

Opening Date: June 5, 2024
Closing Date: August 9, 2024
AQHA Approved



Both shows : Level 2

ERAHC Virginia Classic Open Dressage Show I (317891)

Wednesday, August 21 2024

ERAHC Virginia Classic Open Dressage Show II (340837)

Thursday, August 22, 2024

Virginia Horse Center, Maury River Rd., Lexington, VA, 24450

Consult the ERAHC website for updates: www.erahc.org

Two separate licensed shows: Need two separate entry forms and sets of documents

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**CLASS LIST – BOTH SHOWS – STATE OPEN/AA/JYR AND GAIG Q
AS APPLICABLE**

CLASS # Wednesday August 21	CLASS # Thursday August 22	FEE	DESCRIPTION
1	21	\$40	*USDF Introductory Level Test A Not Recognized (exempt NM Fee)
2	22	\$40	*USDF Introductory Level Test B Not Recognized (exempt NM Fee)
3	23	\$40	*USDF Introductory Level Test C Not Recognized (exempt NM Fee)
11	31	\$40	*OPPORTUNITY USEF Training Level Test 1 Adult Amateur / Junior Young Rider (see definitions) (exempt NM and USEF \$23 Fees)
12	32	\$40	*OPPORTUNITY USEF Training Level Test 2 Adult Amateur / Junior Young Rider (see definitions) (exempt NM and USEF \$23 Fees)
101	201	\$50	USEF Training Level Test 1
102	202	\$50	USEF Training Level Test 2 CBLM Q
103	203	\$50	USEF Training Level Test 3 GAIG Q
111	211	\$50	USEF First Level Test 1
112	212	\$50	USEF First Level Test 2 CBLM Q
113	213	\$50	USEF First Level Test 3 GAIG Q
121	221	\$50	USEF Second Level Test 1
122	222	\$50	USEF Second Level Test 2 CBLM Q
123	223	\$50	USEF Second Level Test 3 GAIG Q
131	231	\$55	USEF Third Level Test 1
132	232	\$55	USEF Third Level Test 2 CBLM Q
133	233	\$55	USEF Third Level Test 3 GAIG Q
141	241	\$55	USEF Fourth Level Test 1
142	242	\$55	USEF Fourth Level Test 2 CBLM Q
143	243	\$55	USEF Fourth Level Test 3 GAIG Q
144	244	\$50	+USEF TOC CBLM Q / GAIG Q if app. State level and test on entry form
151	251	\$65	FEI Prix St. Georges CBLM Q / GAIG Q (see definitions below)
152	252	\$65	FEI Intermediate I CBLM Q / GAIG Q
153	253	\$65	FEI Intermediate II CBLM Q/GAIG Q
154	254	\$65	FEI Grand Prix CBLM Q / GAIG Q
155	255	\$65	+FEI TOC CBLM Q / GAIG Q if app
161	261	\$65	USDF MFS (Training – 4 th TOC) CBLMQ/GAIGQ if app. State level and test
162	262	\$65	+MFS FEI Levels TOC CBLM Q / GAIG Q if app. State level and test
175	275	\$50	Dressage Seat Equitation JYR/AA; AAEP Qualifier
180	280	\$50	Materiale – 3yr. – Fillies
181	281	\$50	Materiale – 3yr. – Colts/Geldings
182	282	\$50	Materiale – 4-5yr. – Mares
183	283	\$50	Materiale – 4-5yr. – Geldings/Stallions

* No USEF/USDF memberships or Horse ID required for Opportunity classes. Opportunity classes are also exempt the \$23 USEF fee + State level and test on entry form. USEF HID required for Introductory classes, but USEF/USDF membership is not required.

OTHER FEES	
DESCRIPTION	FEES
USEF D&M /Horse Fee. Drugs and medication + USEF Fee	\$23
USEF Show Pass Fee where allowed. Must be purchased from USEF (formerly “non-member” fee, see below**)	N/A
USDF Non-Members fee (for each Rider/Owner)	\$35
Non-competing horse fee (need entry form, USEF Waiver, Coggins, Flu/Rhino/office fee)	\$40
Office fee (non-refundable; includes number fee for each H/R combination)	\$40
GAIG/USDF qualifying fee	\$15
Change/add/drop fee, per class, if granted by show secretary (after Aug. 22)	\$20
Post-entry fee for entries received after the August 11 date	\$50
Horse Day Stall only (6am – 6pm : no overnight)	\$70
Horse or Tack Stall (Tues. noon—Thurs afternoon.)	\$125
Horse or Tack Stall (Tuesday – Sunday)	\$200
Grounds fee per day (for horses not stabled on grounds) per Show Day	\$35
Incomplete Entry Fee: Charged for entries missing signatures, Coggins, vaccination form, MFS Verification, etc. on arrival to show grounds	\$25
NSF Check Charge or Chargeback Charge	\$50

Payment and Refund Policy

Make checks payable to ERAHC

Refunds: until August 9, refunds on entries minus Office fee. **NO REFUNDS** after **August 9**, including stabling & overpayments, for any reasons including cancellations due to Act of God, acts of terrorism, inclement weather and/or other emergencies or non-compliance with SafeSport eligibility. No refunds for amounts less than \$20.

GAIG/USDF Q fees refunded, if request received before start of class until end of competition (unless applied to other indebtedness); otherwise, will be paid to USDF.

Credit Card dispute, chargeback or withdrawal: \$50 per dispute, chargeback and /or withdrawal

After **Closing Date**: August 10 until check-in day, if a competitor has tested positive for COVID-19, has symptoms or has been in contact with COVID-19, upon written (via email) notification, refunds minus \$40 fee will be provided.

After arrival at show grounds, if a competitor has tested positive for COVID-19, has symptoms or has been in contact with COVID-19, upon written (via email) notification, only class fees for classes not ridden will be refunded.

****2024 USEF MEMBERSHIP/SHOW PASS RULES for Non-Members -- Important Change**

*Non-member participants in the role of riders, drivers, handlers, vaulters, longueurs, owners, lessees, and agents must pay a Show Pass fee. Competitions cannot accept payment for a Show Pass from exhibitors. Show Pass purchases can only be made online on the USEF website by exhibitors. Non-member participants in the above roles are limited to obtaining **no more than one (1) Show Pass per competition year** (December 1, 2023-November 30, 2024).*

To be eligible to participate at Federation Licensed Competitions, all persons acting as coaches or trainers, and legal guardians signing entry blanks as coaches or trainers on behalf of their minors must be Senior Active Members in good standing.

