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# Congratulations to Sloan and Mallory Macomber for being invited to the Festival of Champions 2025!



Both partnerships are developing extremely well.

A very big "Thank You" to Sarah from the horses "Elburg T" and "Belefonte" for taking such good care of us.

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-Hans Jurgen Boone

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# Congratulations Betty Beebe

2024 Region 9 Horse Person of the Year

# Previous Recipients Region 9 Horse Person of the Year

2023	Nettie Olsen	2007	Kathryn Kyle*
2022	Donna Meyer	2006	No Nominations
2021	Arlene Gaitan	2005	Sarah Jane Martin
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2010	Evie Tumlin*		Lurena Bell
2009	Lyndon T. Rife	1993	Becky Snell*
2008	Sally Chionsini	SELLE	ASSESSED FOR THE SECOND

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# Region 9 Teaching Excellence Award

TDF's \$5,000 Region 9 Teaching Excellence Award recognizes a Region 9 instructor for excellence in the teaching of dressage.



#### Congratulations to the Past Recipients:

2023	Sarah Denham	2015	Becky Brown
2022	Christina Hall	2014	Fran Kehr
2021	Alex du Celliee Muller	2013	Whit Watkins
2020	Leslie Morris	2012	Susan Hancock
2019	John Mason	2011	Ashley Hamill
2018	Marie Morgan	2010	Paul Kathen
2017	Martin Arnold	2009	Marie Morgan
2016	Yvonne Kusserow		

To learn how to qualify or contribute to this award, visit www.dressagefoundation.org or www.usdfregion9.org.

#### USDF Region 9 GMO Volunteer of the Year

Volunteers are the lifeblood of our organization; without them, we could not function. They are the unsung heroes of every event, clinic, and competition. It is only fitting that each year one deserving individual is chosen as USDF Region 9 GMO Volunteer of the Year.

- **2007 Marilyn Kulifay** (nominated by Houston Dressage Society)
- **2008 Tim Martin** (Houston Dressage Society)
- **2009 Syrisse Longbottom** (nominated by Houston Dressage Society)
- **2010 Barbara Harty** (Fort Worth Dressage Club)
- **2011 Anne Kuhns** (Oklahoma Dressage Society)
- **2012 Karen Peacock** (Houston Dressage Society)
- **2014 Arlene B. Gaitan** (Alamo Dressage Association)
- **2016 Tina Zehnder** (Central Texas Dressage Society)

- **2017 Kelley Varisco** (Southern Eventing and Dressage Association)
- **2018 Judi Dauterive** (Southern Eventing and Dressage Association)
- **2019 Deryn Stewart** (Central Plains Dressage Society, Inc)
- **2020 Ann Houchin** (Central Plains Dressage Society, Inc.)
- **2021 Jennifer Landers** (Arkansas Dressage Society)
- **2022 Kimberly Beard** (Central Plains Dressage Society)
- 2023 Meredith Hunter (Southern Eventing and Dressage Association)
- **2024 Janelle Williams** (Central Plains Dressage Society)



# Region 9 Information

# Visit us online at www.usdfregion9.org or on Facebook at www.facebook.com/usdf.region9.

An e-newsletter with important Regional news is emailed monthly. Sign up on the Region 9 website to receive this newsletter. All Regional members also receive a monthly e-blast from the USDF office.

Region 9 and sales of this Omnibus support the following:

- Adult Education Fund to help GMOs finance events geared toward adults
- Youth Education Fund to help GMOs finance events geared toward youth
- Jr/YR Funds, to offset expenses for attending NAYC and educational events
- A travel fund for smaller GMOs to help send one of their Board members to the Regional summer meeting, and/or the USDF National Convention
- Continuing educational programs for USEF-licensed judges and USDF "L" grads. Attendance is open to all Regional members, not just judges
- Funds to help Region 9 PM Delegates attend the USDF National Convention
- Funds to help the volunteer Regional Board, and Committee Chairs attend the Regional summer meeting and the USDF National Convention
- Funds to finance the Regional website
- Funds that purchased the Region 9 Bench, located in the courtyard at the USDF National Educational Center in Lexington, KY
- Funds for the Region 9 Horseperson of the Year Award
- Funds to help sponsor the USDF National Convention when held in Region 9

#### Thanks for your support!

If you are interested in advertising in the next Omnibus, please see page 19 of this book.

## Region 9 Youth

# In USDF, a Youth membership is for riders under the age of 21 on December 1st of the current membership year.

In recognized competitions, all youth ages compete under the Jr/YR category in USEF and FEI tests. Youth who wish to compete in the NAYC classes must qualify in specific tests determined by their age and skill. The NAYC is held in the summer. Riders need a Participating Youth Membership to compete at USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized shows, including NAYC.

#### **USDF and USEF Programs for Youth**

- USDF Youth Dressage Rider Recognition Pin Program
- USDF Youth Volunteer of the Year
- USDF Youth Shining Star Award Program
- USDF Nomination for USEF Youth Sportsman's Award
- USDF Arts Contest
- Dressage Spirit Award
- USPC/USDF Dressage Recognition Awards
- USDF Youth Outreach Clinic Program
- USDF FEI Youth Clinic Series
- USEF/USDF Emerging Athlete Program
- USDF Youth/Young Adult Dressage Sport Horse Breeders Seminar
- USEF/USDF Dressage Seat Medal Program
- USDF/USEF Young Rider Graduate Program
- North American Youth Championships
- US Equestrian Interscholastic Athlete Program
- US Pony Club (USPC) USDF Dressage Recognition Awards
- Other awards available: Dressage Seat Equitation Award, Rider Awards, Performance Certificates, Year End Awards, All-Breeds Awards, USDF Youth Convention Scholarship Program, Ravel Education Grant, and other grants through The Dressage Foundation

#### More Information

USDF www.usdf.org ('Youth' link on home page)
USEF www.usef.org (look under 'membership', then 'youth')
Region 9 NAYC Qualifying Guide: www.usdfregion9.org/region-9-jr-yr
Region 9 NAYC Monthly Planner: www.usdfregion9.org/region-9-jr-yr

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# USDF REGION 9 YOUTH

In 2025, Region 9 Youth were spotted enjoying the community and team building efforts outside the sandbox.











Lendon Gray Speaking to June 2025 TEAM Clinic Participants in Hutto, Texas. Use this link for Lendon Gray's fantastic clinics: https://dressage4kids.org



Groups of youth were spotted at shows and at the Region 9 Youth Information "stall" at Region 9 Championships last year. Youth athletes participated in Region 9's only CDI in April 2025, earning leading athlete buckles in their divisions! The Annual USDF Convention was held in Houston, Texas, in December 2024, and youth athletes were welcomed on stage! Don't forget our annual Battle of the Baskets Silent Auction Fundraiser at the Regional Championships!





# 9 FEI YOUTH NAYC PROGRAM

The NAYC FEI youth teams for 2026 will again include Juniors, Young Riders, and Children divisions.

Preparation Starts Now!

In 2025, Region 9 fielded a full team in the Young Rider division, consisting of Cate Schmidt (TX), Addy Batcheller (AR), and Nathan Morehead (TX) with Chef d'Equipe Marsha Lewis. The team just missed the podium with fourth placed amongst eight teams! The Junior and Children teams both shined with SILVER!! The Junior team Included MK Connatser (TX) and Sage Smith (OK) and the inaugural Children's team consisted of Zoe Lewis (TX) and Charlotte Garver (LA).









Above: The inaugural podium for the NAYC CHildren's division included the Region 3,8,9 Team with Chef d'Equipe Ben Winger, Charlotte Garver, Julianno Sardelli, Glanna Foley, and Zee Lewis,

Region 9's Ruby Lewis won a special award, the Howard Simpson High Five Award, for enthusiastically volunteering and supporting athletes at NAYC.

We are very grateful for everyone in the Region 9 community and beyond who supported these riders and the Region 9 FEI Youth Program! Sponsors in 2025 include: Connatser Family Law, Kristie Scholten Photography, Ida Mattisson, Leander Veterinary Clinic, Olva Stewart Pharo, Solstice Farms, Cadence Ranch, Salado Creek Tack, Gentle Creek Equestrian Center, Emmy Morehead, Bonnie Russell, Jessica Palvino, Anna Palvino, Kelly Battle, Gillian Gourlay, Angel Gunn, Jane Holman, The Functional Rider, Back In the Saddle Chiropractor, Circle 3 Dressage.

Photos credited to Patrick Smith, John Wilkin, and Marsha Lewis.

# USDF REGION 9 FEI YOUTH Clinics PROGRAM



The USDF FEI Youth Clinic is an educational opportunity for youth riders striving to compete at the FEI levels. The goal of this series is to promote hardworking, talented youth riders who want to rise to the top of the discipline. These clinics are taught by top U.S. riders and trainers including George Williams, Anne Gribbons, Lilo Fore and Sabine Schut-Kery, Each clinic includes two days of private lessons, theory sessions, and auditing the other rides. Riders must submit an online application and eight riders are selected to participate.

Left to Right: Organizer Marsha Lewis, Mallory Macomber on "Bellafonte", Cate Schmidt, Zoe Lewis, Ruby Lewis, Alyssa Longoria, MK COnnatser, Sloane Macomber on "Burgie", and Instructor George Williams.

Riders should be 12–21 years of age and preparing for FEI Children's, Ponies, Juniors, or Young Riders. Consideration will also be given to U25 riders if space allows. Auditors of all ages are welcome. Thank you to George Williams for his excellent and patient instruction and Paragon Farms and stable manager, Ben Winger, for donating their time, facility, and stabling in 2024.



Left: From Zoe Lewis on "Mocha" to Cate Schmidt on "Fonty" and all the sizes in between! The legend, George Williams, coached our FEI Youth for a third year in a row.

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Congratulations to the 2025 Grant Recipient

# Dawn Petraitis

The Evie Tumlin Fund was established in 2016 in memory of Evie, who was an integral part of the Region 9 dressage and eventing community. Throughout her years of serving and helping others, she touched many lives and helped raise several generations of people who loved horses.

