



Grand Valley Dressage Society Presents:

GVDS Welcome to Spring 2024

USEF Level 1 Dressage Competition

2024 Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Championship Qualifier

Sunday, April 21, 2024

USEF/USDF: #343651

RMDS: #1020

UDS Recognized

Location: Mesa County Fairgrounds

2785 US-50 Grand Junction, CO. 81503

Opening Date: March 25, 2024

Closing Date: April 8, 2024

Judge: Dolly Hannon "S" Colorado

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Licensee: Grand Valley Dressage Society

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Veterinarian: **ON CALL - TBD**

Farrier: **ON CALL** – Iron Forest Forge; Bill Heflin (575) 313-1882

Surgical Facility: Roaring Fork Equine Medical Center. 3927 Old State Hwy. 82.

Bldg. A, Glenwood Springs, CO. 81601

Divisions:

O-Open; J-Junior/YR; A-Adult Amateur (send copy of 2024 USEF AA card w/entry); P-Pony

Q- Great American /USDF (***proof of USEF/USDF membership/registration required for participants***)

TOC – Test of choice / Q – Indicates a GAIG/USDF Regional Qualifying Class

Tentative Schedule

Sunday:

201	Intro A	O, J, A, P	
202	Intro B	O, J, A, P	
203	Intro C	O, J, A, P	
204	Opportunity Training 1	O, J, A, P	no memberships required
205	Opportunity Training 2	O, J, A, P	no memberships required
206	Opportunity Training 3	O, J, A, P	no memberships required
207	Opportunity First 1	O, J, A, P	no memberships required
208	Opportunity First 2	O, J, A, P	no memberships required
209	Training 1	O, J, A, P	
210	Training 2	O, J, A, P	
211	Training 3	O, J, A, P, Q	
212	First 1	O, J, A, P	
213	First 2	O, J, A, P	
214	First 3	O, J, A, P, Q	
215	Second 1	O, J, A, P	
216	Second 2	O, J, A, P	
217	Second 3	O, J, A, P, Q	
218	Third 1	O, J, A, P	
219	Third 2	O, J, A, P	
220	Third 3	O, J, A, P, Q	
221	Fourth 1	O, J, A, P	
222	Fourth 2	O, J, A, P	
223	Fourth 3	O, J, A, P, Q	

224	FEI Prix St Georges	O, J, A, P, Q
226	FEI Inter I	O, J, A, P, Q
227	FEI Inter II	O, J, A, P, Q
228	FEI Grand Prix	O, J, A, P, Q
229	3, 4 & 5 Yr. Old Fillies/Mares Materiale	O, J, A, P
230	3, 4 & 5 Yr Old Geldings/Stallion Materiale	O, J, A, P
231	Dressage Seat Equitation	O, J, A, P,
232	USEF 4 Yr. Old Test	O
233	FEI Five-Year-Old Test	O
234	FEI Six-Year-Old Test	O
235	FEI Seven-Year-Old Test	O
236	TOC Training – 4th Level	O, J, A, P, Q
237	TOC FEI Levels	O, J, A, P, Q
238	TOC Para Dressage	O, J, A, P,
239	Freestyle – Training Level	O, J, A, P,
240	TOC Freestyle 1st – 4th Level	O, J, A, P, Q
241	TOC Freestyle FEI	O, J, A, P, Q
242	TOC Pas de Deux Freestyle	O, J, A, P,

EVERY CLASS OFFERED HEREIN WHICH IS COVERED BY THE RULES AND SPECIFICATIONS OF THE CURRENT USEF RULEBOOK WILL BE CONDUCTED AND JUDGED IN ACCORDANCE THEREWITH.

ALL COMPETITORS MUST SUBMIT WITH THEIR ENTRY CURRENT PROOF (WITHIN SIX (6) MONTHS OF THE FIRST DAY YOUR HORSE ENTERS THE COMPETITION GROUNDS) OF EQUINE INFLUENZA AND RHINOPNEUMONITIS VACCINATION FOR ALL HORSES SEVEN (7) MONTHS OF AGE OR OLDER. A CURRENT COGGINS WITHIN TWELVE (12) MONTHS MUST ALSO BE SUBMITTED. FOR OUT OF STATE COMPETITORS, A HEALTH CERTIFICATE WITHIN SEVEN (7) DAYS MUST ALSO BE SUBMITTED.

