

Preliminary Prize List for the
National Dressage Pony Cup and Small Horse Championships

NDPC Partner Show I
July 3rd - July 4th, 2026
USEF/USDF License #339121



NDPC Partner Show II
NDPC Breed Show
ProElite USDFBC North
Central Qualifier
July 5th, 2026
USEF/USDF License #339122

Opening Date: May 1st, 2026

Closing Date: June 1st, 2026

(Late entries will be accepted until June 9th with a late fee)

Level Three Competitions National Dressage Pony Cup, Inc.
World Equestrian Center 4095 State Route 730,
Wilmington, Ohio 45177

Qualifier competition for:

2026 USEF Children Dressage National Championship
2026 USEF Pony Rider Dressage National Championship
2026 Adequan®/USEF Junior Dressage National Championship
2026 USEF Young Rider Dressage National Championship
2026 Adequan®/USEF Brentina Cup Dressage National Championship
2026 Markel/USEF Young and Developing Horse Dressage National Championships
2026 USEF Intermediaire I Dressage National Championship
2026 USEF Grand Prix Dressage National Championship
2026 Adequan®/USEF Para Dressage National Championship

Judges: JODI ELY (S), CHERYL HOLEKAMP (S), AGNES BILLINGTON (S), JOAN WILLIAMS (S), BEVERLY ROGERS (S), JODI LEES (S), CHRISTEL CARLSON (S), SUSAN MANDAS (S), GWEN KA'AWALOA (S)

Technical Delegates (TDs): Cheryl Tobey (R), Karen Cederholm (R), Arlene Gaitan (r), Victoria Powers (r)

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On Site Farrier: Farriers Inc- (937) 481-4198

EMT Services- WEC Medical Staff

Braiders: Amanda Cullen (908) 938-6552

Handler: Bruce Griffin III (484) 877-3970

Night Watch: Tracy Hobbs, 727-804-1694, TracyNightWatch@gmail.com

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Take a deep breath, we're here to help you!

If you have questions, please contact the NDPC at (513) 290 -8070 or info@dressageponycup.com.

For NDPC membership questions, contact Karen Shaw at (513) 253-2014 or Karen@dressageponycup.com

ENTRY INFORMATION

Online Entries: Available at HorseShowOffice.com on the opening date.

Entry is not complete until payment is received. Dishonored checks or declined credit cards will require complete repayment prior to the show plus a service charge of \$50. All outstanding fees must be paid before show packets are issued. No bridle number will be issued without full payment and completed entry, including signatures and emergency contact information.

Complete Entries MUST include: USEF and USDF member numbers and signatures of owner/Rider/trainer/coach or non-member fee(s) where applicable; USDF and USEF horse Registration/Recording number(s) (where applicable); and a copy of a negative Coggins taken within 12 months of the show dates showing the same horse name as on the entry (GR907.4). NDPC Release must be included with each entry. Ponies and Small Horses must include measurement cards. If a Pony/Small Horse does not have a permanent or current annual measurement card, owners must notify the show secretary of needing a measurement appointment to be scheduled with the veterinarian. For those entering in the Breed Show, who are registered with any breed, the name of the breed, sire, dam, dam-sire, and breeder must be included on the entry blank.

Incomplete Entry Fee: All entries must include a \$35 refundable Incomplete Entry Fee. Fee will be refunded for all entries completed by Monday, June 8th at 9:00 AM. Entries completed later, but by Friday, June 12th at 9:00 AM, will be refunded \$10 of the incomplete entry fee. Complete entries include all required signatures, Coggins, vaccinations, music, membership requirements, and payment. Entries with any open issues listed in pre-show notifications are incomplete; only entries that clear all unresolved issues by the times above qualify for the full or partial refund of the incomplete entry fee.

Entries are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis based on the online entry date, and entries may be limited. Those entries postmarked after closing will be accepted at the discretion of the show secretary, based on a space-available basis, and charged a \$75 late fee per show. If the classes are oversubscribed, a Waiting List (in the order of receipt) will be maintained.

Management reserves the right to refuse any entry. Entries may close early if time limits for judges are filled. The remaining entries will be placed on a Waiting List. Late Entries may not be included in the program.

Conditions of Entry: Every horse entered for competition will be under the control of the Horse Show Management, but the Horse Show Management will, in no case, be responsible for any loss or damage that may occur. It shall be a condition of entry that each exhibitor shall hold the Horse Show Management, Facility, and its Directors harmless for any loss or accident to his/her Horse, Horses, or equipment that may occur from sickness, fire, or otherwise.

HORSE/RIDER MEMBERSHIPS

Membership/Non-Member/Proof of Membership Fees: All participants (Rider, owner, trainer, agent, lessee, or coach) must present to the show secretary a current USEF membership number. Parents signing as owner, trainer, agent, lessee, or coach **MUST** be Active USEF Members. Parents **MUST** complete SAFESPORT. In the event the participant does not have his/her membership number, he/she must pay a \$85 USEF show pass fee. **Only one show pass is allowable, per USEF rules, and coaches/trainers are ineligible for show pass fees. Coaches/trainers must be Active USEF Members.** All show passes **MUST** be completed before the show via USEF. All show passes are valid for one competition.

To compete in both NDPC competitions, non-members will need to become Active USEF members. All Riders and Owners must present a current USDF Participating, Group, or Business (owners only) membership number or pay a \$55 USDF non-membership fee per show. Those who cannot provide proof of their USDF membership may fill out an affidavit form and must pay the \$5 fee. The affidavit may also be used to verify horse registration and/or horse ownership. The USDF Affidavit Form may be found on www.USDF.org. Exempt from this requirement are individuals competing only in Introductory Level, Pas de Deux, Quadrille, Opportunity Classes, Lead line, and Exhibitions.

Life, senior active and junior active members shall be eligible to participate in all classes at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions at the Modified Level or above and Combined Driving Competitions at the Advanced Level, Dressage, Reining and Vaulting Competitions and Endurance Rides. A non-member may participate as a handler, rider, driver, owner, lessee, or agent, at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions, Dressage Competitions, Reining Competitions and Combined Driving Competitions upon payment of a Show Pass fee. Participants in the following classes are exempted from the Requirements of this rule: 1) leadline; 2) exhibitions; 3) games and races; 4) classes for 4-H members; 5) walk trot (exception: Friesian performance FR231) and academy classes (academy classes are classes limited to horses used regularly in a lesson program); 6) USDF introductory level tests, pas de deux and quadrille classes; 7) NRHA Endorsed Reining Competitions. 8) Opportunity classes, 9) citizens of other nations who have proof, in English, of current membership in good standing of their own National Federation, 10) USEA beginner novice division; and 11) assistant handlers in Dressage Sport Horse Breeding classes.