#### Past Recipients:

2024	Danielle Aymond	2019	Gail Lewis
2023	Gerlinde Beckers	2019	Pamela DeVore
2023	Meredith Hunter	2018	Nicole Miller
2022	Molly Ralstin	2018	Alexandra Gee
2021	Megan Riley	2017	Melinda Lee-Stroud
2020	Elizabeth Shelton	2017	Missy Carlisle
2020	Carrie Chaffin		

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- Youth/Young Adults

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- Western Dressage
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- And More!



The Dressage Foundation is also home of the popular Century Club!

Visit dressagefoundation.org or scan to learn more or make a donation





TDF's 2023 Region 9 Teaching Excellence Award Recipient, Sarah Denham



# The Dressage Foundation congratulates its recent Region 9 Grant Recipients!



#### 2025 GMO Recipients:

(as of July 2025)

- Brazos Association for Classical Horsemanship Violet Hopkins Fund
- Dallas Dressage Club Edgar Hotz Judges Fund
- Fort Worth Dressage Club Violet Hopkins Fund
- Southern Eventing & Dressage Association Violet Hopkins Fund

#### 2024 GMO Recipients:

- Central Texas Dressage Society
   Violet Hopkins Fund
- Dallas Dressage Club Edgar Hotz Judges Fund
- Fort Worth Dressage Club Violet Hopkins Fund

### 2025 Individual Recipients:

(as of July 2025)

• Dawn Petraitis

Evie Tumlin Fund for Adult Amateurs

#### **2024 Individual Recipients:**

- Danielle Aymond
   Evie Tumlin Fund for Adult Amateurs
- Mimi Benton

  Maryal & Charlie Barnett Instructor Fund
- Kim Charney
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- Cameron Dauterive
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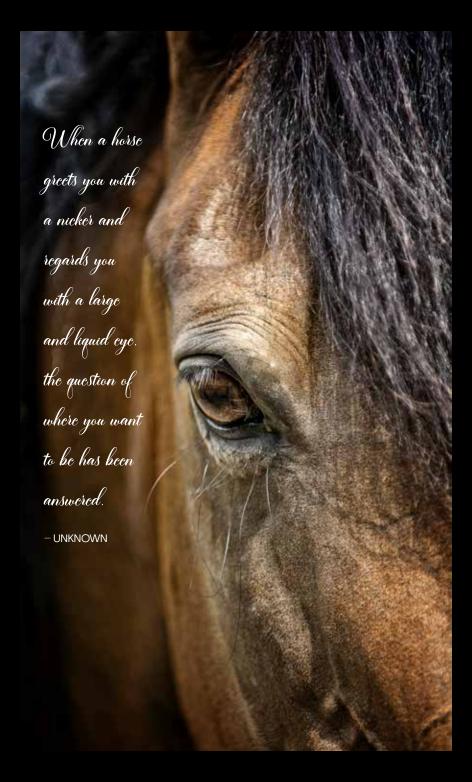
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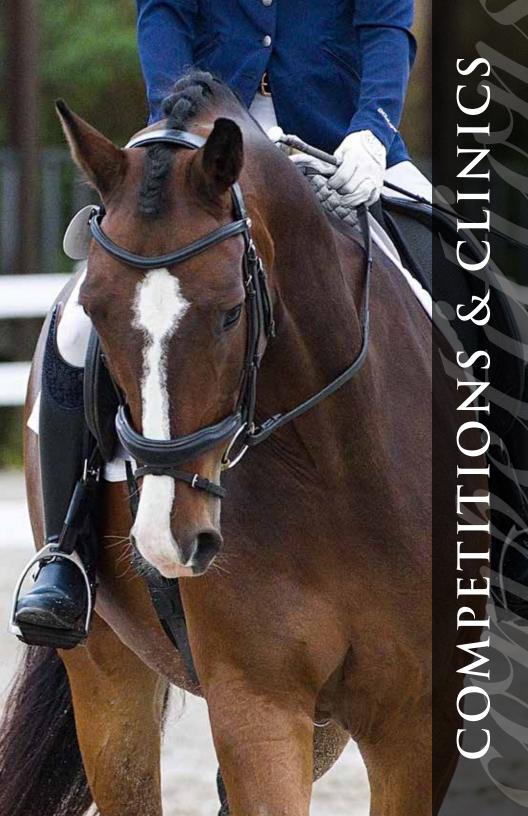
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- Oliver Swain
   Lynn Palm Western Dressage Future
   Star Award



For more information and application information, visit www.dressagefoundation.org

The Dressage Foundation 1314 'O' Street, Suite 305, Lincoln, Nebraska 68508 (402) 434-8585, info@dressagefoundation.org







### Calendar of Advertised Competitions & Clinics

#### 2025

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# Le Bon Temps I

November 22-23, 2025

Judge: Jodi Lees 'S' TD: Alecia Daniel

### Le Bon Temps II May 9-10, 2026

Judge: Susan Mandas 'S' and DSHB 'R'

TD: TBA

#### QUALIFYING COMPETITIONS FOR:

- 2026 Southwest Dressage Championships
- 2026 USDF Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Finals (Le Bon Temps II only)
- 2026 Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Qualifier
- 2026 National Dressage Pony Cup Partner Shows with Le Bon Temps I & II and First Dance, Amen Corner Farm
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#### **Houston Dressage Society**

#### Winter Shows I & II

Great Southwest Equestrian Center, Katy, TX
Level 3 Competition
January 17-18, 2026 (two shows)

Recognized by USEF, USDF, SWDC, NDPC and HDS

#### 2026 Official Qualifying Competition for:

Great American Insurance Group/USDF Region 9 Dressage and Southwest Dressage Championships
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USEF Pony Rider Dressage National Championship,
USEF Junior and Young Rider Dressage National Championships,
USEF Children Dressage National Championship
USEF Young Adult Brentina Cup Dressage National Championship
Markel/USEF Young and Developing Horse Dressage Championship
FEI World Breeding Championships for Young Horses in Dressage (Five, Six and Seven Year Olds)
National Dressage Pony Cup

#### Judges:

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OCT 10-11, 2026

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March 7-8, 2026 (two shows)

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#### 2026 Official Qualifying Competition for:

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Markel/USEF Young and Developing Horse Dressage Championship
FEI World Breeding Championships for Young Horses in Dressage (Five, Six and Seven Year Olds)

National Dressage Pony Cup Applied for as part of the 2026 ProElite/USDF Breeders Championship Southern Series Qualifier

#### Judges:

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December 6-7, 2026 – Melissa Creswick "R"

March 14-15 – Gail Matheus "R"

April 18-19–Mary Mahler "R"

May 2-3 – Corinne Bridgeman "R"

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March 21-22, 2026 San Antonio Rose Palace, San Antonio, TX

Judges: Sue Mandas, "S" and Joan Williams, "S"



#### Official Qualifying Competitions for

2026 GAIG/USDF Regional Dressage Championship
2026 Southwest Dressage Championship
National Dressage Pony Cup Partner Show
2026 USEF Children Dressage National Championship
2026 USEF Pony Rider Dressage National Championship
2026 FEI North American Youth Championships

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# Texas Rose Dressage Classic I & II April 10-12, 2026 (two shows)

Opening Date: 3/2/26 Closing Date: 3/30/26

# Texas Rose Horse Park Tyler, TX

**Level 3\* Competitions** 

2026 Qualifying Competition for:

2026 FEI North American Youth Championships
2026 USEF Children Dressage National Championship
2026 USEF Pony Rider Dressage National Championship
2026 USEF Junior and Young Rider Dressage National Championships
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# CDI2\*/1\*/Am/YH/Y/J/P/CH and Spring Classic Shows I & II

Great Southwest Equestrian Center, Katy, TX
Level 5 Competition

April 23-26, 2026 (two shows for open show)

Recognized by FEI, USEF, USDF, SWDC, NDPC and HDS

#### 2026 Official Qualifying Competition for:

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USEF Pony Rider Dressage National Championship,
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USEF Children Dressage National Championship
USEF Young Adult Brentina Cup Dressage National Championship
Markel/USEF Young and Developing Horse Dressage Championships
FEI World Breeding Championships for Young Horses in Dressage (Five, Six and Seven Year Olds)
National Dressage Pony Cup

#### Judges:

Debbie Rodriguez, FEI Level 3, USA Brenda Minor, FEI Level 3, CAN Omar Zayrik, FEI Level 2, MEX Ulf Wadeborn, "S"

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#### 2026 Recognized Shows/Clinics

- May 2/3 ODS Show, Tulsa Expo Tulsa, OK
   Level 3 ~ Two, 1 Day Shows
   Judges: Sue Mandas "S" and Brian MacMahon "S"
- June 6 Green Country Dressage: Level 1
   Judge: Lilo Fore FEI 5\* (Ret)
   June 7/8 Symposium with Lilo Fore
- September 5 Summer Oasis Show, Location (TBA)
   Level 1 / Judge (TBA)
   September 7 Clinic with Judge (TBA)

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2026 Great American Insurance Company /USDF Regional Dressage & Southwest Dressage Championship Qualifying #342853 & 342854 Level 2 Dressage Shows USEF/USDF/SWDC

## May 9 & 10, 2026 Williamson County Expo Center

5350 Bill Pickett Trail, Taylor, TX

Judges: Debbie Riehl-Rodriguez, "S", Arvada, CO Anne Cizadlo, "S", Wellington, FL

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# MEMORIAL DAY CLASSIC

SHOWS I & II

May 23th & 24th

2026

#### Qualifying Level 3 Competitions For :

2026 Great American Insurance Group USDF Region 9 Championship
2026 Southwest Dressage Championship
2026 FEI North American Youth Championships
2026 USEF Children Dressage National Championship
2026 USEF Pony Rider Dressage National Championship
2026 Adequan' / USEF Junior Dressage National Championship
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Closing Date: May 14, 2026