Entries are available at horseshowoffice.com; or mailed to the show secretary. Please make checks payable to the Grand Valley Dressage Society. PLEASE WRITE SEPARATE CHECKS FOR EACH SHOW, including if participating in GVDS Schooling Show I, conducted on April 20th, 2024.

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.

Entry Fees:

DESCRIPTION	FEES
Introductory Level and JR/YR Classes (Training-Fourth)	\$30
Training Level – Fourth Level (AA/O), USEF 4Yr Old	\$40
FEI, Freestyles and Pas de Deux	\$50
Para, Materiale and Equitation	\$40
Opportunity Classes	\$25
Office Fee (per entry, non-refundable)	\$30
USEF Drug Fee – per show (\$15 drug + \$8)	\$23
USDF Non-Member Fee (for each rider, owner)	\$35
Great American/USDF Qualifying Fee	\$15
Non-Compete Fee	\$30
Show stabling (per night, includes complementary 2 bags of shavings)	\$40
Tack Stall (per night)	\$15
Shavings (per bag)	\$10
RV Hookup (per night, first come, first served)	\$35
Post Entry Fee (postmarked after closing)	\$35
Non-Sufficient Funds Fee	\$50
Late or Change Fee (plus class fee)	\$35
Incomplete Entry Fee	\$35

SHOW COMMITTEE: The show committee reserves the right to cancel or split classes; limit class size; change arenas; limit the number of rides and number of horses per rider; and cancel or add judges. The show committee also reserves the right to refuse any entries. Every horse entered for competition will comply with the rules of the horse show management, but management will, in no case, be responsible for any loss or damage that may occur, and it shall be condition of entry that each Exhibitor shall hold this horse show and the officials and employees of the show blameless for any loss or accident to his horse, employees, equipment, which may occur from sickness, fire or otherwise.

ENTRIES: Entries are accepted on a first come, first served basis, based on (readable) postmark or online date/time stamp. Post entries (postmarked/date/time stamped after closing date) will be accepted on a space available basis with the Post Entry fee. Once the competition is filled a waitlist will be established. The waitlist will be maintained through April 18, 2024. The 2024 RMDS Entry Form must be used. Proof of memberships and horse registrations must be included with the entry form. If riding a Freestyle, please include a copy of the qualifying test or a printout from [USDF Score Check](#). If an entry is incomplete, the horse/rider combination will be placed on the waitlist until the required paperwork is received. Numbers are always required when a horse is outside of its stall. Anyone not appearing for any of their dressage tests without prior notification to the show secretary will be "scratched" from their remaining classes. Those rides will be filled at the discretion of the show management. **No numbers will be released without payment in full of all entry and show fees.**

NON-COMPETING HORSES: Horse may be brought to the show but must be registered on an entry form, with signatures and office fee per horse/rider and any other appropriate fees (i.e. stabling, etc.). Bridle tags must be worn on the horse whenever it is out of its stall. Areas where these horses may be ridden or hand walked may be restricted, and priority given to horses in competition. Check with the show office for details.

OPPORTUNITY CLASSES: Opportunity classes are for those wishing to participate in a recognized show experience but who do not wish to participate in USEF/USDF award programs. Participants and horses who are ONLY entering Opportunity Classes, do not need USDF/USEF memberships, are not required to pay non-member fees, affidavit fees, Horse ID fees, USEF Drug and Medication fees, etc. The only fees paid are the class fees and the office fee. The horse/rider combinations may cross-enter into recognized classes with appropriate USDF/USEF memberships or non-member fees.

PONY CLASSES: Per USEF DR135, Pony classes require a copy of the USEF Standard or Temporary Measurement Card to be included with the entry. If an Exhibitor wishes to have the pony measured at the competition, a request to the Competition Management must be received, in writing, at least fifteen (15) days prior to the start of the competition. Fees for the measurement session up to \$100.00 maximum, will be incurred by the Exhibitor.

RIDE TIMES: Provisional ride times will be available at [GVDS Show Information](#) and will be emailed to those entrants who provide a valid email address. Official times will be posted at the show office.

SHOW OFFICE: The office will be open from 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm on the day prior to the start of the show and one (1) hour prior to the first class of the show; as well as 30 minutes following the last ride each day.

