



# UNITED STATES *Dressage* FEDERATION

## Horse Registration

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### **HORSE REGISTRATION FEES**

USDF Horse Identification Number: \$25  
USDF Lifetime Horse Registration: \$95  
Upgrade from HID Number to LHR: \$70

Please note: Some horses are exempt from USDF horse registration requirements. [Exception List](#)

### **HORSE IDENTIFICATION (HID) NUMBER:**

- The HID number is the minimum registration requirement for horses competing at USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competitions (with the exception of horses that fall into one or more categories on the [exception list](#)).
- As a one-time tracking number for horses, the HID number does not need to be renewed annually.
- Scores earned by a horse with an HID number will be recorded, but will not count towards Adequan/USDF Year-End Awards.
- A horse with an HID number is not eligible to compete in Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Dressage Championships qualifying or championship classes or Great American Insurance Group/USDF Breeders' Championship Series Finals.
- Horses with a USDF HID number may compete in a Great American Insurance Group/USDF Breeders' Championship Qualifier.
- An HID number can be upgraded to an LHR at any time for a fee of \$70.
- If a horse has an LHR, it does not need an HID number.

### **LIFETIME HORSE REGISTRATION (LHR)**

- A USDF LHR does not need to be renewed annually.
- USDF LHR fulfills the USDF horse registration requirements for all USDF award and championship programs.
- Horses with a USDF LHR do not need a USDF HID number.

### **IMPORTANT HORSE REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

- The effective date of USDF horse registration is the date the appropriate paperwork and horse registration fees are received by USDF.
- USDF horse registration applications may be faxed or mailed to the USDF office, or submitted [online](#). Applications submitted online will be processed the following business day.
- A horse does not have to be registered with a breed registry to be registered with USDF. However, if your horse is registered with a breed registry, please submit a copy of the breed registry papers so that pedigree and breeder information can be recorded with USDF and considered official. Certain award programs (i.e. Adequan/USDF [All-Breeds Awards](#)) require that a copy of breed registry papers be sent to USDF.
- If you have purchased a USDF registered horse, please review USDF's [transfer of ownership instructions](#).
- If you lease a USDF registered horse, please submit a notarized [Lease Recording Form](#).
- Your horse's registration certificate will arrive approximately four weeks after applying for USDF horse registration. Once your horse's registration has been processed, [online](#) verification of horse registration will be available.
- Check with [USEF](#) to make sure membership and horse registration requirements have been met for USDF championship programs.
- For information on rider/handler/owner/horse eligibility for specific programs, please visit the [USDF website](#) or the online [USDF Member Guide](#).