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PONY AND SMALL HORSE MEASUREMENTS

**All measurement rules and requirements are governed by USEF for Ponies
and by NDPC for Small Horses.**

Scheduling Measurements

- Ponies/Small Horses without a current temporary/permanent measurement must be measured before their first ride. If possible, have your Pony/Small Horse measured before the show.
- Please specify that you need your Pony/Small Horse measured on your entry form.
- The measurement fee for a Pony will only cover the actual charge by the veterinarian and will not exceed \$25 per pony.
- The measurement fee for a Small Horse is \$25.
- Measurement forms (USEF Pony and NDPC Small Horse) will be provided upon arrival.
- Measurements will take place Thursday, July 2nd. A schedule will be posted online. If you are unable to be present for your scheduled time, arrangements must be made with management, the TD, and the veterinarian. A reminder of the time and place for measurement will be posted online. No refunds for those who are unable to complete pony measurements for any reason.

Pony Measurement Information

- Any pony being ridden in a pony-restricted class must possess a USEF Dressage Pony Measurement Card. A copy of the Federation Standard or Temporary Measurement card must be submitted with the entry for each pony possessing a Measurement card and competing in Dressage tests/divisions limited to ponies. The original measurement form, or a scanned copy of the original form, may be submitted as proof of measurement.
- If a Pony, age 3 or over, is not in possession of a fully and correctly completed Measurement Card, the Competition Management must order the Pony to be measured by the Dressage Technical Delegate and the Competition Veterinarian pursuant to GR505, GR506, and GR508. Failure to allow the Pony to be measured will result in the Pony being disqualified at that competition from competing in Pony classes or tests or for awards limited to Ponies.
- A Pony measurement is required for any Horse under 8 years old, which does not have a permanent or a current temporary Pony measurement card.
- If a pony is under 3 years old, proof must be shown that their Dam or Sire is a measured pony or their Dam or Sire has a valid pony breed registry.
- Ponies must be presented in a halter with their current assigned bridle number attached.
- Ponies will be jogged in front of the show veterinarian. The handler must be a minimum of 16 years of age.
- Owners must be USEF members at the time of measurement. Ponies must have a USEF recording or HID #.

Small Horse Measurement Information

- A Small Horse, as designated by the National Dressage Pony Cup, is any breed of Equine that is under 163cm with shoes, 162cm without shoes.
- Small Horses over 3 years of age must have a current NDPC Small Horse Measurement Form submitted to the NDPC prior to the start of competition on July 3rd.
- Small Horses 8 years and older will be considered permanently measured. Small Horses under 8 have a temporary measurement status and must submit a new NDPC measurement form each year.
- Small Horses without a current NDPC Small Horse Measurement must be measured before their first ride. Small Horses may be measured by a licensed, practicing veterinarian who is required to sign and verify the measurement or, if measured at the Annual Show, the person designated to measure Small Horses.
- Small Horses are to be presented in a halter with their current assigned bridle number attached.
- Small Horses will not need to be jogged, only measured.

VACCINATION, HEALTH CERTIFICATE, DOGS, AND LIABILITY INFORMATION

Equine Vaccination Rule: All equine entering this competition must provide with their entry proof of current flu/rhino vaccinations within 6 months of the show BUT should be no later than 7 days before the show. Please read GR845 for full explanation.

Medications: Exhibitors should exercise extreme caution before medicating their horses and should be aware of the US EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION rules governing drugs and medications. Any questions about the use of certain medications and regarding Rule IV should be directed to the USEF Federation Equine Drugs and Medications Program, 956 King Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43212-2655. (800) 633-2472, (614) 299-7707, FAX (614) 299-7706.

Liability: Horses by their inherent nature present a risk. Neither the organizing/show committee, the show volunteers and staff, the facility (WEC-Ohio) or its owners, NDPC, USEF, or USDF or their members will be responsible for any damage, injury, loss to persons, horses, or property of exhibitors or spectators/attendees. All owners and competitors are personally responsible for damages to third parties caused by themselves, their employees, their agents, or their horses. They are therefore strongly advised to take out third-party insurance providing full coverage for participation in equestrian events at home and abroad, and to keep the policy up to date.

Each participant in an equestrian activity expressly assumes the risk of and legal responsibility for any injury, loss or damage to person or property which results from participation in an equestrian activity. Each participant shall have the sole individual responsibility for knowing the range of his or her own ability to manage, care for, and control a particular horse or perform a particular equestrian activity, and it shall be the duty of each participant to act within the limits of the participant's own ability, to maintain reasonable control of the particular horse or horses at all times while participating in an equestrian activity, to heed all posted warnings, to perform equestrian activities only in an area or in facilities designated by the horseman and to refrain from acting in a manner which may cause or contribute to the injury of anyone. If while actually riding in an equestrian event, any participant collides with any object or person, except an obviously intoxicated person of whom the horseman is aware, or if the participant falls from the horse or from a horse-drawn conveyance, the responsibility for such collision or fall shall be solely that of the participant or participants involved and not that of the horseman.

Accidents: A participant involved in an accident shall not depart from the area or facility where the equestrian activity took place without leaving personal identification, including name and address, or without notifying the proper authorities, or without obtaining assistance when that person knows or reasonably should know that any other person involved in the accident is in need of medical or other assistance.

Important Notice to All Affected Parties: Third parties may come upon the property or enter the facilities where any herein described or listed event will occur; provided, that this is a license to enter the premises, for the purpose of observing or participating in the event, but not otherwise, and such license to any individual is subject to revocation by the owner, lessee or organizer, and entry for any purpose other than granted herein, shall be deemed criminal trespass and subject to appropriate legal proceedings.

Dogs: Facility rules require that dogs must be on a nonretractable leash (not to exceed 6 feet in length) or suitably restrained in a tack stall/cage etc. Loose animals/animals left in vehicles in distress, etc. can and will be removed from the grounds at the owner's expense. Individuals may not lead dogs on a leash while mounted. Dog owners are solely responsible for any damages, claims, losses, or actions resulting from their dogs' behaviors. Dog owners failing to comply with this rule will be issued a Yellow warning card and may be subject to penalty under Chapters 6

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and 7. (GR1301.6) No other pets or livestock, other than horses and mules, are allowed on the grounds.

Motorized vehicle operation: 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.

Warning: Under the Equine Activity Liability Act, each participant who participates in an equine activity expressly assumes the risks of engaging in and legal responsibility for injury, loss, or damage to person or property resulting from the risk of equine activities.

Weather/Acts of God/Accidents or Emergency Policy: Management reserves the right to cancel any classes due to hazardous weather, Acts of God, accident, or emergency. Every effort will be made to reschedule with priority given to Great American\USDF qualifying classes being offered. No refund for cancellations due to hazardous weather, Acts of God, accidents, or emergencies. See USEF rule GR305.4.

SERVICES, STABLING, AND GROUNDS INFORMATION

Stabling: Permanent 10' x 10' stalls with concrete floors and rubber mats, sliding doors, and electrical outlets. Wash racks with hot/cold water. No staples, screw hooks, or nails inside stalls or on stall doors.

