered in the Great American/USDF qualifying division at that level. US Dressage Finals classes are not eligible to be used as Great American/USDF qualifying classes.

Show Schedule and Ride Time Conflicts: It is the responsibility of the rider to inform the management of any time conflicts as soon as possible after receiving the schedule. Finals ride times are by draw. Organizers cannot guarantee that Finals draw times will not conflict with open class times.

Show Conflict/Rider Time Conflicts: Changes need to be requested in the show office by 3pm the day prior.

Adult Amateur Classes: Participants must possess current USEF Amateur status and qualify under the USEF Amateur rules. Open to Adult Amateurs only; riders must compete as adults from the beginning of the calendar year in which they reach the age of 22.

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

The rules may have changed from the current USEF Rule Book. It is the competitor's responsibility to check the current USEF Rule Book for any changes. Current rules can be found on www.usef.org.

Competitor/Spectator Activities:

Kentucky Horse Park Attractions

- Interested in touring the Kentucky Horse Park? Visit the website for information on KHP fees and admission.
- International Museum of the Horse – As a Smithsonian Affiliate, the International Museum of the Horse is dedicated to exploring the history of all horses and their impact on human civilization, this museum's exhibitions highlight the history of the horse from ancient times to the popular sporting events of modern times.
- American Saddlebred Museum and Gift Shop – Home to the largest collection of Saddlebred artifacts in the world including trophies, photographs, tack, artwork, and a library of over 3,000 volumes used for bloodline and genealogical research. This showplace for Saddlebreds is an exciting destination in the park. Visitors learn about the American Saddlebred throughout American history, see rare artifacts, and enjoy many wonderful interactive exhibits.
- Al-Marah Arabian Horse Galleries – Distinguished by the Bedouin settings, the exhibit utilizes art, film, books, and interactive exhibits to display the importance of the Arabian and how it has changed the world. This 8,000 square foot gallery has been designed with younger visitors in mind, including the popular Black Stallion Experience.
- Wheeler Museum – Located in the United States Hunter Jumper Association headquarters, this museum is dedicated to Sallie and Kenny Wheeler of Keswick, VA, who built an equestrian dynasty over more than six decades. The museum is available to Kentucky Horse Park visitors year-round. Hours vary, but the museum is generally open during regular business hours, Monday through Friday.

Educational Activities:

Hagyard Equine Medical Institute Tour - Hagyard Equine Medical Institute, the US Dressage Finals official veterinarian, offers tours of their state-of-the-art facility. This tour allows an inside look at how one of the oldest equine veterinary practices in North America operates. * *For information on tour times and to purchase tickets please visit Horse Country Tours*

Offsite Events:

Old Friends

The "living history museum of racehorses" is home to many once-celebrated champions who are now enjoying a dignified retirement. Just minutes from the Kentucky Horse Park and home to more than 150 former racehorses and breeding stallions, take a tour of Old Friends and get up close and personal with victors of some of the world's greatest races. **Visit Old Friends to book a tour*

Keeneland

Take a break out of your day to visit the renowned Keeneland Racetrack and Sales Company. In addition to seasonal racing, Keeneland is the world's largest Thoroughbred auction house, taking pride in a history of selling more champions and stakes winners than any other sales company. *Visit *Keeneland to book a tour and explore the grounds*

Horse Country Tours

Choose from 20+ of the biggest farms, organizations and businesses within the equine industry. Some options include Coolmore America (home to two Triple Crown winners), New Vocations (Rehabilitate, Retrain, Rehome), Spy Coast Farm (top quality Grand Prix show jumpers as well as one of the few public rehabilitation/fitness centers in the US) and many more! **To schedule the tour of your choice please visit Visit Horse Country*

Blue Grass Tours

Experience the sights, smells, and tastes of Central Kentucky with Kentucky's oldest horse farm tour company. Tour one of Kentucky's famous Bourbon Distilleries and encounter Thoroughbreds behind the gates of a signature horse farm. Explore the lush bluegrass countryside with our professional guides as they share tales and traditions of this unique region. **Please visit Blue Grass Tours for more information*

