

Dressage at Kirby Hill
July 1st, 2023 & July 2th, 2023
Kirby Hill Farm
15 Kirby Hill Rd
Pawling, NY 12564
Website: www.valleypondfarm.com

July 1st Competition # 339297
July 2nd Competition # 335680
Opening Date: May 25, 2023

Level 2 Competition
Level 2 Competition
Closing Date: June 26, 2023

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<http://www.horseshowoffice.com>

Class List

Class Number Sat/Sun	Class Description	Class number Sat/Sun	Class Description
1/4	USDF Introductory A (O,A,J)	123JA/223JA	Second Level Test 3 (J, A) Q
2/5	USDF Introductory B (O,A,J)	123O/223O	Second Level Test 3 (O) Q
3/6	USDF Introductory C (O,A,J)	131JA/231JA	Third Level Test 1 (J, A)
101opp/201opp	Training Level Test 1 Opportunity	131O/231O	Third Level Test 1 (O)
101JA/201JA	Training Level Test 1 (J,A)	132JA/232O	Third Level Test 2 (J, A)
101O/201O	Training Level Test 1 (O)	132O/132O	Third Level Test 2 (O)
102opp/202opp	Training Level Test 2 Opportunity	133JA/233JA	Third Level Test 3 (J, A) Q
102JA/202JA	Training Level Test 2 (J,A)	133O/233O	Third Level Test 3 (O) Q
102O/202O	Training Level Test 2 (O)	141JA/241JA	Fourth Level Test 1 (J, A)
103JA/203JA	Training Level Test 3 (J,A) Q	141O/241O	Fourth Level Test 1 (O)
103O/203O	Training Level Test 3 (O) Q	142JA/242JA	Fourth Level Test 2 (J, A)
111opp/211opp	First Level Test 1 Opportunity	142O/242O	Fourth Level Test 2 (O)
111JA/211JA	First Level Test 1 JA	143JA/243JA	Fourth Level Test 3 (J, A) Q
111O/211O	First Level Test 1 O	143O/243O	Fourth Level Test 3 (O) Q
112opp/212opp	First Level Test 2 Opportunity	151/251	FEI Prix St. George (J, A, O) Q
112JA/212JA	First Level Test 2 (J,A)	152/252	FEI Intermediate I (J, A, O) Q
112O/212O	First Level Test 2 (O)	155/255	FEI Intermediate II (J, A, O) Q
113JA/213JA	First Level Test 3 (J, A) Q	156/256	FEI Grand Prix (J, A, O) Q
113O/213O	First Level Test 3 (O) Q	157	FEI Test of Choice (J, A, O) Q***
121JA/221JA	Second Level Test 1 (J,A)	160	USEF Test of Choice (J, A, O) Q**
121O/221O	Second Level Test 1 (O)	161	USDF Musical Freestyle Test of Choice Q**
122JA/222JA	Second Level Test 2 (J, A)	162	Dressage Seat Equitation (J, A)***
122O/222O	Second Level Test 2 (O)	170	Young Horse Test of Choice

Q=Qualifying class for GAIG/USDF qualifying class; state qualifying on entry and add \$15 or will be considered open. JR= Juniors - list birthdate on entry; A= Amateur. **Classes split if entries warrant.** Freestyle must state level and provide music to announcer at least 2 hours before scheduled ride time. Sound checks Friday 4PM. Any entry **not** specifying AA, J, O will be placed in Open Division. **Please state level/test on entry for all Test of Choice classes.**

*FEI test of choice to include PSG, Int. I & II, GP with USDF optional qualifier.

**Training Level & Intermediate A/B Freestyles are not eligible for Regional Championships.

***DSE may be split if entries warrant.

LEVELS: USDF Intro, Training - Grand Prix. All tests will be current editions.

AWARDS: Six ribbons (1 – 6) for all classes.

High Percentage - AA/JR/Open will be awarded

EACH ENTRY MUST HAVE COPIES OF ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION ATTACHED

Include legible e-mail address on entry. See appropriate page in this book for an entry checklist.

This show is run in accordance with and will adhere to the current USEF rulebook.

Full refund, less office fee, if scratch is received by closing date. **No refunds after closing date or after start of competition.**

This includes classes cancelled due to severe weather or other emergency conditions.

Entries are limited on a first come, first served basis. Management reserves the right to add, combine, or divide classes, add or substitute judges, or make any changes required by circumstances. Every class offered herein is covered by the rules and specifications of the current USEF rule book and will be judged and conducted in accordance therewith.

Online entries may be made through www.horseshowoffice.com

Opportunity Class Participants may ride in USEF/USDF recognized classes. To do so, participants **MUST** send in copies of all applicable membership cards along with entry or pay all applicable non-member fees.