# Spring Show I & II

May 30 & 31, 2026

Texas Rose Horse Park - Tyler, Texas USEF Level 3 Competition

## Official Qualifying Competition for the:

2026 Great American Insurance Group/ USDF Regional Dressage Championships 2026 Southwest Dressage Championships

2026 USEF Children Dressage National Championship 2026 USEF Pony Rider Dressage National Championship

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# Houston Dressage Society

#### Summer Shows I & II

# Great Southwest Equestrian Center Katy, TX Level 3 Competition

June 6-7, 2026 (two shows)

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National Dressage Pony Cup

#### Judges:

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Opening Date: April 25, 2026

Closing Date: June 4, 2026

# Sport Horse In Hand and Dressage Show I & II

June 20 & 21, 2026

Texas Rose Horse Park - Tyler, Texas USEF Level 2 Competition

# Official Qualifying Competition for the:

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> 2026 Southwest Dressage Championships

USDF Southern Breeders Championship Series Final

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## DALLAS DRESSAGE CLUB

Opening Date: June 13, 2026

Closing Date: July 23, 2026

# Lemonade Daze I & II

August 8 & 9, 2026

Henderson County Fairpark Complex
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USEF Level 2 Competition

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# Houston Dressage Society Laborious Day Shows I & II

## Great Southwest Equestrian Center, Katy, TX Level 2 Competition

August 22-23, 2026 (two shows)

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#### 2026 Official Qualifying Competition for:

Great American Insurance Group/USDF Region 9 Dressage and Southwest Dressage Championships National Dressage Pony Cup

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## **GREAT SOUTHWEST**

# HARVEST CLASSIC

SHOWS I & II

September 5th & 6th 2026

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Team #838 - Georgia Kelton

#### 2023

Team #619 - Jane Hays

Team #620 - Judith Myers

Team #711 - Valerie Smith

Team #712 - Jane Holman

Team #713 - Marsha Louise Murray

#### 2022

Team #546 - Stella Gordon

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# Texas Rose Dressage Fall Classic I & II September 18-20, 2026 (two shows)

Opening Date: 7/31/26 Closing Date: 9/7/26

# Texas Rose Horse Park Tyler, TX

**Level 2 Competitions** 

## Qualifying Competition for:

2027 FEI North American Youth Championships 2027 USEF Children Dressage National Championship 2027 USEF Pony Rider Dressage National Championship 2027 USEF Junior and Young Rider Dressage National Championships

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#### Houston Dressage Society

# Great American Insurance Group/USDF Region 9 Dressage Championships & Southwest Dressage Championships & HDS Autumn Classic

Great Southwest Equestrian Center, Katy, TX Level 4 Competition

**October 1-4, 2026** (one show)

Recognized by USEF, USDF, SWDC, NDPC and HDS

#### 2027 Official Qualifying Competition for:

Great American Insurance Group/USDF Region 9 Dressage Championships Southwest Dressage Championships National Dressage Pony Cup

#### Judges

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# Yellow Rose Festival Show I & II

October 31 & November 1, 2026

Henderson County Fairpark Complex
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USEF Level 3 Competition

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2027 FEI North American Youth Championships

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# Schooling Shows

DDC Winter Warmup Schooling Show February 7-8, 2026

Henderson County Fairpark Complex
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> Longhorn Arena & Event Center Greenville, Texas

DDC Sizzlin' Summer Schooling Show July 18-19, 2026

Longhorn Arena & Event Center Greenville, Texas

DDC Schooling Show Championships & Open Show December 19-20, 2026

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October 1 - Nov. 3 - Virtual Dressage Show

October 18th - Cavaletti Seminar with Lauren Fisher

November 8th – Ride-a-Test with Bess Bruton

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# Southwest Dressage Championships

#### 2026 Awards and Qualifying Percentages

Class	Adult Amateur	Junior/Young Rider	Open	
Walk Trot (USDF Intro B test)	63%	63%		
Training Level	61%	61%	64%	
First Level	60%	60%	63%	
Second Level	59%	59%	62%	
Third Level	58%	58%	60%	
Fourth Level	57%	57%	58%	
Prix St Georges	57%	57%	58%	
Intermediare I	57%	57%	58%	
Intermediare II	57%	57%	58%	
Grand Prix	57%	57%	58%	
Musical Freestyle 1st			62%	
Musical Freestyle 2nd			62%	
Musical Freestyle 3rd				
Musical Freestyle 4th				
Musical Freestyle FEI				
Pony Championships - Training Level			56%	
Pony Championships - First Level or Second Level			56%	
Pony Championships - Third Level or Fourth Level			56%	

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- 1. Qualifying Fees and Percentages
- 2. List of Qualifying Competitions (NOT ALL REGION 9 SHOWS ARE SWDC)
- 3. Rules for Qualifying, Becoming a Qualifying Competition, Hosting Championships
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# Southwest Dressage Championships

Our 2026 OUALIFYING YEAR will be the same as the USDF Qualifying year

#### 2026 Qualifying fees \$15.00 Per Ride

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Pressage Championships

#### 2026 Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Dressage Championships

A single Regional Dressage Championship program organized by the United States Dressage Federation (USDF), and recognized by the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. (USEF), will be held in each of the nine USDF regions. In addition, Alaska and Hawaii may each hold state championships if an official request from a Group Member Organization (GMO) is received by April 1 of the prior year. The Regional Championship Program Rules can be found on the USDF website at <a href="https://www.usdf.org">www.usdf.org</a>. Please refer to the 2026 USDF Member Guide for the comprehensive list of rules and requirements for this program.

#### Membership/Registration Requirements for Qualifying and Championships

All memberships and registrations/recordings must be correct and current at the time qualifying scores are earned and at the time of the championships.

Rider:

- Must have a USDF Participating\* Membership (PM).
- · Must have a USEF membership (Active or Life).

#### Horse:

- Must have a USDF Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR).
- Must have a USEF (Annual or Lifetime) Horse Recording.
- USDF horse registration and USEF horse recording must be in the name(s) of the current owner(s) or lessee(s).
   A horse is not required to have breed registry papers.
- Horses must be entered in qualifying and championship classes under their official recorded names and ownership as specified in USEF GR1102.3, and transfers of ownership or lease registrations must be completed in compliance with USEF rules GR1105 and GR1108 prior to the competition in order for the horse to compete under the name of the new owner or lessee. (USEF DR127.2)

#### Owner:

Must have a USDF Participating or Business Membership and a USEF membership (Active or Life Membership or Annual
Recorded Farm/Business (with Senior Active Competing Farm Owner in good standing)). If the horse has more than one
owner, at least one owner must have both active USEF membership and active USDF Participating or Business Membership
and must be the owner of record with USEF and USDF. For a business or farm to be the valid owner under this requirement, it
must be listed as an owner of the horse with both USEF and USDF.

Minimum Qualifying Scores: One set of nationally-standardized qualifying scores has been established for all USEF/USDF Regional Championships, for Training Level through Grand Prix, in three divisions: open, adult amateur and junior/young rider. The minimum percentages are as follows:

	OPEN	AA	JR/YR
Training Level (Test 3)	68%	63%	63%
First Level (Test 3)	66%	62%	62%
Second Level (Test 3)	64%	61%	61%
Third Level (Test 3)	62%	60%	60%
Fourth Level (Test 3)	62%	60%	60%
Prix St. Georges	62%	60%	60%
Intermediate I	62%	60%	60%
Intermediate II	62%	60%	60%
Grand Prix	60%	60%	60%
FREESTYLE	OPEN/Jr/YR	AA	
First Level	65%	65%	
Second Level	65%	65%	
Third Level	65%	65%	
Fourth Level	65%	65%	
Intermediate I	65%	65%	
Grand Prix	65%	65%	

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<sup>\*</sup> PMs are USDF members who join USDF directly. USDF Group Members (GM) are ineligible.

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#### 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

- Earned a score of 70% or higher in any dressage seat equitation class (except walk/trot) at a USEF-licensed/USDFrecognized Dressage competition within the qualifying period of the applicable regional championship.
- 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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#### **USDF Horse Welfare Statement**

As those engaged in equestrian sport, we are committed to ensuring our horses receive the best possible care to the best of our ability. We acknowledge that we are the caretakers of our horses and as such we are committed to always, without exception, treating our horses with dignity, fairness, kindness, and understanding.

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The United States Dressage Federation™ (USDF) is proud to represent all of its members, be a resource for the dressage community, and to support inclusivity in all aspects of sport.

As the world comes together during this pivotal time for civil rights, so too must the equine community. USDF stands firmly in support of the principles of equality and inclusivity in the organization and sport. Any form of discrimination

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# CONTINUING EDUCATION

Region 9 has grants available to assist GMOs in offering educational opportunities to their members.

#### In 2025, Region 9 awarded the following grant:

- Central Texas Dressage Society hosted a JJ. Tate Symposium: Connection to Collection: Building a Classical Path to FEI.
- Brazos Association for Classical Horsemanship hosted a Cavaletti Seminar With Lauren Fisher.
- Southern Eventing and Dressage Association sponsored the symposium: Lauren Sprieser. Maximize Opportunity.

For more information on Region 9 Adult Education Grants, applications, and guidelines, visit USDFRegion9.org, Check the Region 9 website calendar for GMO sponsored clinics and educational opportunities.

#### Good to know

The United States Dressage Federation (USDF) is proud to have your Group Member Organization (GMO) as an affiliated club (USDF takes pride in its members and recognizes the impact GMOs have on the organization.

USDF provides many resourceful tools for GMOs to utilize to keep members involved in dressage, and tools that may help your GMO function to the best of its ability.

Created to support programs that engages members, the GMO Education Initiative helps to provide affordable education programs. Approved programs are eligible to apply for the GMO Education Initiative Grant, for up to \$1,000 to help defray event expenses.

