



Great American Insurance Group / United States Dressage Federation
Region 8 Dressage Championships
 Recognized by United States Equestrian Federation Inc.

*All USEF tests: 2007 editions. USDF Freestyle test editions: Freestyle 2007.
 FEI Tests same as CDI. Latest revisions of all tests will be used. Check with USEF / FEI / USDF*

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Class	Test	Day	Rider Level	Entry Fee / Prize Money
Thursday Classes				
1090	USEF Training Level Test 4	Thurs.	Open	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
1290	USEF Second Level Test 4	Thurs.	Open	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
159A	FEI Prix St Georges	Thurs.	Adult Amateur	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
1590	FEI Prix St Georges	Thurs.	Open	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
189A	FEI Grand Prix	Thurs	Adult Amateur	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
1890	FEI Grand Prix	Thurs.	Open	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
Friday Classes				
2190	USEF First Level Test 4	Fri.	Open	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
2390	USEF Third Level Test 3	Fri.	Open	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
259J	FEI Junior Rider Team	Fri..	Junior	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
259Y	FEI Young Rider Team	Fri	Young Rider	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
279J	FEI Intermediate II	Fri	JrYR	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
279A	FEI Intermediate II	Fri	Adult Amateur	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
2790	FEI Intermediate II	Fri.	Open	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
Saturday Classes				
3M9A	USEF Jr Medal Semi Final	Sat.	Junior / 13 Under	\$95 / None
3M9B	USEF Jr Medal Semi Final	Sat.	Junior / 14-18	\$95 / None
309J	USEF Training Level Test 4	Sat.	JrYR	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
309A	USEF Training Level Test 4	Sat.	Adult Amateur	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
329J	USEF Second Level Test 4	Sat.	JrYR	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
329A	USEF Second Level Test 4	Sat.	Adult Amateur	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
349J	USEF Fourth Level Test 3	Sat.	JrYR	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
349A	USEF Fourth Level Test 3	Sat.	Adult Amateur	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
3490	USEF Fourth Level Test 3	Sat.	Open	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
369J	FEI Intermediate I	Sat.	JrYR	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
399I	FEI Intermediate I Free	Sat.	Open / AA / JrYR	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
399G	FEI Grand Prix Freestyle	Sat.	Open	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
Sunday Classes				
419J	USEF First Level Test 4	Sun.	JrYR	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
419A	USEF First Level Test 4	Sun.	Adult Amateur	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
439J	USEF Third Level Test 3	Sun.	JrYR	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
439A	USEF Third Level Test 3	Sun.	Adult Amateur	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
459J	FEI Prix St Georges	Sun.	JrYR	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
469A	FEI Intermediate I	Sun.	Adult Amateur	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
4690	FEI Intermediate I	Sun.	Open	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
489J	FEI Grand Prix	Sun	JrYR	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
499U	USDF Freestyle (First Level)	Sun.	Open / AA / JrYR	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
499V	USDF Freestyle (Second Level)	Sun.	Open / AA / JrYR	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
499W	USDF Freestyle (Third Level)	Sun.	Open / AA / JrYR	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196
499X	USDF Freestyle (Fourth Level)	Sun.	Open / AA / JrYR	\$95 / Ch \$293 / Res \$196

Cross Entering the Regional Championship / CDI Saugerties

CDI riders may compete in the Region 8 Championships before the FEI Jog and after their CDI classes; CDI riders must compete in the FEI Jog Thursday late afternoon. Per FEI rules a CDI rider may not compete in a National Class, once the FEI Jog starts early Thursday evening, until the Awards ceremony is completed for their last CDI class. See tentative CDI class schedule at www.neda.org (click on Fall Festival).

Championship Qualification Dates: August 11, 2009 – August 18, 2010.

Qualifying scores for Championship Classes must be earned between August 11, 2009 (Closing Date for 2009 Fall Festival was August 10th) and August 16, 2010. Exception: scores from any competition starting during week of August 16th and whose show management has filed a Letter of Intent with USDF to have their qualifying scores applicable to the 2010 championships (instead of 2011) may be used to qualify. Centerline Events HITS on the Hudson has done so and its scores will apply to these 2010 Championships.

Championship Entry Deadline.

Show Secretary must receive Entry, complete to all specifications in this Prize List, to Championship class(es) on or before Closing Date per USEF GR1509, Section D. This applies to all horse / rider combinations, both those already qualified and those which have not yet qualified. No post entry (after Closing Date) to any Championship classes. Indicate clearly on Entry Form qualification data already earned and intentions to complete qualification, if incomplete.

Championship Region.

