

# **2020 USDF Breeders Championship Mid-West Series Qualifier Show and Finals**

**at Xanadu Farms  
5667 Country Club Road  
Washington, MO 63090**

A USEF Level 2 Dressage Competition

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**Wednesday, September 30, 2020**

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**Opening Date: September 4<sup>th</sup>**

**Closing Date Online: Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>**

**Closing Date Mailed Entries: Sept. 21st**

**A Qualifying Event for the USDF Breeders Championship Series:  
Mid-West Series Final**

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<b>Photographer:</b>	Megan Harp, Harp Photography
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<b>Volunteer Coor:</b>	Jennifer Bacon

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.

**ALL COMPETITORS, GROOMS, OWNERS, COACHES, VOLUNTEERS, OFFICIALS AND SUPPORT STAFF MUST AGREE TO ABIDE WITH COVID MEASURES IN PLACE AT THE COMPETITION AND WILL BE REQUIRED TO SIGN A WAIVER, REPORT THEIR TEMPERATURES DAILY, WEAR A MASK AS APPROPRIATE AND REQUIRED, AND COMPLY WITH ALL SHOW MANAGEMENT, UNITED STATES EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION, AND FACILITY PROTOCOL.**

## **BREED SHOW – OPEN CLASSES AND CHAMPIONSHIP CLASSES**

### **Young Horse/Sport Horse Prospect Classes – Open Show**

Class 1: Fillies of 2020, with or without dam, foals only to be judged

Class 2: Colts/Geldings of 2020, with or without dam, foals only to be judged

Class 3: **Current Year Foal Champion of Open Show/USDFBC Qualifier** - 1<sup>st</sup> two places from classes 1,2 (no class fee)

Class 4: Yearling Fillies (born in 2019)

Class 5: Two Year old Fillies (born in 2018)

Class 6: Three Year old Fillies (born in 2017)

Class 7: **Filly Champion of Open Show/USDFBC Qualifier** – 1<sup>st</sup> two places from classes 4,5,6 (no class fee)

Class 8: Yearling Colts and Geldings (born in 2019)

Class 9: Two Year old Colts and Geldings (born in 2018)

Class 10: Three Year Old Colts and Geldings (born in 2017)

Class 11: **Colt and Gelding Champion of Open Show/USDFBC Qualifier** – 1<sup>st</sup> two places from classes 8,9,10 (no class fee)

Class 12: **Young Horse Champion of Open Show** – 1<sup>st</sup> two places from classes 3,7,11 (no class fee)

### **Mature Horse/Breeding Stock Classes – Open Show**

Class 13: Four Year Old and Older Broodmares with or without foals (mares only to be judged)

Class 14: Four Year Old and Older Maiden and Yeld Mares (not nursing or currently in foal)

Class 15: **Champion Mare of Open Show/USDFBC Qualifier** – 1<sup>st</sup> two places from classes 13, 14 (no class fee)

Class 16: Four Year Old and Older Stallions

Class 17: **Champion Stallion of Open Show/USDFBC Qualifier** – 1<sup>st</sup> two places from class 16 (no class fee)

Class 18: **Mature Horse Champion of Open Show** – 1<sup>st</sup> two places from classes 15, 17 (no class fee)

Class 19: **Grand Champion of Open Show** – 1<sup>st</sup> two places from classes 12, 18 (no class fee)

**Class 65:** Amateur/Junior/Young Rider Handler

### **Under Saddle Classes – Open Show – Only one horse can be ridden per class by an individual rider.**

Class 40: Three Year Old Fillies Materiale

Class 41: Three Year Old Colts and Geldings Materiale

Class 42: Four and Five Year Old Mares Materiale

Class 43: Four and Five Year Old Stallions/Geldings Materiale

Class 44: Suitable to Become a Dressage Horse – Open to horses any sex, six years and under, not competing above First Level

### **USDF Breeders Championship – Mid-West Breeders Championship 2020**

Class 20: USDFBC Current Year Foal Finals – open to all Champion and Reserve Foals from qualifying series eligible to compete (class fee for this class)

Class 21: USDFBC Filly Finals – open to all Champion and Reserve Fillies from qualifying series eligible to compete (class fee for this class)

Class 22: USDFBC Colt/Gelding Final – open to all Champion and Reserve Colts/Geldings from qualifying series eligible to compete (class fee for this class)

Class 23: USDFBC Mare Finals – open to all Champion and Reserve Mares from qualifying series eligible to compete (class fee for this class)

Class 24: USDFBC Stallion Finals – open to all Champion and Reserve Stallions from qualifying series eligible to compete (class fee for this class)

Class 25: USDFBC Three Year Old Materiale Championship - open to all from qualifying competitions eligible to compete (class fee for this class)

Class 26: USDFBC Four Year Old Materiale Championship - open to all from qualifying competitions eligible to compete (class fee for this class)

Class 27: USDFBC Five Year Old Materiale Championship - open to all from qualifying competitions eligible to compete (class fee for this class)

## QUALIFYING FOR BREED CHAMPIONSHIP CLASSES

NOTE: The open breed show is a qualifier for the USDF Breeders Championships – Mid-West Series Final 2020.

To qualify for the USDF Breeders Championships – Mid-West Series Final: Horses that have been **Champion, Reserve Champion or third-place** Current Year Foal, Filly, Colts/Geldings, Mare or Stallion at any qualifying show (including this Open Show) are automatically qualified to enter the USDF Breeders Championships. In addition, any other horse receiving a 75% or better in its age/sex class will be eligible to compete in the final class. A list of qualified horses is maintained by series on the USDF Web site.

A horse may qualify for competition in a USDF Breeders Series Final Materiale Championship class by receiving **one** score of 72.0% or higher in a materiale class held at any USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized DSHB or Dressage competition during the relative competition year. Scores must be earned at competitions licensed by USEF as dressage competitions. Scores earned at competitions licensed by USEF as Regular or Local competitions are not eligible to be used as qualifying scores for the USDFBC series finals materiale championships. The materiale championships will run on the same calendar year as the USDFBC series (January 1-December 31). **Qualifications to compete in a class must be earned in the calendar year that the championship will occur.** Any qualifications earned in other calendar years will not apply. A horse may qualify with a different rider than the rider that competes the horse in the class. Any materiale score earned at any USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized dressage competition with materiale classes scheduled prior to the USDFBC series final material championship class entered in the same calendar year are eligible for qualification to participate in that USDFBC series final.