USDF has created a series of pre-packaged lectures for GMO use for short unmounted events. 12 hours. These educational lectures are structured in a way that anyone can lead the lecture and discussion. Each lecture is self contained and provides all of the materials you will need to host a lecture including a lesson plan, handouts, and media.

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TDF's 2019 Region 9 Teaching Excellence Award Recipient, John Mason Photo by Susan J. Stickle

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# **USDF Region 9 Sport Horse Stats**

#### **Emerald Classic / March 2025**

Marilyn Kulifay Secretary 92 entries, 21% were Breed Show

#### First Dance / March 2025

Marilyn Kulifay Secretary 50 entries, 12% were Breed Show

#### SEDA Le Bon Temps II / May 2025

Marilyn Kulifay Secretary 50 entries, 16% were Breed Show

#### **DDC / June 2025**

Susan Peacock Secretary 43 entries, 14% were Breed Show

# **DON'T MISS Upcoming Sport Horse Events**

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Check the Region 9 and USDF calendars and emails for more events as they are added.

#### Haras / July 2025

Teresa Uddo Secretary 92 entries, 22% were Breed Show

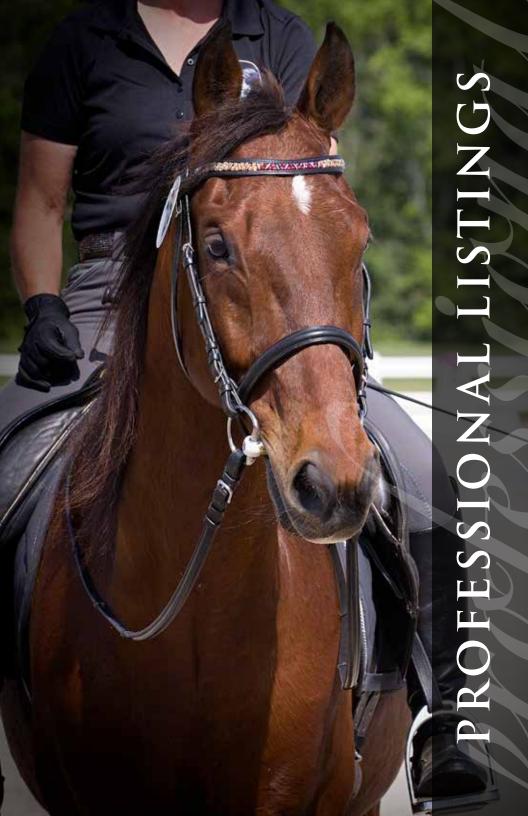
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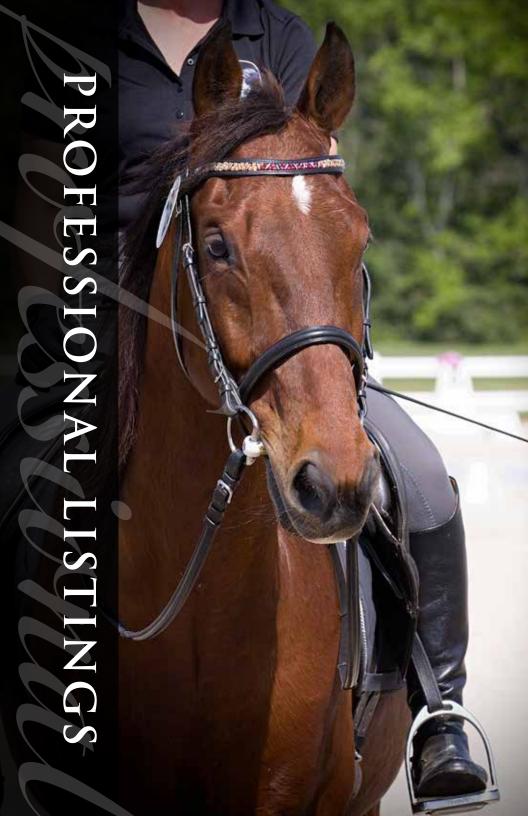
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Plus one **really great** Handlers Clinic hosted by SEDA in June 2025, featuring Christine Smith – multiple Dressage at Devon winning handler.



Christine Smith Handler Clinic hosted by SEDA. The clinic provided a wealth of information to all participants and auditors. Everyone went home with new skills applicable to far more than sport horse handling in the show ring. Photo credit Marie Cobb, Ree Photographics.





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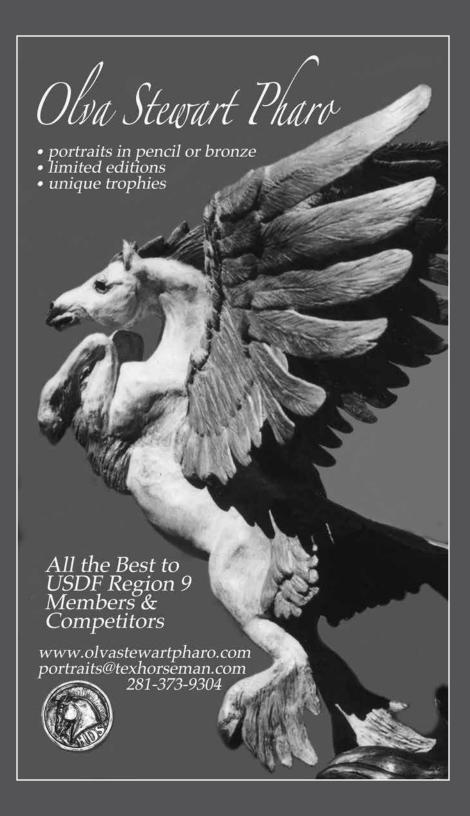
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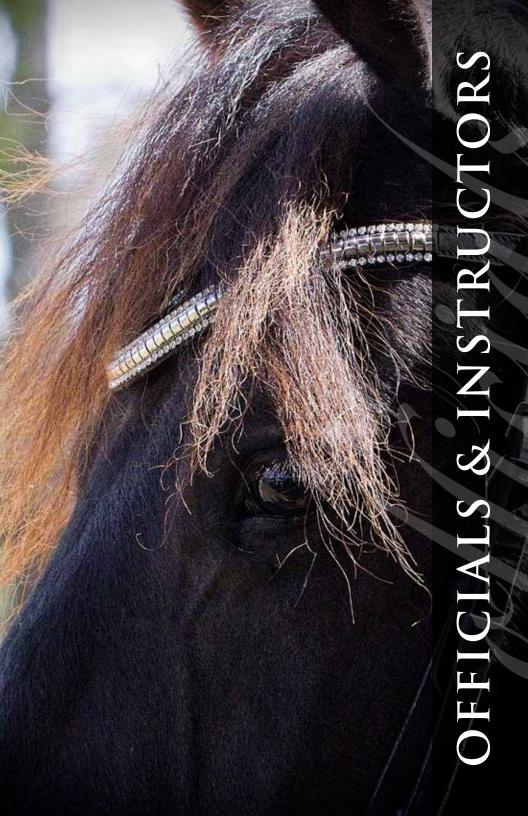
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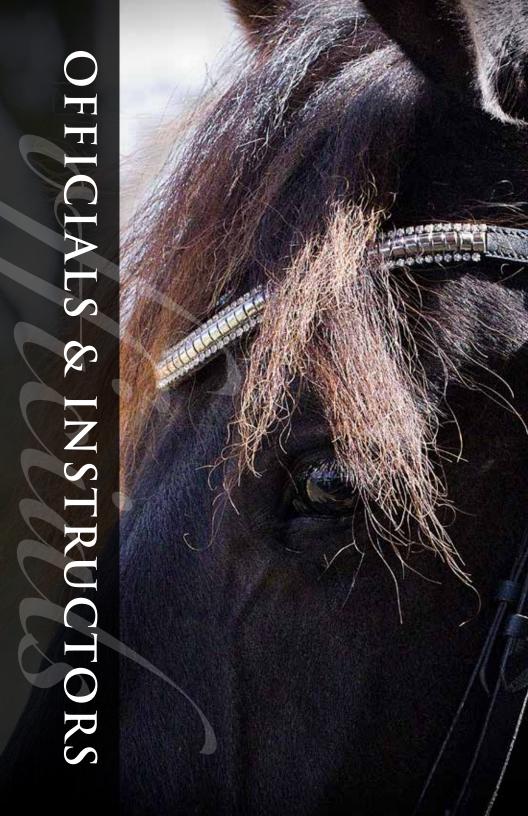


