

Dressage at Rhythm & Blues III

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Recognized by the United States Equestrian Federation as

Dressage Level 2 Competition #340841

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Official Qualifying Competition for:

2022 Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Dressage Championship

2022 Col. Bengt Ljungquist Memorial Championships (BLM)

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For more information and prizelist updates, go to:

www.RhythmandBluesEquestrianCenter.com

www.FoxVillage.com

ONLY ONLINE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.

LIMITED STABLING IS ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS.

Directions: Rhythm & Blues Equestrian Center is located on Steinsburg Road, just 2 miles from the Quakertown NorthEast Turn Pike interchange.

Every class offered herein which is covered by the rules and specifications of the current USEF Rule Book will be conducted and judged in accordance therewith. USEF tests, Current editions.

Class Descriptions

	Fee	Description
10	\$45.00	OPPORTUNITY Training 1 Open
11	\$45.00	OPPORTUNITY Training 3 Open
12	\$45.00	USDF Intro A
13	\$45.00	USDF Intro B
14	\$45.00	USDF Intro C
101	\$50.00	Training 1 Open
102	\$50.00	Training 2 Open/CBLM Q
103	\$50.00	Training 3 Open/GAIG/USDF Q
111	\$50.00	First 1 Open
112	\$50.00	First 2 Open/CBLM Q
113	\$50.00	First 3 Open/GAIG/USDF Q
114#	\$50.00	Training & First Level TOC Open/CBLM Q/GAIG/USDF Q
121	\$50.00	Second 1 Open
122	\$50.00	Second 2 Open/CBLM Q
123	\$50.00	Second 3 Open/GAIG/USDF Q
131	\$55.00	Third 1 Open
132	\$55.00	Third 2 Open/CBLM Q
133	\$55.00	Third 3 Open/GAIG/USDF Q
141	\$55.00	Fourth 1 Open
142	\$55.00	Fourth 2 Open/CBLM Q
143	\$55.00	Fourth 3 Open/GAIG/USDF Q
144	\$55.00	Second, Third & Fourth Level TOC Open/CBLM/GAIG/USDF Q
151	\$65.00	FEI Prix. St. Georges Open/CBLM Q/GAIG/USDF Q
152	\$65.00	FEI Intermediate I Open/CBLM Q/GAIG/USDF Q
153	\$65.00	FEI Intermediate II Open/CBLM Q/GAIG/USDF Q
154	\$65.00	FEI Grand Prix Open/CBLM Q/GAIG/USDF Q
155##	\$55.00	USDF Training - 4 MFS TOC Open/CBLM Q/GAIG/USDF Q
156	\$65.00	FEI Levels MFS TOC Open/CBLM Q/GAIG/USDF Q
157*	\$65.00	FEI/Equivalent TOC (ex. YH,MFS,PE) Open/CBLM Q/GAIG/USDF Q
170	\$50.00	USEF Four-Year Old Test
171	\$50.00	FEI Five-Year Old Final Test
172	\$50.00	FEI Six-Year Old Final Test
173	\$60.00	USEF Developing Prix St. Georges
174	\$60.00	USEF Developing Grand Prix
175	\$60.00	FEI Young Rider Grand Prix 16-25 Test

Definitions/Eligibility

CBLM - Qualifying class for 2022 CBLMs. Riders must be members of a participating GMO organization at the time of the show to be eligible.

GAIG/USDF - Qualifying class for the 2022 GAIG/USDF Championships (*declare qualifying ride on entry form*) – Entry fee plus additional \$15 fee required, **MUST BE PAID PRIOR TO THE START OF THE CLASS.**

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

AA - Open to Adult Amateurs only; competitors must compete as adults from the beginning of the calendar year in which they reach the age of 22 & they must hold a current USEF Amateur card.

JR/ YR – Open to Juniors and Young Riders only; any rider is eligible until the end of the calendar year in which they reach the age of 21. Only riders ages 14-18 may ride FEI JR Tests. Only riders age 16-21 may ride FEI YR Tests. Only riders ages 12-16 may ride FEI Pony Tests. Only riders ages 12-14 may ride FEI Children Tests.

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

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

OPPORTUNITY CLASSES - No USEF/USDF memberships or Horse ID required for Opportunity classes if

entered ONLY in Intro and/or Opportunity classes. Horses entered only in Opportunity classes are exempt from the \$23 USEF fee. However, horses entered in these classes are still subject to and must comply with all D&M rules and are subject to drug testing at the competition. Riders/horses are permitted to cross-enter into other recognized classes at this show.

