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## What's New?

### USDF Electronic Result Submission Standard

In an effort to make results submission as simple as possible for show management the USDF ERSS is identical to the USEF Universal Results Template. This template is found on the USEF Web site at the following link: [USEF Forms and Guidelines](#). Please ensure that your results meet the USDF reporting requirements to avoid the possibility of penalties for incomplete or incorrectly formatted results. Please e-mail your results in the required ERSS format to [results@usdf.org](mailto:results@usdf.org). Staff will confirm your e-mail has been received. If you do not receive a confirmation e-mail within one business day please contact USDF immediately. More information on submitting results to the USDF office can be found on the [USDF Web site](#).

### Encouraging Dressage Seat Equitation Classes

Starting August 1, 2011, riders age 18 and under will be able to qualify for the Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Finals by obtaining a qualifying score in any Dressage Seat Equitation class. No special fees or additional paperwork is required from riders or competition management! Just offer an open Dressage Seat Equitation class at your competition and be sure that the scores earned are submitted with your results, and USDF will track the results. [Questions?](#)

### 2011 Dues Increase/New Forms

The membership dues and horse registration fees have increased for 2011. Please be sure to use the most up-to-date forms at your competitions. A complete list of 2011 pricing, including the non-member fee, membership dues, and horse registration fees, can be found on the [USDF Web site](#). The 2011 competition forms are also available on the [USDF Web site](#). [Questions?](#)

### Interested in hosting a 2012 USDFBC Series Final?

Those considering hosting a USDFBC Series Final will now be required to complete a Host Site Application. This will be available on the USDF Web site soon. [Questions?](#)

### 2012 USDF Breeders' Championships program changes

At the 2010 Adequan/USDF Annual Convention, the Sport Horse Committee approved changes to the 2012 Series Final format. It is required that a qualifying competition be held in conjunction with the final.

### 2012 Regional Championship Closing Date Changes

Starting in 2012, the Regional Championship closing date in all nine regions will be the 4th fourth Monday prior to the start of the competition, and shows will no longer be able to determine their own closing date. Additionally, qualifying competitions will no longer be able to petition for their shows to be used for qualifying for the current year when the show falls after the closing date but within the calendar week of the closing date. In other words, the Declaration of Intent Form will no longer be utilized.

### USEF Protective Headgear Rules for Dressage

Effective March 1, 2011, for dressage: Anyone mounted on a horse must wear protective headgear except those riders age 18 and over while on horses that are competing only in FEI levels and tests at the Prix St. Georges level and above (including FEI Young Rider Tests, the USEF Developing Prix St. Georges Test and the USEF Brentina Cup Test). For more details, please [click here](#).

### USEF/USDF/AQHA Dressage Competitions

In an effort to welcome dressage and dressage judges to AQHA in 2011, a complimentary membership was provided to all USEF-licensed dressage judges. Shows will still have to apply for AQHA recognition in order provide opportunities for those competitors riding AQHA horses to received points from AQHA for their dressage rides, but can contract any USEF-licensed dressage judge in 2011. AQHA anticipates that this will increase the number of AQHA horses competing in dressage. More AQHA information is [available here](#).

## Important Reminders

### Need a Measuring Stick?

USDF rents a limited number of USEF-approved measuring sticks for \$50 which includes shipping. **Contact USDF** to reserve a measuring stick for your competition.

### Approved Membership/Horse Registration Verification

Please do not accept any USDF online printouts that are not **acceptable forms** of verification. **Questions?**

### Incomplete Membership and Horse Registration Applications

Please encourage individuals submitting applications to double check their forms, making sure all of the information, including payment information, is complete and correct. If incomplete forms are received in the USDF office, the membership or horse registration will not take effect until the correct paperwork and/or fees are resubmitted by the member and received in the USDF office.

## Opportunities

### Hosting the USDF/Dover Saddlery Adult Amateur Medal Program is as easy as checking a box!

The USDF/Dover Saddlery Medal Program is gaining in popularity and competitions wishing to host the program may apply by simply checking the "Dover" box on the USEF/USDF Joint Application for License Agreement. There is no fee and a packet containing a handcrafted pewter medal for the winner will be provided. More information regarding the program may be found on the **USDF Web site**.

### Hosting a USDF Benefit Class Supports USDF Educational Programs

For a \$100 donation, not only will you be supporting USDF Educational Programs, but USDF will provide your competition with an engraved plaque and ribbons for the Benefit Class. **Questions?**

### Help Advertise USDF News

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