



# UNITED STATES *Dressage* FEDERATION

## 2012 Great American/USDF Breeders' Championship Series Event Application and Requirements

**USDF**

*Please submit at least 6 months prior to your competition. Applications received with less notice will be considered on a case by case basis.*

**Event Information** (please type or print clearly):

Name of event \_\_\_\_\_ Location \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ USEF-license/USDF-recognition # \_\_\_\_\_

Competition manager \_\_\_\_\_ USDF member # \_\_\_\_\_

Sport Horse Breeding In-hand division manager/secretary \_\_\_\_\_  
(person to receive information, banner and ribbons from USDF)

Shipping address (include both PO and street address) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (1) \_\_\_\_\_ (2) \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

USDF region \_\_\_\_\_ Series in which your event is located \_\_\_\_\_

East Coast (NJ, PA, DE, MD, VA, NC), Mid States (NE, KS, MO, OK), New England (ME, VT, NH, NY, MA, CT, RI), North Central (WI, MI, IL, IN, OH, KY, WVA), West Coast (CA, NV, HI), Northwest (WA, AK, ID, OR and western MT) Rocky Mountain (UT, CO, WY and eastern MT), Southeast (FL, GA, SC, AL, TN), Southern (TX, LA, MS, AR), Southwest (AZ, NM), West Central (ND, SD, MN, IA)

Mark one:

- USDFBC Series Qualifier AND Final      \$100
- USDFBC Series Qualifier only            \$75
- USDFBC Series Final only                 \$75

**PAYMENT INFORMATION:**

There will be no refunds of the USDFBC registration fee unless the competition is not licensed by USEF

**Enter amount from above:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Total amount enclosed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE DO NOT SEND CASH** (Make check payable to USDF)  Check # \_\_\_\_\_  Visa  MasterCard

**Card number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Exp. Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Card holder's name print:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address of Card holder:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City and Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Card holder's signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

Return completed and signed application with check or credit card number to:  
USDF Attn: Competitions Department, 4051 Iron Works Parkway, Lexington, KY 40511.

*I acknowledge by signing this agreement that I have read the USEF rules referenced as well as the 2011 USDF Breeders' Championship series rules and I agree to abide by these rules as well as the requirements outlined in this agreement.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature, Competition Manager

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## 2012 GREAT AMERICAN/USDF BREEDERS' CHAMPIONSHIP (USDFBC) SERIES GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

### All USDFBC Qualifying and Final Events must agree to the following:

- “Great American Insurance Group/USDFBC” or “Great American Insurance Group/USDF Breeders’ Championship Series” must be used in its entirety if included as the title of an event, or if referred to anywhere within the prize list or program. (In other words, you cannot title a competition the “XYZ Breeders Competition”).
- Series qualifying and final events must submit a copy of their prize list to USDF at least 30 days prior to the competition. The USDF recommends that a draft copy of the prize list be sent to USDF for review prior to publication, in order to ensure its compliance with USDFBC requirements. Requirements for prize list and official show program (optional) include:
  - ✓ Inclusion of USDFBC in the name of the classes which qualify the champions and reserve champions for the USDFBC series final.
  - ✓ A description of the USDFBC Series (USDFBC slick available on the USDF Web site or on the USDF Competition Manager’s flash drive provided by USDF)
  - ✓ Credit the title sponsor, presenting sponsor, and event and contributing sponsors, by category. This camera ready information is available on the USDF Web site or on the USDF Competition Manager’s flash drive.
  - ✓ If an event does not print a program, USDFBC series and sponsor information must be included in the event schedule.
  - ✓ Events are encouraged to publish the names of breeders in the show schedule or program.
- Public announcements must be made, which credit the title and event sponsors, and promote the program to the public. These announcements are required to be made throughout the event, in particular, during the awarding of current year foal, filly, colt/gelding, mare and stallion championships. The name of the breeders must be announced during award ceremonies. It is also strongly recommended that breeders and owners of placing horses be invited to participate in award ceremonies.
- USDFBC series sponsors, if present, must be invited to participate in qualifying and final event award ceremonies. Any sponsors in attendance at qualifying or final events should also be provided with a complimentary copy of the show program, and be given free admission to the event. USDF will provide contact information for the sponsors.
- All unused ribbons and prizes must be returned to USDF within 30 days of the competition. If awards are misplaced or damaged, the event will be responsible for the cost of replacement. For Series qualifiers, USDF will provide ten qualifier ribbons (2 per division). For Series finals, USDF will provide neck sashes and plaques for Champion and Reserve Champion and ribbons for third through sixth place, as well as a cooler for the Champion and a customized lead shank for the Reserve Champion. Ribbons and prizes will be sent directly to the designated competition contact about two weeks prior to the event.
- Results must be sent to USDF within 10 days after the final day of the USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competition. Certified mail is recommended, postmarked within ten days, for results which cannot be sent in the USDF ERSS format. Competition-related fees and fee-related paperwork must be submitted (postmarked or sent electronically) within 10 days of the last day of the USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized dressage or DSHB competition. For additional requirements regarding submitting competition results please refer to the Results, Fees, and Paperwork Submission Guidelines.
- Results MUST include the horse’s USDF Horse Identification (HID) number (or HID application form and fee) or USDF Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR) number, unless the horse only competed in classes on the exception list.

