



## LA Holiday Surprise December 2-3, 2023



USEF • USDF # 344478 Level 2 • CDS • LA Chapter Points  
Hansen Dam Horse Park, Sylmar, CA

Entries Close Monday November 20, 2023

# LA Holiday Surprise December 2-3, 2023



## OFFICIALS

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## DETAILS

***Entries close and must be Received by Monday, November 20, 2023***

Late Entries will be accepted if schedule permits, with a \$75 Late Fee

**Be SURE to include copies of your association membership & registration cards**  
*If not included with entries we are happy to get them online but there is a \$20 fee*

**[Online entries available and PREFERRED at www.equestrianentries.com](http://www.equestrianentries.com)**

**[Email entries to mmmdresage@gmail.com](mailto:mmmdresage@gmail.com)**

**Mail Entries to:**  
Cornerstone—480 W. Riverside Dr., Burbank, CA 91506

**USEF/ USDF # 344478 Level 2 Show - CDS - LA Chapter**

## LA HOLIDAY SURPRISE DRESSAGE CLASSES

### Training Level—All Classes \$65

	Saturday	Sunday
Training Level Test 1 Open	110	210
Training Level Test 1 AA	111	211
Training Level Test 1 Jr/YR	112	212
Training Level Test 2 Open	113	213
Training Level Test 2 AA	114	214
Training Level Test 2 Jr/YR	115	215
Training Level Test 3 <b>Open</b> GAIG/USDF Qual. Add \$15 and “Q”	116	216
Training Level Test 3 <b>AA</b> GAIG/USDF Qual. Add \$15 and “Q”	117	217
Training Level Test 3 <b>Jr/YR</b> GAIG/USDF Qual. Add \$15 and “Q”	118	218

### First Level—All Classes \$65

	Saturday	Sunday
First Level Test 1 Open	120	220
First Level Test 1 AA	121	221
First Level Test 1 Jr/YR	122	222
First Level Test 2 Open	123	223
First Level Test 2 AA	124	224
First Level Test 2 Jr/YR	125	225
First Level Test 3 <b>Open</b> GAIG/USDF Qual. Add \$15 and “Q”	126	226
First Level Test 3 <b>AA</b> GAIG/USDF Qual. Add \$15 and “Q”	127	227
First Level Test 3 <b>Jr/YR</b> GAIG/USDF Qual. Add \$15 and “Q”	128	228

### Second Level—All Classes \$65

	Saturday	Sunday
Second Level Test 1 Open	140	240
Second Level Test 1 AA	141	241
Second Level Test 1 Jr/YR	142	242
Second Level Test 2 Open	143	243
Second Level Test 2 AA	144	244
Second Level Test 2 Jr/YR	145	245
Second Level Test 3 Open GAIG/USDF Qual. Add \$15 and “Q”	146	246
Second Level Test 3 <b>AA</b> GAIG/USDF Qual. Add \$15 and “Q”	147	247
Second Level Test 3 <b>Jr/YR</b> GAIG/USDF Qual. Add \$15 and “Q”	148	248

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### Third Level—All Classes \$65

	Saturday	Sunday
Third Level Test 1 Open	160	260
Third Level Test 1 AA	161	261
Third Level Test 1 Jr/YR	162	262
Third Level Test 2 Open	163	263
Third Level Test 2 AA	164	264
Third Level Test 2 Jr/YR	165	265
Third Level Test 3 Open GAIG/USDF Qual. Add \$15 and “Q”	166	266
Third Level Test 3 AA GAIG/USDF Qual. Add \$15 and “Q”	168	268
Third Level Test 3 Jr/YR GAIG/USDF Qual. Add \$15 and “Q”	169	269

### Fourth Level—All Classes \$65

	Saturday	Sunday
Fourth Level Test 1 Open	170	270
Fourth Level Test 1 AA	171	271
Fourth Level Test 1 Jr/YR	172	272
Fourth Level Test 2 Open	173	273
Fourth Level Test 2 AA	174	274
Fourth Level Test 2 Jr/YR	175	275
Fourth Level Test 3 Open GAIG/USDF Qual. Add \$15 and “Q”	176	276
Fourth Level Test 3 AA GAIG/USDF Qual. Add \$15 and “Q”	177	277
Fourth Level Test 3 Jr/YR GAIG/USDF Qual. Add \$15 and “Q”	178	278
<b>USEF/USDF Test of Choice</b> * GAIG/USDF Qual. Add \$15 and “Q” when applicable. <i>(Excludes Para, Freestyles, Young Horse)</i>	180	280