REFUNDS: Up through the closing date, all fees will be refunded except the office fee. From the day after closing to April 18, 2024, class fees will be refunded only if ride(s) can be filled from the waitlist. Qualifying fees and USEF Drugs and Medication Fee (if horse is not on show grounds) will be refunded. Stabling fees will be refunded if cancellation is on or before April 18, 2024. The two (2)-bag complementary bedding and any pre-ordered shavings are non-refundable. During competition days **no refunds including Acts of God. The office fee is non-refundable.**

AWARDS: Ribbons awarded 1st through 6th place. Overall High Score and Reserve High Score will be awarded for Open, Adult Amateur and Junior/Young Rider. Opportunity, Materiale, Dressage Seat Equitation, Young Horse Classes, Para and Freestyle are not eligible for High Score awards. **High Score winners are responsible for having awards picked up, or shipped at their expense, if they are not present at the time the awards are presented/announced.**

TIES: In the event of a tie, the total of the collective marks will determine the placing. If the tie remains, then the tie stands.

STABLING: Permanent 10 x 12 and 12 x 12 stalls with full doors. Two (2) bag minimum bedding is required per the Mesa County Fairgrounds. Two (2) bags of complementary shavings will be provided with the initial stall purchase if a stall is ordered at the time of entry. Additional bags of bedding may be ordered. Stabling is available at noon on Friday, April 19, 2024, unless prearranged. Stalls DO NOT need to be cleaned or cleared after the show. **ASSIGNED STALLS MUST NOT BE CHANGED WITHOUT THE PERMISSION OF THE SHOW MANAGER.**

ARENAS: The competition arena is the larger of the two (2) covered arenas at the facility which is a 20m x 60m covered arena with sand/dirt footing. The warm-up arena is also a large, covered arena with sand/dirt footing. A short court arena, 20m x 40m, may be used for Introductory, Eventing, and USPEA classes. Use of the short court arena will be posted at the show office. Both covered arenas are watered and worked throughout the show. A lunging area will be posted. The show arena is open for schooling Friday afternoon/evening until show office closes, and after end of the GVDS Schooling Show I on April 20. **Exhibitors may hand walk horses around the exterior of the show until 30 minutes prior to the start of the show and during the lunch break.**

EMT: On-Site EMT from 45 minutes before the start of the show through the completion of the last ride.

MUSICAL FREESTYLE: Effective December 1, 2019 - DR129.9:, Except for USEF/USDF Championship classes and for FEI Pony riders, FEI Junior and FEI Young Rider Freestyles, in order to enter a freestyle class at any level, a horse/rider combination must have received a minimum score of 63% for Training through Fourth levels and

60% for FEI levels in the highest test of the declared freestyle level or any test of a higher level at a USEF/USDF licensed Dressage Competition, Federation Licensed or FEI recognized Dressage Competition, or “open” Dressage class (i.e. open to all breeds) at a Federation Licensed Competition held prior to the competition where the horse/rider combination is entered to ride a freestyle class. A photocopy of the test verifying eligibility, or a printout from [USDF Score Check](#) must be submitted with the entry for a freestyle class. Please note: a 60% or higher score earned by a horse/rider combination at the FEI levels may be applied for a Freestyle ridden at a lower level. For sake of example, a 60% or higher earned by a horse/rider combination at the FEI Prix St. Georges level will allow a rider/horse combination to compete in a Fourth level freestyle (or any lower-level freestyle). Additionally, as a reminder, a 60% or higher earned in the FEI Grand Prix 16-25 test will also qualify a rider/horse combination to ride the FEI Grand Prix Freestyle. A 60% or higher earned in the Intermediate A or Intermediate B test will qualify a rider/horse combination to ride the Intermediate A/B Freestyle (Medium Tour). Freestyle sound checks will be on Saturday, April 20 during the lunch break or after the completion of the GVDS Schooling Show I show. Other times may be arranged with prior consent by the manager. Please don't forget to bring your music on a CD formatted as MP3 or WMA or email your music to gvdsshowsecretary@gmail.com.

USEF PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR: Protective 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. See [DR120](#) for dress code rules for exhibitors. (See GR801).

FOOD CONCESSION: There will be concessions available on the grounds, as well as multiple restaurants and a grocery store are within one (1) mile of the fairgrounds. Water bottles will be provided.

DOGS: Dogs are welcome but must be leashed, held by a human or tied securely at all times.