Stabling Groups: Please note stabling groups with your entry. Your group should decide on a "group name" that all competitors include on their entry. Stabling requests will be honored when possible.

Shavings: Shavings can be added to your entry or purchased in the show office. Alternatively, competitors may bring shavings using their private vehicles. However, shavings or any other bedding may **not** be delivered via a service (e.g., Tractor Supply, Co-Op, or other third parties, etc.).

Golf Carts: For golf cart reservations, contact WEC at (937) 382-0985.

Arenas: All arenas and warm-ups have GGT footing. All Pony and Small Horse Championships classes (except for the new 8 & Under Youth Intro A Championships) will be held in a 20 X 60 standard arena. Lunging will be available in a dedicated 320' - 220' outdoor arena.

Warmup: No persons on foot (except Lead line handlers, ring stewards, equipment checkers, emergency medical service, and show management) are allowed in designated warmups. Coaches, trainers, spectators, and other unmounted individuals must stand outside the fence or partition of warm-up arenas. Lunging is permitted in designated areas only. All Horses in the warmup arenas must wear their current issued competition numbers. If tack adjustments or Rider changes are needed, personnel must perform them outside of the arena.

Night Watch Service: Night Watch Services (\$15/night/horse) is available Wednesday to Saturday nights. Contact Tracey Hobbs via text message at (727) 804-1694. It is the responsibility of the horse owners or competitors to

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schedule and pay for all-night watch services. Venmo, PayPal, and Zelle are accepted. Contact Tracey for details.

Announcements: Class announcements and ride-time announcements are a courtesy to the exhibitor and not all shows provide the capability of public address announcements. Exhibitors are responsible for presenting themselves to the ring at their designated time and accept full responsibility for doing so.

Competitions offering public announcements will make every effort to maintain a working PA system, but it is stressed that it is still the exhibitors' responsibility to be on time. No protest will be upheld, nor any ride time changed, based on a PA breakdown or missed announcement. Exhibitors are responsible for knowing the correct show time and their scheduled performance time regardless of PA announcements or ring stewards. No protest will be upheld, nor ride time changed, due to the failure of the exhibitor to meet their responsibilities.

CONCESSIONS AND ACCOMMODATIONS

Concessions:

- Concessions will open starting 1 hour before the first ride until the completion of the final ride of each day.
- Dark Horse Coffee Company
- The International Grille and Café
- The Paddock Club

Paddock Rental

- Paddock Rental is not available.

RV Reservations:

- RV reservations must be made through your entry on HorseShowOffice.com. On site RV Reservations must be made through the show office, info@horseshowoffice.com. There are 176 RV hookups. Do not make the reservation through WEC.

Cabin and Home Away from Home Rentals:

- Accommodations may be booked online at <https://worldquestriancenter.com/wilmington-oh/stay/> or by contacting WEC at (937) 382-0985.

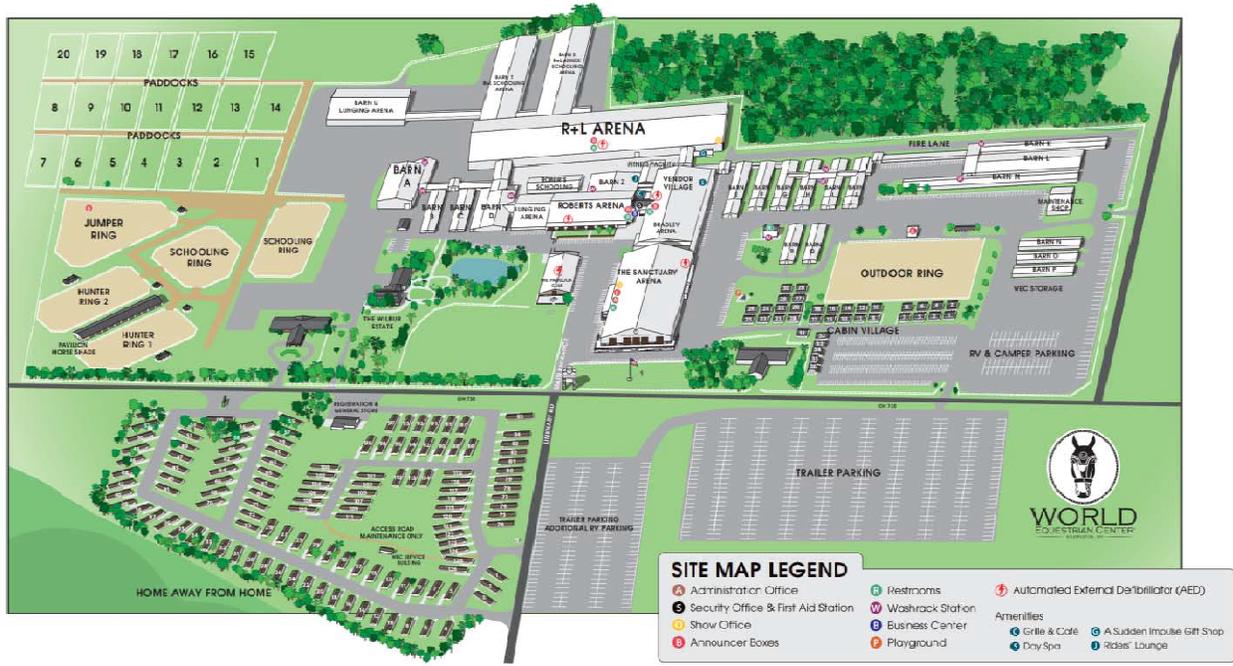
Equine Emergency Hospital

OSU Veterinary Medical Center
Galbreath Equine Center & Ralph Rogan
Equine Performance Evaluation Arena
685 Vernon L. Tharp Street
Columbus, Ohio 43210
Telephone: 614-292-6661

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DIRECTIONS AND SITE MAP

From I-71

- *Take exit 50 toward US-68/Wilmington. Go for 0.2 mi
- *Turn left onto N US Highway 68 (US-68). Go for 4.9 mi
- *Turn right onto N South St (US-68). Go for 0.8 mi
- *Turn right onto W Truesdell St (OH-730). Go for 1.3 mi
- *Continue on State Route 730 (OH-730). Go for 2.8 mi
- *Turn left onto Osborn Rd (CR-37). Go for 0.1 mi
- *Arrive at World Equestrian Center