All horses entered in any USDF Breeders Championship Series show must either be registered with USDF or pay a \$35.00 USDF Horse Identification Number Fee (that is good for the life of the horse but not eligible for any USDF Year End Awards), and submit identification information and (if available) a copy of the registry papers directly to USDF or to the first USDFBC Qualifying Event that they enter. All horses entered in any USDFBCS qualifying or series final competition must have either a USDF Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR) or USDF Horse Identification Number (HID), and submit identification information. Horses registered with a breed organization should have a copy of their registration papers submitted directly to USDF. Owner is not required to be a USDF member for qualifying or series final competitions. If the owner does not have a current USDF Group, Participating, or Business Membership, non-member fees will apply. Neither USDF membership nor a USDF non-member fee is required for the handler. Awards may be withheld by USDF to Series winners if the following information, if known, is not provided to USDF or show management prior to reporting or competition deadlines: name and breed of horse, sire, dam, dam's sire, age, sex, breeder, handler and owner.

### Important USEF rules for DSHB classes:

- No handler or assistant handler under age fourteen is permitted to handle two or three year old colts, or stallions of any age.
- No rider under age fourteen is permitted to ride a three-year old colt, or stallion of any age, in any under saddle class including Dressage Sport Horse Prospect Under Saddle, Materiale and Suitability classes.
- Handlers, assistant handlers and whip assistants of any age must wear protective headgear as defined by this rule and otherwise in compliance with GR801 while handling or assisting in the competition ring. Any handler or assistant violating this rule at any time must immediately be prohibited from further participation until such headgear is properly in place.
- **For competition purposes, a mares breeding status on January 1 will remain the same until December 31 of the same calendar year (i.e., a mare that is in foal or nursing will remain a broodmare for competition purposes after her foal is weaned, regardless of her actual breeding status, until December 31 of the same year. If she is not in foal on January 1 of the next calendar year, she will remain a Yeld mare, for competition purposes, throughout the next calendar year even if she is successfully re-bred during that year). Exception: During the calendar year in which an embryo-transfer recipient mare is due to foal, the embryo-transfer donor mare must compete according to her breeding status the prior year.**

### Awards:

- Ribbons to 6<sup>th</sup> place for the open show classes, champion and reserve champion ribbons for call back classes.
- USDF Breeders' Series Champions (including Materiale) receive a Champion neck sash, embroidered cooler, and plaque. Reserve champions receive a reserve neck sash and plaque.
- **USDF 3 Year Old Prospect Award** - The Three Year Old Prospect Award will be awarded to the three year old horse earning the highest combined scores from their in-hand series final championship class and series final materiale championship class at each USDFBCS Series Final annually.

**SHOW COMMITTEE:** 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. Every horse entered for competition will comply with the rules of the horse show management, but management will, in no case, be responsible for any loss or damage that may occur, and it shall be condition of entry that each exhibitor shall hold this horse show and the officials and employees of the show blameless for any loss or accident to his horse, employees, equipment, which may occur from sickness, fire or otherwise.

Each competitor is responsible for supplying the show management with the correct and required association numbers of USDF and/or USEF for the horse, owner, rider, coaches, and trainer, before the day(s) of the competition. The scores of competitors who fail to supply correct numbers may not count towards regional or national awards. The proof of these numbers must be in the form of either their actual membership/registration cards or a facsimile of them. Proof of membership must be included with entry form. Please provide the USEF/USDF Master Verification ([www.eqverification.org](http://www.eqverification.org)) although membership cards or photocopies of cards are still acceptable. Failure to provide proof of USEF and/or USDF membership will result in competitor being charged non-member fees. Members that are unable to produce the USDF memberships cards/registrations or a facsimile will be asked to sign an affidavit and pay an affidavit fee. All entries are taken on a first come, first served basis. Some shows return late arriving entries after the show is filled, and some shows place entries on a wait list on an as-received basis. Please check each show for any additional policies. Send in the entries as soon as possible to assure entry to the show. **Only one horse-rider combination per entry form.** No exhibitor may withdraw horses from a licensed show after it has commenced, or remove them from the show grounds without permission of the show secretary.

**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 AND CURRENT NEGATIVE COGGINS.**

#### **Missouri COGGINS / Health Certificate Law:**

**Equine residing in Missouri:** A current negative COGGINS for EIA conducted within 12 months. A Certificate of Veterinary Inspection and Entry Permit are not required for Missouri equine.

**Equine entering Missouri:** All equine entering Missouri must be accompanied by a current negative COGGINS test for EIA conducted within 12 months and a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection issued by an accredited veterinarian within 15 days of entry. The state of Missouri also requires an Entry Permit which is issued by the Missouri Department of Agriculture, Division of Animal Health. Permits may be obtained by calling 573.751.4359. For more information visit: <http://mda.mo.gov/animals/health/speciesentering.php>

Out of state horses must have a current health certificate (written within 15 days) and a negative COGGINS report that complies with the requirements of MO and the state where the horse resides (e.g., KY horses must have a negative COGGINS report within six months). **Competitors must present health certificates for their out of state horses to the secretary in order to pick up show packets. Out of state horses without a current health certificate will forfeit entry in the show and must leave the show grounds.**

#### **Management Rules and Procedures**

- During the competition, the performance arenas will be open to hand walking only up to one half hour prior to the start of the first class. No horses will be allowed in the performance arenas during breaks.
- One bridle number is always required on the horse when out of the stall or not tied to a trailer.
- ALL dogs **must** be leashed and attached to a person or immovable object *at all times!* \$50 fine for all violations.
- Sharps containers will be available in the stabling area and also in the show office for trailer in horses. 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.
- Post entries accepted on first come first served basis with space available, including Championship classes. Priority will be given to Championship Classes for post entries.
- Wait list will be maintained through Tuesday 8pm
- Management reserves the right to:
  - Add or cancel judges
  - Combine, divide, limit or cancel classes
  - Refuse entries for cause.
  - Waive penalty fees

#### **ATTENTION COMPETITORS**

Each competitor is responsible for supplying management with correct association numbers (USDF, United States Equestrian Federation) 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.

