

## COST OF THE IEA PROGRAM AT EVF

**Team practices**: \$45. A practice is typically held the week before a scheduled show. Most riders show in approximately 5 shows. Additional practices may be scheduled for Regionals, Zones and Nationals preparation.

**Show fees:** To cover both entry and trainer fees, a rider can expect to pay around \$90 if only competing on the flat and \$125 if competing both on the flat and over fences per show.

**Miscellaneous expenses**: Each rider pays a \$100 Team Fee at the beginning of the season in addition to a \$10 number fee. IEA Membership dues are included in the Team Fee.

**Show Attire**: IEA riders are expected to have a black show helmet (GPA or Charles Owen only), tan show breeches (Ariat, RJ Classics, Romph or Tailored Sportsman brand), a long-sleeve white show shirt, black gloves, hairnet, well-fitted navy show coat and black tall boots. All show apparel must be approved by Empress Equestrian Team coaches (so leave the tags on and keep the receipt!).

There is not a minimum required number of shows but there is a maximum of 5 regular point shows. Points are accumulated during the show season (Oct - Feb) most riders qualify for regionals in 3-5 shows.

All IEA riders must participate in the weekly lesson program at Empress Valley Farm to be eligible to compete on the team.