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Fee Schedule

Office Fees:	
Office Fees:	Show I (Friday/Saturday) – \$70
	Show II (Sunday) – \$65
Incomplete/Incorrect Entry	\$35 per entry (see Page 3 for details)
Mailed/Faxed Entry Fee <i>enter online to avoid this fee</i>	\$35 per entry
Declined Card Fee	\$50
Returned Check	\$50
Disputed Credit Card Fee	\$50
Late Entries	\$75 per entry per show
Horse/Rider Change fee	\$30 (plus class change fees if applicable)
Class Changes After Entry	\$15 Per class change
Drugs/Medication Fees	\$25 (D/M \$15; USEF \$10)
USDF Non-Member Fee	\$55
USDF Membership Affidavit (if applicable)	\$5
Stabling/Tack Fees:	
Weekend – Full Show	Wednesday-Sunday Stall: \$350
Show I	Two-Day Stall: \$275
Show II/Daily Stall	One-Day Stall: \$150
<p>ALL HORSES MUST BE MOVED OUT OF STABLING BY MONDAY, July 6th, AT 7AM WITH NO EXCEPTIONS</p> <p>Failure to vacate stabling by 7 AM Monday morning will result in a \$100 hourly fee for every hour overstayed.</p> <p>Hours are not prorated. The fee will be charged to the credit card on file.</p>	
Early Arrival Stalls	\$100 per day
Tack Stall	\$275
Shavings	\$15 per bag
Miscellaneous Fees:	
Non-Compete Fee	\$100 per show
Pony/Small Horse Measurement	\$25
Golf Cart Rental	Reserved via WEC - (937) 382-0985
RV Hookup	\$300 for five nights – 30 AMP Reserved with online entry on HorseShowOffice.com

ENTRY CANCELLATION/REFUNDS

Cancellations are accepted only in writing via email. Cancellations prior to or on the closing date will be refunded, less the office fee, online convenience fee, and (If applicable) NDPC Member fee and Futurity fee.

NO REFUNDS AFTER THE CLOSING DATE FOR ANY REASON. Refunds discussed BEFORE the closing date MUST be reconciled prior to the closing date of the show, or they will NOT be refunded.

NATIONAL DRESSAGE PONY CUP INFORMATION

Show Requirements

- All Pony/Rider and Small Horse/Rider combinations must be current members of the NDPC and have USEF Pony Measurement or NDPC Small Horse Measurement Forms completed and submitted by the start of the competition on Friday, July 3rd, 2026.
- For NDPC membership, Measurements and Breed Paperwork questions, contact Karen Shaw at (513) 253-2014 or Karen@dressageponycup.com

Show Rules

- The two highest tests of each level are completed during the competition (except for the new 8 & Under Youth Intro A Championships).
- Ponies compete in height-restricted classes. Small Horses compete in NDPC membership-restricted classes.

LEVEL	MANDATORY TEST – Friday	MANDATORY TEST – Saturday
8 & Under Youth Intro A Championships	Introductory Level, Test A	Introductory Level, Test A
Introductory	Introductory Level, Test B	Introductory Level, Test C
Training	Training Level Test 2	Training Level Test 3
First	First Level Test 2	First Level Test 3
Second	Second Level Test 2	Second Level Test 3
Third	Third Level Test 2	Third Level Test 3
Fourth	Fourth Level Test 2	Fourth Level Test 3
FEI Pony Test	FEI Team Test	FEI Individual Test
FEI*	FEI Test Ridden	FEI Test Ridden
Dressage Seat Equitation	Equitation	Equitation
Para Dressage	Grand Prix A	Grand Prix B
Freestyle**	Freestyle Test	Freestyle Test

* Only one FEI test (PSG, Intermediare I, Intermediare II, Intermediare A/B, or Grand Prix) is required to qualify for prizes. If a FEI test is ridden more than once, the scores will be averaged.

** Only one Musical Freestyle test is required to qualify for prizes. If a Musical Freestyle test is ridden more than once, the scores will be averaged.

- Readers are permitted for Introductory Level through Fourth Level.
- Whips are allowed per USEF rules.
- The NDPC considers competitors to be Division U16 at age 16 and under. Competitors are considered Division 17-21 from ages 17-21. To determine which division a Rider is in, the NDPC uses the Rider's age as of December 1, 2025.
- Please note that Juniors and Young Riders will be riding in classes together but will be awarded separately based on division.

New for 2026 – The 8 & Under Youth Intro A Championship

- Riders must be 8 years of age or under as of December 1st, 2025. There is no minimum age.
- Riders must have a current NDPC Membership. Ponies must have a temporary or permanent USEF measurement. Small horses must have a temporary or permanent measurement form on file with the NDPC.
- The competitor will ride Introductory Test A in a small arena on both Friday and Saturday. Both scores will be averaged together to place the Championship.
- Ponies and small horses will be placed separately. Neck sashes for Champion & Reserve Champion

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through sixth place will be awarded.

Musical Freestyle

- Only one Musical Freestyle test is required to qualify for prizes.
- Musical Freestyle tests may be ridden on either Friday, Saturday, or both days.
- If a Musical Freestyle test is ridden more than once, the scores will be averaged.
- Musical Freestyle Champion and Reserve will be calculated using a weighted scale per level (see chart in the Breed Awards section). Champion and Reserve neck sashes for Open, AA, Junior (under 16), and Young Rider (17-21) will be awarded.

Freestyle Music: must be provided in digital .mp3 or .wav format and uploaded to your entry or emailed to info@horseshowoffice.com. If emailed, include show name, registered horse name, rider name, and freestyle level in email. Please provide music at time of entry if possible; music must be received by Wednesday, July 1st. Sound checks are available by appointment starting Thursday after 4:00 PM or Friday before start of show.

Leadline Class: No entry fee. Enter in advance or at the show office by 2:00 PM the day of the class. Participants must submit a completed and signed Dressage Entry Form with a parent/guardian signature.

Pony Cup Awards

- If a Pony/Rider or Small Horse/Rider is a previous Champion at Training through Fourth Level at the NDPC Annual Show, by an average score that is less than the scores on the chart below, they may compete at the same level the following year and be eligible for awards (*Rule Update 4/12/24*). *If a previous Champion enters the same level and earns the highest score, they will only be eligible for a Master of the Level Award.*

Avg of Tests Completed	OPEN	AA	JR/YR
Training Tests 2 and 3	68.000	63.000	63.000
First Level Tests 2 and 3	66.000	62.000	62.000
Second Level Tests 2 and 3	64.000	61.000	61.000
Third Level Tests 2 and 3	62.000	60.000	60.000
Fourth Level Tests 2 and 3	62.000	60.000	60.000

- Each day, First through Sixth Place ribbons will be awarded for Open, AA, Junior (under 16), and Young Rider (17-21) divisions at each level, for Ponies and Small Horses.
- Scores from Friday's and Saturday's tests are averaged. Pony and Small Horse Champion & Reserve Champion through Sixth Place neck sashes will be awarded for Open, AA, Junior (under 16), and Young Rider (17-21) divisions at all levels.

Master of Level Award

- If a previous Pony/Rider or Small Horse/Rider Champion enters the same level and earns the highest score, they will only be eligible for a Master of the Level Award.

High Point Rider Awards

- The highest score for a ridden test on Friday or Saturday (excluding Musical Freestyle) will be used to determine results for Open, AA, Junior (under 16), and Young Rider (17-21) High Point Rider Awards.
- High Point and Reserve High Point will be awarded in each division. No points for degree of difficulty will be added to these scores.