The online Show Pass form is available on the USEF website at <https://www.usef.org/show-pass>

The Show Pass form cannot be completed until a competition start date is within the next 14 days or if the show is currently in progress. The Show Pass must be completed prior to competing. Make sure to check current rules on website. Show secretary is notified of show passes.

Please note: USEF/USEF membership and horse ID requirements are not required for Intro Level/Opportunity class dressage.

USEF WAIVER FORMS REQUIRED

EVERYONE (riders, owners/agents, trainers, coaches, officials, staff, volunteers and any others) MUST sign a USEF Waiver Form (on last page of Prize List). No one may enter the grounds without a signed waiver form.

SAFE SPORT

All USEF Life and Senior Active members, as well as participants who have regular contact with minor athletes, are required to comply with the U.S. Center for SafeSport training requirement to be eligible to participate in the competition. All participants must adhere to the U.S. Center for SafeSport Code, USEF Safe Sport Policy, and the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies. More information about these can be found at www.usef.org.

All adult USEF active members must complete the SafeSport Training in order to compete. Please go to your dashboard on www.USEF.org to complete this training.

IMPORTANT!! NEW RULE FOR 2024 COMPETITION YEAR: All horses MUST have a USEF Horse ID as well as USDF HID to compete. See rule below:

GR1101 Horse Identification Number and Horse Identification Form

- 1. All horses competing in Federation licensed competitions must be properly identified. For all such competitions, entries for each horse must include a Federation-issued Unique Horse Identification Number. Additionally, a Federation Recognized Discipline Affiliate may require horses to be registered with their organization, and if so, the entry must also include that registration number.**
- 2. The Federation will issue only one Unique Horse ID Number per horse. This Unique Horse ID number must subsequently remain with the horse in perpetuity, and shall not be changed for any reason, including upgrade from Unique Horse ID to a Recording, change of ownership, change of name, or death.**
- 3. Prior to submitting an application for a new Unique Horse ID number, it is the owner's responsibility to verify the current ID status of a horse through a Horse Recording/ID search, (the assistance of Federation staff may be requested). Anyone who knowingly seeks to obtain an additional Unique Horse ID Number for a horse which has previously been issued one is subject to disciplinary action.**
- 4. The Federation must be notified of any change of ownership and/or competition name of the horse.**
- 5. Owners are requested to notify the Federation of corrections to previously submitted information, e.g., names, addresses, breed registration, pedigree, or markings.**
- 6. A Unique Horse ID number can be upgraded to Federation recording. The Unique Horse ID Number will remain the same.**
- 7. Applications for Unique Horse ID Numbers and/or recordings can be completed online at www.usef.org using the Horse application form which can also be downloaded. The ID application form is also available on request from the Federation office, and from competition management.**
- 8. Competition management is responsible for notifying exhibitors in their prize lists of the Unique Horse ID Number requirement, and availability of Horse ID Number application forms.**
- 9. There will be no charge for Unique Horse ID Numbers that are issued via the internet to members of USEF or its affiliates for: 1) horses that are life recorded, registered or otherwise identified or listed with a USEF discipline affiliate, or 2) horses registered with a USEF breed affiliate. Horses not meeting the above criteria must have a completed USEF Horse application indicating on the application the request for a Horse ID before a number will be issued. This form can be completed on the internet, free of charge, at www.usef.org.**
- 10. Effective December 1, 2025, all horses competing at Federation Licensed and Endorsed Competitions must provide a microchip number that verifies the animal. A microchip used to verify identity must be a fifteen-digit ISO compliant 11784/11785 chip and be implanted in the nuchal ligament of the animal.**

Definitions/Eligibility

Open	A class in which professionals, adult amateurs, and junior/young riders may ride.
JR/YR	Open to Juniors and Young Riders only; any rider is eligible until the end of the calendar year in which they reach the age 21. Only riders ages 14-18 may ride FEI JR Test. Only riders age 16-21 may ride FEI YR Test. Only riders ages 12-16 may ride FEI Pony Tests. Only riders ages 12-14 may ride FEI Children Test
AA	Open to Adult Amateurs only; riders must compete as adults from the beginning of the calendar year in which they reach the age of 22. Must hold current USEF Amateur card
CBLM	Qualifying class for 2024 CBLM Championships. Qualifying tests are Training 2, First 2, Second 2, Third 2, Fourth 2, Prix St. Georges, Intermediate I, Intermediate II, Grand Prix, all MFS except training. To be eligible, riders must be members of a participating organization at the time of the show. See www.cblm.org for details.
GAIG/USDF QUAL	Qualifying class for the 2024 Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Championships. Qualifying tests are Training 3, First 3, Second 3, Third 3, Fourth 3, Prix St. Georges, Intermediate I, Intermediate II, and Grand Prix. Rider and Owner must be USDF participating members and USEF members; horse must be USDF Lifetime Registered and USEF (Annual or Lifetime) recording. Owners may be USDF Business Members. Entry fee plus \$15 required before the start of the class.
TOC	Test of Choice. Rider may ride any test in the category. Specify test on entry form May be CBLM or GAIG qualifier if proper test is ridden and fees paid before the start of the class
FEI TOC	For this show, limited to FEI Prix St. Georges, FEI Intermediate I, FEI Intermediate A. FEI Intermediate B, FEI Intermediate II, and FEI Grand Prix.
MFS	Musical Freestyle. For USEF guidelines, see DR 129 Musical Freestyle Ride at www.usef.org/documents/ruleBook/2014/08-DRpdf . Must provide copy of qualifying test. May be CBLM/GAIG qualifier, if proper test is ridden and fees paid. USDF Training Level MFS is not a CBLM/GAIG qualifying test. The prerequisite score to ride a MFS is 63% for Training through Fourth Levels, and 60% for FEI Levels.
OP	Opportunity class. See USEF GR821 for rules. Scores earned in dressage “opportunity” classes may not be used towards USEF or USDF awards or programs. These classes are intended for entry level riders. Horses, riders, owners, trainers, and coaches participating only in Opportunity classes are exempt from Federation and affiliate organization membership and Horse Identification(HID) requirements and non-member Show Pass fees. Horses entered only in “opportunity” classes are exempt from the Federation fee, including the Drugs & Medications fee. For this show, horses and/or riders entered in opportunity class(es) may not be entered in any other class(es) in the show except Introductory levels.
Materiale Classes	Judged under saddle at walk/trot/canter according to criteria listed on the “USDF Materiale Class” score sheet. Horses must be at least 36 months of age to participate

Entry Information Requirements: Competitors are responsible to provide valid membership numbers on the entry form for all horse, owner, rider, and trainer names listed on the entry form. **Only one horse-rider combination per entry form.** USEF and USDF registration is verified electronically if valid membership numbers are provided on the entry form. Safe Sport Training must have been completed for USEF memberships to be valid. You may be asked to provide copies of your membership documents, if your memberships cannot be verified for any reason.