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### Intro Level—All Classes \$50

	Saturday	Sunday
USDF Introductory Test A, AA & Jr/YR	10	20
USDF Introductory Test B, AA & Jr/YR	11	21
USDF Introductory Test C, AA & Jr/YR	12	22
Materiale 3/4/5 Year-old—Colts, Geldings & Stallions (Will be split by age if entries warrant)	\$35 13	23
Materiale 3/4/5 Year-old—Fillies & Mares (Will be split by age if entries warrant)	\$35 14	24

## LA HOLIDAY SURPRISE DRESSAGE CLASSES

### FEI Dressage Tests —All Classes \$65

	Saturday	Sunday
Junior Team <b>JR</b> GAIG/USDF Qual. Add \$15 and “Q”	181	281
Junior Individual JR	182	282
Young Rider Team <b>YR</b> GAIG/USDF Qual. Add \$15 and “Q”	183	283
Young Rider Individual YR	184	284
Prix St. Georges <b>Open</b> GAIG/USDF Qual. Add \$15 and “Q”	191	291
Prix St. Georges <b>AA/JR/YR</b> GAIG/USDF Qual. Add \$15 and “Q”	192	292
Intermediaire I <b>Open</b> GAIG/USDF Qual. Add \$15 and “Q”	193	293
Intermediaire I <b>AA/JR/YR</b> GAIG/USDF Qual. Add \$15 and “Q”	194	294
Intermediaire II <b>Open</b> GAIG/USDF Qual. Add \$15 and “Q”	195	295
Grand Prix <b>Open</b> GAIG/USDF Qual. Add \$15 and “Q”	196	296
Grand Prix Special Open	197	297
FEI Test of Choice * GAIG/USDF Qual. Add \$15 and “Q” when applicable (Excludes Para, Freestyles, Young Horse)	198	298
Young Horse Test of Choice (Please state test on entry USEF 4 or FEI 5,6 7 Yr)	199	299

### Freestyle & Special Classes

	Saturday	Sunday
USDF Freestyle of Choice Open GAIG/USDF Qual. Add \$15 and “Q” <b>\$70.00</b> <i>(Excludes Q at Training Level)</i>	101	201
FEI Freestyle of Choice Open GAIG/USDF Qual. Add \$15 and “Q” <b>\$70.00</b>	102	202
Dressage Seat Equitation Adult Amateur <b>\$35.00</b>	105	205
Dressage Seat Equitation 13 and Under <b>\$35.00</b>	106	206
Dressage Seat Equitation 14-18 <b>\$35.00</b>	107	207

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**Show Pass Fee \*\*\*Effective 12.1.2022\*\*\*** Any rider, handler, driver or owner is limited to one Show Pass purchase annually (December 1 - November 30).

**USEF Show Pass will be available for purchase by exhibitors on-line “ONLY”**

**here:** <https://www.usef.org/show-pass> Individuals, including parents who are signing as trainer on behalf of a minor, who are participating as a trainer or coach are not eligible for a Show Pass and must obtain a Senior Competing membership to participate in a USEF licensed competition.

# Cornerstone Events Managed Shows

## 2024 Event Schedule

Date	Show	Location
April 27-28	LA Spring Dressage	LAEC, Burbank, CA
May 24-26	Dressage at Flintridge	Flintridge Riding Club La Canada-Flintridge, CA
July 6-7	LA Chapter Summer	LAEC, Burbank, CA
August 23-24	Cool August Nights	LAEC, Burbank, CA
September 26-29	USDF Region 7/CDS Championship Show	LAEC, Burbank, CA

### ATTENTION FREESTYLE COMPETITORS



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](mailto:freestyle@usdf.org)