Oldest Pony Award

- The Oldest Pony Award celebrates the Pony competing in the NDPC Championship with the oldest age. If more than one Pony shares the same birth year, then the actual date of birth will be used to determine the winner.

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Breed Awards for Ponies and Small Horses

- The Breed Award celebrates the diversity of Ponies and Small Horses represented each year at The National Dressage Pony Cup and Small Horse Championships.
- The top two tests of the level are used for eligibility. Scores from Friday and Saturday will count (excluding Musical Freestyle). No additional classes need to be entered.
- All breeds of Ponies and Small Horses are eligible to compete.
- There is a Breed Award for all measured Ponies and Small Horses that do not belong to a registry: The Grade Breed Award.
- Breed Awards for Ponies/Small Horses whose registries have sponsored breed-specific awards include a neck sash and a commemorative plate.
- Ponies and Small Horses whose breed registries did not sponsor their Breed Award will receive a neck sash from the NDPC.
- **Registration papers must be submitted with entries or presented to the Show Office before July 3rd at noon.**
- If no breed is declared, the Pony/Small Horse will compete for the Grade Breed Award.
- Degree of difficulty points (see chart) will be added to the average scores to determine the Breed Award Champions.

DEGREE OF DIFFICULTY

Degree of Difficulty				
Level	% Points Added		Level	% Points Added
Introductory	0		Prix St. Georges	11
Training	2		Intermediare I	11.5
First	4		Intermediare A/B	12
Second	6		Intermediare II	12.5
Third	8		Grand Prix	13
Fourth	10		FEI Pony Test	6
			Para Dressage	5

Sterling Rider Perpetual Trophy and Award

- Given to the rider 65 and older with the highest single score (with degree of difficulty scores added) over both days of the Pony and Small Horse Championships. Freestyles are not included. Age is as of December 1st of the competition year.

Rachel King Perpetual Trophy and Award

- The Haflinger Small Horse or Pony with the highest single score (with degree of difficulty points added) over both days will receive this award. Freestyle scores are not included. Breed papers must be submitted.

Deborah Mgonigle Freestyle Trophy and Award

- This will go to the Pony/Small Horse with the highest single Freestyle score Friday and/or Saturday (with degree of difficulty points added). One Training-Fourth Level and one FEI Level rider will receive this award.

Neil Sorum Perpetual Trophy and Award

- The Fjord Small Horse or Pony with the highest single score (with degree of difficulty points added) over both days will receive this award. Freestyle scores are not included. Breed papers must be submitted.

Platinum Jubilee Award

- In honor of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, Platinum Jubilee. The Mountain and Moorland Small Horse or

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Pony with the highest single score (with degree of difficulty points added) over both days will receive this award. Freestyle scores are not included. Breed papers must be submitted. Mountain and Moorland Breeds are as follows: Shetland Pony, Exmoor Pony, Dartmoor Pony, Welsh Pony and Cob (Section A, B, C, and D), Eriskay Pony, Fell Pony, Kerry Bog Pony, Connemara Pony, Highland Pony, Dales Pony, New Forest Pony, and Galloway Pony. Can be part-bred with papers.

President's Choice Award

- The President's Choice Award is given each year to acknowledge a competitor or organization that exemplifies the spirit of the National Dressage Pony Cup. With this award, we honor extraordinary enthusiasm, perseverance, and dedication to furthering the participation of Ponies and Small Horses in the sport of Dressage.

Power Play Perpetual Trophy and Award

- The Arabian Pony with the highest single score (with degree of difficulty points added) over both days will receive this award. Freestyle scores are included. Must be a Pony and registered with the Arabian Horse Association (AHA). Breed papers must be submitted.

Avatar's Jazzman Perpetual Trophy and Award

- The Morgan Small Horse or Pony with the highest single score (with degree of difficulty points added) over both days will receive this award. Freestyle scores are not included. Breed papers must be submitted.

Arabian Sport Horse Alliance Perpetual Trophy and Award

- The Arabian-bred small horse or pony with the highest single score (with degree of difficulty points added) over both days will receive this award. Freestyle scores are not included. Arabian-bred is defined as Arabian, Anglo-Arabian, Shagya-Arabian, or part-bred in any registry with at least one grandparent that is one of those three breeds. This will go to both a Full Arabian and Part Arabian winner. Breed papers must be submitted.

National Dressage Pony Cup Futurity

- The NDPC Futurity recognizes the talents of young Ponies and Small Horses as they progress through the levels.
- The top two tests of Training, First, and Second Levels are competed for 4-, 5-, 6- and 7-Year-Old Ponies and Small Horses, respectively. These tests are used for eligibility in Pony Cup AND Futurity Awards. No additional tests need to be ridden.
- Nomination Forms and a non-refundable \$50 Nomination Fee must be made in advance of the competition on Friday to be eligible for the Futurity.
- Awards will be given in four categories: 4-Year-Olds, 5-Year-Olds, 6-Year-Olds, and 7-Year-Olds. Awards will not be separated into Rider divisions.
- Scores from the competition on Friday and Saturday will be averaged for the total score.
- Ribbons will be awarded First through Sixth Place.
- Payback money will be given First through Fourth place. Prize money will be paid by check by the end of the show or be mailed within 30 days if the competitor has left before checks are issued.
- 100% of the nomination fee will go into a combined purse and will be awarded.
- There will be an additional Born in the USA ribbon given to the highest scoring American born and bred Pony/Small Horse at each level.

Age	Mandatory Test – Friday	Mandatory Test – Saturday
4-Year-Old	Training Level Test 2	Training Level Test 3
5-Year-Old	First Level Test 2	First Level Test 3
6-Year-Old	Second Level Test 2	Second Level Test 3
7-Year-Old	Third Level Test 2	Third Level Test 3

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NDPC Pony Championships Class List

Championship	Test	FRI	SAT	Divisions	Class Fee	GAIG/USDF Regional Championships Q Fee
Introductory Level – 8 and Under	USDF Introductory Test A	P1UA	P2UA	U8	\$80	
Introductory Level	USDF Introductory Test B	P1UB		Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$80	
	USDF Introductory Test C		P2UC	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$80	
Training Level	Training Level Test 2	P1T2		Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$80	
	Training Level Test 3		P2T3	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$80	+\$20
First Level	First Level Test 2	P112		Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$80	
	First Level Test 3		P213	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$80	+\$20
Second Level	Second Level Test 2	P122		Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$80	
	Second Level Test 3		P223	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$80	+\$20
Third Level	Third Level Test 2	P132		Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$80	
	Third Level Test 3		P233	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$80	+\$20
Fourth Level	Fourth Level Test 2	P142		Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$80	
	Fourth Level Test 3		P243	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$80	+\$20
FEI Pony Test	FEI Pony Team Test	P1PT		PR	\$90	
	FEI Individual Test		P2PI	PR	\$90	
Para Dressage (Specify Grade)	Para Grand Prix Test A	P1GPA		Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$90	
	Para Grand Prix Test B		P2GPB	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$90	
Equitation		P1E	P2E	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$85	
<i>For FEI tests, only one ride is required. If a test is ridden more than once, the scores will be averaged.</i>						
Prix St. Georges	FEI Prix St. Georges	P1PSG	P2PSG	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$90	+\$20
Intermediare I	FEI Intermediare I	P111	P211	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$90	+\$20
Intermediare A	FEI Intermediare A	P11A	P21A	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$90	
Intermediare B	FEI Intermediare B	P11B	P21B	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$90	
Intermediare II	FEI Intermediare II	P112	P212	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$90	+\$20
Grand Prix	FEI Grand Prix	P1GP	P2GP	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$90	+\$20
<i>For Freestyles, only one ride is required. If a musical test is ridden more than once, the scores will be averaged.</i>						
USDF Freestyle	Freestyle Test of Choice	P1UF	P2UF	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$85	+\$20
FEI Freestyle	FEI Freestyle Test of Choice	P1FFS	P2FFS	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$95	+\$20