- **NO SMOKING IN BARN.**
- Schooling (out of competition) horses may be brought to the show but must be registered on an entry form, with signatures and appropriate fees. Areas where they may be ridden in will be restricted, and priority given to horses in competition. Check with the show office for details. Stabling for competing will be prioritized over non-compete horses.

## **TIMES**

Provisional ride times will be emailed to riders if a legible email address is provided and posted at [www.horseshowoffice.com](http://www.horseshowoffice.com). Official times will be posted online by Noon on Tuesday. Please note that as this is a sport horse competition, all times are tentative.

## **Breed Show Fees:**

- Breed show open and under saddle classes **\$40** per class – all classes except call back classes.
- USDF Breeders' Champ classes 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 - **\$50** per class.
- Office fee **\$40** per breed show entry
- Post Entries: **\$25** taken on space available
- Haul-in Fee: **\$25** per horse per day (only if not doing stall)
- USEF Drug fee: **\$23** (drugs & medications \$15; USEF \$8)
- USEF Show Pass (non-member fee): **\$45**
- USDF Affidavit Fee: **\$5**
- USDF Non member Fee: **\$35**
- Bad Check Fee: **\$50**
- Shavings per bag: **\$8**

## **STABLING – Bedding not included**

- Permanent 10x12 stalls with hard packed floors and full doors or Tent 10x10 temporary stalls with full doors and hard packed floors.
- Stabling – **\$50**
- Stalls will be available at Noon on the Tuesday prior to show. If you desire other arrangements, you **MUST** speak with Heather prior to sending your entry.

**Make checks payable to Xanadu Farm and mail to Anne Sushko.** If you are mailing overnight, **please waive the required signature for delivery – If you do not waive the signature, you will be charged \$5.**

## **REFUNDS**

The office fee and any online entry fees are non-refundable. Cancellations made prior to or on the closing date will receive refunds of 1/2 class fees and all stabling fees and other fees less the office fee. **NO REFUNDS WILL BE MADE AFTER CLOSING DATE.** This includes classes cancelled due to severe weather or other emergency conditions. Refund consideration due to extreme emergency situations will be at the discretion of the Show Management. Original veterinary/medical doctor's certificate must be furnished to the secretary within ten (10) days of the show. Late entry fees are non-refundable. Refunds will be mailed to competitors approximately 3-4 weeks after the show.

**IMPORTANT:** All cancellations must be made in writing and mailed or e-mailed to show secretary.

You are responsible to confirm that your cancellation has been received. Anyone not appearing for any of their dressage tests without prior notification to the show secretary will be "scratched" from their remaining classes. Those rides will be filled if possible.

## **OFFICE HOURS (Subject to change)**

- Wednesday 7:00 AM until 1 hour after final ride or as posted in show office.
- Tuesday will be subject to competitor/facility need.

## **ARENAS**

- Indoor is a mix of sand/chat
- Outdoor arenas are a mix of sand/chat

## **CAMPER HOOKUPS**

Camper hookups are available and reservations are required. To secure a reservation call the facility at 636-561-8080 or visit [www.necstl.com](http://www.necstl.com). Hook u

## EMERGENCY DIAL 911

**Disaster plan** will be posted at the show office, in all barns and in the show program. This plan will detail emergency operations at the show for most situations. Please take a moment to read the plan so you will be prepared in case of an emergency.

**Nearest Equine Surgical Center: Mid-••Rivers Equine Center** is about 8 miles from the NEC. Complete directions will be posted at the show office, in all barns. Please take a moment to read this information so you will be prepared in case of an emergency.

## ACCOMMODATIONS

Best Western Plus – 2621 East Fifth Street, Washington, MO 63090.

Restaurants nearby serving breakfast, lunch and dinner. Food and concessions on grounds may be very limited. May just be snacks and bottled water. Please plan accordingly.

## DIRECTIONS

I-70 to Hwy 47 South. Continue on across the river and through Washington. Turn right on Country Club. There is an intersection sign just before. Turn right at the top of the hill on to Country Club. Will see the farm when come to the stop sign. Turn right, then left.

I-70 to Washington/Hwy 100. Continue into town. Turn left onto Highway 47 South. Turn right on Country Club. There is an intersection sign just before. Turn right at the top of the hill on to Country Club. Will see the farm when come to the stop sign. Turn right, then left.

## 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. 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.

## 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 non-member 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 FR218) 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.

**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](http://www.usdf.org).

**This  
competition  
is recognized  
by USDF  
for 2020**

**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 21<sup>st</sup> 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.

**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](http://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.



## 2020 USDF Breeders Championship Series: Adapted Prize List Insert During COVID-19

The USDF Breeders Championship Series (USDFBCS) is a program intent on recognizing quality bloodlines and dressage prospects across the nation. Through a combination of in-hand and materiale classes, the USDFBCS program strives to provide top-notch competition opportunities for dressage prospects and breeding stock.

- The USDFBCS is scheduled on a calendar year basis, which means that the USDFBCS competition year runs from January 1-December 31.
- A series must have a minimum of one three-qualifying events to host a series final competition. The required qualifier can be held in conjunction with a series final competition.
- Series boundaries are determined by USDF. Please be advised that the boundaries of any given series may cross the regional boundaries established for dressage competitions. All Dressage Sport Horse Breeding (DSHB) and USDFBCS exhibitors and management staff are responsible for knowing the rules pertaining to USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized dressage competitions holding DSHB classes, as well as USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competitions in general. The USEF Rule Book Chapter Dressage, Subchapter DR-2, contains the DSHB class rules, and can found online at [www.usef.org](http://www.usef.org). All recent rule changes in the online USEF Rule Book will be noted in color.