Kentucky Bourbon Trail

Kentucky is noted for its bourbon, so take this opportunity to take the legendary, self-guided, Kentucky Bourbon Trail through the heart of bourbon country. Stop in on some of the state's signature distilleries, including Maker's Mark, Jim Beam, and Woodford Reserve. Experience the bourbon making process, view the facilities, and stick around for an after-tour bourbon tasting. **Please visit KY Bourbon Trail to plan your trip*

Distillery District

Home to historic James E. Pepper Distillery, this 25-acre property now houses over 20 local businesses. Take a tour of the original James E. Pepper distillery, enjoy the best New York style pizza in KY while you revel in the history of the renovated boiler room, and finish out the day with a competitive game of axe throwing. **For a full list of attractions, please visit Distillery District*

Equus Run Vineyards

Situated on 38 acres, Equus Run Vineyards is in the heart of central Kentucky and voted as a *Must See Hidden Treasure of the U.S* by CNN. Enjoy a picnic, stroll through the gardens and try some of their signature wines. **To learn more about scheduling a tasting please visit Equus Run Vineyards*

Golf Outings

Lexington offers a variety of options for the golfing enthusiast, with two of the top three courses being previous stops on the Senior PGA Tour! **For more information about golfing in the Lexington area please visit Kearney Hill Golf Links*

Lexington Center

Enjoy shopping in a relaxed, comfortable, inviting setting. The Shops at Lexington Center offers three levels of enclosed unique, locally-owned and operated boutiques, fine gift and specialty shops with a street-level food court featuring several casual dining choices. It's the perfect antidote to mega mall madness. **To learn more about the Shops at Lexington Center visit Lexington Center*

Legacy Trail

The Legacy Trail is a 12-mile walking, biking, interpretive trail and public art venue. The trail begins in the East End of downtown Lexington, KY at the Isaac Murphy Memorial Art Garden and goes to the Kentucky Horse Park. Over 8.5 miles of the trail are off-street and fully paved to accommodate every type of non-motorized user. **To learn more about the Legacy Trail visit Legacy Trail*

Explorium of Lexington

One of the oldest children's museums in the United States, there are few high-tech bells and whistles at the Explorium. Instead, kids find a world of touch-and-feel, build-and-destroy, imagine-and-dream kind of play areas, from a fantastic, horse-inspired play space to a room dedicated to blowing and making bubbles and art rooms filled with recycled items to create repurposed objects. **To learn more about the Emporium visit Explorium*

Evans Orchard

Fun for the whole family! Evans Orchard is more than the average orchard, they offer a wall maze, hay castle, corn maze, tire climb, corn bin play boxes, pick your own apples and pumpkins and a farm market & gift store. **To learn more about Evans Orchard visit Evans Orchard*

Natural Bridge State Park

The Red River Gorge is a canyon system on the Red River in east-central Kentucky. This intricate canyon system features an abundance of high sandstone cliffs, rock shelters, waterfalls, and natural bridges. There are more than 100 natural sandstone arches in the Red River Gorge, the largest being Natural Bridge, spanning 78 feet and 65 feet in height. **To learn more about this State Park visit Natural Bridge*

Kentucky Derby Museum

The Kentucky Derby Museum, which sits on the front steps of historic Churchill Downs, is a very visible part of the Louisville community. Guests get a firsthand look at the event for which Louisville, KY is known worldwide. The museum aims to provide a lasting impression of tradition, hospitality, and pride. **To learn more about the Kentucky Derby Museum visit Derby Museum*

Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill

Shaker Village Inn is America's largest restored Shaker community. This 3,000 acre National Historic Landmark charms guests with distinct Shaker Style. Visit the authentic Shaker furniture craft shop and living history museum. **To learn more about Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill visit Shaker Village*