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NDPC Small Horse Championships Class List						
Championship	Test	FRI	SAT	Divisions	Class Fee	GAIG/USDF Regional Championships Q Fee
Introductory Level – 8 and Under	USDF Introductory Test A	H1UA	H2UA	U8	\$80	
Introductory Level	USDF Introductory Test B	H1UB		Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$80	
	USDF Introductory Test C		H2UC	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$80	
Training Level	Training Level Test 2	H1T2		Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$80	
	Training Level Test 3		H2T3	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$80	+\$20
First Level	First Level Test 2	H112		Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$80	
	First Level Test 3		H213	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$80	+\$20
Second Level	Second Level Test 2	H122		Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$80	
	Second Level Test 3		H223	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$80	+\$20
Third Level	Third Level Test 2	H132		Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$80	
	Third Level Test 3		H233	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$80	+\$20
Fourth Level	Fourth Level Test 2	H142		Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$80	
	Fourth Level Test 3		H143	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$80	+\$20
Para Dressage (Specify Level)	Grand Prix A	H1GPA		Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$90	
	Grand Prix B		H2GPB	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$90	
Equitation		H1E	H2E	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$85	
<i>For FEI tests, only one ride is required. If a test is ridden more than once, the scores will be averaged.</i>						
Prix St. Georges	FEI Prix St. Georges	H1PSG	H2PSG	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$90	+\$20
Intermediare I	FEI Intermediare I	H1I1	H2I1	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$90	+\$20
Intermediare A	FEI Intermediare A	H1IA	H2IA	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$90	
Intermediare B	FEI Intermediare B	H1IB	H2IB	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$90	
Intermediare II	FEI Intermediare II	H1I2	H2I2	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$90	+\$20
Grand Prix	FEI Grand Prix	H1GP	H2GP	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$90	+\$20
<i>For Freestyles, only one ride is required. If a musical test is ridden more than once, the scores will be averaged.</i>						
USDF Freestyle	Freestyle Test of Choice	H1UF	H2UF	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$85	+\$20
FEI Freestyle	FEI Freestyle Test of Choice	H1FFS	H2FFS	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$95	+\$20