### I. IN-HAND CHAMPIONSHIP

#### A. HORSE REGISTRATION AND MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS FOR

##### ELIGIBILITY (IN-HAND CLASSES)

1. All horses entered in any USDFBCS qualifying or series final competition must have either a USDF Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR) or USDF Horse Identification Number (HID) and submit identification information. Horses registered with a breed organization should have a copy of their registration papers submitted directly to USDF.
2. Owner is not required to be a USDF member for qualifying or series final competitions. If the owner does not have a current USDF Group, Participating, or Business Membership, non-member fees will apply. Should non-member fees not be paid by the USDF owner of record and/or not collected by competition management and submitted to USDF following the completion of an in-hand championship class, elimination from the championship class in question may result due to non-compliance with USDF requirements for competition.
3. Neither USDF membership nor a USDF non-member fee is required for the handler.
4. Horses participating in USDFBCS qualifying or final events are not required to be registered with any studbook, but "if a horse is registered with any breed organization, the name of the breed, sire, dam, damsire, and breeder must be given on the entry blank. For unregistered horses competing in DSHB classes, the information is strongly recommended, if available" (GR907).
5. It is strongly recommended that horses not registered with a breed registry be listed as "unregistered".
6. Should any USDF membership or horse registration applications with related fees fail to be submitted to USDF with the completion of a series final competition, elimination of a horse from its relevant series final class may result.

#### B. REQUIREMENTS FOR USDFBCS QUALIFYING EVENTS (IN-HAND CLASSES)

1. Classes must be offered and judged according to DR209.
2. All divisions must offer Sport Horse Prospect In-Hand and Breeding Stock In-Hand classes.

3. Only a single set of Sport Horse Prospect In-Hand and Breeding Stock In-Hand Dressage Sport Horse Breeding classes may be offered to serve as qualifying classes for the USDFBCS per competition. These classes must be open to all horses and ponies of the appropriate age and sex, and not subject to any entry restriction.
4. A separate championship class must be held for all divisions, even those that have only one class or one horse in the division. For example, if there is only one class of mares, the top two mares from that class would then be shown in the championship class. If there is only one stallion in the one stallion class, that stallion would then show again in the championship class. All horses must be reevaluated by the judge(s) at both the walk and the trot in the championship class. If any one of the judges adjudicating this class has not previously judged all of the horses in this class, conformation must also be reevaluated on every horse.
5. Each qualifier event must offer a current year filly class, a separate current year colt/gelding class and a current year foal championship class. This current year foal championship class is a series final qualifying class. This class must be held and judged (i.e. reevaluated at the walk and the trot, and conformation if required) in accordance with DR210. The current year foal championship class, at qualifier events, must be open to first and second place winners of Sport Horse Prospect In-Hand classes for all foals of current calendar year, as listed below. First and second place (and third if desired), fillies and colts/geldings of current year will compete against each other in the same class. (Organizers have the option of including third-placed horses in qualifier championship classes.) No scores are given. Ties are not allowed.

#### Current Year Foal Championship:

Fillies of current calendar year

Colts/Geldings of current calendar year

The champion, and reserve champion, and third-place current year foals at each qualifier event are eligible to compete in their respective USDFBCS series final class. A third-place foal in the championship class must be named as well.

6. Each qualifier event must offer a Filly Championship class and a Colt/Gelding Championship class. These classes are USDFBCS qualifying classes. These classes must be held and judged (i.e. reevaluated at the walk and the trot, and possibly the conformation) in accordance with DR210. The filly and colt/gelding championship classes must be open to first and second placed winners of Sport Horse Prospect In-Hand classes for all horses, as listed below. (Organizers have the option of including third-placethird-place horses in qualifier championship classes). No scores are given. Ties are not allowed.

#### Filly Championship

#### Colt/Gelding

Yearling Fillies	Yearling
Colts/Geldings	
Two-year-old Fillies	Two-year-old
Colts/Geldings	
Three-year-old Fillies	Three-year-old
Colts/Geldings	

The champion, and reserve champion, and third-place filly and the champion, and reserve champion, and third-place colt/gelding at each qualifier event are eligible to compete in their respective USDFBCS series final class. A third-place horse in each championship class must be named as well. Current Year Foals ARE NOT ALLOWED in Filly Championship and Colt/Gelding Championship classes.

7. Each qualifier event must offer a Mare Championship class and a Stallion Championship class. These championship classes are USDFBCS qualifying classes. These classes



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must be held and judged (i.e. reevaluated at the walk and the trot, and possibly the conformation) in accordance with DR210.

Mare and Stallion Championship classes must be open to first and second placed winners of Breeding Stock In-Hand classes for horses age four years old and over, as listed below. (Organizers have the option of including third place~~third-placed~~ horses in qualifier championship classes). No scores are given. Ties are not allowed.

### **Mare Championship:**

Mare classes may be divided by age, competition and/or breeding status (as of January 1st of the current competition year), as in the following example:

Four-year-old and older maiden mares – never bred

Four-year-old and older yeld mares – previously bred but not currently bred or nursing

Four-year-old and older broodmares – in foal or currently nursing (mare only to be judged).

For details on determining breeding status for competition purposes, please refer to DR203.

### **Stallion Championship:**

Stallion classes may be divided by age or competition status, as in the following example:

Four-year-old and older stallions showing only in-hand

Four-year-old and older stallions showing also under saddle

The champion, and-reserve champion, and third-place mare

and the champion, and-reserve champion, and third-place stallion at each qualifier event are eligible to compete in their respective USDFBCS series final class. ~~A third-place horse in each championship class must be named as well.~~

Age/sex eligibility is determined as follows:

- Fillies, colts, and geldings three years of age or under may show ONLY as sport horse prospects, not in breeding stock classes/categories.
- Mares and stallions age four and over, may show ONLY in breeding stock classes/categories. Note: Two and three-year-olds are ONLY eligible to compete in the filly or colt/gelding championships. They are NOT eligible for the mare or stallion championships.
- Geldings of any age may NOT show in breeding stock classes/categories. Geldings age three and under may show ONLY in sport horse prospect classes.

9-8. Scoresheets: Age group classes must be judged using the appropriate scoring categories and percentages. Sport horses three years old and under MUST be evaluated on the current USDF Dressage Sport Horse Prospect In-Hand scoresheets and breeding stock MUST be evaluated on the current USDF Dressage Sport Horse Breeding Stock scoresheets.