SHARPS CONTAINERS: Sharps containers will be available in the stabling area. 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.

DIRECTIONS: From East of Grand Junction: Take I-70 Westbound to Exit 37 (Clifton, I-70 Business Loop Exit) and proceed South to the second stop light (32 Rd, Hwy 141) and turn left. Stay on this road until it ends at the junction with Highway 50 (approximately 5-6 miles). At this junction, turn right and proceed 3.5 miles on Highway 50. You will see the Mesa County Fairgrounds on your left. At the Fairgrounds sign, enter and immediately turn left and follow the road towards the barns.

From West of Grand Junction: Take I-70 Eastbound to Exit 26. Turn right off the exit ramp onto Highway 6 & 50. Stay on Highway 50 as it winds through town. Turn right at Fifth Street at the sign for Highway 50 to Delta. Follow Fifth Street as it goes over the Colorado River and continue 2.3 miles. You will see the Mesa County Fairgrounds on your right. At the Fairgrounds sign, enter and immediately turn left and follow the road towards the barns.

ACCOMODATIONS:

LODGING: For information, please see the Visit Grand Junction website [Visit Grand Junction Lodging](#)

CAMPING: A limited number of RV hook-ups are available on the show grounds for \$35.00 per night. Please note on entry form if one is needed. First come, first served.

FMotorized Vehicle Statement In accordance with GR1301.7: Minors who do not have a valid driver's license which allows them to operate a motorized vehicle in the state in which they reside will not be permitted to operate a motorized vehicle of any kind, including, but not limited to, golf carts, motorcycles, scooters, or farm utility vehicles, on the competition grounds of licensed competitions. Minors who have a valid temporary license may operate the above described motorized vehicles as long as they are accompanied by an adult with a valid driver's license. The parent/legal guardian or individual who signs the entry blank as a parent or guardian of a minor operating a motorized vehicle in violation of this rule are solely responsible for any damages, claims, losses or actions resulting from that operation. Violations of this rule will be cause for penalties against those responsible for the child committing the offense. Wheelchairs and other mobility assistance devices for individuals with disabilities are exempt from this rule. The unsafe use of personal electronic transport devices, as determined by the competition officials and management in their sole discretion, that do not require a driver's license to operate, including but not limited to segways, hover boards, and single wheeled scooters is prohibited on competition grounds. Operating such devices in areas where people gather may be deemed "unsafe use" if there is a risk of harm to others. If the operator of the device is a minor, the parent/legal guardian or individual who signs the entry blank as a parent or guardian of a minor operating the device in violation of this rule is accountable and may be subject to penalties. Wheelchairs and other mobility assistance devices for individuals with disabilities are exempt from this rule.

USEF MEMBERSHIP STATEMENT:

Life, senior active and junior active members shall be eligible to participate in all classes at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions at the Modified Level or above and Combined Driving Competitions at the Advanced Level, Dressage, Reining and Vaulting Competitions and Endurance Rides. A non-member may participate as a handler, rider, driver, owner, lessee, or agent, at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions, Dressage Competitions, Reining Competitions and Combined Driving Competitions upon payment of a Show Pass fee. Participants in the following classes are exempted from the Requirements of this rule: 1) leadline; 2) exhibitions; 3) games and races; 4) classes for 4-H members; 5) walk trot and academy classes (academy classes are classes limited to horses used regularly in a lesson program); 6) USDF introductory level tests, pas de deux and quadrille classes; 7) assistant handlers in Dressage Sport Horse Breeding classes.

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

DISEASE OUTBREAK RULE: In the face of a disease outbreak, the show committee reserves the right to follow the AVMA (American Veterinary Medicine Association) and or the AAEP (American Association of Equine Practitioners) recommendations as to what testing would be necessary to consider a horse free from the disease in question. They also reserve the right to require written proof that said testing has been performed within the recommended period of time. If the competitor does not adhere to the requirements the show committee can refuse entrance to the show. Some diseases are "Reportable Diseases", meaning they must be reported to the State of Colorado Department of Agriculture. These diseases are subject to quarantine rules of the state. An example of one such disease is Vesicular Stomatitis. In the case of reportable diseases, a health certificate is required from an accredited veterinarian with proper statement regarding said disease to accompany the horse. Since this rule could apply to any number of diseases, and it would be impossible to list them all here, the Show Committee will post the testing/health certificate requirements on the sponsor web page if there is a current disease outbreak in the area.