Regional Championship riders who wish to change their region have up to July 1 to do so with no fee. From July 2 through August 1 with a \$100 late fee. From August 2 up to the closing date of the Region in which they intend to compete, for a late fee of \$300. Please visit the USDF website for a copy of the current form.

Championship Window.

The Championship Window consists of six days: Opening Date and the next five days. Any Entry (1) complete to specifications in this Prize List and (2) including entry to Regional Championship class(es) and (3) containing no more than two rides for any one day (including Championship ride, but excluding Jr Medal classes 3M9A and 3M9B) and (4) Postmark / Fax date on or after Opening Date and (5) received by Show Secretary during Championship Window, will be accepted in entirety, including all rides as well as any horse / tack (must remain as tack stall) stall request, maximum two stalls. No rides or stalls will be placed on Wait List. For any Championship Entry received by Show Secretary after Championship Window but before or on Closing Date: Championship Ride(s) and any horse stall request will be accepted; other ride and tack stall requests will be accepted or placed on Wait List per policies of this Prize List, using Postmark / Fax Date. Only Championship riders may use Championship Window and only for their own rides on their Championship horse. Other entries included, as well as others in their party, will be placed in the pool of Open Entries which will be queued according to Postmark / Fax Date. Traditionally popular classes, especially on Friday and Saturday, fill during the first ten days of the entry period.

Show Management reserves the right to check the intentions, legitimacy and completeness of any Championship Window entry and move entry, if Show Management so decides, to pool of Open Entries; Show Management will reset Postmark / Fax Date as it deems appropriate and the Entry will be reprocessed according to this reset date.

Verify Qualification Status with USDF

Before submitting entry, verify qualification to the Regional Championships. Verify through USDF score check at www.usdf.org prior to contacting the USDF Office directly. Be sure that your qualifying rides have been accurately reported to and recorded by USDF.

Championship Class Refunds

For each Championship Class entered and qualified as of Postmark / Fax Date no refund or transfer of Championship Ride class entry fee after Closing Date. No refund after Closing Date for any Championship Class whose entry is rejected, for any reason, by USDF or USEF or Show Management.

For those horses entered but still unqualified on Postmark / Fax Date Secretary must receive, on or before Tuesday August 24th, 2010, Written Notification (see General Specifications / Communication with Competitors for important details) of qualification / non qualification of each Championship Class entered. There will be no refund of Championship Ride class entry fee unless Secretary receives this Written Notification and competitor has written acknowledgment from either Show Secretary or Show Manager. For each Championship Class where qualification is now achieved, Entry will retain Championship slot and there will be no refund or transfer of Championship Ride class entry fee even if Rider scratches at this point or later. For each Championship class where qualification is not achieved and Secretary has received Written Notification on or before August 24th, Entry will be removed from Championship Class (but not from any other classes or stabling, whether on or off the Wait List) and Show will refund Championship Ride class entry fee (but no other fees).

Except for above, refund policies (full or partial refunds only through Closing Date) will be followed per this Prize List.

Qualifying Class and Championship Eligibility

1. Horse/rider combinations which have won a USEF/USDF Regional Championship may no longer compete in a USEF/USDF Regional Championship competition, in that division, at that level or a lower level (Grand Prix level excepted) if they received the minimum qualifying score or higher for that division and level in the championship test per USEF DR 127.5.
2. A horse may not be entered in more than one USEF / USDF Regional Championship at a particular level in the same calendar year.
3. Riders are NOT required to be a resident of the region to compete in that region's championship. USDF will presume qualified horses will compete in the region in which the rider resides. Riders who wish to declare a region other than their region of residence must contact the USDF office by July 1st of the championship year and submit a change of region form, at which time the region will be set for the remainder of the year. Regional Championship riders who wish to change their region have up to July 1 to do so with no fee. From July 2 through August 1 with a \$100 late fee. From August 2 up to the closing date of the Region in which they intend to compete, for a late fee of \$300. Please visit the USDF website for a copy of the current form.
4. A rider may not compete in more than one Regional Championship in the same calendar year.
5. In the event a competitor is unable to produce copies of the USDF membership or lifetime horse registration documents required to enter a qualifying class, a USDF membership / registration affidavit may be completed and filed with the competition secretary. A fee of \$5.00 is required for each affidavit filed. The \$5 fee and copy of the affidavit must be submitted to USDF by the competition secretary with the competition results. Copies of the required memberships and registrations MUST be included with Championship entry. Affidavits will not be accepted for USEF or USDF membership or horse recording verification purposes for entry in Championship classes.
6. USEF Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Finals. All junior riders through age 18 who have qualified at any level for the Regional Championships (excluding free style) are automatically eligible to compete in the Semi Final Classes of the USEF Dressage Seat Medal Program. One semi-final class will be offered for Juniors ages 13 and under and a second semi-final class for riders 14 through 18 in each Great American/USDF Regional Championship. A Regional Champion and Reserve Champion for each age group will be named in each USDF Region. Protective headgear as described in USEF GR801 will be required for participation in these classes. For complete details of this program see the USEF Rulebook DR132, or visit the Dressage page of the USEF website at www.usef.org or contact the USEF Dressage Department: 859.258.2472.
7. Horses must be entered in qualifying and championship classes under their official recorded names and ownership as specified in USEF Rulebook GR1102, and transfers of ownership or lease registrations must be completed in compliance with USEF rules prior to the competition in order for the horse to compete under the name of the new owner or lessee (USEF DR 127.2).