10-9. Horses in all USDFBCS qualifying classes must be evaluated for movement according to DR210. Each horse competing at a USDFBCS qualifying show will have only ONE opportunity to qualify for the championship class appropriate to their age/sex category.

11-10. During the same or separate awards ceremonies, the current year foal champion and reserve, the filly champion and reserve, the colt/gelding champion and reserve, the mare champion and reserve, and the stallion champion and reserve, must be named USDFBCS qualifying champions and reserve champions for the show. A third-place horse in each championship class must be named as well. This third-place horse is designated as a third-place qualifier. Ties are not allowed. Announcements must identify sponsors and horses' breeding information.

12-11. For each USDF Breeders Championship Series qualifier class, the champion and reserve champion must be presented with a qualifier ribbon. These ribbons will be supplied to the show by USDF. Only the champion and reserve champion will receive the qualifier ribbons, even if they have previously qualified. The third-place qualifier horse

in the qualifier championship class will not receive a qualifier ribbon. The qualifier ribbons for champion and reserve champion are identical.

13-12. All qualifier champions, and-reserve champions, and third-place qualifiers will be eligible to compete in any USDFBCS series final. ~~In the event that a champion and/or reserve has already qualified for a final, the third-placed horse from the pertinent qualifying championship class will be eligible to compete in a final.~~ Competition management is required to have judges place qualifying championship classes to three places, with no ties. In addition, any other horse receiving a 75.000 percent or higher in its age/sex class will be qualified and eligible to compete in the USDFBCS series finals.

14-13. A list of qualified horses is maintained on the USDF website.

15-14. Horses may compete in **any** series final competition, regardless of where qualification is earned, but may compete in only **one** series final competition.

### **C. CONDUCT OF IN-HAND CHAMPIONSHIP DIVISION CLASSES AT SERIES FINAL COMPETITIONS**

- At least two USEF DSHB judges (DR202) must officiate in each series final class; one of the two required judges must be a USEF 'R' DSHB judge. Each judge will evaluate each entry independently, and scribes must be provided for each judge. Winners will be determined by the average of all judges' scores. The highest scoring horses will be declared champions and the second highest will be declared reserve champions of the series final.
- Ties in series final classes must remain unbroken.
- There are five in-hand championship classes in USDFBCS series final competitions. Current year foal champions, and-reserves, and third-place qualifiers from each qualifying event will compete together in a USDFBCS current year foal series final class. Filly champions, and-reserves, and third-place qualifiers from each qualifying event will compete together in a USDFBCS filly series final class. Colt/gelding champions and-reserves, champions, reserves, and third-place qualifiers from each qualifying event will compete together in a USDFBCS colt/gelding series final class. Mare champions, and-reserves, and third-place qualifiers from each qualifying event will compete together in a USDFBCS mare series final class. Stallion champions, and-reserves, and third-place qualifiers from each qualifying event will compete together in a USDFBCS stallion series final class. Horses that qualified with a score of 75.000% or higher in their respective qualifying classes will also be eligible for these series final championship classes.
- A grand champion and reserve grand champion current year foal, a grand champion and reserve grand champion filly, a grand champion and reserve grand champion colt/gelding, a grand champion and reserve grand champion mare, and a grand champion and reserve grand champion stallion will be named at each USDFBCS series final event. Grand and reserve champions will receive awards and prizes provided by USDF. Third through sixth placed horses in series final classes will receive ribbons provided by USDF. After the last series final competition in a competition year, special certificates will be available from USDF via the website to owners of all horses that competed in USDFBCS series final classes.
- USDF reserves the right to change, alter, or retract any placings and/or prizes for up to 60 days after the last day of the championship if an error or violation is discovered.
- Horses must be shown individually on the triangle at the walk and trot and standing for conformation. Each horse must be evaluated in the same manner. Callbacks are permitted. If horses may be recalled, the prize list or program must state that this procedure will be used (DR209).
- Owner **must enter** the qualified horse in the USDFBCS series final championship class. The horse is NOT



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- automatically entered in the series final championship class because it qualified earlier in the day or at another show.
8. Horses in the current year foal final class, filly final class and the colt/gelding final class MUST be evaluated using the USDF Dressage Sport Horse Prospect In-Hand scoresheets. Horses in the mare final class and the stallion final class MUST be evaluated using the USDF Dressage Sport Horse Breeding Stock scoresheets.
  9. Management must collect all required USDF membership, horse registrations, and related fees prior to the commencement of series final classes for eligible entries that wish to compete in a series final class. Should required USDF membership, horse recording, and related fees fail to be submitted to USDF following the completion of a series final competition, elimination of a horse from its relevant series final class may result due to noncompliance with USDF membership and horse recording requirements for competition. These applications and related fees must be submitted to the USDF office within 24 hours of the series final classes. Refer to section I.A for all USDF membership and horse recording requirements for competition.
  10. Series final events must agree to allow late entries in series final classes for horses that qualified for the series final event after the official closing date.

### II. MATERIALE CHAMPIONSHIP

Materiale Championships will be held at each USDFBCS series final competition. Each USDFBCS series final will hold a Three-Year-Old Materiale Championship class, a Four-Year-Old Materiale Championship Class, and a Five-Year-Old Materiale Championship class. Fillies, colts, mares, stallions, and/or geldings, will compete in the same championship classes of their respective age groups. A Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion will be named for each materiale championship class at each series final event. These specific age categories of three-year-olds, four-year-olds, and five year-olds are the only eligible categories to be offered as USDFBCS Materiale Championship classes.