All hard copy entries must include copies of all memberships for horse, owner, rider and trainer listed on entry form. **NO MAILED ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT MEMBERSHIP CARD COPIES & COGGINS.**

USEF SAFE SPORT TRAINING REQUIREMENT: If you are a USEF Competing Member 18 years of age or older you are required to complete the core Safe Sport Training within 30 days of activating your membership. If you do not complete the training, you are ineligible to participate in all USEF activities including competitions. TAKE the SAFE SPORT TRAINING at USEF.org by logging into your member dashboard.

Entries may be submitted via postal mail, with a check or money order for payment, as well as all the documentation below. Send to the Secretary: Shannon Bossung (see front of prize list). Do NOT send signature required.

- **Entries:** may be submitted using Horse Show Office www.horshowoffice.com . With this online system, riders and owners agree that they have read the OFFICIAL PRIZE LIST and agree to follow all the class specifications, requirements and conditions therein.
- Through HSO, the rider submits:
 - (1) Entry form
 - (2) Full payment
 - (3) USEF Federation Entry Agreement, USEF Waiver, with ALL three signatures (rider, owner, trainer and parent/guardian if applicable)
 - (4) Current negative Coggins
 - (5) Proof of rider and owner USEF and USDF Memberships (or pay USDF non-member fee{see above concerning USEF Show Pass rules}) Opportunity and Intro are exempt from NM fee.
 - (6) Proof of horse USDF Registration and USEF Recordation (Opportunity and Intro are exempt)
 - (7) Safe Sport Training completion (if adult—owner/rider/trainer)
 - (8) ERAHC waiver/release form
 - (9) Any required documentation (proof of a qualifying score for MFS classes, etc.) Entries without both the (1) complete entry form and (2) full payment will not be entered in the show until received.
 - Items (5) and (6) may also be submitted via the printed report from www.eqverification.org.
 - If complete documents (3), (4), (5), (6) and (7) are not submitted via EqE, may be submitted via snail mail (do not use a signature required service) sent to the Show Secretary or as an email attachment sent to SGP588@hotmail.com (the email SUBJECT line must state the email is related to the ERAHC show).
 - **All Emergency** numbers will be posted in/outside the Secretary’s office and in the barns.
 - **Riders** may substitute horses once they have entered only upon presentation of a Vet Certificate for the incapacitated horse, or a bill-of-sale, and only in classes in which the first horse was entered. The Secretary must be notified 24 hours before the class(es) take(s) place, and a new entry form must be completed.
- **FULL SHOW:** Entries may be limited if numbers exceed capacity of the facility. The show may fill prior to the closing date. Entries received after the show is full will be placed on a waiting list.

- **LATE ENTRIES:** Late entries (received by the show secretary after midnight of the August 9 date) will be accepted on a space available basis.
- Virginia law requires a current health certificate for horses arriving from out of state. Your horse cannot be stabled on the grounds without a health certificate.
- **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. A current Coggins within 12 Months must also be submitted**
- Submit completed 2024 Dressage entry forms and fees for each horse separately to the Show Secretary. Entries will be limited if the number of entries exceed facility capacity. In the event of oversubscription, a waiting list will be established.
- ERAHC will not be responsible for any damage, injury, or loss to persons, horses, or property of exhibitors, spectators, or grooms. Include signed **ERAHC Waiver** sheet with Entry Forms
- Any entry received after August 9 date is a Post Entry and may be accepted at the discretion of show management. If accepted, the entry will be assessed a \$50 surcharge.
- **Non-Competing Horse:** Must submit completed and signed Entry form to the Show Secretary, show proof of current Coggins and Flu/Rhino vaccine, sign USEF Waiver, and pay NC Horse fee plus Office fee. Grounds or stabling fees are also required. USEF/USDF fees or Late fee NOT required.

Virginia Law

Under Virginia law, an equine activity sponsor or equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting exclusively from the inherent risks of equine activities.

CODE OF VIRGINIA TITLE 3.1 AGRICULTURE, HORTICULTURE AND FOOD, CHAPTER 27.5. EQUINE ACTIVITY LIABILITY ACT, VA. Code Ann. 3.1-796.130 (1994)

- **Hold Harmless Clause** The Equine Activity Liability laws of the State of Virginia, VA Code Ann. Sec 3.2-6200-6203 state among its statutory provisions that, "NOTICE: Intrinsic dangers in equine activity, include (i) the propensity of equines to behave in ways that may result in injury, harm, or death to persons on or around them; (ii) the unpredictability of an equine's reaction to such things as sounds, sudden movement, and unfamiliar objects, persons, or other animals; (iii) certain hazards such as surface and subsurface conditions; (iv) collisions with other animals or objects; and (v) the potential of a participant acting in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury to the participant or others, such as failing to maintain control over the equine or not acting within the participant's ability. " No Participant nor any participant's parent, guardian, or representative shall have or make any claim against or recover from any equine activity sponsor, equine professional, or any other person for injury, loss, damage, or death of the participant resulting from any of the intrinsic dangers of equine activities. It is further understood that each owner, spectator, and other participants assume any and all risks of loss or injury and agrees to hold harmless, regardless of negligent acts or omissions The Virginia Horse Center, USDF, USEF, its instructors, officers, directors, agents, show management, show committee, and all other horse show personnel.

Musical Freestyle Requirement:

- Riders must submit with their entry a copy of the highest test of the level entered or higher level with a minimum score of 63% in USEF levels, 60% in FEI levels, in accordance with USEF rule
- Competitors must provide music on good quality CDs to the announcer at least 2 hr. prior to scheduled time for ride. You may email a mp3 of your music to our announcer Charles Pinnell at charlespinnell@gmail.com ahead of time. Times for sound checks will be announced at the show. Please check Show Office.

ATTENTION FREESTYLE COMPETITORS



UNITED STATES DRESSAGE FEDERATION™

Freestyle Competitor Reminders

- The format for the music should be listed in the prize list. If not check with competition management.
- Submit your music clearly labeled with your name, horse's name, bridle number, and freestyle level.
- Make sure to bring a backup in the format requested.
- Be present for your sound check.
- Know the rules for the level you are riding. This includes forbidden and allowed movements for your level.