4051 IRON WORKS PARKWAY, LEXINGTON, KY 40511

PHONE (859) 971-2277 • FAX (859) 971-7722

### **DIRECTIONS to Hansen Dam Horse Park, 1127 Orcas Avenue, Lake View Terrace, CA 91342**

**From I-5** Golden State Freeway (I-5) to 118 East to 210 East. Exit Osborn Street. Left at Bottom of ramp. Turn right at Orcas Avenue. One block to Horse Park Entrance

**From I-210** 1-210 N, exit Wheatland Ave. Turn right. At light turn left on Foothill Blvd. At Orcas Ave. turn left. One block to Horse Park Entrance

#### **Airports**

*Burbank Bob Hope Airport (BUR) - 5 Miles*

*Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) 27 Miles*

# LA HOLIDAY SURPRISE

## December 2-3, 2023

Official Use Only

Entries Close-Monday, November 20, 2023

Enter online at [www.EquestrianEntries.com](http://www.EquestrianEntries.com)

Name of Horse		Breed	Sex	Height	Color		
Sire	Dam	Dam's Sire	Country of Birth	Date of Birth	Breeder	Passport #	
Horse		Rider/Handler	Owner	Trainer	Coach		
USEF #	USEF #	USEF #	USEF #	USEF #	USEF #		
USDF #	USDF #	USDF #	USDF #	Please enclose copies of all membership cards and registrations.			
CDS #	CDS #	CDS #	CDS #				
	N/A						
Class No.	Class No.	Class No.	Class	Description	Division	Qualifying Y/N	Fees

NON-COMPETING HORSES MUST HAVE A SEPARATE ENTRY....

Only one horse and rider per entry

SIGNATURES MANDATORY....for Rider, Owner and Trainer even if the same individual - SIGN all three places on next page!

**OWNER**

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City/St/Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Owner Citizenship (IF NOT USA) \_\_\_\_\_ Safe Sport?

**RIDER/HANDLER**

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City/St/Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Rider Citizenship (IF NOT USA) \_\_\_\_\_ Rider Status (circle one): Jr/Yr AA Open  
 A/A or JR/YR Birthday \_\_\_\_\_ Safe Sport?

**TRAINER**

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City/St/Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Safe Sport?   
 Email \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**COACH**

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City/St/Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Safe Sport?   
 Email \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Subtotal Class Fees	
USDF Non-Memberfee @\$35	
USEF Horse Fees	\$23.00
Office Fee	\$55.00
CA Drug Fee	\$14.00
EMT Fee	\$10.00
RV \$50 per night	
Horse/TackStall3 days@ \$195 each	
Horse/Tack Stall 2days@ \$165 each	
Day Stall/Tack @ \$75 each	
Grounds Fee \$55 Only if no stall	
HDHP Border Please check	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Schooling Horse @ \$65 per-day	
Changes after entry Received \$20	
Internet Membership search \$20	
Late Entry \$75	
CC 5% processing fee	
<b>TOTAL FEES DUE</b>	

**Make Checks Payable To: CORNERSTONE**  
 PLEASE FILL OUT BOTH SIDES OF THIS FORM.

**Stabling Information :**

Number of stalls (horse) needed: _____	Arriving: _____
Number of stalls (tack/grooming) needed: _____	
Stable with: _____	Departing: _____



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

**BY SIGNING BELOW, I AGREE** 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](http://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.

<b>RIDER/DRIVER/HANDLER/VAULTER/LONGEUR</b> (mandatory)	<b>OWNER/AGENT</b> (mandatory)
Signature: _____	Signature: _____
Print Name: _____	Print Name: _____
<b>TRAINER</b> (mandatory)	<b>COACH</b> (if applicable)
Signature: _____	Signature: _____
Print Name: _____	Print Name: _____
Parent/Guardian Signature: (Required if Rider/Driver/Handler/Vaultler/Longeur is a minor) _____	
Print Parent//Guardian Name: _____	Emergency Contact Phone No. _____
Is Rider/Driver/Vaultler a U.S. Citizen: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

