Sage Creek III and IV Dressage Shows

Presented by Sage Creek Equestrian

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Friday, July 20 and Saturday, July 21, 2018

USEF Level 2 Dressage Competition

USEF/USDF 323511/324486

RMDS 1072/1055 UDS Recognized

Location: 3181 West 3000 South, Heber, UT 84032

Opening Date: June 22, 2018 Closing Date: July 9, 2018

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TD: Joe Coleman (r), KS

Licensee: Hicks

Divisions:

O-Open; J-Junior/YR; A-Adult Amateur (send copy of 2018 USEF AA card w/entry); P-Pony

Q- Great American /USDF (proof of USEF/USDF membership/registration required for participants)

TOC – Test of choice

Show I (Fri)	Show II (Sat)		
101	201	Intro A	O, J, A, P
102	202	Intro B	O, J, A, P
103	203	Intro C	O, J, A, P
104	204	Opportunity Training 1	O, J, A, P
105	205	Opportunity Training 2	O, J, A, P
106	206	Rider Test Training Level	O, J, A, P
107	207	Rider Test First Level	O, J, A, P
108	208	Rider Test Second Level	O, J, A, P
109	209	Training 1	O, J, A, P
110	210	Training 2	O, J, A, P
111	211	Training 3	O, J, A, P, Q
112	212	First 1	O, J, A, P
113	213	First 2	O, J, A, P
114	214	First 3	O, J, A, P, Q
115	215	Second 1	O, J, A, P
116	216	Second 2	O, J, A, P
117	217	Second 3	O, J, A, P, Q
118	218	Third 1	O, J, A, P
119	219	Third 2	O, J, A, P
120	220	Third 3	O, J, A, P, Q
121	221	Fourth 1	O, J, A, P
122	222	Fourth 2	O, J, A, P

123	223	Fourth 3	O, J, A, P, Q
124	224	FEI Prix St Georges	O, J, A, Q
125	225	FEI Inter A / Inter B TOC	O, J, A
126	226	FEI Inter I	O, J, A, Q
127	227	FEI Inter II	O, J, A, Q
128	228	FEI Grand Prix	O, J, A, Q
136	236	Pas de Deux – TOC	O, J, A
137	237	FEI Para – TOC	0
138	238	FEI Para – TOC	0 / 1
139	239	FEI Para Freestyle	0
140	240	Freestyle – Training	O, J, A, P
141	241	Freestyle – First or Second TOC	O, J, A, P, Q
142	242	Freestyle – Third or Fourth TOC	O, J, A, P, Q
143	243	Freestyle – FEI TOC	O, J, A, P, Q
144	244	USEF – TOC Training-4 th only	O, J, A, P, Q (Q Training-4 th highest test of level only)
145	245	USEF – TOC Training-4 th only	O, J, A, P, Q (Q Training-4 th highest test of level only)
146	246	FEI TOC	O, J, A, P, Q (Q for PSG, I-I, I-II, GP, JR Team or YR Team only)
147	247	FEI TOC	O, J, A, P, Q (Q for PSG, I-I, I-II, GP, JR Team or YR Team only)
148	248	Freestyle TOC	O, J, A, P, Q (Q for 1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th , I-I, GP only)
149	249	Dressage Seat Equitation	O, J, A (Qualifier for the USDF Regional Adult Amateur Equitation)
150	250	USEF 4 Yr old Test	0
151	251	FEI 5 Yr Old Test Final	0
152	252	FEI 6 Yr Old Test Final	0
153	253	FEI 7 Yr Old Test Final	0

Entry Fees:

DESCRIPTION	FEES
Intro and Opportunity classes	\$45
Rider Tests, Training Level – Fourth Level	\$45
FEI and all Freestyles	\$60
FEI Para TOC	\$60
Pas de Deux (classes 136, 236) \$45 each rider or \$90 for the pair	\$90
Office Fee – per show – <i>non-refundable</i>	\$40
Online Office Fee – per show – non-refundable	\$35
Late Fee – one time fee	\$25
Change Fee – each change	\$25
Great American/USDF Qualifying fee – per test	\$15
Drug Fee – per show (\$15 drug + \$8)	\$23
USEF Show pass (non-member fee) – per show (for each rider, owner)	\$45
USDF non-member fee – per show (for each rider, owner)	\$35
Trailer-in fee (if not stabling) – per horse, per show	\$20
Returned check – per check	\$55
Schooling fee (if not showing) – entry required	\$40
USDF Affidavit fee – per affidavit	\$5
Show Stabling (arrive Thursday, leave Saturday after the show)-includes first day bedding, cleaning and feeding in the Main Barn/ shed row – first come, first serve = Package A	\$100
Additional day in Main Barn / shed row – per day	\$50
Show Stabling (arrive Thursday, leave Saturday after the show) - includes first day bedding, cleaning and feeding) – in the Temp stalls = Package B	\$90
Additional day in Temp stalls – per day	\$45
Daily Stabling (includes bedding and cleaning) - Temp stalls only – if available (from 7 am to 5 pm)	\$45
Additional shavings – per wheelbarrow	\$10

You can now enter online – save time, submit online and pay your fees by credit card. Your memberships and cards will be automatically verified. Go to www.equestrianentries.com. Once you have created an account you can use it for all shows that offer this type of online entry.

Make checks payable to Sage Creek Equestrian

You must provide proof of membership for horse, rider, owner, and trainer (if applicable). Please use **www.eqverification.org** to print all your membership cards on one page.

CHECKS, REFUNDS:

Submit entries to Simone Windeler at 19525 Twisted Pine Dr., Colorado Springs, CO, 80908.

Make checks payable to Sage Creek Equestrian.

If the competition is filled, a wait list will be established. Current 2018 entry form must be used (You may use UDS or RMDS entry form - http://rmds.org/uploads/Publications/rmds-entry.pdf). Proof of membership and horse registration **must be included with entry.**

Copy of Coggins and Health Certificate required for out-of-state horses. ALL COMPETITORS MUST SUBMIT WITH THEIR ENTRY CURRENT PROOF (WITHIN 6 MONTHS OF THE FIRST DAY YOUR HORSE ENTERS THE COMPETITION GROUNDS) OF EQUINE INFLUENZA AND RHINOPNEUMONITIS VACCINATION FOR ALL HORSES 7 MONTHS OF AGE OR OLDER. If riding a Freestyle Test, you MUST include a copy of your qualifying tests as required by the USEF.

Up to closing date, all fees refunded **EXCEPT** office fee and stabling (if we cannot fill your stall). After closing day, but prior to competition only Qualifying fees & Drug fees will be refunded. During competition days, **NO REFUNDS.** Office fees are non-refundable.

EVERY CLASS OFFERED HEREIN WHICH IS COVERED BY THE RULES AND SPECIFICATIONS OF THE CURRENT USEF RULEBOOK WILL BE CONDUCTED AND JUDGED IN ACCORDANCE THEREWITH.

Beginning in the 2016 competition year, which began on October 1st, 2015, participants and horses competing in ParaEquestrian classes at USDF recognized competitions will no longer be exempt from USDF memberships. ParaEquestrian competitors will now be required to have a USDF Group Membership, a USDF Participating Membership or a USDF Non-Member ID and pay the \$35 Non-Member fee per competition. Owners of horses competing in the ParaEquestrian classes will be required to have a USDF Participating Membership, a USDF Business Membership, a USDF Group Membership or a USDF Non-Member ID and pay the \$35 Non-Member fee per competition. The horses competing in Para-Equestrian classes will be required to have a USDF HID number or be USDF Lifetime registered.

<u>SPECIAL CLASSES:</u> Q Class is for the Great American Insurance Group/USDF Championship qualifying class. Opportunity Training Level Test 1 and Opportunity Training Level Test 2 are classes made available for entry level riders who are experimenting with dressage showing (see USEF GR821). Riders entering Opportunity classes may not cross enter into the rated/recognized classes but they may enter the Intro A and/or B and/or C class which are not rated/recognized tests. Rider Tests, new for 2013, is intended to test riding ability.

