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Winter 2008

Host a Regional Championship in 2009

The **Host Site Applications for the 2009 Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Dressage Championships** is now available, and due by March 12, 2008. The application requires detailed information. You can access the **Regional Championships Program Rules** for requirements, if you are interested in hosting your region's championship. If you have questions regarding requirements, please contact your regional director, RegChamps@usdf.org or (859) 971-2277.

USEF Developing Programs & the NAJYRC

The United States Equestrian Federation, Inc.® and the United States Dressage Federation invite licensed dressage competitions to apply to become an official "qualifying competition" for the 2009/2010 USEF Dressage Developing Programs and the 2009/2010 NAJYRC. The deadline for applications is March 31, 2008. For questions or further information, please contact **Jennifer Keeler**, USEF National Director of Dressage, (859) 225-2024; or **Sharon Vander Ziel**, USDF Senior Programs and Education Coordinator, (859) 971-7047 or [click here](#) for more information.

Attention NAJYRC Qualifier Competition Management

Please take note that USDF has implemented a new requirement to ensure the scores are recorded correctly as NAJC/NAYRC qualifying scores. The class name in the results must be exactly as follows: NAJC Junior Team, NAJC Junior Ind., NAJC Junior Freestyle, NAYRC Young Rider Team, NAYRC Young Rider PSG, and NAYRC Young Rider Freestyle. If this requirement is not met the scores may not be recorded correctly which would adversely affect the riders who are trying to qualify. If you have any questions please e-mail jryoung rider@usdf.org or call the USDF office at (859) 971-2277 or [click here](#) for more information.

USDF Non-Member/Competition Affidavit Form and Fees

October 1, 2007, USDF implemented a \$20 non-member fee per owner/lessee, per rider, per competition, for individuals who do not have a USDF Group, Intercollegiate/Interscholastic, Participating Membership, or, in the case of the owner, a Business Membership (See exception list on the back of the USDF Non-Member/Competition Affidavit Form.) Please note that if applicable USDF non-members fees are not submitted by the competition to the USDF office the competition will be invoiced for the applicable fees.

Great American Insurance Group/USDF Qualifying Classes

Qualifying classes may not be offered in breed-restricted classes, but other restricted classes, formerly not eligible to be designated as qualifying, can be offered. Qualifying classes may be offered at Training through Grand Prix levels, including USDF and FEI freestyles, and must be the highest or single test of the level or included in a USDF-approved list of classes. For more information please [click here](#) or e-mail

New USEF Rule Change on Prize Lists

GR904 Changes in Prize List. Effective immediately: If the prize list must be changed after it has been distributed to potential exhibitors the following procedures must be followed. Notification of specific changes to a prize list must be made to the Federation and exhibitors via email or mail as well as being posted on a competition's website. This will serve as notification for the requirements of this rule. In the cases where electronic communication is not available, then notification must be made as specified under this rule. 1. If errors are discovered or changes made up to 10 days prior to the closing of entries, notify potential exhibitors in writing of the specific changes. 2. If errors are discovered or changes made after that date, notify exhibitors on receipt of entries, and in writing when they arrive at the competition of the specific changes. Please [click here](#) for additional information.

2008 High Performance Qualifying Competitions

The USEF contracts for the 2007/2008 High Performance qualifying competitions required that these classes be held separately from all other qualifying opportunities. However, in the best interest of the competitors, USEF has decided that these High Performance qualifying classes may also be designated as qualifying for Great American/USDF Regional Championships. Please note that these classes must be marked in the prize list as Great American/USDF qualifying for these scores to be recorded as such and that the High Performance dress and saddlery rules take precedence. For more information please contact Gill Merrick at gmerrick@usef.org.

Guidelines for Hosting Para Equestrian (PE) Dressage Classes

The *Management Guide to Hosting Para Equestrian (PE) Dressage Classes* is now available on the USDF [Web site](#). It is also available for downloading in the [Competition Handbook](#).

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