Membership/Registration Requirements for Qualifying & Championships

- Rider: Rider must be a USDF Participating* Member (PM) at the time qualifying scores are earned and at the time of the championships.
Rider must be a USEF member (Junior Active, Senior Active, or Life) at the time the qualifying scores are earned and at the time of the championships.
- Horse: Horse must be USDF Lifetime Registered (LTR) at the time qualifying scores are earned and at the time of the championships.
Horse must be USEF (Annual or Lifetime) recorded at the time qualifying scores are earned and at the time of the championships.
 USDF horse registration and USEF horse recording must be in the name(s) of the current owner(s) or lessee(s) of record.
Horse is not required to have registry papers.
- Owner: Owner must be a USDF member (Participating* (PM) or Business (BM)) Member at the time the qualifying scores are earned and at the time of the championships.
Owner must be a USEF member (Junior Active, Senior Active, or Life) at the time qualifying scores are earned and at the time of the championships.

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

Championship Rules

1. Riders must declare on the championship entry form for each level, if the horse/rider combination is competing in the Open, Adult Amateur or Junior/Young Rider division, and must meet minimum percentage requirements for the championship division entered.
2. Any horse entered in a USEF / USDF Regional Championship competition, even if entered at two levels, must be ridden by the same rider throughout the competition. Therefore, a horse can only be ridden by one rider for the duration of the competition..
3. Cross-entering Open/Adult Amateur divisions is NOT permitted at the same or at adjacent levels except at a level that does not offer an Adult Amateur division.
4. If a rider intends to enter a Regional Championship as an Adult Amateur, the rider must be an Adult by the current USEF definition, and a current Amateur by the USEF definition (refer to USEFGR1306/1307, GR1306 and DR119.3).
5. If a rider intends to enter a championship as a Junior/Young Rider, the rider must be a Junior/Young Rider by the current USEF definition, and his birth date must be on file with USDF by July 1 of the championship year.
6. Photocopies of USDF/ USEF membership cards and horse recording and registration certificates must accompany championship entry. (USDF Participating Membership for rider, USDF Participating Membership or Business Membership for owner, etc.).
7. Whips may not be carried in championship tests. (Exception: Competitors riding sidesaddle may carry a whip no longer than 47.2 inches (120 cm), including lash, in USEF/USDF Championships) An adjustable length whip may not be carried by a mounted rider.
8. All championship tests must be ridden from memory (USEF DR122.1).
9. The gate at "A" must be closed for every USEF/USDF Championship ride. (USEF DR126.7.a)
10. At no time during a US Equestrian Federation /USDF Regional Championship competition may any horse entered in that Championship competition be ridden by anyone other than the rider entered in the Championship competition on that horse (exception: grooms riding on loose rein). Further, any horse entered in a Championship competition, even entered at two levels, must be ridden by the same rider throughout the competition (USEF DR127.6). (NOTE: this applies though out the entire competition, even after a horse has completed its Championship classes.)
11. In the event of a tie (equality of total points) for Champion and/or Reserve Champion in USEF / USDF Championships classes, the collective marks will determine first, second and/or third or all three places; (i.e. when a tie for first place is broken by collective marks, tied competitors will receive first and second places, etc.) If collective marks are equal, the tie will remain unbroken (i.e. two first places will be awarded next third place, etc.). Ties (equality of total points) after second place will be broken by collective marks. Ties (equality of total points and collective marks) occurring in third through eighth places will remain unbroken. In the case of a tie (equality of total points and collective marks) for Champion, prize money designated for Champion and Reserve Champion will be combined and divided equally between the two competitors.
12. Hors de Concours entries are not permitted in USEF / USDF Championship classes. (USEF DR119.5)
13. In a USEF / USDF Championship class, the horse/rider combination must obtain the necessary minimum percentage score to be named champion or reserve champion.. (USEF DR123.4). If the highest placed horse/rider combination receives less than the minimum percentage, there will be no awards ceremony, however all class placings will be reported.
14. In USEF / USDF Championship classes, a steward must be appointed to check the saddlery, bits and spurs on both sides of each horse immediately after it has completed its test and has left the arena. Any discrepancy to the saddlery rules will result in immediate elimination. (USEF DR126. 11)
15. A Registered (R) Dressage Technical Delegate (TD) who is a current Participating Member of USDF, is required to officiate at USEF/USDF Championships. Technical Delegates for competitions offering qualifying and/or championship classes must investigate incidents of non-compliance and report violations to USEF. (See Section H.3.c below and USEF GR1018.3 and DR127.3)
16. Entries in USEF/USDF Dressage championships classes are limited to competitors who have met the qualifications, membership, horse recording and registration requirements, and deadlines outlined in DR127 and published by USDF. Competitors who are properly qualified, whose completed entries are received by the Closing Date for a particular Regional Championship and who have complied with all Championship rules may not be denied entry into the Regional Championship classes for which they have qualified. Only one class per division and/or level may be held to determine USEF/USDF Regional Champions. (USEF GR915.2).
17. USEF/USDF Championships classes may not be split. (USEF DR126.1)
18. Championship classes for Juniors and Young Riders and Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Final classes may only be held on weekends including Friday. Juniors and Young Riders entries (horse / rider combinations) are limited to entry in only two championship classes, excluding freestyles.
19. Except for freestyles, championship classes at consecutive levels, for the same division, may not be held on the same day. When only an open division is offered, no division of a consecutive level may be offered on the same day.