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 will be held at each of the nine USDF Regional Dressage Championship competitions, providing adult amateurs with additional opportunity for recognition. 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/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.

<u>STABLING:</u> Overnight stabling is available on site. First-come, first-serve! On site permanent stabling, 12X12 with full size doors, \$50/night per stall includes 1st day bedding, cleaning, and feeding. Additional bedding \$10/wheelbarrow. Temp stalls are outside, paneled with roof. Sage Creek staff will deliver bedding to stall from loose shavings. You must provide your own hay and/or feed. You must contact SAGE CREEK management for stabling reservations, call or email Brooke at 435-671-3211 brooke.sagecreek@gmail.com. Paying for it on your entry will not guarantee a reservation - however you must pay stabling with your entry. Stabling will not be refunded unless we can fill your stall.

Please check above show fees about Package A and package B. Package is stabling for the whole show = arrive Thursday and leave Saturday after the show. Package A is inside barn or shed row and costs \$100. Package B is in the temporary stalls and costs \$90. If your horse will have a stall for both shows then you must choose a package, if you trailer in for the day and want a day stall for the day, then please choose daystall on your entry. If you need an extra day because you come in on Wednesday, or do not wish to leave until Sunday, then you can add an extra day to your package. If your horse will only be using a stall Friday and Saturday you can either choose package deal or two day stalls (cost is the same). We calculate stabling per day.

SHOW CHANGES: The show committee reserves the right to cancel or split classes, limit class size, change arenas, limit the number of rides & number of horses per rider, and cancel or add judges. The show committee also reserves the right to refuse any entries. Show Management is not to be held responsible for any loss or damage that may occur.

<u>RIDE TIMES:</u> Times will be posted on the Sage Creek Equestrian website at <u>www.sagecreekequestrian.com</u> by Wednesday before the show. Ride times will be emailed to the riders. Official times will be posted at the show office and will not be changed after noon the day before the start of the competition. *It is the responsibility of the competitor to check the official ride times!* Bridle numbers are required at all times, when horse is outside of stall.

<u>AWARDS</u>: Ribbons up to fourth place. Prizes for first place. One overall high point prize of \$100 will be given per show but does not include Opportunity or Intro tests. **SCE Team Championship** is a team approach to show success. <u>\$300</u> will be awarded to the team with the highest collective score. Riders select their team members. Teams are made up of 3 riders and must include one Open rider, one J/YR rider, and one Adult Amateur. Team member's names and ride class must be declared to the show office prior to the start of the show. Intro, Opportunity, Rider Tests, and Freestyle classes excluded.

EXCITING FOR 2018 – SAGE CREEK I-IV WILL AWARD A SERIES HIGH POINT BUCKLE AND JACKETS: The scores will be accumulated over all four shows and the buckle and jackets will be awarded at the end of Sage Creek IV. To qualify you must ride at least one test in each show – Sage Creek I-IV. You may qualify at Training- GP including Freestyles and Para classes. (Intro and Opportunity classes are excluded). You may get your scores either as a Junior/YR, Adult Amateur or Open rider. The rider with the overall highest average will win the buckle, the highest scoring riders in the other two categories will receive the coveted Sage Creek jacket. Example: The overall highest average is achieved by an Adult Amateur. Therefore, the Adult Amateur will receive the buckle, the highest scoring Junior/YR and the highest scoring Open rider will each receive a jacket.

<u>ARENAS</u>: Two 20m x 60m sand outdoor competition arenas and one dirt indoor warm-up 210'x110'. Only horses with entries will be permitted in the arenas. Warm up and schooling may occur Thursday before the show, 2pm – 8 pm, and Friday afternoon/evening after the show. Lunging available in designated areas, but not in the warm up arena.

CONCESSIONS: Food will be available on premises during competition hours.