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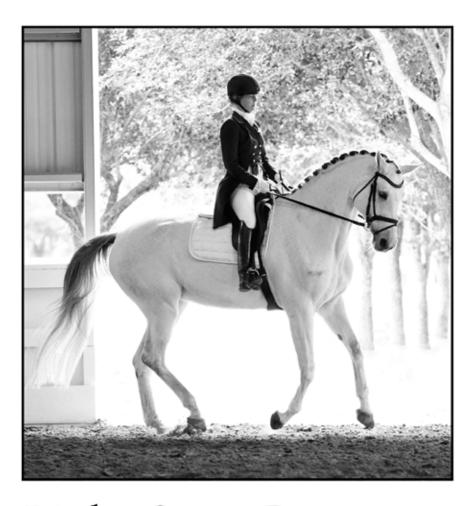
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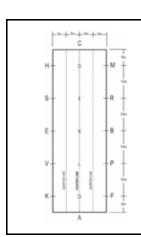
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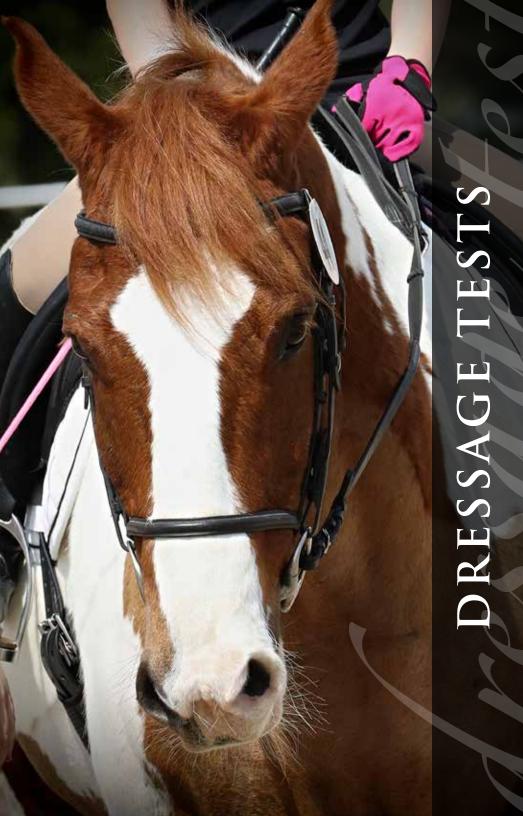
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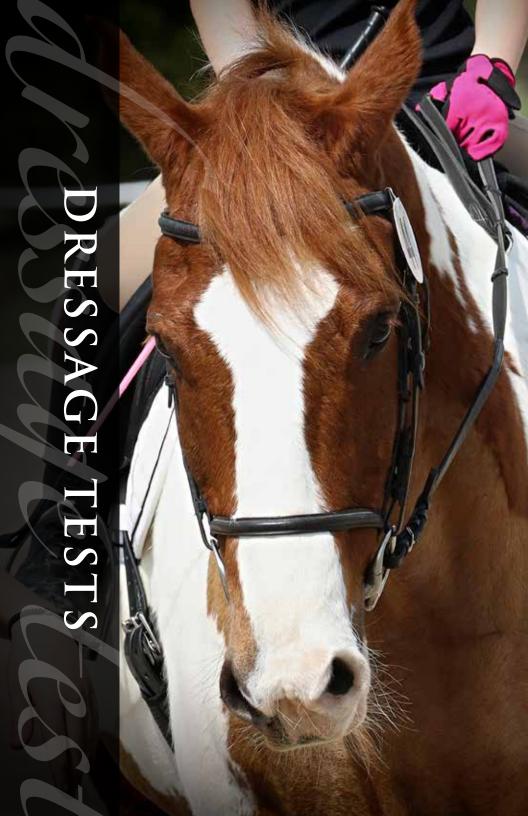
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# Pyramid of Training

#### Collection

(Balance and Lightness of the Forehand from Increased Engagement)

#### Straightness

(Improved Alignment and Equal, Lateral Suppleness on Both Reins)

### **Impulsion**

(Engagement and the Desire to Go Forward)

#### Contact

(Connection and Acceptance of the Bit through Acceptance of the Aids)

#### **Suppleness**

(Elasticity and Freedom from Anxiety)

#### Rhythm

(Regularity and Tempo)

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The United States Dressage Federation (USDF) has interpreted the dressage training scale in the pyramid shown above. It illustrates the sequential manner in which training should progress, with rhythm and energy at the base of the pyramid and collection at its peak.

Despite its appearance, the training scale is not meant to be rigid or linear. Instead, each level is built on, returned to, and improved as the horse progresses. For example, the work of an upper level horse involves as much refining of the relaxation and connection stages of the pyramid as perfecting collection.

# 2023 Dressage Tests

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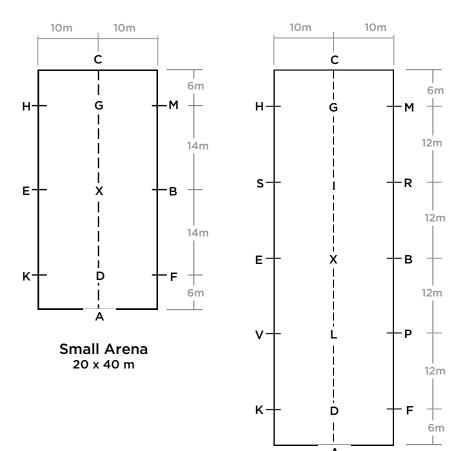
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# Dressage Arena Diagrams

### (1 m = ~3.3 feet)



Standard Arena 20 x 60 m

## **USDF** Introductory Level Tests

This unique series of tests provides an opportunity for the horse and/or rider new to dressage to demonstrate elementary skills. The tests have been designed to encourage correct performance and to prepare the horse for the transition to the USEF tests.

#### **PURPOSE**

To introduce the rider and/or horse to the sport of dressage, confirming that they are beginning to develop an understanding of correct dressage basics. The horse should be ridden freely forward in a steady tempo and clear rhythm, accepting contact with the bit. An understanding of test accuracy and geometry should be demonstrated.

#### **INSTRUCTION**

- All trot work to be ridden rising. Transitions from walk to trot and trot to walk may be performed through sitting trot with the objective of performing a smooth transition.
- Turns from centerline to long side and long side to centerline should be ridden as a half circle, touching the track at a point midway between the centerline and the corner, and vice versa.

#### **COMMENT**

 Horses should be ridden on a light but steady contact, with the exception of the free walk in which the horse is allowed complete freedom to stretch neck forward and downward.

#### **COLLECTIVE MARKS FOR USDF TESTS**

- Gaits (freedom and regularity). x1
- Impulsion (desire to move forward with suppleness of the back and steady tempo). x1
- Submission (acceptance of steady contact, attention and confidence). x2
- Rider's position (keeping in balance with horse). x1
- Rider's effectiveness of aids (correct bend and preparation of transitions). x1
- Geometry and accuracy (correct size and shape of circles and turns). x1

#### **Tests A and B Requirements**

Free walk
Medium walk
Working trot rising
20 meter circle
Halt through walk

#### **Tests C Requirements**

Free walk
Medium walk
Working trot rising
Working canter
20 meter circle
Halt through walk

	Ш	NTRODUCTORY 1	EST A, WALK-TROT	
		TEST	DIRECTIVES	COE
1.	A Between X & C	Enter working trot rising. Medium walk	Regularity, quality of trot; straightness, willing, calm transition. Regularity, quality, of walk	
2.	C M	Track right Working trot rising	Bend and balance; willing, calm transition	
3.	A	Circle right 20m, working trot rising	Regularity; shape and size of circle; bend; balance	
4.	K-X-M	Change rein, working trot rising	Regularity of trot; straightness; bend and balance in corner	
5.	C	Circle left 20m, working trot rising	Regularity; shape and size of circle; bend; balance	
6.	Between C & H	Medium walk	Willing, calm transition; regularity, quality	
7.	H-X-F	Free walk	Regularity, reach and ground cover with over track of free walk allowing complete freedom to stretch the neck forward and downward	
8.	F-A A	Medium walk Down centerline	Regularity, quality, willing, calm transition, bend and balance in turn. Straightness on centerline.	
9.	Х	Halt, salute	Straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)	

	II	NTRODUCTORY 1	TEST B, WALK-TROT	
		TEST	DIRECTIVES	COE
1.	A X	Enter working trot rising. Halt through medium walk. Salute - Proceed working trot rising.	Regularity, quality of trot; willing, calm transitions; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)	
2.	C	Track left, working trot rising	Regularity; bend and balance in turn and corner	
3.	E	Circle left 20m working trot rising	Regularity; shape and size of circle; bend; balance	
4.	Between K & A	Medium walk	Willing, calm transition; regularity, quality	
5.	F-E	Free walk	Regularity, reach, and ground cover with over track of free walk allowing complete freedom to stretch the neck forward and downward	
6.	E-H	Medium walk	Willing, calm transition; regularity, quality, overtrack	
7.	Between H & C	Working trot rising	Willing, calm transition; regularity of trot; bend and balance in corner	
8.	В	Circle right 20m working trot rising	Regularity; shape and size of circle; bend; balance	
9.	A X	Down centerline Halt through medium walk, Salute	Bend and balance in turn; straightness; regularity of trot; willing, calm transition; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)	

	INTR	ODUCTORY TEST	C, WALK-TROT-CANTE	R
		TEST	DIRECTIVES	COE
1.	A X	Enter working trot rising.  Halt through medium walk. Salute - Proceed working trot rising.	Regularity; quality of trot; willing, calm transitions; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)	
2.	C	Track right, working trot rising	Regularity; bend and balance in turn and corner	
3.	В	Circle right 20m, working trot rising	Regularity; shape and size of circle; bend; balance	
4.	A Before A	Circle right 20 meters developing working canter in first quarter of the circle, right lead Working trot rising.	Regularity of gaits; shape and size of circle; bend; balance	
5.		(Transition in and out of canter)	Willing and calm transitions	
6.	K-X-M	Change rein, working trot rising	Regularity of trot; straightness; bend and balance in corners	
7.	E	Circle left 20m, working trot rising	Regularity; shape and size of circle; bend; balance	
8.	A	Circle left 20 meters developing working canter in first quarter of the circle, left lead.	Regularity and quality of gaits; shape and size of circle; bend; balance	
	Before A	Working trot rising.		
9.		(Transition in & out of canter)	Willing and calm transitions	
10.	Between F & B	Medium walk	Willing, calm transition; regularity, quality, overtrack	
11.	B-H H	Free walk Medium walk	Regularity and quality of walks; reach and ground cover with overtrack; allowing complete freedom to stretch the neck forward and downward; straightness; Willing, calm transitions	
12.	Between C & M	Working trot rising to A	Willing, calm transition; regularity of trot; bend and balance in corner; straightness	
13.	A X	Down centerline Halt through medium walk, Salute	Bend and balance in turn; regularity of trot; willing, calm transition; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)	

# **USDF** Training Level Tests

#### **PURPOSE**

To confirm that the horse demonstrates correct basics, by showing suppleness both laterally and longitudinally, moving freely forward in a clear rhythm with a steady tempo, and readily accepting contact with the bit. Correct geometry and lines of travel should be shown.