Stabling.

Horses entered in any Championship classes must remain on site from arrival until they finish all of their Fall Festival classes.

Championship Awards Ceremonies

Riders placing in Great American/USDF Regional Championship classes must be present, mounted and in full riding attire for awards ceremonies (eight places for all Championship classes). Failure, without prior permission of the competition manager, in consultation with the Technical Delegate, the Awards Coordinator, and the USDF representative, to be present and properly attired will eliminate the official score and placing and the next highest score will move up in placing. In the case of inclement weather, unmounted ceremonies may be held.

Championship Awards Ceremony Schedule

A tentative schedule for Awards Ceremonies will be printed in the Show Program and the confirmed schedule in the Show Secretary Office by noon on the day prior to the beginning of the competition. Unless unforeseen events force otherwise, Awards Ceremonies will be held mounted in Ring 1. Inclement conditions may force moving them to unmounted in the VIP Pavilion. In either case (mounted or unmounted) for each class which completes before the Lunch Break, its Awards Ceremony will be held during the Lunch Break. For each class which completes after the Lunch Break, its Awards Ceremony will be held at the completion of classes in Ring 1; note that on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday this is between 5:00 and 5:30, but may be earlier due to unexpected scratches in Ring 1; on Sunday this will be about 4:00.

Prize Money

Prize money for Great American / USDF Regional Championships will be paid directly by the USDF office to the recorded horse owner within 30 days of the last day of each Championship. Prize money will be divided equally for each class with 60% of the amount per class to the Champion and 40% to the Reserve Champion. The prize money for 2010 is: Champion \$293 / Reserve \$196.

USEF Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Finals

All junior riders through age 18 who have qualified at any level for the Regional Championships (excluding freestyle) are automatically eligible to compete in the Semi Final Classes of the USEF Dressage Seat Medal Program. One semi-final class will be offered for Juniors ages 13 and under and a second semi-final class for riders 14 through 18 in each Great American / USDF Regional Championship. A Regional Champion and Reserve Champion for each age group will be named in each USDF Region. USEF provides ribbons through six places. Each Champion and Reserve are eligible to compete in the national finals. **Protective headgear as described in USEF GR801 will be required for participation in these classes.**

For complete details of this program see the USEF Rule Book DR132.2 or contact USEF International Department at (859) 258-2472.

USDF Hold Harmless Clause

By signing the entry form for this show you are also stating the following: *"I hereby agree to release, indemnify and hold harmless USDF, its instructors, officers, directors, agents and volunteers from and against any and all loss, liability or damage arising from or because of, or in connection with, participation in this competition or related activities. I also hereby agree to release, indemnify and hold harmless the competition management, show committee and members, officers, directors, agents and volunteers from and against any and all loss, liability or damage arising from or because of, or in connection with, participation in this competition or related activities."*