Questions?

Contact: MusicalFreestyle@usdf.org

4051 Iron Works ParkWay, Lexington, KY 40511

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ATTENTION COMPETITORS

Each competitor is responsible for supplying management with correct applicable numbers (USDF and USEF) for horse, owner, rider, and trainer, before the day(s) of the competition.

The scores of competitors who fail to supply correct numbers may not be counted toward national awards.



UNITED STATES DRESSAGE FEDERATION™

Regional Adult Amateur Equitation Program

The USDF Regional Adult Amateur Equitation Program recognizes adult amateurs competing in equitation and promotes correct seat, position, and use of the aids in dressage. An Adult Amateur Equitation Regional Final class presented by Big Dee's Tack and Vet Supply will be held in conjunction with each of the nine USDF Regional Dressage Championship competitions, providing adult amateurs with additional opportunity for recognition. Ribbons awarded through 8th Place and gift certificates awarded to top four riders.

Adult amateurs wishing to qualify to compete in an Adult Amateur Equitation Regional Final may do so by meeting the following requirements.

Qualifying Requirements

To be eligible for the USDF Adult Amateur Equitation Regional Final class, rider must have

- a) Earned a score of 70% or higher in any dressage seat equitation class (except walk/trot) at a USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized Dressage competition within the qualifying period of the applicable regional championship.
- or*
- b) Qualified to compete in any regional dressage championship class (excluding freestyles).

Membership Requirements

- Rider must have a USDF Participating Membership at the time the qualifying score is earned, and at the time of the Regional Final class.
- Rider must be an adult amateur, in accordance with GR1306 of the USEF rules, and be designated with USEF as an adult amateur when the score is earned, and at the time of the Regional Final class.
- Owner must have a USDF Participating or Business Membership when the qualifying score is earned, and at the time of the Regional Final class.
- Horse must have a USDF Lifetime Horse Registration when the qualifying score is earned, and at the time of the Regional Final class.

The USDF Regional Adult Amateur Equitation Program rules and information can be found on the USDF [website](#).

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General Information

- “EVERY CLASS OFFERED HEREIN WHICH IS COVERED BY THE RULES AND SPECIFICATIONS OF THE CURRENT USEF RULE BOOK WILL BE CONDUCTED AND JUDGED IN ACCORDANCE THEREWITH. CURRENT USDF, USEF, AND FEI TESTS WILL BE USED.”
- **Horse Show Executive Committee:** This committee reserves the right to itself, to interpret all questions and conditions in regard to or arising out of, or incident to the show, without claims for damages or recourse of any kind. Any question not covered in these rules and regulations shall be decided by this committee and their decision to be final. The Committee shall consist of the Show Manager, Show Secretary, USEF Show Steward and Representative from IALHA.
- ERAHC will not be responsible for any damage, injury, or loss to persons, horses, or property of exhibitors, spectators, or grooms. Include signed **ERAHC Waiver** sheet with Entry Forms
- **Once entered**, owners may substitute an entrant only upon submission of a veterinary certificate verifying the horse's illness/injury or proof that the entrant has been sold. In the event of a substitution, the show secretary must be notified at least 24 hours before the show date and a new entry form must be completed prior to the start of the class. A substitution must be for the exact class scheduled; otherwise, it will be considered a new entry.
- **No Shows** may be considered a scratch for the remainder of the dressage show and the next entrant on the waiting list may be given their spot.
- Proper attire will be required of all exhibitors. See DR-120.
- **All domestic animals** (dogs and cats) must be securely tied, caged, in a closed stall, or on a leash held by a responsible person at all times while on the show grounds or in the stable area. The show will assess a \$100 fine on owners of loose dogs. USEF may levy additional penalties for loose dogs. See GR-1301.6.
- **Sharps Containers: Red** receptacles are available in the barn area and **MUST** be used for disposal of needles and other Disposable sharp instruments. It is a felony to place medical trash/sharps in the manure pits. The fine for improper disposal of needles or other sharp disposable instruments is \$1000, imposed on any individual, including trainers, owners, exhibitors, or their agents.
- **No smoking** is allowed in the barn areas or in any buildings at VHC. Anyone found smoking in the barn area will be fined \$100.
- **Numbers** must be worn at all times when a horse is being exercised, walked, or ridden.
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- **Fly hoods/ear covers** are permitted for all classes (indoors and outdoors). Fly hoods (ear covers) are permitted for all classes in order to protect horses from insects. The fly hood should be discreet in color and design and should not cover the horse's eyes. After completion of the test, the rider or his representative is responsible for removing the fly hood to present the designated ring steward for inspection to ensure that nothing prohibited has been added. USEF DR 121.7.
- **Management** reserves the right to cancel, split, or combine classes. In the event of over subscription, entries will be limited. Classes may be split into AA or Jr/YR if there are 5 or more AA or Jr/YR entries in the class.
- **Trainers:** Email your **"Stable With"** list and stall order to show secretary at least seven days before show.
- **Show Office Hours:** Noon—7pm Tuesday, 7am—7 pm Wednesday, 7am—1 hour after show ends on Thursday. These are anticipated hours.
- **Hospitality:** Food available on site during show hours.
- **Show Fines:** The following fines will be enforced by the show on all exhibitors, competitors and spectators in violation of local rules: Loose dog/cat without leash: \$100. No Smoking in the barn area: \$100. Improper disposal of medical or hazardous waste: \$1000. Suspending or hooking anything to electrical conduit: \$1000.
- **Camping Facilities:** Limited camping facilities and hook-ups are available at the Horse Center. For reservation, please contact VHC at 540-464-2966, or e-mail: stableoffice@horsecenter.org