EQUINE HEALTH: Licensed shows operate under USEF guidelines. These guidelines recommend that you keep your horse as healthy as possible when competing, i.e. current vaccinations against diseases prevalent in your area and current Coggins test. Additionally, a health certificate is required if you travel across state lines to compete. We remind you that stalls at the show facilities are not disinfected between horses. The venues clean and remove shavings and manure only. You have the option of cleaning the stall before putting the horse in the stall. A detergent, such as Tide, and water mix is recommended by the USEF. Rocal also works well on wood and Clorox on hard surfaces. If your horse becomes ill while at the show, please report it to the Show Committee even if you choose not to have it seen by a veterinarian. The Show Committee reserves the right to ask you to remove the horse from the premises. If that is not possible, the Committee may ask you to isolate the horse in a designated stall. Please try to avoid contact with other horses in case the disease might be contagious. If your horse is sick and you have decided to leave the premises, you are required to notify the Show Committee. Also, be considerate of other horses at your home barn and let them know that your horse may have contracted a communicable disease. We are all interested in keeping our horses as healthy as possible, so please don't bring a sick horse, or one recently recovered to the show. Thank you for your cooperation.



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 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.

**This
competition
is recognized
by USDF
for 2024**

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

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

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

Exceptions:

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

Memberships Defined

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

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

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

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

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

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

How to Join USDF

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

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

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

USEF Competition Name:

USEF#:

Competition Division(s) and Rating(s):



MAAPP

MINOR ATHLETE ABUSE PREVENTION

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One-On-One Interactions



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usef.org/safe-sport/reporting

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



2024 Entry Form



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RMDS / USDF / USEF Approved

Only one horse/rider per Entry Form. Every horse entered must be named and must have same name registered with all organizations. Both sides of this form must be completed. PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY OR TYPE. Mail this entry form with original signatures to the Dressage Competition Secretary concerned.

Name of Competition:	Date:
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Name of Horse	Breed	Sex	Height	Color	Age
RMDS #	USDF #	USEF #	Microchip #		
Sire	Dam	Dam's Sire	Breeder		

Rider or Handler	Name	RMDS #	USDF #	USEF #
	Address		Jr/YR Birthdate	Email
Trainer* (see below)	Name	RMDS #	USDF #	USEF #
	Address		Email	Phone #
Owner	Name	RMDS #	USDF #	USEF #
	Address		Email	Phone #

*TRAINER - person responsible for the horse during the show, must be 18 years of age or older and must be on the show grounds during the show.

Class #	Division	Class Description	Class Fees

STABLING INFORMATION		
Arrival Time / Day		
Departure Time / Day		
Special Requests		
Stabling Fees Enclosed For...		Name of person responsible for horse during competition:
# Stalls		Emergency phone number during competition:
# Nights / stall		
# Bedding		
Total \$		RMDS is a Group Member Organization of United States Dressage Federation and RMDS Members are automatically USDF Group Members.

USEF Fee per Horse \$8 USEF + \$15 Drug = \$23.00	\$	
Haul-In Fee (Varies)	\$	
* Stabling Fee	\$	
* Office Fee	\$	
* Other Fees	\$	
Class Sponsorship (optional)	\$	
USDF non-member fee per owner & rider = \$35 each	\$	
Donation to RMDS Scholarship Fund (optional)	\$	
TOTAL FEES \$		



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

If not currently a USEF Active Competing member or Subscriber, I acknowledge that I will be enrolled for no cost as a USEF Fan and my USEF Fan Account will continue to annually automatically renew in USEF's sole discretion. Additionally, I acknowledge that the benefits of a USEF Fan are subject to change without notice. USEF may in its sole discretion, at any time, terminate my USEF Fan status. I acknowledge that I may opt out at any time by going to My USEF Dashboard or calling (859) 810-8733.

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

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

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

TRAINER (mandatory)

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

OWNER/AGENT (mandatory)

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

COACH (if applicable)

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

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

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

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



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

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

A. RULES AND REGULATIONS: 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").

WARNING:

Under Colorado Law, an equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities, pursuant to section 13-21-119, Colorado Revised Statutes .

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Signature: _____ Date: _____ Print Name: _____

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

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