**REMEMBER: SafeSport** training is required for USEF members (18 years of age or older) and is essential in creating a safer environment for our competitors. This includes amateurs, professionals, juniors who are 18-years-old or older, and owners who have an annual, three-year, or lifetime membership. *Competitors on the SafeSport Ineligibility List are ineligible to compete at USEF-licensed competitions*

Make checks payable to  
**CORNERSTONE**  
 Mail to:  
 Cornerstone  
 480 W Riverside Dr.  
 Burbank, CA 91506  
 EMAIL:  
**[mmmdressage@gmail.com](mailto:mmmdressage@gmail.com)**

CIRCLE ONE:	VISA <input type="checkbox"/>	MC <input type="checkbox"/>	AMEX <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Credit Card #:				
x _____ V-code: _____				
Signature _____				
Name on Card: _____ exp. Date: / /				
Billing Street Address: _____ Zip code: _____				
5% will be added for Credit Card Charges				



# 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: 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

# RULES AND GENERAL INFORMATION

1. **LA Holiday Surprise Dressage** is covered by the rules and specifications of the current US Equestrian Rule Book and will be conducted and judged in accordance therewith.
2. **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
3. **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, Vaulting 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 Los Angeles Chapter & California Dressage Society (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.
4. **Amateurs, Juniors & Young Riders:** Amateurs are defined by the rules and specifications of the current USEF Rule Book. *All riders entering the Amateur classes must possess or have applied for an USEF Amateur Card prior to riding in the class. All riders in Amateur Divisions must hold a USEF Amateur Card or they will not be allowed to show in the Amateur Division.* Cards may be applied for at the show office. Jr/ YR rider classes are offered to anyone 21 and under (may compete until the end of the calendar year in which they turn 21) Young Riders are eligible for FEI YR classes from 16-21 years of age.
5. **CONDITIONS OF ENTRY:** Every horse entered for competition will be under the control of the Horse Show Management, but the Horse Show Management will, in no case, be responsible for any loss or damage that may occur, and it shall be a condition of entry that each exhibitor shall hold the Horse Show and its Directors harmless for any loss or accident to his horse, horses or equipment which may occur from sickness, fire or otherwise.
6. **ENTRY PROCEDURES: PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!!**
  - A. Please submit completed and signed entry form. Include copies of your membership/horse registration cards, proof of Freestyle score eligibility (if entered in a freestyle) along with all fees. Entries without membership cards will be charged a \$20 internet search fee for membership. Incomplete entries may be charged a Late Fee. **SEND ALL FEES OR CC INFORMATION WITH ENTRY.**
  - B. **Entry Acceptance:** Entries will be accepted on a first come-first serve basis until classes are filled. Entries received after classes are filled will be notified and, if desired, put on a waiting list. Those on a waiting list not getting into the show will have all fees refunded. NO PHONE entries will be accepted. All entries must be made **on official entry blanks and filled out completely as to classes, exhibitors names, addresses, phone numbers, association numbers, and signatures.** Parents or guardians must sign the official entry blank of a minor before a number will be released. **Changes made after entries are received will be charged a \$20 Fee** Entries close and **MUST BE RECEIVED BY November 20, 2023!! NO Entry will be processed without FULL payment!!!**
7. **LATE ENTRIES:** All entries must be **RECEIVED** on or before the closing date or will be considered a late entry. Each late entry will be charged a late fee of \$75.00. Late entries will be accepted and given a ride time only as schedule permits.
8. **SCRATCHES:** Exhibitors have the responsibility of informing the Show Office of their intention to scratch. Scratches before the closing date may be made for any reason and all fees will be refunded except Office fees. If you decide to scratch any of the classes after the closing date, you must inform show management in writing by emailing the show secretary at [mmmdressage@gmail.com](mailto:mmmdressage@gmail.com) Scratches made after the closing date of the show will be refunded association fees only. **No-Shows will be billed for all unpaid entry fees. There are no refunds after the closing date.**
9. **UNPAID CHARGES:** Any exhibitor leaving the show with an unpaid balance of entry fees or feed bill, will be billed for these charges and a \$35.00 billing fee will be added to the total due. Until these charges are settled, all future entries of rider and owner will be returned.
10. **RETURNED CHECKS:** Checks returned by the bank or declined credit cards will be assessed a 10% penalty (minimum \$50.00)
11. **(GR902.1): 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.**
12. **TESTS:** The Current USEF FEI and FEI YR tests will be used.