STABLING

- **Andalusian/Lusitano Competitors:** Need to include with Dressage entry the information on their Virginia Classic Andalusian/Lusitano show entry's stabling information with their choice of stalls and who to be stabled with.
- **Stabling will NOT be posted.** Check in at the VHC stabling office for stall assignments: No horse may be unloaded prior to checking in with the stable office. You must include an emergency contact (for the rider) and phone # on your entry blank **"Stable With"** list and stall order must be emailed to the show secretary at least seven days before show. Lay over policy: For Thurs night must coordinate through the VHC Stable Office and pay separate fee.
- **Bedding and Hay:** No initial bedding. Bedding available for purchase from VHC stable Office. Preorders of five bags or more of shavings can be made by contacting VHC at 540-464-2966 or stableoffice@horsecenter.org . Delivery prior to arrival is not a guaranteed. Exhibitors permitted to bring shavings for personal use, but no fine sawdust allowed.
- **Permanent stalls:** (12'x10') with doors; initial bedding not provided. All stalls must be bedded. Shavings and other supplies (hay, grain, etc.) may be ordered through the VHC: 540-464-2966. Do not hook or suspend anything from electrical conduits. There is a \$1000 for any infraction. **Emergency contact** information must be prominently displayed on all stalls housing an animal, including both cell phone and local contact information. No arrivals allowed between midnight and 7 am. Do not use stalls you have not paid for: this includes waiting in an un-used stall prior to your class. Penalty: \$100 per incident.
- **Arrival/Departures:** Tuesday, Aug 20 after 12:00 pm (noon) Departures: Thursday, Aug. 22 before 8:00 pm. (unless staying for the Breed show). If needed earlier, please contact Show Secretary. For Sunday night you must coordinate through the VHC Stable Office and pay separate fee.

AWARDS

- **Ribbons:** will be awarded for classes with six or more entries. Prizes for each first place. Jr/YR and AA divisions may be pinned separately, if warranted by at least three entries each.
- **High Score ribbons:** given for the highest score in all following Training through FEI classes. Scores from Introductory, Opportunity, Dressage Seat Equitation, and Musical Freestyles will not be considered. Additional Overall for Professional, Adult Amateur, and Jr/YR.
 - There will be no mandatory prize-giving (awards) ceremonies except as noted below
 - **IALHA High Score Award:** To be eligible horses must be registered with IALHA and shown by an IALHA member (as either owner or rider). **You will need to include your horses' IALHA registration papers with your entry forms.** This award requires a photo for the sponsor.
- **USPRE High Score Awards:** for all USPRE registered horses. **The horse's USPRE registration papers must be sent with your entry form to be eligible.** The horse must be registered under the owner's name in the studbook, accompanied by a declaration of intent. A minimum score requirement is 62%. Awards for the following: Open (Tr. through Fourth Level); Open FEI Level; Adult Amateur (Tr. Through Fourth Level); Adult Amateur (FEI Level). This award requires a photo for the sponsor.

Use of Protective Headgear

From the time horses are officially admitted to the competition grounds by competition management, anyone mounted on a horse at any time on the competition grounds, including non-competing riders, riders on non-competing horses, mounted participants in exhibition classes and those competing in all classes and tests, including Para-Equestrian tests, **MUST WEAR PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR** as defined by this rule and otherwise in compliance with GR-801. Any rider violating this rule at any time must immediately be prohibited from further riding until such headgear is properly in place. Protective headgear is defined as a riding helmet, which meets or exceeds ASTM (American Society for Testing and Materials)/SEI (Safety Equipment Institute) standards for equestrian use and carries the SEI tag. The harness must be secured and properly fitted. Unless jackets are waived, while in the competition ring, exhibitors wearing protective headgear must wear a short, dark jacket, dark tail coat (only permitted for tests above Fourth Level), or Armed Services or police uniform (if eligible), dark hat covers (where applicable) and must otherwise conform to DR-120 (see GR-801).

Ride Times

- UNOFFICIAL TIMES will be available on:
www.erahc.org, and www.horseshowoffice.com no later than 3 days prior to the shows
- Ride times will not be mailed.
- OFFICIAL TIMES will be posted **by 12:00 pm** the previous day at the Show Office
- Classes may commence at 8 am and run throughout the day until approximately 6 pm

Arena Details

- East Complex Reel's arena: 120'x260' – Sand/Clay mix
- Lonely Barn Schooling: 70'x180' – Sand/Clay mix
- North Arena: 96'x220' – Sand/Clay mix

Motor Vehicle Operation

Motor Vehicle Statement: Minors who do not have a valid driver's license which allows them to operate a motorized vehicle in the state in which they reside will not be permitted to operate a motorized vehicle of any kind, including, but not limited to, golf carts, motorcycles, scooters, or farm utility vehicles, on the competition grounds of licensed competitions. Minors who have a valid temporary license may operate the above described motorized vehicles as long as they are accompanied by an adult with a valid driver's license. The parent/legal guardian or individual who signs the entry blank as a parent or guardian of a minor operating a motorized vehicle in violation of this rule are solely responsible for any damages, claims, losses or actions resulting from that operation. Violations of this rule will be cause for penalties against those responsible for the child committing the offense. Wheelchairs and other mobility assistance devices for individuals with disabilities are exempt from this rule. The unsafe use of personal electronic transport devices, as determined by the competition officials and management in their sole discretion, that do not require a driver's license to operate, including but not limited to segways, hover boards, and single wheeled scooters is prohibited on competition grounds. Operating such devices in areas where people gather may be deemed "unsafe use" if there is a risk of harm to others. If the operator of the device is a minor, the parent/legal guardian or individual who signs the entry blank as a parent or guardian of a minor operating the device in violation of this rule is accountable and may be subject to penalties. Wheelchairs and other mobility assistance devices for individuals with disabilities are exempt from this rule.

USEF REQUIREMENTS for Horse, Rider, Owner, Trainer, Coach						
	LHR	AHR	HID	AM*	FM	NM
Compete at USEF-licensed/USDF- Recognized competition	x	x	x	x	x	x
Qualify for GAIG/USDF Regional Dressage Championships	x	x		x		
Compete at GAIG/USDF Regional Dressage Championships	x	x		x		
Compete at US Dressage Finals	x	x		x		

*NOTE - Rider, Owner, Trainer and Coach must complete SafeSport to compete if they are USEF members

USEF LHR - Lifetime Horse Registration

USEF AHR - Annual Horse Registration

USEF HID - Horse ID

USEF AM - Active Membership

USEF FM - Fan Membership (must pay show pass fee for rider and/or owner and/or trainer and/or coach) - \$45 per entity/per show

NM - Non Member (must pay show pass fee for rider and/or owner and/or trainer and/or coach) - \$45 per entity/per show

USDF REQUIREMENTS for Horse, Rider, Owner					
(none needed for trainer or coach)					
	LHR	HID	PM	GMO	NM
Compete at USEF-licensed/USDF- Recognized competition	x	x	x	x	x
Qualify for GAIG/USDF Regional Dressage Championships	x		x		
Compete at GAIG/USDF Regional Dressage Championships	x		x		
Compete at US Dressage Finals	x		x		

USDF LHR - Lifetime Horse Registration

USDF HID - Horse ID

USDF PM - Participating Memberships

GMO - Group Member Organization - member of a state or local dressage organization

NM - Non Member (must pay non member fee for rider and/or owner) - \$35 per entity/per show

Attention Competitors as of January 1, 2019, if you are a USEF competing member 18 years of age or older you are required to take the core Safe Sport Training within 30 days of activating our membership. Take the Safe Sport Training at USEF.org by logging into your member dashboard.