Ale 8 One Plant Tour

Ale-8-One soft drink has been bottled in Winchester, KY since 1923 and is the only soft drink invented in Kentucky still in existence. **To learn more about the Ale 8 One Plant Tour visit Ale8*

2023 US Dressage Finals - Deadlines

Description	Date
Opening date for Declarations (All Regions)	July 1, 2023
Closing date for Declarations (By Region)	
Region 1: 10/5-8/2023	October 4, 2023
Region 2: 9/21-24/2023	September 20, 2023
Region 3: 10/5-8/2023	October 4, 2023
Region 4: 9/28-10/1/2023	September 27, 2023
Region 5: 9/29-10/1/2023	September 28, 2023
Region 6: 10/5-8/2023	October 4, 2023
Region 7: 9/21-24/2023	September 20, 2023
Region 8: 9/21-24/2023	September 20, 2023
Region 9: 10/5-8/2023	October 4, 2023
Opening date for Nominations (All Regions)	September 21, 2023
Closing date for Nominations (By Region)	
Region 1: 10/5-8/2023	October 12, 2023
Region 2: 9/21-24/2023	September 28, 2023
Region 3: 10/5-8/2023	October 12, 2023
Region 4: 9/28-10/1/2023	October 5, 2023
Region 5: 9/29-10/1/2023	October 5 2023
Region 6: 10/5-8/2023	October 12, 2023
Region 7: 9/21-24/2023	September 28, 2023
Region 8: 9/21-24/2023	September 28, 2023
Region 9: 10/5-8/2023	October 12, 2023
Closing date for US Dressage Finals (All Regions)	October 16, 2023
* Opening date for Declarations is July 1, 2023	
* Opening date for Nominations is the first day of the first RC competition	
* Closing date for Nominations is 96 hours after each RC competition	

ATTENTION FREESTYLE COMPETITORS

USDF

United States Dressage Federation™

Freestyle Competitor Reminders

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

Questions?

Contact freestyle@usdf.org

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KENTUCKY HORSE PARK

TOP 10 RULES

INFORMATION MUST BE POSTED IN EVENT PRIZE LIST OR COMPETITOR INFORMATION

1. **PARKING** - Passes may be obtained from the Parking Booth or Visitor Information Center upon entry**. $15.00** fee assessed for each **parking pass** per event. All trailers must park in approved lot. NO PARKING is allowed in the barn area. Trailers should be dropped in the appropriate parking lot and NOT in the stabling area.

2. **CAMPING-** Must go to campground for all camping, unless event has made separate arrangements with KHP Special Events. *NO CAMPING ALLOWED IN BARN AREA AT ANY TIME!* **CAMPING-** Please call 888/4KY-PARK (888/459-7275) or reserve on-line at www.parks.ky.gov. Groups of 20 or more, please call 859/259-4257 or 800/370-6416. Check-out time is at noon. Violators will be towed.

3. **GOLF CARTS/ MOPEDS ETC.** - A privilege-*not a right*- extended to show participants. Must be at least 16 years of age with valid driver's license. **Not allowed in the tourist/visitor areas of the Park**. **NO ALL TERRAIN (4-wheeler, 3-wheeler, dirt bikes over 50 cc's) VEHICLES ARE ALLOWED ON HORSE SHOW GROUNDS!**

4. **DOGS-** Must be on a leash (not to exceed 6 feet in length) or suitably restrained in a tack stall/cage etc. Loose animals/ animals left in vehicles in distress, etc. can and will be removed from the grounds at the owner's expense.

5. **HORSES AND HORSE DRAWN VEHICLES / STABLING –** Horse and carriages have the right-of-way at all times. Competitors must comply with contracted ship-in and ship-out dates.

6. **EXHIBITOR PROBLEMS/SPECIAL REQUESTS-**All non-emergency problems or special requests *must* be relayed through show management to ensure prompt attention.