Post Entries: will be placed on a waiting list to fill scratches. All "No Shows" that have not contacted the show office prior to first ride will be considered a scratch for the rest of the show and time slots may be filled.

Scheduling Advisory: Anyone entering the show riding three horses or more does so at their own risk. If show management is not able to schedule the additional rides to the satisfaction of the rider/owner, the entry fees will not be refunded. However, show management will try to accommodate you.

Non-Compete Horses are welcome but must send in a completed entry form with all user and office fees, submit a current Coggins.

FEES

Make check payable to Valley Pond Farm and mail with entry, negative Coggins, **proof of Flu/Rhino Vaccine within 6 months** of arrival to show grounds and copies of necessary membership cards to Secretary. **Do NOT send entries via any means requiring signature for delivery - any entries sent this way cannot be picked up so will not be received.** Bounced check policy: Void entry and incur a \$30 charge. Entries placed on a waiting list until a money order, certified check, or cash is received.

Intro and DSE	\$35	Non-Compete Horses	\$35+office fee
Training through Fourth	\$50	Day Stabling	\$60
FEI, Freestyles, & Test of Choice	\$60	Late Fee (if accepted)	\$20
Great American/USDF Qualifying add	\$15	Add/change fee per class <i>exempt are changes due to scheduling conflicts</i>	\$20
USEF fee per horse	\$23		
USDF Non-Member	\$35	Shavings	\$12
Office Fee (non-refundable)	\$40		

TIMES: Official times will be emailed to riders 4 days prior to the show and posted on www.horshowoffice.com. Ride times are final 12 pm the day before competition and will be posted outside of the secretaries office. Riders assume responsibility for verifying correct entry information. Management is not responsible for errors.

Ride Scheduling: Priority for the best footing and temperatures (i.e. first rides of the day) will be given to competitors competing at the FEI level. Introductory through 4th levels will be scheduled with the goal of providing each competitor with the best chance for a successful show.

Footing: Competition and warm-up arenas are a synthetic mixture. Lunging area is grass.

STABLING: Limited Stabling is available. Please contact the show secretary to enquire if one is available. Stalls are 10 x 12 with full doors under permanent roof.

DIRECTIONS: From South

From I 684

Take 684 North to the very end, which turns into R22.

Take R22 North to the traffic light for R3 11 (Patterson). There is a Mobil gas station at the intersection. Stay on R22 through the traffic light and turn right on South Quaker Hill.

Take South Quaker Hill for approx 2½ miles to Stop sign.

Turn left on to Old Quaker Hill Road.

At next little intersection, turn right on to Kirby Hill Rd.

There is a big stone building with a copper roof on it at that intersection. Kirby Hill Farm is the second driveway on the left.

From the North

Take R22 south to Pawling.

Turn left on Quaker Hill. (There is a traffic light at the base of Quaker Hill. Mc Keevers bar and restaurant is at the intersection.) Follow Quaker Hill to the very end. Turn right.

Approx ½ mile turn left onto Kirby Hill Rd.

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ARENAS: One outdoor 20x60 meter sand competition arena. One outdoor sand warm-up arena and a large indoor arena.

HOSPITALITY: Food available on the grounds during breakfast and lunch.

OTHER: All dogs must be leashed and attached to a person or immovable object. Applications for Horse Identification Numbers are available at www.usdf.org or in the show office.

Vet on Call: New England Equine Practice 845-878-7500

Farrier on Call: Paul Heller 914-629-2953

Show photographer: Michele Ford email: michellemorgensternphotography@gmail.com or web: www.michellemorgensternphotography.com

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 (exception: Friesian performance FR231) 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.

ATTENTION COMPETITORS

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.

Motorized 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.



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.

United States Dressage Federation
4051 Iron Works Parkway, Lexington, KY 40511
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USEF Competition Name:

USEF#:

Competition Division(s) and Rating(s):



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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.

**This
competition
is recognized
by USDF
for 2023**

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

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

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

Exceptions:

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

Memberships Defined

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

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

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

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

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

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

How to Join USDF

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

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

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



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](#).

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ATTENTION FREESTYLE COMPETITORS



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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



2023 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 2023 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.

New for 2023! Combined Open/Jr/YR Freestyle and AA Freestyle classes.

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%	



FEDERATION ENTRY AGREEMENT

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

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

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

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

TRAINER (mandatory)

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

OWNER/AGENT (mandatory)

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

COACH (if applicable)

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

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

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

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



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

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

A. RULES AND REGULATIONS: 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").

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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. _____