#### COLLECTIVE MARKS FOR ALL USEF TESTS

- Gaits (freedom and regularity). x1
- Impulsion (Desire to move forward; elasticity of the steps; suppleness of the back; engagement of the hindquarters). x2
- Submission (Willing cooperation; harmony; attention and confidence; acceptance of bit and aids; straightness; lightness of forehand and ease of movements). x2
- Rider's position and seat (Alignment; posture; stability; weight placement; following mechanics of the gaits). x1
- Rider's correct and effective use of aids (Clarity; subtlety; independence; accuracy of test). x1

#### COMMENTS

All trot work may be ridden sitting or rising, unless stated. Halts may be through the walk.

#### **TRAINING LEVEL TEST 1**

Introduce: Working trot; working canter; medium walk; free walk; 20m circles in trot and canter

#### **TRAINING LEVEL TEST 2**

Introduce: Stretch circle in trot.

#### **TRAINING LEVEL TEST 3**

Introduce: Changing of bend on a shallow loop, canter-trot transition on diagonal.

		USDF TRAININ	IG LEVEL TEST 1	
		TEST	DIRECTIVES	COE
1.	A X	Enter working trot Halt, salute Proceed working trot	Regularity and quality of trot; willing, calm transitions; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)	
2.	C E	Track left Circle left 20m	Regularity and quality of trot; shape and size of circle; bend; balance	2
3.	A	Circle left 20m developing left lead canter in first quarter of circle	Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of gaits; shape and size of circle; bend; balance	
4.	A-F-B	Working canter	Regularity and quality of canter; bend and balance in corner; straightness	
5.	Between B & M	Working trot	Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of gaits; straightness; bend and balance in corner	2
6.	Between C & H	Medium walk	Willing, calm transition; regularity, quality, bend and balance in corner	2
7.	E-F F	Change rein, free walk Medium walk	Regularity and quality of walks; reach, overtrack, and ground cover of free walk allowing complete freedom to stretch the neck forward and downward; straightness; willing, calm transitions	2
8.	A	Working trot	Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of trot; bend and balance in corner; straightness	
9.	Е	Circle right 20m	Regularity and quality of trot; shape and size of circle; bend; balance	2
10.	C	Circle right 20m developing right lead canter in first quarter of circle	Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of gaits; shape and size of circle; bend; balance	
11.	C-M-B	Working canter	Regularity and quality of canter; bend and balance in corner; straightness	
12.	Between B & F	Working trot	Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of gaits; straightness; bend and balance in corner	2
13.	A X	Down centerline Halt, salute	Bend and balance in turn; regularity and quality of trot; willing, calm transition; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)	

	<b>USDF TRAINING LEVEL TEST 2</b>			
		TEST	DIRECTIVES	COE
1.	A X	Enter working trot Halt, salute Proceed working trot	Regularity and quality of trot; willing, calm transitions; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)	
2.	C B	Track right Circle right 20m	Regularity and quality of trot; shape and size of circle; bend and balance	
3.	K-X-M	Change rein	Regularity and quality of trot; straightness; bend and balance in corner	2
4.	Between C & H	Working canter left lead	Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of gaits; bend and balance in corner; straightness	2
5.	E	Circle left 20m	Regularity and quality of canter; shape and size of circle; bend; balance	
6.	Between E & K	Working trot	Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of gaits; straightness; bend and balance in corner	
7.	A Before A A	Circle left 20m rising trot, allowing the horse to stretch forward and downward while maintaining contact Shorten the reins Working trot	Forward and downward stretch over the back into a light contact, maintaining balance and quality of trot; bend; shape and size of circle; willing, calm transitions	
8.	F F-E	Medium walk  Change rein, medium walk	Willing, calm transition; regularity, overtrack, and quality of walk	2
9.	E-M M	Change rein, free walk Medium walk	Regularity and quality of walks; reach, overtrack, and ground cover of free walk allowing complete freedom to stretch the neck forward and downward; straightness; willing, calm transitions	2
10.	C	Working trot	Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of trot; bend and balance in corner; straightness	
11.	E	Circle left 20m	Regularity and quality of trot; shape and size of circle; bend; balance	
12.	F-X-H	Change rein	Regularity and quality of trot; straightness; bend and balance in corner	2
13.	Between C & M	Working canter right lead	Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of gaits; bend and balance in corner; straightness	2
14.	В	Circle right 20m	Regularity and quality of canter; shape and size of circle; bend; balance	
15.	Between B & F	Working trot	Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of gaits, straightness; bend and balance in corner	
16.	A X	Down centerline Halt, salute	Bend and balance in turn; regularity and quality of trot; willing, calm transition; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)	

	USDF TRAINING LEVEL TEST 3			
		TEST	DIRECTIVES	COE
1.	A X	Enter working trot Halt, salute Proceed working trot	Regularity and quality of trot; willing, calm transitions; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)	
2.	C H-X-K	Track left Slightly after H begin a single loop to X returning to the track slightly before K	Regularity and quality of trot; bend and balance in turns; shape and size of loop; changes of bend; balance	2
3.	Between A & F	Working canter left lead	Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of gaits; bend in corner; straightness	
4.	В	Circle left 20m	Regularity and quality of canter; shape and size of circle; bend; balance	
5.	H-X-F X	Change rein Working trot	Regularity and quality of gaits; willing, calm transition; straightness; bend in corner	
6.	A	Medium walk	Willing, calm transition; regularity, quality	2
7.	K-X-H H	Free walk Medium walk	Regularity and quality of walks; reach, overtrack, and ground cover of free walk allowing complete freedom to stretch the neck forward and downward; straightness; willing, calm transitions	2
8.	C M-X-F	Working Trot Slightly after M begin a single loop to X returning to the track slightly before F	Regularity and quality of trot; shape and size of loop; changes of bend and balance	2
9.	Between A & K	Working canter right lead	Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of gaits; bend and balance in corner; straightness	
10.	E	Circle right 20m	Regularity and quality of canter; shape and size of circle; bend; balance	
11.	C	Working trot	Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of trot	
12.	B Before B B	Circle right 20m in rising trot allowing the horse to stretch forward and downward Shorten the reins Working trot	Forward and downward stretch over the back into a light contact, maintaining balance and quality of trot; bend; shape and size of circle; willing, calm transitions	2
13.	A X	Down centerline X Halt, salute	Bend and balance in turn; regularity and quality of trot; willing, calm transition; straight, attentive halt; immobile (min. 3 seconds)	

#### **USDF** First Level Tests

#### **PURPOSE**

To confirm that the horse demonstrates correct basics, and in addition to the requirements of Training Level, has developed improved balance, lateral suppleness and throughness, as well as the thrust to perform lengthenings of stride. The horse should be on the bit.

#### **COLLECTIVE MARKS FOR ALL USEF TESTS**

- Gaits (freedom and regularity). x1
- Impulsion (Desire to move forward; elasticity of the steps; suppleness of the back; engagement of the hindquarters). x2
- Submission (Willing cooperation; harmony; attention and confidence; acceptance of bit and aids; straightness; lightness of forehand and ease of movements). x2
- Rider's position and seat (Alignment; posture; stability; weight placement; following mechanics of the gaits). x1
- Rider's correct and effective use of aids (Clarity; subtlety; independence; accuracy of test). x1

#### **COMMENTS**

All trot work may be ridden sitting or rising, unless otherwise stated.

#### **FIRST LEVEL TEST 1**

Introduce: 10m half circle at trot; 15m circle in canter; lengthening of stride in trot.

#### **FIRST LEVEL TEST 2**

Introduce: Leg yield; Lengthen stride in canter.

#### **FIRST LEVEL TEST 3**

Introduce: 10m circle at trot; change of lead through trot; shallow loops at canter.

willing, clear transitions; mobility (min. 3 seconds)
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; regularity and quality of traightness; attentiveness;

	USDF FIRST LEVEL TEST 2				
		TEST	DIRECTIVES	COE	
1.	A X	Enter working trot Halt, salute, Proceed working trot	Regularity and quality of trot; willing, clear transitions; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)		
2.	C M-V V	Track right Change rein, lengthen stride in trot Working trot	Bend and balance in turns; moderate lengthening of frame and stride; regularity and quality of trot; willing, clear transitions; straightness; consistent tempo		
3.	A L-M	Turn down centerline Leg yield right	Regularity and quality of trot; straightness on centerline; consistent tempo; alignment; balance and flow	2	
4.	H-P P	Change rein, lengthen stride in trot Working trot	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride; regularity and quality of trot; willing, clear transitions; straightness; consistent tempo		
5.	A L-H	Turn down centerline Leg yield left	Regularity and quality of trot; straightness on centerline; consistent tempo; alignment; balance and flow	2	
6.	C	Medium walk	Willing, clear transition; regularity, quality, overtrack: bend and balance in corner	2	
7.	M-V V	Change rein, free walk Medium walk	Regularity and quality of walks; reach and ground cover with overtrack of free walk allowing complete freedom to stretch the neck forward and downward; straightness; willing, clear transitions	2	
8.	K A	Working trot Working canter left lead	Willing, clear transitions; regularity and quality of gaits; bend and balance in corners		
9.	P	Circle left 15m	Regularity and quality of canter; shape and size of circle; bend; balance		
10.	P-M	Lengthen stride in canter	Willing, clear transition; moderate lengthening of frame and stride; regularity and quality of canter; straightness; consistent tempo	2	
11.	BETWEEN M-C	Develop working canter	Willing, clear transition; regularity and quality of canter; bend and balance in corners		
12.	H-X-F X	Change rein Working trot	Willing, clear transition; regularity and quality of gaits; straightness		
13.	F	Working canter right lead	Willing, clear transition; regularity and quality of canter; bend and balance in corners		
14.	V	Circle right 15m	Regularity and quality of canter; shape and size of circle; bend; balance		
15.	V-H	Lengthen stride in canter	Willing, clear transition; moderate lengthening of frame and stride; regularity and quality of canter; straightness; consistent tempo	2	
16.	BETWEEN H-C	Develop working canter	Willing, clear transition; regularity and quality of canter, bend and balance in corners		
17.	М	Working trot	Willing, clear transition; regularity and quality of trot; straightness		
18.	B BEFORE B B	Circle right 20m rising trot, allowing the horse to stretch forward and downward while maintaining contact Shorten the reins Working trot	Forward and downward stretch over the back into a light contact, maintaining balance and quality of trot; bend; shape and size of circle; willing, clear transitions	2	
19.	A X	Down centerline Halt, salute	Bend and balance in turn; regularity and quality of trot; willing, clear transition; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)		