* Excludes Young Horse, MFS, and Para Dressage tests. Depending on class size, divisions may be pinned separately. Levels will not be split

Specify test and if GAIG Q on entry. Depending on class size, divisions may be pinned separately. Levels will not be split.

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

- For current US Dressage Finals requirements, go to <https://www.usdf.org/usdressagefinals/>
- For current Great American/USDF Championship requirements, go to <https://www.usdf.org/competitions/competitions-championships/regionals/index.asp>
- For current CBLM Championship requirements, go to www.cblm.org

REQUIRED FEES – ALL entries should include these fees

Class Fees:

Intro, Opportunity, & Equitation	\$45
Training through Second	\$50
Third & Fourth	\$55
Freestyle	\$65
FEI & USEF Devel. PSG/GP (ex. USEF Q)	\$65
Federation Fee: (\$15 drug fee and \$8 USEF fee)	\$23 per horse
Office Fee: (non-refundable)	\$30 per entry

ADDITIONAL FEES:

GAIG/USDF Qualifying – additional/class	\$15/class
USEF Show Pass (Rider/Owner/Trainer)	\$45
USDF non-member fee per rider/owner	\$35
USDF HID	\$35
Late Entry fee	\$30
Class change fee	\$10
Secretary Verification Fee (all incomplete entries charged)	\$10
Stabling/Tack Stall (must vacate by 6pm)	\$50
Shavings	\$10/bag
Stall Stripping fee (please provide a check at check in)	\$50 (will be returned when stall is clean)

ENTRIES: Enter online via www.EquestrianEntries.com.

Complete entries must include:

- Handwritten signatures (owner, rider, trainer, and coach, if applicable.) Electronic signatures acceptable.
- Proof of negative Coggins within 12 months and required vaccinations within 6 months of show.
- Copies of USEF membership or ID cards for each owner, rider, trainer, coach INCLUDING SAFE SPORT CERTIFICATE or non-member fee(s). Copies of USDF membership for owner and rider. Entries submitted without USEF Safe Sport unable to supply their Safe Sport Certificate prior to start of competition may not compete and will not be refunded.
- Copy of the USDF horse's ID registration/recording card.
- GAIG classes require Horse USDF Lifetime Registration and USEF Annual or Lifetime Recorded. Riders must have a USDF Participating Membership and a USEF Junior Active, Senior Active or Life Membership. Owners must have a USDF Participating or Business Membership and a USEF Junior Active, Senior Active or Life Membership. (Go to www.eqverification and print all your membership cards on one sheet).

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-Emergency number must be included.

-A \$10 fee will be assessed for secretary verification of missing or incorrect information.

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

COVID-19 rules and guidelines will continue to be implemented at this event. Everyone (riders, owners/agents, trainers, coaches, officials, staff, volunteers) MUST sign a USEF waiver form (contained in this prize List. Competitors will be updated through www.RhythmAndBluesEquestrianCenter.com and social media communication as to the safety protocols which this horse show will operate with.

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Official Ride Times: Provisional times will be available to competitors at www.FoxVillage.com. Official times will be available at noon the day before the show. All change requests must be made in writing by 4:00PM the Monday prior to the show. All no-shows will be scratched from their subsequent tests.

Ring 2: There is no space around the outside of ring 2 for final familiarization for horse and rider. Final familiarization will be done within the arena.

Refund Policy: Cancellations prior to the closing date will be refunded less office fee. **No refunds** will be given after closing date.

Hazardous Weather/Act of God/ Accident Policy: Management reserves the right to cancel any classes due to hazardous weather, Acts of God, accident or emergency. Every effort will be made to reschedule with priority given to any qualifying classes being offered. No refunds for cancellations due to hazardous weather, Acts of God, accidents, pandemics, or emergencies.

Schedule: Classes may not necessarily run in the order listed in the prizelist. Current management tends to schedule upper level rides in the cooler morning times. It is the responsibility of the rider to inform the show secretary of any time conflicts as soon as possible after receiving the schedule. Management reserves the right to change officials, limit entries, combine or cancel classes, modify the schedule, modify or cancel awards and/or whatever changes are required by circumstances to the competition specifications.

Scores: It is the responsibility of the competitor to verify the accuracy of all scores. Scoring errors must be reported to the Show Secretary within one hour of the official posting of the scores from the last class of the show day during which the score was earned.

Awards: 1st through 6th ribbons awarded in each class with 3 or more entries. Division Level Champion High Point ribbon and award will be given. Reserve Champion High Point Ribbon will be awarded per division. Riders must collect their ribbons and awards at the show. Ribbons and awards will not be mailed.

Concessions are provided at show grounds and are complementary.