VHC Rules

SECURITY: (540) 784 -0156 STABLE OFFICE: (540) 464-2966

EMT: (540) 464-2971 FIRE/RESCUE: 911

1. **Upon arrival** at the Virginia Horse Center, all trailers MUST check in at the Welcome Center (Stable Office).
2. No smoking in Coliseum or Barns. This is the law.
3. **VEHICLES:** Drive Carefully. Obey All Traffic Signs. Speed limits are strictly enforced. Every vehicle operator must have a valid driver's license and proof of insurance. The use of vehicles in the camping areas is restricted to regular roadways for entering and exiting only. Vehicles are permitted only if operated in a safe manner (this is a Virginia state law), but may not be used in the Coliseum or in the interior of any of the barns. Four wheelers and ATV's are not permitted on the VHC grounds. Non-powered scooters, bicycles, skateboards, in-line skates, heelers (skates in shoes) are not permitted in the Coliseum or the interior of any of the barns. The VHC reserves the right to prohibit the operation of any vehicle.
4. **Dogs/Pets:** All dogs/pets must have current inoculations for rabies as prescribed by state of residency. No loose dogs/pets are allowed anywhere on the premises. All dogs/pets that are not crated must be on a handheld or tied leash. Loose dogs/pets will incur a \$100 fine. You must clean up after your dog/pet.
 - **Coliseum:** Absolutely no dogs/pets allowed in the Coliseum unless they are crated or are Service Dogs. Absolutely no dogs/pets in the Mezzanine (2nd floor of the Coliseum) under any circumstances with the exception of Service Dogs. We ask that your Service Dog have his/her vest on.
 - **Grounds/Parking Areas/Barns/East Complex:** All dogs/pets must be on a hand-held or tied leash.
5. **No trash or sharps in the manure pits. Sharps should be placed in red boxes in barns.**
6. All stalls must have at least one bale of shavings or straw. Sawdust is prohibited. Shavings may be purchased at the Welcome Center (Stable Office).
7. No lunging in posted rings. Wiley, Speed, and B Rings NEVER.
8. No overnight horses may be stabled in trailers or tied out.
9. Horses are absolutely not allowed to be ponied behind any moving vehicles
10. No vehicles allowed in the barns.
11. Campers must register at Stable Office.
12. Check-In time and Check-Out time subject to show date.
13. No gray water is to be dumped on the ground. Sewage arrangements are made through the stable office.
14. Campfires are not permitted.
15. Campers must keep their sites clean and dispose of refuse in the receptacles provided. All campers will be responsible for leaving the campsite as they found it. Any damage or repairs resulting from negligence shall be the responsibility of the camper.
16. All central service buildings and other facilities in the campground are for campers' and exhibitors' use only.
17. Firearms and fireworks are not permitted.
18. No tent, camper, RV or camping equipment shall be left unattended longer than 24 hours without written permission from campground management.
19. Any loss, theft, accident or disturbance should be reported to the Virginia Horse Center Security. Lost and Found is located in the Security Office.
20. Virginia Horse Center management reserves the right to remove from the premises any camper or visitor who is in violation of these rules and regulations.
21. The Virginia Horse Center shall be held harmless against all claims, costs, losses or liability of every nature and kind asserted against or incurred by camper arising or resulting in any respect from camper's occupancy and use of premises, and/or visitor and visitor's use of premises.

Accommodations

We have reserved a block of rooms at the **Sleep Inn & Suites** (just down the road from the Horse Center)

- **Address:** 95 Maury River Rd, Lexington, VA 24450
- **Phone:** 540-463-6000 (Press #2 for the Front Desk)
- **Rates:** \$129.00 per night: Must book by August 1, 2022

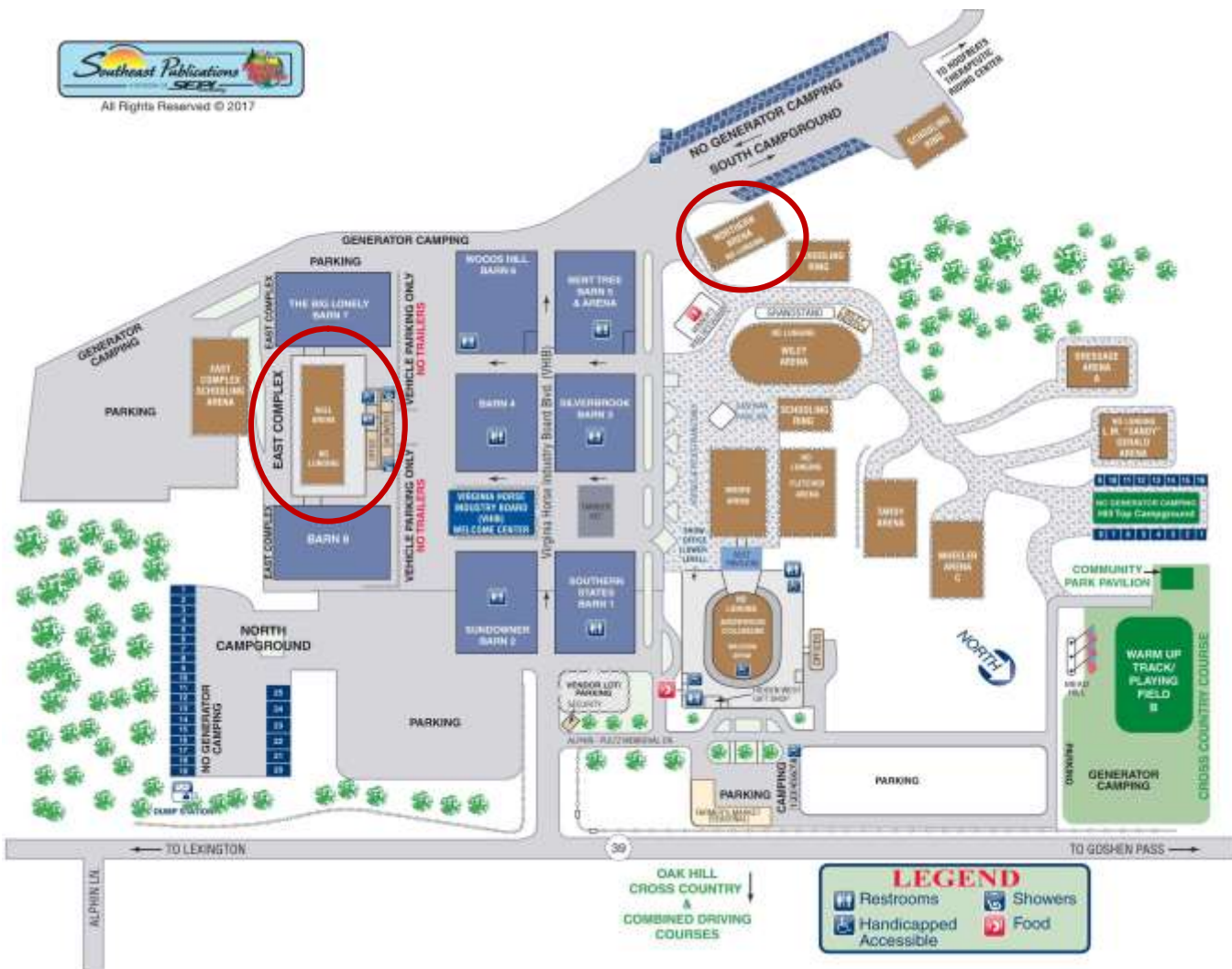
Be sure you mention you are with the ERAHC Horse Show.