#### A. HORSE REGISTRATION AND MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS FOR ELIGIBILITY (FOR MATERIALE CLASSES)

1. All horses entered in any materiale class or Materiale Championship held at a USEF/USDF recognized Dressage Sport Horse Breeding (DSHB) or dressage competition must have either a USDF Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR) or USDF Horse Identification Number (HID), and submit identification information. Horses registered with a breed organization should have a copy of their registration papers submitted directly to USDF.
2. Owner is not required to be a USDF member for a horse to compete in materiale classes, earn USDFBCS materiale championship qualification scores at USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized DSHB or dressage competitions, or compete in a USDFBCS Materiale Championship class. If the USDF owner of record does not have a current USDF Group, Participating or Business membership, non-member fees will apply. Should non-member fees not be paid by the USDF owner of record and/or not collected by competition management and then submitted to USDF following the completion of a materiale championship class, elimination from the materiale championship class in question may result due to non-compliance with USDF requirements for competition.
3. Rider is required to have a current USDF PM at the time a horse's qualifying score is earned and at the time of the USDFBCS Materiale Championship class.
4. Horses participating in USDFBCS qualifying or final events are not required to be registered with any studbook, but, "if a horse is registered with any breed organization, the name of the breed, sire, dam, dam sire and breeder must be given on the entry blank" (GR907).

5. It is strongly recommended that horses not registered with a breed registry be listed as "unregistered".
6. It is the responsibility of the horse owner to ensure that the owner's and rider's USDF membership and USDF horse registration are correct and current. Should any required USDF membership or horse registration application and related fees fail to be submitted to USDF following the completion of a series final competition, elimination of a horse from its relevant series final class may result due to noncompliance with USDF membership and horse recording requirements for competition.

#### B. REQUIREMENTS FOR MATERIALE CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFICATION

1. A horse may qualify for competition in a USDFBCS Materiale Championship class by receiving one score of 72.000% or higher in a materiale class held at any USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized DSHB or Dressage competition during the relative competition year.
2. Scores must be earned at competitions licensed by USEF as dressage competitions. Scores earned at competitions licensed by USEF as Regular or Local competitions are not eligible to be used as qualifying scores for the USDFBCS Materiale Championships.
3. The USDFBCS Materiale Championships will run on the same calendar year as the USDFBCS (January 1-December 31). Qualifications to compete in a USDFBCS Materiale Championship class must be earned in the calendar year that the championship will occur. Any qualifications earned in other calendar years will not apply.
4. Qualifying scores must be earned in materiale classes run under DR134 and DR204. Fillies and/or mares may not be combined in classes with colts, geldings and/or stallions (exception: championship materiale classes – see DR204).
5. At each USDFBCS series final competition, materiale championship classes will be held for three age groups. All qualified horses regardless of sex will compete against one another in their respective age groups. This means that all qualified three-year-olds will compete in one class to determine the USDFBCS Materiale Champion Three-Year-Old, and all qualified four-year-olds will compete in one class to determine the USDFBCS Materiale Champion Four-Year-Old, and all qualified five-year-olds will compete in one class to determine the USDFBCS Materiale Champion Five-Year-Old. Horses will be evaluated according to the criteria listed on the current "USDF Materiale Class" scoresheet, and classes must be conducted according to the current USDF "Procedures to Host USDF Materiale Classes".
6. Qualifying scores to compete in a class may be earned up until the championship class occurs.
7. Once a horse has qualified to compete in a USDFBCS Materiale Championship class, the horse is eligible to compete at the USDFBCS series final of the owner's choice. This means that the horse does not have to attend the series final being held within the same geographical area or series that the qualifying score was earned in. However, a horse may only compete in one USDFBCS Materiale Championship class in a given calendar year.
8. A list of qualified horses is maintained on the USDF website.
9. A horse may qualify with a different rider than the rider who competes the horse in the championship class.
10. Dressage competitions with materiale classes scheduled after the USDFBCS series finals are held, are not eligible to participate in the USDFBCS program, and will not be qualifying events for the next year's series final.

#### C. CONDUCT OF MATERIALE CHAMPIONSHIP CLASSES AT THE SERIES FINAL

1. At least two USEF DSHB judges must officiate in each USDFBCS Materiale Championship class. One of the two required judges must be a USEF "R" DSHB judge. The other



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judge may be a USEF "r" DSHB judge. Guest Cards to judge DSHB classes are not allowed, per USEF GR1011. Each judge will evaluate each entry independently, and scribes must be provided for each judge. Winners will be determined by the average of all judges' scores. The highest scoring horse will be declared grand champion, and the second highest will be declared reserve grand champion for their respective age-group classes. Scores must be awarded to all competitors competing in materiale classes, as well as USDFBCS Materiale Championship classes.

- a. Ties in USDFBCS Materiale Championship classes must remain unbroken.
- b. A Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion will be named for the three-year-old, four-year-old, and five-year-old USDFBCS Materiale Championship classes at each series final competition. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champions will receive awards and prizes provided by USDF. Third through sixth placed horses in these materiale championship classes will receive ribbons provided by USDF.
- c. After the conclusion of the last scheduled series final competition, special certificates will be available from USDF via the website to owners of all horses that competed in USDFBCS Materiale Championship classes.
- d. USDF reserves the right to change, alter, or retract any placings and/or prizes for up to 60 days after the last day of the championship if an error or violation is discovered.
- e. Owner **must enter** the qualified horse in the horse's appropriate USDFBCS Materiale Championship class prior to commencement of the class. The horse is NOT automatically entered in the class because the horse qualified earlier in the day or at another show.
- f. Management must collect all required USDF membership, horse registrations, and related fees prior to the commencement of materiale championship classes for eligible entries that wish to compete in a materiale championship class. Should required USDF membership, horse recording, and related fees fail to be submitted to USDF following the completion of a series final competition, elimination of a horse from its relevant materiale championship class may result due to noncompliance with USDF membership and horse recording requirements for competition. These applications and related fees must be submitted to the USDF office within 24 hours of the series final classes. Refer to section II.A for all USDF membership and horse recording requirements for competition.
- g. USDFBCS series final events must agree to allow late entries in the USDFBCS Materiale Championship classes for horses that qualified for the championship after the official closing date.
- h. Series final events must hold materiale classes allowing for qualification opportunities prior to holding the USDFBCS Materiale Championship classes.

### III. THREE-YEAR-OLD PROSPECT AWARD

The Three-Year-Old Prospect Award will be awarded to the three-year-old horse earning the highest combined scores from their in-hand series final championship class and series final materiale championship class at each USDFBCS Series Final annually. USDF will provide each USDFBCS Series Final competition with the prize for the Three-Year-Old Prospect Award. This award must be presented to the award winner at the competition, and a photo taken of the award winner.