7. **PACKAGES/DELIVERIES-** The Park is **not** responsible for any deliveries to an event or event participant. All packages are delivered to Central Receiving at the Maintenance Complex; addressee is responsible for retrieving packages. Park mail service personnel will try to assist if conditions allow, however, any delivery/package may be refused/returned to sender, etc at any time without notification.

8. **PARK ADMISSION-** Reduced Park admission is available to event participants and must be obtained at the Visitor Information Center.

9. **FIRE CODES –** As of May 15, 2006, The Kentucky Horse Park will not allow the following inside of barns or tents, which will be enforced by the Fire Marshal:

    a. any 2-wire appliances
    b. any 2-wire extension cords
    c. light duty cords for indoor use
    d. any 3-way adaptors unless specifically made for outdoors
    e. any adaptors without 3-wire connections
    f. any cut or damaged cords

10. **EVENT MANAGEMENT** is responsible for notifying/ making available all Park rules/regulations to participants in their event. Included, but not limited to, exhibitors, officials and volunteers.

Updated 2.6.16

This competition is recognized by USDF for 2024

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.

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.

USEF Competition Name: US Dressage Finals Presented by Adequan USEF#: 330778

Competition Division(s) and Rating(s):

Dressage Level 5

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USEF SHOW PASS FAQS – EFFECTIVE 12/1/2022

Q. Currently riders competing in Academy, Walk-Trot, and Opportunity classes are exempt from USEF membership. Will these exemptions remain in place in 2023?
A. Yes, any classes or sections that are currently exempt from membership will continue to be exempt.

Q. Will the online show pass system at USEF communicate with show management software systems?
A. Yes, the USEF Show Pass information will be available live, in real time through the USEF API to show management software.

Q. Will the USEF API indicate whether someone is ineligible for a Show Pass if they have already paid for one for that year?
A. Yes, the USEF API will return information that the person is ineligible.

Q. Are riders, owners, and trainers all eligible for one Show Pass per competition year?
A. No. While riders and owners are eligible for one Show Pass, trainers and coaches are no longer eligible to participate under a Show Pass and must be an Active USEF member.

Q. Are parents that sign as the trainer or coach for their minor child exempt from membership and/or show pass?
A. No, anyone that signs an entry blank or acts as a trainer or coach must be an Active USEF member and is not eligible for a Show Pass.

Q. Are foreign competitors (citizens of other nations) with proof, in English, of current membership in good standing of their own National Federation required to pay a Show Pass?
A. No, non-US citizens who are members in good standing of their National Federations with proof, in English, of current membership in good standing of their own National Federation are exempt from payment of the Federation Show Pass fee.

Q. Can a competition accept payment from an exhibitor for a Show Pass fee?
A. No, Show Pass purchases can only be made online by exhibitors.

Q. If I purchase one Show Pass, is it good for the whole competition year?
A. No, a Show Pass is only valid for <u>one competition</u> and non-member participants (riders, drivers, handlers, vaulters, longeurs, owners, lessees, and agents) are limited to obtaining no more than one (1) Show Pass per competition year.

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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 www.usdf.org. 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	AA
First Level	65%	65%
Second Level	65%	65%
Third Level	65%	65%
Fourth Level	65%	65%
Intermediate I	65%	65%
Grand Prix	65%	65%

USDF Statement on Animal Welfare

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

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

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

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

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

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

United States Dressage Federation
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DRESSAGE ENTRY FORM

Official Use Only
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Show Name:_____**Show Dates:** _____

Name of Horse (and, if applicable, previous name)	For Sale?	Breed	Color	Sex	Height	DOB

Sire	Dam	Dam's Sire	Breeder

Coggins Date	Country of Birth	Stud Book Reg #	Passport #	Groom

Membership Information

Horse	Rider/Handler	Owner	Trainer	Coach
USEF #	USEF #	USEF #	USEF #	USEF #
USDF #	USDF #	USDF #	USDF # (optional)	USDF # (optional)

Class No.	Qual. Div.	Class Description	Fees

SAMPLE
DO NOT MAIL THIS FORM
All entries must be completed at HorseShowOffice.com.
This entry form will be filled in and available for download
after completing your online entry.