## **RULES AND GENERAL INFORMATION continued**

**13. ARENAS:** 20 x 60 competition arenas of composition and sand footing— warm up arena has same type footing. Lunning has packed sand footing. Only horses entered in the show will be allowed in warm-up area. No one on foot is allowed in designated warm-ups. Lungeing is to be done ONLY in specified areas. All horses in the warm-up arenas must wear their competition numbers. All arena must be vacated while equipment is being used.

**14. RIBBONS AND AWARDS:** In classes where three or more riders complete the class, the winner will receive an award. If less than three, ribbons only will be given. Ribbons are awarded to fifth place

**15. MANAGEMENT:** Horse Show Management reserves the right to itself to interpret all questions and conditions in regard to or arising out of any incident in the show without claims for damages or recourse of any kind. All questions not covered in these rules and regulations shall be decided by the Horse Show Management; their decision will be final. The Horse Show Management reserves itself the right to refuse, accept conditionally, or to cancel any entries, disqualify riders or exhibitors, prohibit exhibition of entries and cancel award prizes, without claim to damages; to change, cancel or combine any classes, to reschedule classes after due notice to exhibitors, or to change rings or rotate judges.

**16. FEED AND BEDDING AT HDEC:** Feed orders must be made by 11 AM for next day delivery. There are no Sunday deliveries. See form page for form at <https://langershows.com/feed-and-bedding/> Email—[danielle@langershows.com](mailto:danielle@langershows.com).

**17. HOSE/ WASHING:** Do not wash horses in barn area-Please use the wash racks.We recommend you have a garden hose available.

**18. STALL CLEANING:** Please deposit all manure at the far end of the barn aisles.

**19. STABLING: NO STRAW IS PERMITTED-ONLY SHAVINGS FOR BEDDING. NO FIRST BEDDING** is provided, but may be ordered prior to the show. Stalls are of wood construction, 10' X 10" and canvas with dutch doors. Stalls are \$195.00 Friday through Sunday (Pack A), \$165 Saturday/ & Sunday (Pack B). Additional days will be charged \$50 per day; \$75.00 for use of stall during one day of the show. **If you need to arrive before Thursday or stay longer than Sunday, you must call and make special arrangements (818) 841-3554.** (We will try to accommodate you)

**20. SCHOOLING HORSES:** Horses not entered in the show must be registered with the Horse show office and will be given a number to be worn at all times outside of the stall. Appropriate office fee, stall or ground fees, drug fees and a **\$65 Per show day schooling fee** must be paid. Any person(s) riding a schooling horse must have signed an official entry blank and/or release form. No school horses are allowed in the warm-up area during the competition.Schooling horses scratched after closing date will be charged the \$55.00 office fee.

**21. DOGS:** Dogs must be on a leash at all times, even in the Barn area. Stray dogs will be impounded and held for \$50 fine

**22. PARKING:** Parking is allowed in designated areas only. Violators improperly parked, including NO PARKING ZONES AND FIRE LANES, will be issued citations and/or towed from premises at the vehicle owner's expense. (U.S. Mun. Code - 80.71-4/ CA. Veh. Code 22658A)

**23. RV's : \$50 per night with or without hook-ups. Contact Glenda McElroy for more information (818) 841-3554**

**24. RAIN SCHEDULE:** In the event of rain, times will be rescheduled to accommodate as many rides as possible. If we cancel your class, your money for that class will be refunded - if you scratch a class that is rescheduled, you will be liable for all class fees.