### IV. AWARD CEREMONIES

#### A. REQUIREMENTS

1. For all series finals, a USDF sponsor banner must be prominently displayed. If the banner is misplaced or damaged, the event will be responsible for the cost of repair or replacement. Banners must be returned to USDF within 30 days of the competition.

2. In addition to the general requirements above, the awards presentation ceremonies and award presenters at each series final event must be arranged in cooperation with USDF. USDF will contact sponsors to determine if they or a representative plan to attend the award ceremonies. USDF will forward this information to the appropriate management team.
3. All USDFBCS sponsors (or their representatives) should be invited to participate in the final event award ceremonies. Award ceremony announcements must identify the sponsoring organizations. Any sponsors in attendance at these events should be provided with a complimentary copy of the competition program and be given free admission to the event.
- 3.4. Placed horse and rider combinations cannot be required to participate in awards ceremonies. Awards ceremonies should be conducted to allow for social distancing. Rosettes will not be required to be placed on bridles (Presidential Modification, DR123.12).
- 4.5. Management must send two champion photos of in-hand competitors, two champion photos of materiale championship competitors, and two champion photos of the Three-Year-Old Prospect award winner, electronically to USDF for publication with the final results. Persons and horses in the photos must be identified. A photographer's release must also be submitted.
- 5.6. Public announcements must be made, which credit sponsors and promote the program to the public. These announcements are required to be made throughout the event, in particular, during the awarding of Current Year Foal, Filly, Colt/Gelding, Mare and Stallion Championships and Three, Four, and Five-Year-Old Materiale Championships. The name of the breeder(s) must be announced during award ceremonies. It is also strongly recommended that breeder(s) and owners of placing horses be invited to participate in award ceremonies.
- 6.7. All unused ribbons and prizes must be returned to USDF within 30 days of the competition. If awards are misplaced or damaged, the event will be responsible for the cost of replacement. For series qualifiers, USDF will provide ten qualifier ribbons (two per division). For series finals, USDF will provide neck sashes and prizes for Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion and ribbons for third through sixth place. Ribbons and prizes will be sent directly to the designated competition contact about two weeks prior to the event.
- 7.8. Show management is responsible to have a professional photographer for USDFBCS series final competitions.

### V. COMPETITION MANAGEMENT

#### A. APPLYING FOR AND SCHEDULING QUALIFIER AND FINAL EVENTS

1. The USDFBCS is scheduled on a calendar year basis (January 1-December 31).
2. A series must have a minimum of ~~three~~one qualifying events in order to hold a series final. The required qualifier can be held in conjunction with a series final competition. All shows in the series, including qualifier classes held in conjunction with the series final, are qualifying events for any series final.
3. Competitions intending to host USDFBCS qualifying classes must submit their USDFBCS qualifier application to USDF no less than sixty days prior to the start of the competition. Any competitions submitting USDFBCS qualifier applications less than sixty days prior to the start of the competition will be considered on a case-by-case basis, ~~and subject to a \$50 late application fee.~~
4. Competitions may not advertise themselves as being qualifying opportunities for the USDFBCS prior to submitting a qualifier application and related \$75 fee to USDF.



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5. The official USDFBCS host site application form for qualifiers and series finals will be available from the USDF office during the summer, prior to the start of the next competition year. USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized dressage competitions interested in hosting a final for a series must submit a completed USDFBCS event application form and contract to the USDF office by October 1 of the year prior to the series final to request consideration for hosting the series final.
  6. The final event of each series is often the last USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized dressage competition holding DSHB classes scheduled in a particular geographical area of the United States. However, a series final must also be held in conjunction with a USDFBCS qualifying event. Host sites of series finals will be designated on or about November 1 of the year prior to the series final year. Competitions which submit a host site application after November 1 of the year prior to the series final year will be subject to a \$50 late application fee and reviewed on a case-by-case basis.
  7. The series final must meet the minimum requirements for a series final: 1) minimum USEF Level 2 competition 2) Show manager and secretary must both be members of USEF and USDF (USDF Participating or Group Membership is required) at the time of championships. 3) all other requirements as stated in the USDFBCS Series Final Host Site Application.
  8. It is recommended that a series final be held in conjunction with a USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competition unless it has a proven stand-alone history.
  9. All applications for a series final will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
  10. A series final will be considered "definite" when at least three qualifying events have registered with USDF to participate in the series for the year. If it meets the minimum requirements, a series final will be considered "tentative" until at least three events have registered for the series.
  11. If two or more qualified events in the same series wish to host the series final, a working group appointed by the Sport Horse Committee, will select the host site of the series final, after consultation with the chair of the Sport Horse Committee, the regional director(s) of the region(s) with qualifying events in the series and the Sport Horse Committee liaison. Priority for the final will be given to 1) the date of event, which must be after all qualifying events are normally scheduled, and ideally, between August 1 and October 1 of the series final year, 2) the most prestigious DSHB show, or USDF Regional Dressage Championship in the geographical area, 3) location and accessibility to competitors, 4) experience of the competition management with DSHB competitions and 5) history of rule compliance with USEF and USDF.
  12. All USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized dressage competitions with DSHB classes scheduled prior to the series final in the same calendar year and geographical area are eligible to participate in the USDFBCS program. Dressage competitions with DSHB classes scheduled after the series final in their area are not eligible to participate in the USDFBCS program and will not be qualifying events for the next year's series final.
  13. Only one USDFBCS series, or part of a series, may be held in any particular geographical area in the same calendar year. The boundaries of a series will be determined by USDF in consultation with regional directors and the chair of the Sport Horse Committee. Series will include clusters of DSHB shows and may cross the regional boundaries established for dressage competitions.
  - ~~14. If a USDFBCS series does not have at least three qualifying events recognized by USDF by June 1 of the series final year, the final will not be held. Exceptions will be considered in extenuating circumstances.~~
1. In order to receive full promotional benefits from USDF, qualifying and final events must be approved at least six months prior to the competition.
  2. Qualifiers and final events must be approved by USDF in writing each year before they advertise that they are participating as qualifying or final events in the USDFBCS program.
  3. "USDFBCS" or "USDF Breeders Championship Series" must be used in its entirety if included as the title of an event, or if referred to anywhere within the prize list or program. (In other words, you cannot title a competition the "XYZ Breeders Competition").
  4. The title "USDF Breeders Championship Series Final" must be prominently listed in the final event official prize list, show program, promotional materials, and advertisements once the competition has received written approval of its status as a designated USDFBCS Final competition.
  5. Series final prize lists must include the prize list insert for the USDFBCS program as provided by USDF.
  6. Unless a competition has received written confirmation from USDF of the Federation's approval to host a USDFBCS series final competition, the competition cannot utilize any competition name or title that would include a USDFBCS series final designation. Any failure on the part of the competition management to follow this protocol will result in a \$100 fine.
- ### C. PRIZES
1. Prizes will be awarded during the finals competition award ceremonies.
  - ~~1-2. Placed horse and rider combinations cannot be required to participate in awards ceremonies. Awards ceremonies should be conducted to allow for social distancing. Rosettes will not be required to be placed on bridles (Presidential Modification, DR123.12).~~
  - ~~2-3. Prizes and/or other awards may be withheld by USDF to series winners if the following information is not provided to USDF or show management by required deadlines: name of owner; name, age and sex of horse; and if known, the breed of horse, sire, dam, damsire, and breeder.~~
  - ~~3-4. Prizes and/or other awards may be withheld by USDF if it is found that a series award winner or owner was not in compliance with USDF series final membership, horse registration requirements, and related fees, for competition. These requirements can be seen at I.A and II.A.~~
- ### D. RULES REGARDING CONTRACTS AND RECOGNITION
1. Qualifying and final events must be USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized dressage competitions and all classes must be conducted under USEF rules.
  2. USDFBCS event application, contract and rules for the upcoming competition year will be available to show managers during the summer of the year prior to each USDFBCS competition year.
  3. Rule changes and requirements will be fully approved and publicized by July 1 of the year prior to each USDFBCS competition year.
  4. Changes of rules, requirements, or contract obligations for competition management (and/or competitors, if applicable) are not permitted after August 1 of the year prior to the start of the USDFBCS competition year, except when changed by the USEF and/or USDF Executive Board.
  5. USDFBCS rules and procedures must be listed in the official prize list for the event, and must be available sufficiently in advance to all potential competitors, or the event may be in violation of USEF rules.
  6. For qualifying events whose dates fall after the closing date for their series final event, the results must be emailed to USDF at results@usdf.org within 24 hours of completion of