Competitors who reside in one of the applicable states (WA, OR, CA, HI, AK, MT, ID, AZ, NV, UT, WY, NM, CO) will be eligible to apply for a travel grant. The rider's address of record, as associated with their USDF membership, will be used to determine eligibility. Grants are based on individual horse/rider combinations, allowing one grant application for each eligible horse entered. To be considered for a grant, the grant request box must be checked within the entry process. More program details can be found in the prize list.

Travel Grant Yes/No

Rider/Handler _____

Street Address_____

City _____ State _____Zip_____

Phone _____Email_____

Is Rider/Hander a US Citizen? ___ If not, state citizenship_____

Birth date of Junior/Young Rider _____

Owner_____

Street Address_____

City _____ State _____Zip_____

Phone _____Email_____

Trainer_____

Street Address_____

City _____ State _____Zip_____

Phone _____Email_____

Coach (if applicable)_____

Stable With _____

Approx. Arrival Time _____ Approx. Departure Time _____

Special Stable Requests _____

Emergency Contact Number (for rider) _____

Emergency Contact Number (for horse)_____

Subtotal of Class Fees	
Stabling (___ stalls at ___ /stall) (include tack stalls on this line)	
Bedding (___ bales at ___ /bale)	
Haul-in Fees	
Office Fee	$75.00
USEF Fees USEF Fees (per horse) $8 USEF + $15 USEF Drug = $23	
USEF Fees USEF Show Pass Fees ($45 per non-member excl. walk/trot)	
USDF Non-member Fee ($35 per non-member excl. walk/trot)	
Post Entry/Other	
Total *Most fees are nonrefundable. See refund policy in prize list for details.*	

If paying by credit card, complete the following:

Name on Card: _____

Credit Card #:_____

Expiration Date: _____/____ ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard

Signature:

Show Name _____ Show Dates _____ (hereafter "Competition")

USDF Hold-Harmless Clause

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 management, 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.

US EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION

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

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

Rider/Handler (mandatory)
Signature _____ **Print Name** _____

Owner/Agent (mandatory)
Signature _____ **Print Name** _____

Trainer (mandatory)
Signature _____ **Print Name** _____

Coach (if applicable)
Signature _____ **Print Name** _____

Parent/Guardian (if applicable)
Signature _____ **Print Name** _____

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

For and in consideration of United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. dba US Equestrian ("USEF") allowing me, the undersigned, to participate in any capacity (including as a rider, driver, handler, vaulter, longeur, lessee, owner, agent, coach, official, trainer or volunteer) in a USEF sanctioned, licensed or approved event or activity, including but not limited to equestrian clinics, practices, shows, competitions and related or incidental activities and US Dressage Finals and USDF Dressage in the Bluegrass (**"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 repre-sentations 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, 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")**.

EQUINE ACTIVITY LIABILITY ACT WARNING:
CAUTION: HORSEBACK RIDING AND EQUINE ACTIVITIES CAN BE DANGEROUS. RIDE AT YOUR OWN RISK.
Under the laws of most States, 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, the actions or inactions of others participating in the USEF Events, or the negligent acts or omissions of the Released Parties defined below, and I hereby voluntarily and knowingly assume all such Risks and responsibility for any damages, liabilities, losses, or expenses that I incur as a result of my participation in any USEF Events. I also agree to be responsible for any injury or damage caused by me, my horse, my employees or contractors under my direction and control at any USEF Event.

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

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

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

By signing below, 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.

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

Signature: _____ Date: _____

✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓

Print Name: _____

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

Print Parent//Guardian Name: _____ Emergency Contact Phone No. _____

6.17.20