**25. FREESTYLES: Musical Freestyles:** It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to get their music emailed to the announcer. Please include the rider/horse and class #. Send directly to **Steve Apmadoc at [stephenapmadoc@yahoo.com](mailto:stephenapmadoc@yahoo.com)** and a copy to the show secretary, **Denise Wiemers at [rdwplace@gmail.com](mailto:rdwplace@gmail.com)**. Freestyles riders may have a representative at the announcer's stand to tell the announcer when to start and stop the music. **A back-up CD, MP3 or WAV file is required at the show. No cell phones or zip drives.**

**26. MEDICAL WASTE/SHARPS CONTAINERS:** In accordance with the rules of USEF (GR1210.4 Bio-Hazardous Medical Waste containers are provided in the stable area. All exhibitors and their agents are responsible for the proper disposal of this waste.Competition Management may fine any individual up to \$100 for improper disposal of needles or other sharp disposable instruments.

**27. HEADGEAR RULE:** 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, and those competing in all classes and tests, including Para-Equestrian tests must wear protective headgear as defined by this rule and otherwise in compliance with GR801. Any rider violating this rule at any time must immediately be prohibited from further riding until such headgear is properly in place. Protective headgear is defined as a riding helmet which meets or exceeds ASTM (American Society for Testing and Materials)/SEI (Safety Equipment Institute) standards for equestrian use and carries the SEI tag. The harness must be secured and properly fitted.

**28. BITS AND BRIDLE CHECK: NEW DEC. 1, 2023: DR126 2.i.1-1a:** Exhibitors must present bridles and bits, if & when requested, to the technical delegate for inspections utilizing the method, timeframe (s), & location (s) identified by the competitions management with the agreement of the T.D. The methods must be communicated to the competitors prior to the start of the competition.

**Each competitor is responsible for supplying management with correct applicable numbers (USDF and USEF) for horse, owner, rider, and trainer, before the day (s) of the competition. The scores of competitors who fail to supply correct numbers may not be counted toward national awards.**

## **RULES AND GENERAL INFORMATION continued**

**29. GOLF CARTS:** 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.

**30. USEF EQUINE VACCINATION RULE:** Note the following will be followed: At Federation licensed competitions horses, more than 7 months of age, entering the grounds must be accompanied by documentation of Equine Influenza Virus and Equine Herpes Virus (Rhinopneumonitis) vaccinations within six months prior to entering the stables. Horses not in compliance with this rule may be required to leave the competition grounds upon request by Competition Management. Documentation should consist of one of the following methods mentioned below. The frequency of vaccine administration should be per the vaccine 103 manufacturers' or veterinarian's recommendations. It is recommended that vaccines are administered by or under the direction of a veterinarian. In the case of vaccines administered by a veterinarian, the exhibitor, upon request by Competition Management, must provide documentation from the veterinarian on documenting that the horse in question received the vaccinations; name of the vaccines and date of vaccine administration. In the case of vaccines administered by a person other than a veterinarian, the exhibitor, upon request by Competition Management, must provide a receipt of the vaccine purchase which is signed by the owner, or agent with care, custody, and control of the horse; name, serial number and expiration date of the vaccine; and date of vaccine administration. In the case of a horse that is unable to receive either of the vaccinations due to a history of adverse reactions, the exhibitor, upon request by Competition Management, must provide a letter from the veterinarian on official letter-head stating that the horse in question cannot be vaccinated due to medical concerns and a log of temperatures taken twice daily for the seven days prior to entering the competition grounds. These horses must also have their temperature taken and logged twice daily while on the competition grounds. The log of temperatures should be provided to the Competition Management, steward, or technical delegate when requested.

**SAFESPORT 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 requirements to be eligible to participate in the competition. All participants must adhere to the U.S. Center for SafeSport Code, USEF SafeSport Policy, and the Minor Athlete

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Dressage Level 2



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

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

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

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

#### **Exceptions:**

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

#### **Memberships Defined**

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

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

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

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

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

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

#### **How to Join USDF**

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

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

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



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

A single Regional Dressage Championship program organized by the United States Dressage Federation (USDF), and recognized by the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. (USEF), will be held in each of the nine USDF regions. In addition, Alaska and Hawaii may each hold state championships if an official request from a Group Member Organization (GMO) is received by April 1 of the prior year. The Regional Championship Program Rules can be found on the USDF website at [www.usdf.org](http://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%



# United States Dressage Federation™

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

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

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

- \* Horse must have a USDF Lifetime Horse Registration Number (LHR)
- \* Owner must have a USDF Participating (PM) or Business Membership (BM)
- \* Rider must have a USDF PM
- \* Competition year starts October 1 and ends September 30