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Open Show Class List						
Fri	Sat	Sun	Class Name	Divisions	Class Fee	GAIG/USDF Regional Championships Q Fee
1UA	2UA	3UA	USDF Introductory Test A	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$70	
1UB	2UB	3UB	USDF Introductory Test B	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$70	
1UC	2UC	3UC	USDF Introductory Test C	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$70	
1OT1	2OT1	3OT1	Opportunity Training Level Test 1	Open	\$70	
1OT2	2OT2	3OT2	Opportunity Training Level Test 2	Open	\$70	
1OT3	2OT3	3OT3	Opportunity Training Level Test 3	Open	\$70	
1T1	2T1	3T1	Training Level Test 1	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$70	
1T2	2T2	3T2	Training Level Test 2	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$70	
1T3	2T3	3T3	Training Level Test 3	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$70	+\$20
1O11	2O11	3O11	Opportunity First Level Test 1	Open	\$70	
1O12	2O12	3O12	Opportunity First Level Test 2	Open	\$70	
1O13	2O13	3O13	Opportunity First Level Test 3	Open	\$70	
111	211	311	First Level Test 1	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$70	
112	212	312	First Level Test 2	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$70	
113	213	313	First Level Test 3	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$70	+\$20
1O21	2O21	3O21	Opportunity Second Level Test 1	Open	\$70	
1O22	2O22	3O22	Opportunity Second Level Test 2	Open	\$70	
1O23	2O23	3O23	Opportunity Second Level Test 3	Open	\$70	
121	221	321	Second Level Test 1	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$70	
122	222	322	Second Level Test 2	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$70	
123	223	323	Second Level Test 3	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$70	+\$20
131	231	331	Third Level Test 1	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$70	
132	232	332	Third Level Test 2	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$70	
133	233	333	Third Level Test 3	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$70	+\$20
141	241	341	Fourth Level Test 1	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$70	
142	242	342	Fourth Level Test 2	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$70	
143	243	343	Fourth Level Test 3	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$70	+\$20
1U1	2U1	3U1	Stars and Stripes Benefit TOC (USEF)	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$75	+\$20
1UF	2UF	3UF	USDF Freestyle Test of Choice	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$85	+\$20
1PD	2PD	3PD	Pas De Deux – Specify Level (fee per rider)	Open	\$60	
1QD	2QD	3QD	USDF Quadrille Freestyle (fee per rider)	Open	\$60	
1PSG	2PSG	3PSG	FEI Prix St. Georges	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$80	+\$20
1I1	2I1	3I1	FEI Intermediare I	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$80	+\$20
1IA	2IA	3IA	FEI Intermediare A	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$80	
1IB	2IB	3IB	FEI Intermediare B	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$80	
1I2	2I2	3I2	FEI Intermediare II	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$80	+\$20
1GP	2GP	3GP	FEI Grand Prix	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$80	+\$20
1FEI1	2FEI1	3FEI1	Stars and Stripes Benefit TOC (FEI)	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$85	+\$20
1FFS	2FFS	3FFS	FEI Freestyle Test of Choice	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$95	+\$20
1M3F	2M3F	3M3F	Materiale 3-Year-Old Fillies	Open	\$75	
1M45F	2M45F	3M45F	Materiale 4-& 5-Year-Old Fillies	Open	\$75	
1M3CG	2M3CG	3M3CG	Materiale 3-Year-Old Colts/Geldings	Open	\$75	
1M45SG	2M45SG	3M45SG	Materiale 4-& 5-Year-Old Stallions/Geldings	Open	\$75	
1E	2E	3E	Dressage Seat Equitation	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$75	
1PTOC	2PTOC	3PTOC	USEF Pony Test of Choice	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$75	+\$20
1PFEI1	2PFEI1	3PFEI1	FEI Pony Test of Choice	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$85	+\$20
1YH	2YH	3YH	Young Horse Test of Choice (excl 7YO)	Open	\$85	
1YH7	2YH7	3YH7	Young Horse Test of Choice 7 YO (2-3 Judges)	Open	\$85	
1PEF	2PEF	3PEF	FEI Para Equestrian Freestyle TOC	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$95	
1PE1	2PE1	3PE1	FEI Para Equestrian TOC	Open/AA/U16/17-21	\$80	
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USEF Qualifying Class List						
Fri	Sat	Sun	Class Name	Divisions	Class Fee	GAIG/USDF Regional Championships Q Fee
CTEF			FEI Children's Team Test USEF Qualifying	CR	\$85	
	CIEF		FEI Children's Individual Test USEF Qualifying	CR	\$85	
JTEF			FEI Jr Team Test USEF Qualifying	JR	\$85	+\$20
	JIEF		FEI Jr Individual Test USEF Qualifying	JR	\$85	
		JF*	FEI Jr Freestyle Test (Not USEF Qualifying)	JR	\$95	
YTEF			FEI Young Rider Team Test USEF Qualifying	YR	\$85	+\$20
	YIEF		FEI Young Rider Individual Test USEF Qualifying	YR	\$85	
		YF*	FEI Young Rider Freestyle (Not USEF Qualifying)	YR	\$95	
PTEF			FEI Pony Team Test USEF Qualifying	PR	\$85	
	PIEF		FEI Pony Individual Test USEF Qualifying	PR	\$85	
	2FI1EF		FEI Intermediate I USEF Qualifying	Open	\$85	+\$20
	U25EF		FEI Grand Prix 16-25 USEF Qualifying	Open	\$85	
1GEF			FEI Grand Prix USEF Qualifying	Open	\$85	+\$20
	2GPSEF		FEI Grand Prix Special USEF Qualifying	Open	\$85	
1GPAEF			FEI Para Equestrian – GP A TOC USEF Qualifying	Open	\$85	
	2GPBEF		FEI Para Equestrian – GPB TOC USEF Qualifying	Open	\$85	
		3PFGEF	FEI Para Equestrian GP Freestyle TOC USEF Qualifying	Open	\$95	
1IAEF			FEI Para Equestrian – Intermediate A TOC USEF Qualifying	Open	\$85	
	2IBEF		FEI Para Equestrian – Intermediate B TOC USEF Qualifying	Open	\$85	
		3PFIEF	FEI Para Equestrian – Intermediate Freestyle TOC USEF Qualifying	Open	\$95	
Markel/USEF Qualifying						
1PSGEF			FEI Prix St. Georges Markel/USEF Qualifying	Open	\$85	+\$20
1FI2EF			FEI Intermediate II Markel/USEF Qualifying	Open	\$85	+\$20
		DHPEF	USEF Developing Horse Prix St. Georges Markel/USEF Qualifying	Open	\$85	
		DHGEF	USEF Developing Horse Grand Prix Test Markel/USEF Qualifying	Open	\$85	
		US4EF	USEF 4-Year-Old Test Markel/USEF Qualifying	Open	\$85	
	2FEI5PEF		FEI 5-Year-Old Test Preliminary Markel/USEF Qualifying	Open	\$85	
		3FEI5EF	FEI 5-Year-Old Test Final Markel/USEF Qualifying	Open	\$85	
	2FEI6PEF		FEI 6-Year-Old Test Preliminary Markel/USEF Qualifying	Open	\$85	
		3FEI6EF	FEI 6-Year-Old Test Final Markel/USEF Qualifying	Open	\$85	
	2FEI7PEF		FEI 7-Year-Old Test Preliminary Markel/USEF Qualifying	Open	\$85	
		3FEI7EF	FEI 7-Year-Old Test Final Markel/USEF Qualifying	Open	\$85	

*Classes JF/YF are not Qualifying Classes for USEF

OPEN SHOW CLASS AND AWARDS INFORMATION

Division Definitions:

Under 8 Division-Riders eligible for this division are 8 years old or under as of December 1, 2025.

Under 16 Division-Riders eligible for this division are 16 years old or under as of December 1, 2025.

17-21 Division-Riders eligible for this division are 17-21 years old as of December 1, 2025.

Awards for Open Show Classes

- Ribbons to sixth place for each class. Divisions (U16/17-21/AA/Open) may be run concurrently as one class. Riders may enter only one division per class. No awards for Qualifying classes. Divisions will be pinned separately. Riders must clearly specify their division choice. When no designation is made, Riders will automatically be entered as Open. Only one set of ribbons will be awarded for those classes with only the Open division.

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High Point Rider Awards

- The highest score for a ridden test on Friday or Saturday (excluding Musical Freestyles, Equitation, and Materiale) will be used to determine results for Open, AA, Junior (under 16) and Young Rider (17-21) High Point Rider Awards.
- High Point and Reserve High Point will be awarded in each division.

High Point Freestyle Awards

- The highest score for National Level Freestyles and FEI Freestyles (on Friday or Saturday) will be used to determine results for Open, AA, Junior (under 16) and Young Rider (17-21) High Point Freestyle Awards.
- High Point and Reserve High Point will be awarded in each division.

Amateur (AA) Classes

- Individuals possessing current amateur certification are only eligible as Adult Amateurs from the beginning of the calendar year in which they reach age 22.
- Only active United States Equestrian Federation (USEF) members may obtain amateur status. (Exception: Equine Canada members in possession of current EC membership may sign for USEF Amateur status, show-by-show at no cost).
- Participants must possess current USEF Amateur status and qualify under the USEF Amateur rules.
- If opportunity classes at Dressage Competitions are restricted to amateurs, Riders are required to have an amateur status with USEF.

Junior/Young Rider Classes (Jr/YR)

- Riders are eligible to compete in these classes until the end of the calendar year in which they reach the age of 21.
- Please note that Juniors and Young Riders will be riding in classes together but will be awarded separately based on division.

New for 2026 – Stars and Stripes TOC Benefit Classes

- Anyone can enter the Stars and Stripes TOC Benefit Classes. These classes will be offered each day (USEF and FEI). Profits from these classes will be donated to a Veterans Organization to be announced. If you would like to ride in honor of a veteran or someone currently serving, please email this information to Karen@dressageponycup.com so that we can recognize them at the show.

New for 2026 - NDPC Team Challenge

- Name your six person team made up of ponies, small horses, and big horses! Sign up with your entry. \$20 per rider. Each riders highest score from Friday and/or Saturday will be used.
- Freestyles, Materiale, Young Horse, Equitation, Opportunity, and Pas de Deux classes are not eligible.
- Lowest score will be dropped. The remaining 5 scores will be averaged (no DOD added).
- Rider sashes through 8th place will be awarded. Awards will be given during the competitors party on Saturday night.
- One rider can ride multiple horses, but each horse must be on a different team. 2 riders can ride the same horse on the same team.