- For competitions held the last two weeks in September (including the last 2 weekends), the results, fees, and paperwork must be in the USDF office within five (5) days of the last day of the dressage or DSHB classes in the USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competition. Note: this is not ‘postmarked by’ but physically in the office.

### **ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR USDFBC SERIES FINAL EVENTS**

**In addition to the General Requirements listed above, all Series Final Events must agree to the following:**

#### **Before the Competition:**

- ✓ The title "Great American Insurance Group/USDF Breeders Championship \_\_\_\_\_ Series Final" must be prominently listed in the final event official prize list, show program, promotional materials, and advertisements.
- ✓ Each USDFBC series final event must list the five finals classes as the "Great American/USDF Breeders' Championship (current year foal, filly, colt/gelding, mare, stallion) Championship Class".
- ✓ Management must verify eligibility of series final class entries with USDF prior to their event. "Horses Qualified" can be verified on the USDF Web site, [www.usdf.org](http://www.usdf.org) or by contacting USDF at [sporthorse@usdf.org](mailto:sporthorse@usdf.org). USDF horse registration and owner membership status can be verified on the USDF Web site via the "Master Verification" tool. It is important to check, as memberships/horse registration requirements for finals differ from those for a qualifier. The "Horses Qualified" list reflects membership/registration at the time of qualifying and does not guarantee that they have necessary membership and registration required for a final.
- ✓ **In order to compete in a USDFBC series final class, a horse must have a USDF Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR) and the owner must be a current USDF Participating Member (PM) or Business member (BM).** Verification of USDF membership and USDF LHR must be provided by the owner to management prior to competing in a series final class
- ✓ **Series final events must agree to allow late entries in the series final classes for horses that qualified for the series final event after the official closing date.**

#### **Award Ceremonies:**

- ✓ For all finals, a USDF sponsor banner must be prominently displayed. If the banner is misplaced or damaged, the event will be responsible for the cost of repair or replacement.
- ✓ In addition to the general requirements above, the awards presentation ceremonies and award presenters at each series final event must be arranged in cooperation with USDF. USDF will contact sponsors to determine if they or a representative plan to attend the award ceremonies. USDF will forward this information to the appropriate final.
- ✓ All USDFBC sponsors (or their representatives) should be invited to participate in the final event award ceremonies. Award ceremony announcements must identify the sponsoring organizations. Any sponsors in attendance at these events should also be provided with a complimentary copy of the competition program and be given free admission to the event.

#### **Post Competition:**

- ✓ Results of USDFBC series finals **MUST** include the name of the horse, its USDF LHR number (unless fees and forms are collected at the competition), and the name of the owner, handler, and breeder. The horse's age and sex must be provided, and breed and breeding (sire, dam, and dam sire) if available. For additional requirements regarding submitting competition results please refer to the USDF Results, Fees, and Paperwork Submission Guidelines.
- ✓ Score for each judge in a series final classes must be published separately, in addition to the total score and placing for each horse in each series final class.
- ✓ Management must send two champion photos electronically to USDF for publication with the final results. Persons and horses in the photos must be identified. A photographer's release must also be submitted.