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

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

^Scores earned in the USEF Four- and FEI Five- & Six-Year-Old tests are also eligible to be used towards a USDF Horse Performance Certificate

^^ Horses competing in the USDF Breeders Championship Series Final Three-Year-Old Materiale Championships may also be eligible for the Three-Year-Old Prospect award

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



# UNITED STATES DRESSAGE FEDERATION™

## Regional Adult Amateur Equitation Program

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

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

### Qualifying Requirements

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

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

### Membership Requirements

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

The USDF Regional Adult Amateur Equitation Program rules and information can be found on the USDF [website](#).

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## *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.

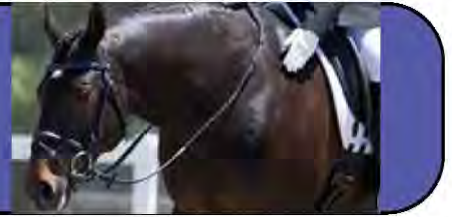
Unlike other horse sports in which horses enter training at a relatively immature state, dressage training is usually not seriously begun until the horse is three or four. The top levels of achievement require five or more years of progressive training and it is not unusual to see horses in international 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.

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*find out more about dressage ...  
join the california dressage society*



### What is the California Dressage Society?

It is an organization whose purpose is to foster an interest among horsemen in Dressage. The program of the Society is educational, designed primarily to offer a framework in which individuals can progress with the schooling of themselves and their horses.

How does one foster an interest among horsemen in dressage? Since dressage is a personal challenge, to initiate a real understanding, a person must start with only a mere inkling of what it might be and must follow with an insatiable desire and definite pursuit to find out what it really is.

CDS is an opportunity - to share, to experience, to learn and to contribute. But the Society is by its very nature, limited, for it is a composite venture into a highly individualized world. The society does open the door. But it is the individual who must take the step.

### What does the Society offer?

Educational activities on a statewide basis includes Riding Seminars, Instructor Seminars, National Symposiums and Judges' Forums. The local chapters sponsor clinics, competitions, films, discussion and informal schooling sessions.

**Dressage Letters**, the monthly publication, offers educational literature ranging from book reviews to commentary by notable horsemen along with a complete calendar of all CDS events.

**The CDS Omnibus**, yearly publication, offers dressage show premiums and entry forms for your convenience in planning and entering shows for the year.

**RAAC**. Regional Adult Amateur Competitions for Amateurs to compete in Novice or Elite Divisions within their Region.

<b>South</b>	<b>North</b>
San Diego Chapter	Valley Oaks Chapter
	Sarr Vaughn Equestrian
July 19-21, 2024	August 23-25, 2024
Del Mar HorsePark	Sarr Vaughn Equestrian
Del Mar, CA	Elk Grove, CA

<b>Central</b>
Santa Barbara Chapter
August 17-18, 2024
Earl Warren Showgrounds
Santa Barbara, CA



**Junior Championships.** Juniors & Young Riders can qualify.

<b>North</b>	<b>South</b>
CDS JR/YR	CDS JR/YR
July 26-27, 2024	July 19-21, 2024
Woodside Horse Park	Del Mar HorsePark
Woodside	Del Mar



**Horse of the Year Competition.** A horse / rider combination can qualify for the CDS Annual Show.

**CDS Championships USDF Region 7 Finals**  
SEP 26-29, 2024

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### What is Dressage?

Dressage (training or schooling) is an equitation term that means the gradual harmonious development of the horse's physical and mental condition with the aim to achieve the improvement of his natural gaits and perfect understanding with his rider.

### Membership types

**Active membership** provides all of the above privileges, as well as voting rights, and eligibility to hold office and to apply for a Qualified Riding Membership.

**Family membership** is an Active Membership for more than one member in an immediate family, living at the same address.

**Life membership** is an Active Membership for the life of the member.

A membership card is issued with each membership.



### California Dressage Society Membership Form

Active Membership .....\$75.00  
Additional Family Member .....\$65.00  
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