Directions

Directions to Virginia Horse Center:

Exit I-81 onto I64 West at Lexington, VA. Exit I62 West at first exit (Lexington) and follow signs to the Virginia Horse Center. Located at 487 Maury River road. Detailed directions on VHC and show websites.

SITE MAP



Circled areas are the ones used for the ERAHC Open Dressage Shows.

USEF SAFESPORT TRAINING REQUIREMENT

- The required Safe Sport Training is on the U.S. Center for SafeSport website and is free for USEF members
- All USEF Competing Members (18 and older) are required to complete SafeSport Training within 30 days of joining or renewing USEF membership
- .The SafeSport training requirement applies to all USEF Competing Senior Members even if competing in classes (such as USEF Opportunity) where USEF membership is not required
- Junior Members (under 18) are not required to complete SafeSport Training at this time.
- If SafeSport Training is not completed by USEF members and certificate provided to the show secretary on or before the first day of competition, there will be NO REFUNDS for entries. This applies to all USEF members (riders, owners, trainers or coaches) for any entry, including those classes where USEF membership is not required.
- Participants (riders, owners, trainers, coaches) who are NOT USEF members are not required to complete SafeSport Training, but must have completed USEF Show Pass (Show Pass can only be used for one competition annually)
- If SafeSport Training is overdue and certificates are not presented to the show secretary, or posted yet on the USEF website, the entry (horse and competitor) will be allowed to remain on the competition grounds but cannot compete.
- Riders, owners, trainers and coaches may compete within 30 days of joining or renewing USEF membership even if they haven't completed SafeSport Training but will not be allowed to compete in another show at the end of the 30 day period if they haven't yet completed the Training.
- Competitions are required to check the USEF SafeSport ineligibility list after entries are submitted and up to the first day of competition. Competitions that allow ineligible participants to compete are subject to penalties by USEF.

USEF MEMBERSHIP STATEMENT GR 901.9

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 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) assistant handlers in Dressage Sport Horse Breeding classes



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, Vaultler 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.

If not currently a USEF Active Competing member or Subscriber, I acknowledge that I will be enrolled for no cost as a USEF Fan and my USEF Fan Account will continue to annually automatically renew in USEF's sole discretion. Additionally, I acknowledge that the benefits of a USEF Fan are subject to change without notice. USEF may in its sole discretion, at any time, terminate my USEF Fan status.

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

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

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

TRAINER (mandatory)

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

OWNER/AGENT (mandatory)

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

COACH (if applicable)

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

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

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

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



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

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

A. **RULES AND REGULATIONS:** I hereby agree that I have read, understand, and agree to be bound by all applicable Federation Bylaws, rules, and policies including the USEF Safe Sport Policy and Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies (MAAPP) as published at www.usef.org, as amended from time to time.

B. **ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RISK:** I knowingly, willingly, and voluntarily acknowledge the inherent risks associated with the sport of equestrian and know that horseback riding and related equestrian activities are inherently dangerous, and that participation in any USEF Event involves risks and dangers including, without limitation, (i) the propensity of an equine to behave in dangerous ways which may result in injury to the participant; (ii) the inability to predict an equine's reaction to sound, movements, objects, persons, or animals; and (iii) hazards of surface or subsurface conditions; (iv) 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; (v) 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; (vi) accidents involving other participants, event staff, volunteers or spectators; contact or collision with other participants and horses, natural or manmade objects; adverse weather conditions; (vii) facilities issues and premises conditions; failure of protective equipment (including helmets); (viii) inadequate safety measures; participants of varying skill levels; (ix) situations beyond the immediate control of the USEF Event organizers and competition management; and (x) other undefined, not readily foreseeable and presently unknown risks and dangers. ("Risks").

CAUTION: HORSEBACK RIDING AND EQUINE ACTIVITIES CAN BE DANGEROUS. RIDE AT YOUR OWN RISK.:
Under VA Code Ann. Sec 3.2-6200-6203, an equine activity sponsor or equine professional is not liable for any injury to, or the death of, a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities.

C. **ASSUMPTION OF RISK:** I understand that the aforementioned Risks may be caused in whole or in part or result directly or indirectly from the negligence of my own actions or inactions, the actions or inactions of others participating in the USEF Events, or the negligent acts or omissions of the Released Parties defined below, and I hereby voluntarily and knowingly assume all such Risks and responsibility for any damages, liabilities, losses, or expenses that I incur as a result of my participation in any USEF Events. I also agree to be responsible for any injury or damage caused by me, my horse, my employees or contractors under my direction and control at any USEF Event.