Dogs: Please leave your dogs at home. Dogs are not permitted on the show grounds.

Cell Phones: Use of cell phones while mounted for any reason is strictly prohibited.

Lodging: A group rate has been arranged at SpringHill Suites, Quakertown, PA. 215-529-6800. Ask for Rhythm and Blues group rate.

Professional Services: Contact numbers will be posted the day of the show. An EMT will be on grounds. Vet will be on call. Farrier services may be on call. **Photographer:** TBD

Freestyles/Music: Horse/rider combination must have received a minimum score of 63% (60% for FEI Tests) in the highest test of the declared freestyle level or any test of a higher level **at a 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 this competition. A photocopy of the test verifying eligibility, or copy of the USDF score verification, must be submitted with the entry for a freestyle class. Music for all freestyles on CD must be given to show office upon check in. It is the responsibility of the competitor, if requested, to supply the management with a sound person to run the music. Sound checks will be done on breaks prior to scheduled times.

Opportunity Classes/Intro Tests: Opportunity classes are intended for entry level riders. Horses and riders entered only in “Opportunity” classes and Introductory tests are exempt from USEF and USDF membership requirements, and do not have to pay non-members (Show Pass) or HID fees. Federation and drug fees do not apply. Horses entered only in these classes are still subject to and must comply with the Drugs and Medications rules and are subject to drug testing. Riders and/or horses entered in “Opportunity” classes may not cross enter into other recognized classes at the show. Participants must abide by all USEF regulations to attire, tack, and equipment for the recognized show. Reference GR821 for additional information.

Stabling: A limited number of 11’ x 11’ stalls with full stall doors are available. Please note stabling requests on entry form.

Arenas/Footing/Warm-Up: All tests and warm-up will be ridden in high quality sand/fabric mix. Competition arenas include two outdoor arenas. Warm-up is in the indoor.

Veterinarian: Quakertown Veterinary Clinic. 215-536-2726.

PONY MEASUREMENT: Pony measurements may be conducted Saturday morning. Fee is \$100. Measurement requests must be received two weeks prior to the start of competition. If an alternative measurement time is necessary, management must receive a written request from the owner or agent at least five days prior to the start of competition.

ATTENTION COMPETITORS

As of January 1, 2019, if you are a USEF competing member 18 years of age or older you are required to take the core Safe Sport training within 30 days of activating our membership. Take the Safe Sport Training at USEF.org by logging into your member dashboard.

Sharps Containers: Show management will provide one sharps container per 50 stabled horses, per USEF rule 1211.5. 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.

*USEF rules go into effect upon arrival at the show grounds. Per DR120.1 **PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES WHEN MOUNTED. Bridle numbers must be worn at all times when a horse is out of stall or trailer.***

If a competitor is a no-show for their first test of the competition they will be scratched from their remaining tests for the day.

*HOLD HARMLESS CLAUSE: Understanding that horse sports may be hazardous and dangerous, even leading to permanent injury or death, each owner, rider, spectator, and other participant assumes any and all risk of loss or injury and agrees to hold harmless, regardless of negligent acts or omissions the Rhythm & Blues Equestrian Center, the show management, show committee, and all horse show personnel. **YOU ASSUME THE RISK OF EQUINE ACTIVITIES PURSUANT TO PENNSYLVANIA LAW.***

SHOW PASS FEE: A non-member who wishes to participate in a USEF competition must pay a Show Pass. Please see GR 205 for additional information.

Motor Vehicle Statement

Minors who do not have a valid driver's license which allows them to operate a motorized vehicle in the state in which they reside will not be permitted to operate a motorized vehicle of any kind, including, but not limited to, golf carts, motorcycles, scooters, or farm utility vehicles, on the competition grounds of licensed competitions. Minors who have a valid temporary license may operate the above described motorized vehicles as long as they are accompanied by an adult with a valid driver's license. The parent/legal guardian or individual who signs the entry blank as a parent or guardian of a minor operating a motorized vehicle in violation of this rule are solely responsible for any damages, claims, losses or actions resulting from that operation. Violations of this rule will be cause for penalties against those responsible for the child committing the offense. Wheelchairs and other mobility assistance devices for individuals with disabilities are exempt from this rule.