Dressage Seat Medal Program

- The USEF/USDF Dressage Seat Medal Program, for Riders ages 18 and under, celebrates excellence in equitation and strives to develop a solid foundation for future success in the dressage arena. Riders wishing to qualify for the USEF Dressage Seat Medal Finals must compete in the USDF Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Finals held at the Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Championships. To qualify for the USDF Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Finals, a competitor must earn a qualifying score of 70% or above

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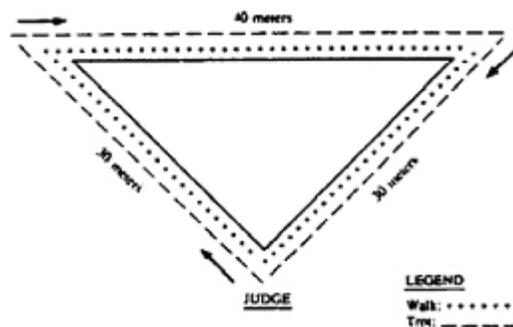
in any eligible Dressage Seat Equitation class (except walk/trot) held at a USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized dressage competition during the qualifying period or by qualifying for the Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Championships. The top two placing Riders in the Semi-Finals are automatically invited to the Finals.

USDF Regional Adult Amateur Equitation Program

- Rider must be an Adult Amateur (age 22 and up) and have a current USDF participating membership at the time the qualifying score is earned. The Horse must have a USDF Lifetime Horse Registration when the qualifying score is earned. To be eligible for the USDF Adult Amateur Equitation Regional Final class, the Rider must have earned a score of 70% or higher in any dressage seat equitation class within the qualifying period or qualify to compete in any regional dressage championship class (excluding freestyles).

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.



PLEASE REVIEW THE RULES FOR DRESSAGE SPORT HORSE BREEDING CLASSES IN HAND BEFORE ENTERING THESE CLASSES.

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DRESSAGE SPORT HORSE BREEDING CLASSES

Class Name	Pony Non-USDFBC Qualifier	Open Show ProElite/USDFBC Qualifier	Class Fee
	SUNDAY	SUNDAY	
Fillies 2026 – Top 2 Advance	PB1	OB1	\$75
Colts and Geldings of 2026 – Top 2 Advance	PB2	OB2	\$75
Current Year Foal Champion – Does NOT move on to Grand Champion Classes.	PB3	OB3	
Yearling Fillies – Top 2 Advance	PB4	OB4	\$75
2-Year-Old Fillies – Top 2 Advance	PB5	OB5	\$75
3-Year-Old Fillies – Top 2 Advance	PB6	OB6	\$75
Filly Championship – Top 3 Advance	PB7	OB7	
Yearling Colts & Geldings – Top 2 Advance	PB8	OB8	\$75
2-Year-Old Colts & Geldings – Top 2 Advance	PB9	OB9	\$75
3-Year-Old Colts & Geldings – Top 2 Advance	PB10	OB10	\$75
Colts & Geldings Championship – Top 3 Advance	PB11	OB11	
Young Horse Championship – Top 2 Advance	PB12	OB12	
4-Year-Old Mare Sport Horse Prospects - Top 2 Advance	PB13	OB13	\$75
4-Year-Old Stallions & Geldings Sport Horse Prospects - Top 2 Advance	PB14	OB14	\$75
4-Year-Old Prospect Championship	PB15	OB15	
4-Year-Old & Older Maiden Mare – Top 2 Advance	PB16	OB16	\$75
4-Year-Old & Older Yeld Mares – Top 2 Advance	PB17	OB17	\$75
4-Year-Old & Older Brood Mares – Top 2 Advance	PB18	OB18	\$75
Mare Championship – Top 3 Advance	PB19	OB19	
and Older Stallions, showing under saddle or in materiale classes - Top 2 Advance	PB20	OB20	\$75
4-Year-Old and Older Stallions, showing only in-hand - Top 2 Advance	PB21	OB21	\$75
Stallion Championship – Top 3 Advance	PB22	OB22	
Mature Championship – Top 2 Advance	PB23	OB23	
– Top 2 Young and Top 2 Mature Compete	PB24	OB24	
Materiale 3-Year-Old Fillies	PBM3F	OBM3F	\$75
Materiale 3-Year-Old Colts & Geldings	PBM3CG	OBM3CG	\$75
Materiale 4 & 5-Year-Old Mares	PBM45M	OBM45M	\$75
Materiale 4 & 5-Year-Old Geldings & Stallions	PBM45GS	OBM45GS	\$75
Amateur/Jr/YR Handler	PB25	OB25	\$75
Individual Breed Classes (IBC)			
IBC - Haflinger		OB26	\$75
IBC - New Forest Pony		OB27	\$75
IBC - Thoroughbred		OB28	\$75
IBC – Mustang		OB29	\$75
IBC – Lipizzan		OB30	\$75
IBC - Welsh		OB31	\$75
IBC – Arabian		OB32	\$75

Class Name	Pony Non-USDFBC Qualifier	Open Show ProElite/USDFBC Qualifier	Class Fee
IBC - IALHA		OB33	\$75
IBC – Morgan		OB34	\$75
IBC – Fjord		OB35	\$75
IBC – German Riding Pony		OB36	\$75
IBC – Gypsy Vanner		OB37	\$75
IBC – Connemara Pony		OB38	\$75
IBC – KWPN		OB39	\$75
IBC –West Falen		OB40	\$75
IBC –Hanoverian		OB41	\$75

- Suitable to become a Dressage Horse: Entries must be at least 36 months old and no more than seven years old.
- Ponies or horses cannot have competed above First Level. For in-hand classes, Ponies/Horses will be shown in hand at the walk and trot on the triangle, judged for suitability to become dressage horses, to be scored 60% movement, 30% conformation, 10% general impression. Bridles are mandatory for horses two-years-old and older including non-compete horses.
- If an entered Pony or Horse is registered with any breed, the name of the breed, sire, dam, dam-sire and breeder must be included on the entry blank. Ponies three-years-old or older must have a USEF Pony Measurement Card. Ponies under three must have a parent with a USEF Pony Measurement Card.
- For USDFBC in-hand classes, Horses that earn a 75% or higher in their division automatically qualify for a USDF Breeders Championship Series Finals. For Materiale classes, Horses that earn a 72% or higher in their division automatically qualify for a USDF Breeders Championship Series Finals.
- Ponies are permitted to enter both the NDPC Breed Show and the USDFBC qualifying classes.
- Small Horses and Horses are only permitted to enter the USDFBC qualifying classes
- Individual Breed Classes (IBC): Send breed registration papers for eligibility.
- For Amateur/JR/YR Handler, this class is open to fillies/mares & geldings in any age. No Stallions/colts ex. Weanlings. Judged on presentation, neatness & appearance of handler, overall condition, handling techniques, appropriate tack/equipment, demonstration of correct training & ability to show horse to best of its ability.