D. **WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY, HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNITY:** In conjunction with my participation in any USEF Event, I hereby release, waive and covenant not to sue, and further agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the following parties: USEF, USEF Recognized Affiliate Associations, the United States Olympic & Paralympic Committee (USOPC), USEF clubs, members, Event participants (including athletes/riders, coaches, trainers, judges/officials, and other personnel), the Event owner, licensee, and competition managers; the promoters, sponsors, or advertisers of any USEF Event; any charity or other beneficiary which may benefit from the USEF Event; the owners, managers, or lessors of any facilities or premises where a USEF Event may be held; and all directors, officers, employees, agents, contractors, and volunteers of any of the aforementioned parties (**Individually and Collectively, the "Released Parties" or "Event Organizers"**), with respect to any liability, claim(s), demand(s), cause(s) of action, damage(s), loss, or expense (including court costs and reasonable attorney fees) of any kind or nature ("**Liability**") which may arise out of, result from, or relate in any way to my participation in the USEF Events, including claims for Liability caused in whole or in part by the negligent acts or omissions of the Released Parties.

E. **COMPLETE AGREEMENT AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE:** This Agreement represents the complete understanding between the parties regarding these issues and no oral representations, statements or inducements have been made apart from this Agreement. If any provision of this Agreement is held to be unlawful, void, or for any reason unenforceable, then that provision shall be deemed severable from this Agreement and shall not affect the validity and enforceability of any remaining provisions.

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS DOCUMENT IN ITS ENTIRETY, UNDERSTAND ALL OF ITS TERMS AND CONDITIONS, AND KNOW IT CONTAINS AN ASSUMPTION OF RISK, RELEASE AND WAIVER FROM LIABILITY, AS WELL AS A HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFICATION OBLIGATIONS.

By signing below, that I have read, understand, and agree to be bound by all applicable Federation Bylaws, rules, and policies including the USEF Safe Sport Policy and Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies (MAAPP) as published at www.usef.org, as amended from time to time, as well as all terms and provisions of this Prize List. If, 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. _____

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USDF Membership Benefits: USDF is dedicated to education, the recognition of achievement, and promotion of dressage. For details on member benefits, including educational programs, awards, and other opportunities, refer to the *USDF Member Guide* or the USDF website at www.usdf.org.

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

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

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

Exceptions:

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

Memberships Defined

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

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

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

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

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

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

How to Join USDF

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

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

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

**Eastern Region Andalusian Horse Club Inc.
8653 Victoria Road
Springfield, VA 22151**

RELEASE, ASSUMPTION OF RISKS AND DANGERS, WAIVER OF LIABILITY, AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

I agree to this Release, Assumption of Risks and Dangers, Waiver of Liability, and Indemnity Agreement (hereafter, "Agreement") with the Eastern Region Andalusian Horse Club (hereafter referred to as "ERAHC") as a condition for allowing me to compete or volunteer in ERAHC hosted events and competitions (hereafter referred to as "The Activities" throughout this Agreement).

RIDER/DRIVER/HANDLER/VAULTER/LONGEUR OWNER TRAINER OFFICIAL STAFF VOLUNTEER COACH (IF APPLICABLE)

NAME (please print clearly): _____

NAME OF THE OTHER CONTRACTING PARTY (Parent if minor): _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: [Home] _____ [Cell/Other] _____

To the fullest extent allowed by law, I also make this agreement on behalf of the following who is/are my child/children or legal ward(s):

1. _____ Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____

2. _____ Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____

All parts of this Agreement apply to me and each of the children or legal wards listed above. [We will collectively call ourselves, "I", "me", or "my" throughout this Agreement]

IT IS AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. AGREEMENT TO VOLUNTARILY ASSUME ALL RISKS AND DANGERS UNDER THE VIRGINIA EQUINE ACTIVITY LIABILITY ACT / NOTICE OF INTRINSIC DANGERS OF EQUINE ACTIVITIES PURSUANT TO VA CODE ANN. 3.2-6203(B).** By signing this Agreement, I affirm that I fully understand and appreciate the risks and dangers inherent in and intrinsic to equine activities. "Intrinsic dangers of equine activities" means those dangers or conditions that are an integral part of equine activities, including: (i) the propensity of equines to behave in ways that may result in injury, harm, or death to persons on or around them; (ii) the unpredictability of an equine's reaction to such things as sounds, sudden movement, and unfamiliar objects, persons, or other animals; (iii) certain hazards such as surface and subsurface conditions; (iv) collisions with other animals or objects; and (v) the potential of a participant acting in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury to the participant or others, such as failing to maintain control over the equine or not acting within the participant's ability.

2. **WAIVER OF RIGHTS TO SUE (AS ALLOWED PURSUANT TO VA. CODE ANN. 3.2-6200-6203):** With full knowledge and appreciation of the intrinsic and inherent risks and dangers of equine activities, and to the fullest extent as may be permitted under Virginia law, I (on behalf of myself and my spouse, parents, heirs, representatives, assigns, minors) agree to each of the following: (a) ERAHC and their members, managers, employees, agents, heirs, family members, assigns, representatives, affiliated persons, volunteers, and others acting on their behalf (hereafter referred to collectively as "The Released Parties") shall not be liable for any losses, injuries, or damages that I may sustain as a result of engaging in any of The Activities at any time or at any location; and (b) I release, waive, and discharge all claims, demands, damages, legal actions, causes of action, or rights of action (present or future) against The Released Parties whether claims are known, unknown, anticipated or unanticipated, and whether caused by their ordinary negligence, a violation of a state equine activity liability act, or other legal liability resulting from or arising out of my/our engaging in The Activities at any time and at any location. The term "damages" in this Agreement means, for example, medical expenses, any and all claims or losses because of bodily injuries, mental/emotional injuries, or property damages, death, expenses, and/or personal property damages. This Agreement is intended to apply and be binding regardless of whether I/we am/are riding, driving, handling, or near equines. THIS AGGREEMENT IS INTENDED TO BE A WAIVER OF RIGHTS TO SUE AS CONTEMPLATED BY THE VIRGINIA EQUINE ACTIVITY LIABILITY ACT, VA. CODE ANN. 3.2-6200-6203, INCLUDING 3.2-6301.B.
3. **INDEMNIFICATION.** To the fullest extent allowed under Virginia law, I also agree to indemnify and hold harmless **The Released Parties** against any and all claims, demands, actions, liabilities, losses, or suits that are brought against **The Released Parties** (or either of them), which are in any way connected with my participation in any of **The Activities** at any time and at any location, including claims that allege acts or omissions of **The Released Parties** that are negligent or in violation of a state equine activity liability act. This indemnification shall also include reimbursement of reasonable attorney fees and costs incurred by **The Released Parties**.

SIGNATURE: _____
 PRINT NAME HERE: _____ DATE: _____

SIGNATURE OF OTHER CONTRACTING PARTY (Spouse/Other Parent): _____
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