The unsafe use of personal electronic transport devices, as determined by the competition officials and management in their sole discretion, that do not require a driver's license to operate, including but not limited to segways, hover boards, and single wheeled scooters is prohibited on competition grounds. Operating such devices in areas where people gather may be deemed "unsafe use" if there is a risk of harm to others. If the operator of the device is a minor, the parent/legal guardian or individual who signs the entry blank as a parent or guardian of a minor operating the device in violation of this rule is accountable and may be subject to penalties. Wheelchairs and other mobility assistance devices for individuals with disabilities are exempt from this rule. **Important Entry Information Requirements:**

Competitors are responsible for providing valid membership numbers for all horse, owner, rider, and trainer before the day(s) of the competition. Safe Sport Training must have been completed for USEF membership to be valid. All entries must include copies of all memberships for horse, owner, rider and trainer listed on entry form. SAFE SPORT TRAINING is required for all riders, owners and trainers within 30 days of membership. If Safe Sport Training has not been completed within 30 days of membership, entries will not be accepted until proof of completion is provided. If membership is renewed during show, Safe Sport Training must be completed within 30 days or results will be nullified. Senior members that are ineligible at the start of the show must complete Safe Sport and present their certificate prior to competing to be eligible to compete and for their points to count. The scores of competitors who fail to supply correct numbers may not be counted toward national awards.

IMPORTANT VACCINATION REQUIREMENTS

R&B in compliance with GR 845 will require proof of Equine Influenza Virus and Equine Herpes Virus vaccination for all horses entering the show grounds.

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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 nonmember may participate as a handler, rider, driver, owner, lessee, agent, coach or trainer at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions, Dressage Competitions, Reining Competitions and Combined Driving Competitions upon payment of a \$45 Show Pass fee. Participants in the following classes are exempted from the Requirements of this rule: 1) leadline; 2) exhibitions; 3) games and races; 4) classes for 4-H members; 5) walk trot (exception: Friesian performance FR222) and academy classes (academy classes are classes limited to horses used regularly in a lesson program); 6) USDF introductory level tests, pas de deux and quadrille classes; 7) NRHA Endorsed Reining Competitions. 8) Opportunity classes, 9) citizens of other nations who have proof, in English, of current membership in good standing of their own National Federation, 10) USEA beginner novice division; and 11) assistant handlers in Dressage Sport Horse Breeding classes.



2022 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 2022 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 (Junior Active, Senior Active, Life, or Recorded Farm (with Active Farm Owner)). 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. Freestyles have only open divisions.

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	AA	JR/YR
First Level	65%	—	—
Second Level	65%	—	—
Third Level	65%	—	—
Fourth Level	65%	—	—
Intermediate I	65%	—	—
Grand Prix	65%	—	—

<p>This competition is recognized by USDF for 2022</p>

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

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

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

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

Exceptions:

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

Memberships Defined

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

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

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

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

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

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

How to Join USDF

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

- On the USDF website: www.usdf.org. You can submit the application online or download the form and fax or mail it to the USDF office.
- 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.



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

<input type="checkbox"/> VISA	<input type="checkbox"/> AMEX	CARD NO. _____ - _____ - _____ - _____	EXP DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> MasterCard	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	NAME ON CARD: _____	
BILLING ADDRESS _____		ZIP CODE _____	
CVV # _____			



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, Vaultor 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, 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/Vaultor/Longeur is a minor) _____

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

Is Rider/Driver/Vaultor 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: 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. _____

Dressage at Rhythm & Blues III

Opening Date: 06/30/2022

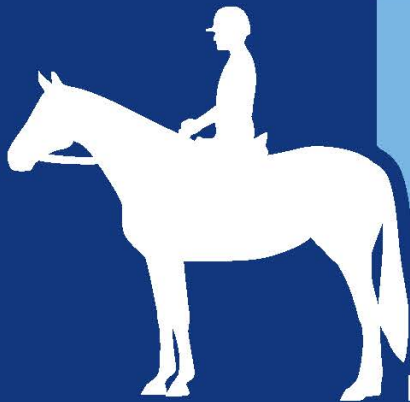
Closing Date: 08/01/2022

PRIZELIST PENDING APPROVAL – CHANGES MAY ALSO BE MADE RELATING TO COVID-19 PROTOCOL

USEF Competition Name: Dressage at Rhythm & Blues III

USEF#: 340841

Competition Division(s) and Rating(s): **Dressage Level 2**



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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
ADEQUAN®/YEAR-END AWARDS*				
Materiale Horse of the Year Award (min. 3 scores required)	X	X	X	
USEF Four-Year-Old Award (min. 4 scores required)^		X		
FEI Five-Year-Old Award (min. 4 scores required)^			X	
FEI Six-Year-Old Award (min. 4 scores required)^				X
BREEDERS CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES**				
Materiale Championships (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 PM, BM or non-member number

** 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

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 8th Place and gift certificates awarded to top three 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](#).

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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