		TEST	DIRECTIVES	COE
1.	A X	Enter working trot Halt, salute, Proceed working trot	Regularity and quality of trot; willing, clear transitions; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)	
2.	C H-X-F F	Track left Change rein, lengthen stride in trot Working trot	Bend and balance in turn; moderate lengthening of frame and stride; regularity and quality of trot; willing, clear transitions; straightness; consistent tempo	
3.	V-I	Leg yield right	Regularity and quality of trot; consistent tempo; alignment; balance and flow	2
4.	     	Circle left 10m Straight ahead Track right	Regularity and quality of trot; shape and size of circle; bend; balance; straightness on centerline	
5.	B BEFORE B	Circle right 20m rising trot, allowing the horse to stretch forward and downward while maintaining contact  Shorten the reins	Forward and downward stretch over the back into a light contact, maintaining balance and quality of trot; bend; shape and size of circle; willing, clear transitions	2
6.	A	Canter right lead	Willing, clear transition; regularity and quality of canter; bend and balance in corner	
7.	K-X-H	Slightly after K begin a single loop to X returning to the track slightly before H, maintaining lead	Regularity and quality of canter; shape and size of loop; positioning; balance	2
8.	C	Circle right 15m	Regularity and quality of canter; shape and size of circle; bend; balance	
9.	M-F F	Lengthen stride in canter Working canter	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride; regularity and quality of canter; willing, clear transitions; straightness; consistent tempo	
10.	K-X-M X	Change rein Working trot	Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of gaits; bend and balance in corner	
11.	C	Medium walk	Willing, clear transition; regularity, quality, overtrack	2
12.	H-X-K K	Free walk Medium walk	Regularity and quality of walks; reach and ground cover with overtrack of free walk allowing complete freedom to stretch the neck forward and downward; straightness; willing, clear transitions	2
13.	A	Working trot	Willing, calm transition; bend and balance in corner	
14.	P-I	Leg yield left	Regularity and quality of trot; consistent tempo; alignment; balance and flow	2
15.	     	Circle right 10m Straight ahead Track right	Regularity and quality of trot; shape and size of circle; bend; balance	
16.	M-X-K K	Lengthen stride in trot Working Trot	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride; regularity and quality of trot; willing, clear transitions; straightness; consistent tempo	
17.	A	Working canter left lead	Willing, calm transition; regularity and quality of gait; bend and balance in corner	
18.	F-X-M	Slightly after F begin a single loop to X returning to the track slightly before M, maintaining lead	Regularity and quality of canter; shape and size of loop; positioning; balance	2
19	C	Circle left 15m	Regularity and quality of canter; shape and size of circle; bend; balance	
20.	H-K K	Lengthen stride in canter Working canter	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride; regularity and quality of canter; willing, clear transitions; straightness; consistent tempo	
21.	F-X-H X	Change rein Change of lead through trot	Willing, clear transitions; regularity and quality of gaits; straightness	
22.	C B X G	Working trot Half dirde right 10m Down center line Halt, salute	Bend and balance in corner and half circle; regularity and quality of trot; willing, clear transition; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)	

#### **USDF** Second Level Tests

#### **PURPOSE**

To confirm that the horse demonstrates correct basics, and now begins to accept more weight on the hindquarters as the collected and medium gaits develop. A greater degree of straightness, suppleness, throughness, and balance are required to perform the movements with ease and self-carriage.

All trot work must be done sitting.

#### **COLLECTIVE MARKS FOR ALL USEF TESTS**

- Gaits (freedom and regularity). x1
- Impulsion (Desire to move forward; elasticity of the steps; suppleness of the back; engagement of the hindquarters). x2
- Submission (Willing cooperation; harmony; attention and confidence; acceptance of bit and aids; straightness; lightness of forehand and ease of movements). x2
- Rider's position and seat (Alignment; posture; stability; weight placement; following mechanics of the gaits). x1
- Rider's correct and effective use of aids (Clarity; subtlety; independence; accuracy of test). x1

#### **SECOND LEVEL TEST 1**

Introduce: Walk-canter transitions; collected and medium trot and canter; 10m circle at canter; shoulder-in; rein back.

#### **SECOND LEVEL TEST 2**

Introduce: Travers; Half turn on haunches; Simple changes.

#### **SECOND LEVEL TEST 3**

Introduce: Counter canter in serpentine.

X Halt, salute, Proceed collected trot transitions; st  2. C Track left Bend and bale H-P Change rein, medium trot with engager P Collected trot balance	uphill balance and quality of trot; clear, balanced raightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds) since in turns; moderate lengthening of frame and stride nent, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill
X Halt, salute, Proceed collected trot transitions; st  2. C Track left Bend and balk H-P Change rein, medium trot with engager P Collected trot balance	raightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds) ance in turns; moderate lengthening of frame and stride nent, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill
H-P Change rein, medium trot with engager P Collected trot balance	nent, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill
3. (Transitions H and P) Clear, balance	
P-F-A-K Collected trot	d transitions; consistent tempo; quality of trot
4. K-E Shoulder-in right Angle, bend a	nd balance; engagement and quality of trot 2
5. B Turn left Angle, bend a B-M Shoulder-in left	nd balance; engagement and quality of trot 2
	illing steps back with correct rhythm and count; 2 clear transitions
7. C-S Medium walk Regularity, qu	ality, overtrack 2
8. S-F Change rein, free walk Regularity, ov F Medium walk free walk allo	ertrack, and quality of walks; reach and ground cover of wing complete freedom to stretch the neck forward and raightness; clear, balanced transitions
9. A Collected canter right lead Clear, balance	d straight transition; regularity and quality of canter
	pthening of frame and stride with engagement, elasticity, raightness and uphill balance; consistent tempo; clear sitions
11. C Circle right 10m Regularity and	d quality of canter; shape and size of circle; bend; balance
12. M-E Change rein Regularity, qu E-V Counter canter	ality and balance of canter; straightness 2
13. V Collected trot Regularity and K Medium walk	d quality of gaits; clear, balanced transitions
14. A Collected canter left lead Clear, balance	d straight transition; regularity and quality of gaits
1 1 1	pthening of frame and stride with engagement, elasticity, raightness and uphill balance; consistent tempo; clear sitions
16. C Circle left 10m Regularity and	d quality of canter; shape and size of circle; bend; balance
17. H-B Change rein Regularity, qu B-P Counter canter	ality and balance of canter; straightness 2
18. P Collected trot Regularity and	d quality of gaits; clear, balanced transition
19 K-R Medium trot Moderate leng	thening of frame and stride with engagement, elasticity, raightness and uphill balance
	d transitions; consistent tempo
	ance in turns; engagement, uphill balance and quality of anced transition; straightness; attentiveness; immobility ds)

		TEST	DIRECTIVES	COE
1.	A X	Enter collected trot Halt, salute, Proceed collected trot	Engagement, uphill balance and quality of trot; clear, balanced transitions; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)	
2.	C M-V	Track right Medium trot	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride with engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness	
3.	V-K-A-F	(Transitions M and V) Collected trot	Clear, balanced straight transitions; quality of trot; consistent tempo	
4.	F-B B-X	Shoulder-in left Half circle left 10m	Angle, bend and balance; shape and size of half circle; engagement and quality of trot	
5.	X-E E-H	Half circle right 10m Shoulder-in right	Shape and size of half circle; angle, bend and balance; engagement and quality of trot	
6.	M-P	Medium trot	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride with engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill balance	
7.	P-F-A-K	(Transitions M & P) Collected trot	Clear, balanced straight transitions; quality of trot	
8.	K-E E-X	Travers right Half circle right 10m	Angle, bend and balance; shape and size of half circle; engagement and quality of trot	2
9.	X-B B-M	Half circle left 10m Travers left	Shape and size of half circle angle, bend and balance; engagement and quality of trot	2
10.	C H BETWEEN G & M	Medium walk Turn left Collect and half turn on haunches left Proceed medium walk	Clear transition Activity and quality of the preparation and execution, bend, balance, tempo, regularity, bend, and fluency	
11.	BETWEEN G & H	Collect and half turn on haunches right Proceed medium walk	Activity and quality of the preparation and execution, bend, balance, tempo, regularity, and fluency	
12.		(Medium walk) [CHG(M)G(H)GMR]	Regularity, quality, overtrack	2
13.	M R-K K-A	Turn right Free walk Medium walk	Regularity and quality of walks; reach, overtrack, and ground cover of free walk allowing complete freedom to stretch the neck forward and downward; straightness; clear, balanced transitions	2
14.	A	Collected canter left lead	Clear, balanced straight transition; regularity and quality of gait	
15.	F-R R	Medium canter Collected canter	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride with engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill balance	
16.	R-M-C	(Transitions at F and R) Collected canter	Balanced straight transitions; quality of canter; consistent tempo	
17-19.	C-A	Serpentine 3 equal loops, width of arena, simple changes of lead over centerline		
17.		(Score for first simple change)	Clear, balanced straight transitions; regularity and quality of gaits	
18.		(Score for second simple change)	Clear, balanced straight transitions; regularity and quality of gaits	
19.		(Score for quality of serpentine)	Regularity and quality of gaits; positioning; geometry	
20.	F-E E-H	Change rein Counter canter	Regularity, quality and balance of canter; straightness	2
21.	H BEFORE C	Medium walk Collected canter right lead	Clear, balanced straight transitions; regularity and quality of gaits	