the qualifying event. USDF will verify those horses who have qualified with the series final event secretary.

**E. CONDUCT AND COMPETITION STANDARDS FOR USDFBCS QUALIFYING AND FINAL EVENTS**

Series Final events must meet the minimum requirements for a series final:

1. A minimum Level 2 competition.
2. Show manager and secretary must both be members of USEF and USDF (USDF Participating or Group Membership is required) at the time of championships. All other requirements are as stated in the USDFBCS Finals Host Site Application.
3. DSHB competitions are not permitted to exclude horses from competing in an event that have previously qualified for a USDFBCS series final. Such exclusion is not permitted by USEF rules, and penalties could result.
4. Neither foals nor horses of any other age may be shown loose.
5. Note the following clarification on "stallion": No geldings may compete in the USDFBCS classes for stallions even if they are gelded after qualifying for the finals and are breeding via frozen semen.

**VI. LICENSED OFFICIALS**

**A. REQUIREMENTS**

1. According to DR202 a competition with a USEF- licensed Dressage Sport Horse Breeding (DSHB) division must have a USEF- licensed DSHB judge and a USEF- licensed dressage technical delegate (TD). Guest Cards to judge DSHB classes are not allowed, per USEF GR1011.
2. Apprentice judging is NOT permitted during USDFBCS series final classes.
3. Hunter Breeding judges or USEF judges with other licenses or in other disciplines are NOT permitted to judge DSHB classes.
4. It is recommended that the USEF (TD) officiating at a USDFBCS series final have significant experience officiating as a TD at DSHB shows.

**VII. UNITED STATES EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION RULES**

Please note that competition management, licensed officials and competitors must be aware of all USEF DSHB and applicable USEF general rules. Be sure to check the online version of the rules for any clarifications or changes that may have occurred for the current competition year.

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COMPETITION NAME \_\_\_\_\_ COMPETITION DATES \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF HORSE		PREVIOUS NAME (IF ANY)		USEF#	USDF#	FOR SALE
BREED	SEX	HEIGHT	COLOR	COGGINS DATE (ENCLOSED COPY)	SIRE	DAM
DAM'S SIRE	COUNTRY OF BIRTH	YEAR OF BIRTH	BREEDER	FEI/PASSPORT #	GROOM	

**RIDER/HANDLER** \_\_\_\_\_

USEF# \_\_\_\_\_ USDF# \_\_\_\_\_ FEI/LOCAL# \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/ST/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ JR/YOUNG RIDER BIRTHDAY \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

RIDER CITIZENSHIP (IF NOT USA) \_\_\_\_\_

RIDER STATUS (CIRCLE ONE): JR/YG AA OPEN

**OWNER** \_\_\_\_\_

USEF# \_\_\_\_\_ USDF# \_\_\_\_\_ LOCAL# \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/ST/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

OWNER CITIZENSHIP (IF NOT USA) \_\_\_\_\_

**TRAINER** \_\_\_\_\_

USEF# \_\_\_\_\_ USDF# \_\_\_\_\_ LOCAL# \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/ST/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

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**COACH** \_\_\_\_\_

USEF# \_\_\_\_\_ USDF# \_\_\_\_\_ LOCAL# \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/ST/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

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OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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Group/Self	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon
Stalls							
Tack Stalls							

Stable Group: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact: \_\_\_\_\_



## 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.

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**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 to be bound and abide by the rules, regulations, and policies of USEF as published in the USEF Rule Book and on the website at [www.usef.org](http://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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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. \_\_\_\_\_