LODGING, DIRECTIONS: The Sundowner Inn, 425 W Moulton Ln, Heber City, UT 435-654-4200. Holiday Inn Express, Heber City, UT 435-654-9990. Swiss Alps Inn, 167 S Main St, Heber City, UT (435) 654-0722. Trailer parking available on show grounds. From Salt Lake take I-80 East to Hwy 40 towards Heber. Go through Heber City and take a right on Hwy 189 towards Provo. After you pass the airport on your left, look for 3000 South on your right (turn right). Sage Creek Equestrian is ½ mile on the left. Look for the Sage Creek sign out front. Follow the signs for parking. *PLEASE LEAVE YOUR DOG(S) AT HOME!*

Tentative Schedule:

Friday

USDF Intro A-C

USEF Opportunity Training 1 and 2, USEF Rider Tests Training- Second Level

USEF Training - Fourth, USDF Freestyle

FEI Prix St Georges - Grand Prix, FEI Grand Prix 16-25, FEI Freestyle

FEI Para TOC and Para Freestyle TOC

Pas de Deux – TOC, USEF and FEI TOC

Saturday

USDF Intro A-C

USEF Opportunity Training 1 and 2, USEF Rider Tests Training- Second Level

USEF Training - Fourth, USDF Freestyle

FEI Prix St Georges – Grand Prix, FEI Grand Prix 16-25, FEI Freestyle

FEI Para TOC and Para Freestyle TOC

Pas de Deux – TOC, USEF and FEI TOC

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GR845 EQUINE VACCINATION RULE

Please be aware of the following new USEF rule: At Federation licensed competitions, horses entering the grounds must be accompanied by documentation of Equine Influenza Virus and Equine Herpes Virus (Rhinopneumonitis) vaccinations within six months prior to entering the stables. Horses not in compliance with this rule may be required to leave the competition grounds upon request by Competition Management. For the complete rule please go here -

www.usef.org/documents/drugsMeds/2016/2016GR08845VaccineRule.pdf

Motorized Vehicle Statement In accordance with GR1301.7: 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. Violations of this rule will be cause for sanctions against the parent(s), guardian(s) and/or trainer(s) who are responsible for the child committing the offense. Penalties may include exclusion of the child, parent(s), guardian(s), and/or trainer(s) from the competition grounds for the remainder of the competition and charges being filed against any of the above individuals in accordance with Chapter 6. Wheelchairs and other mobility assistance devices for individuals with disabilities are exempt from this rule.

<u>USEF MEMBERSHIP STATEMENT</u> Life, senior active and junior active members shall be eligible to participate in all classes at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions at the Preliminary 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

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.

Sharps Containers are located throughout the barns. Please use them appropriately or fines will be assessed per USEF guidelines. In accordance with the 1989 Federal Waste Tracking Act, which restricts the disposal of medical waste, bio-hazardous medical waste containers will be provided in the stable area. All exhibitors and their agents are responsible for the proper disposal of this waste.

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.



USEF Competition Name: Sage Creek III and IV Competition Division(s) and Rating(s): Dressage Level 2 USEF#: 323511/324486



















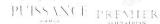






















2018 Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Dressage Championships

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 2018 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 (Junior Active, Senior 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) of record.
 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. 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	60%	60%	60%
Intermediate I	60%	60%	60%
Intermediate II	60%	60%	60%
Grand Prix	60%	60%	60%
FREESTYLE	OPEN	AA	JR/YR
First Level	63%	_	_
Second Level	63%	_	_
Third Level	63%	_	_
Fourth Level	63%	_	_
Intermediate I	63%	_	_
Grand Prix	63%	_	_

<u>USDF Membership Benefits:</u> 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 2018

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) iee. (Note: USDF Business Members can own horses but cannot compete as riders with their USDF Business Membership.) Individuals cannot compete at a USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competition with a USDF Education 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 complete 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 nider and/or owner/lessee for all Adequan®/USDF Year-End Awards, USDF Breeders Championship Series Finals and the Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Dressage Championship program.

Group Membership (GMI): 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.

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.

Education Membership (EM): A membership issued to an individual directly by USDF. This online education only membership expires 12 months after the date joined. This membership type does NOT allow an individual to compete at a USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competition.

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 affidant fee and Competition Affidant 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 or USDF Breeders Championship Series Finals. 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 at USDF Breeders
Championship Series Finals and 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 Litetime 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.