		USDF SECO	ND LEVEL TEST 2 CONTINUED	
22.	M-P P	Medium canter Collected canter	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride with engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill balance; consistent tempo	
23.	P-F-A-K	(Transitions at M and P) Collected canter	Regularity, quality and balance of canter; straightness; clear, balanced transitions	
24.	K-B B-M	Change rein Counter canter	Regularity, quality and balance of canter; straightness	2
25.	М	Collected trot	Clear, balanced, straight transition; regularity and quality of trot	
26.	E X G	Turn left Turn left Halt, salute	Engagement, uphill balance and quality of trot; clear balanced transition; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)	

		USDF SECO	ND LEVEL TEST 3	
		TEST	DIRECTIVES	COE
1.	A X	Enter working trot Halt, salute, Proceed collected trot	Engagement, uphill balance and quality of trot; clear, balanced transitions; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)	
2.	C H-X-F F	Track left Change rein, medium trot Collected trot	Bend and balance in turns; moderate lengthening of frame and stride with engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill balance	
3.	F-A-K	(Transitions H and F) Collected trot	Clear, balanced transitions; regularity and quality of gait; consistent tempo	2
4.	K-E	Shoulder-in right	Angle, bend and balance; engagement and quality of trot	
5.	E	Circle right 10m	Regularity and quality of trot; shape and size of circle; bend; balance	
6.	E-H	Travers right	Angle, bend and balance; engagement and quality of trot	
7.	M-X-K K	Change rein, medium trot Collected trot	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride with engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill balance	
8.	K-A-F	(Transitions M and K) Collected trot	Clear, balanced transitions; regularity and quality of trot; consistent tempo	2
9.	F-B	Shoulder-in left	Angle, bend and balance; engagement and quality of trot	
10.	В	Circle left 10m	Regularity and quality of trot; shape and size of circle; bend; balance	
11.	B-M	Travers left	Angle; bend and balance; engagement and quality of trot	
12.	C	Halt, rein back 3 to 4 steps Proceed medium walk	Immobility; willing steps back with correct rhythm and count; straightness; clear transitions	2
13.	H BETWEEN G & M	Turn left Collect and half turn on haunches left Proceed medium walk	Activity and quality of the preparation and execution, bend, balance, tempo, regularity, and fluency	2
14.	BETWEEN G & H M	Collect and half turn on haunches right Proceed medium walk Turn right	Activity and quality of the preparation and execution, bend, balance, tempo, regularity, and fluency	2
15.		(Medium walk) [CHG(M)G(H)GMR]	Regularity, quality, overtrack	
16.	R-V V	Change rein, free walk Medium walk	Regularity and quality of walks; reach, overtrack, and ground cover of free walk allowing complete freedom to stretch the neck forward and downward; straightness; clear, balanced transitions	2
17.	K	Collected canter left lead	Clear, balanced straight transition; regularity and quality of gait	
18.	F-M M	Medium canter Collected canter	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride with engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill balance	
19	M-C	(Transitions F and M) Collected canter	Clear, balanced straight transitions; regularity and quality of canter; consistent tempo	
20.	C-A	Serpentine 3 equal loops, width of the arena, no change of lead	Regularity, quality and balance of canter; positioning; geometry	
21.	F-E L E-H-C-M	Change rein Simple change Collected canter	Clear, balanced, straight transitions; regularity and quality of gaits	2
22.	M-F F	Medium canter Collected canter	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride with engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill balance	
23.	F-A	(Transitions at M and F) Collected canter	Clear, balanced, straight transitions; regularity and quality of canter; consistent tempo	
24.	A-C	Serpentine 3 equal loops, width of the arena, no change of lead	Regularity, quality and balance of canter; positioning; geometry	

		USDF SECO	ND LEVEL TEST 3 CONTINUED	
25.	M-E I E-K	Change rein Simple change Collected canter	Clear, balanced, straight transitions; regularity and quality of gaits	2
26.	K	Collected trot	Clear, balanced straight transition; regularity and quality of trot; consistent tempo	
27.	A X	Down centerline Halt, salute	Bend and balance in turn; engagement, uphill balance and quality of trot; clear balanced transition; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)	

# **USDF** Third Level Tests

#### **PURPOSE**

To confirm that the horse demonstrates correct basics, while maintaining consistent uphill balance and self-carriage. Increased engagement facilitates clear differences in collected, medium, and extended gaits with well-defined, balanced transitions. Movements should be accomplished with harmony and ease due to the increased balance and collection. The horse must demonstrate a greater degree of throughness, suppleness, straightness and bending.

All trot work must be done sitting.

# **NOTE: Double Bridle Optional**

#### **COLLECTIVE MARKS FOR ALL USEF TESTS**

- Gaits (Freedom and regularity). x1
- Impulsion (Desire to move forward; elasticity of the steps; suppleness of the back; engagement of the hindquarters). x2
- Submission (Willing cooperation; harmony; attention and confidence; acceptance of bit and aids; straightness; lightness of forehand and ease of movements). x2
- Rider's position and seat (Alignment; posture; stability; weight placement; following mechanics of the gaits). x1
- Rider's correct and effective use of aids (Clarity; subtlety; independence; accuracy of test). x1

## **THIRD LEVEL TEST 1**

Introduce: Extended gaits; half pass at trot; single flying change.

#### **THIRD LEVEL TEST 2**

Introduce: Renvers; release of reins at canter; half pass at canter.

## THIRD LEVEL TEST 3

Introduce: Reinback to trot.

		TEST	DIRECTIVES	COI
1.	A X	Enter collected trot Halt, salute Proceed collected trot	Engagement, self-carriage and quality of trot; well defined transitions; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)	
2.	C S-V	Track left Shoulder-in left	Angle, bend and balance; engagement and self-carriage	
3.	V-L L-H	Half circle left 10m Half pass left	Shape and size of half circle; alignment, bend, fluency and crossing of legs; engagement and self-carriage	2
4.	R-P	Shoulder-in right	Angle, bend and balance; engagement and self-carriage	
5.	P-L L-M	Half circle right 10m Half pass right	Shape and size of half circle; alignment, bend, fluency and crossing of legs; engagement and self-carriage	2
6.	H-X-F F	Medium trot Collected trot	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride with engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill balance; consistent tempo; well defined transitions	
7.	A	Halt, rein back 4 steps Proceed medium walk	Immobility, willing steps back with correct rhythm and count; straightness; clear transitions	2
8.	K-R R	Change rein, extended walk Medium walk	Regularity; suppleness of back; activity; overtrack; freedom of shoulder; stretching to the bit; clear transitions	2
9.	M BETWEEN G & H	Turn left Collect and half turn on haunches left Proceed medium walk	Activity and quality of the preparation and execution, bend, balance, tempo, regularity, and fluency	
10.	BETWEEN G & M H	Collect and half turn on haunches right Proceed medium walk Track right	Activity and quality of the preparation and execution, bend, balance, tempo, regularity, and fluency	
11.		(Medium walk) [RMG(H)G(M)GHC]	Regularity, quality, overtrack	2
12.	C	Collected canter right lead	Well defined transition; regularity and self-carriage; engagement and quality of canter	
13.	M-F F	Medium canter Collected canter	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride with engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill balance; consistent tempo; well defined transitions	
14.	٧	Circle right 10m	Shape and size of circle; bend; engagement and self-carriage	
15.	V-R	Change rein, flying change of lead between centerline and R	Clear, balanced, fluent, straight flying change; engagement and self-carriage	2
16.	H-K K	Extended canter Collected canter	Utmost ground cover with lengthening of frame; elasticity; engagement; suspension; straightness and uphill balance	
17.	K-A-P	(Transitions H and K) Collected canter	Well defined maintaining tempo and balance	
18.	Р	Circle left 10m	Shape and size of circle; bend; engagement and self-carriage	
19	P-S	Change rein, flying change of lead between centerline and S	Clear, balanced, fluent, straight flying change; engagement and self-carriage	2
20.	C	Collected trot	Well defined, balanced transition; engagement and collection	
21.	M-X-K K	Extended trot Collected trot	Utmost ground cover with lengthening of frame; elasticity; engagement; suspension; straightness and uphill balance	
22.	K-A	(Transitions M and K) Collected trot	Well defined maintaining tempo and balance	
23.	A X	Down centerline Halt, salute	Bend and balance in turn; engagement, self-carriage and quality of trot; well defined transition; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)	

		TEST	DIRECTIVES	COI
1.	A X	Enter collected trot Halt, salute, proceed collected trot	Engagement, self-carriage and quality of trot; well defined transitions; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)	
2.	C M-X-K K	Track right Change rein, medium trot Collected trot	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride with engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill balance; consistent tempo; well defined transitions	
3.	F-B	Shoulder-in left	Angle, bend and balance; engagement and self-carriage	
4.	B-M	Renvers right	Angle, bend and balance; engagement and self-carriage	2
5.	H-X-F F	Change rein, extended trot Collected trot	Utmost ground cover with lengthening of frame; elasticity; engagement; suspension; straightness and uphill balance	2
6.	F-A-K	(Transitions H and F) Collected trot	Well defined maintaining tempo and balance	
7.	K-E	Shoulder-in right	Angle, bend and balance; engagement and self-carriage	
8.	E-H	Renvers left	Angle, bend and balance; engagement and self-carriage	2
9.	C M Between G & H	Medium walk Turn right Collect and half turn on haunches right Proceed medium walk	Activity and quality of the preparation and execution, bend, balance, tempo, regularity, and fluency	
10.	BETWEEN G & M H	Collect and half turn on haunches left Proceed medium walk Turn left	Activity and quality of the preparation and execution, bend, balance, tempo, regularity, and fluency	
11.		(Medium walk) [CMG(H)G(M)GHS]	Regularity, quality, overtrack	2
12.	S-P P	Change rein, extended walk Medium walk	Regularity; suppleness of back; activity; overtrack; freedom of shoulder; stretching to the bit; well-defined transitions	2
13.	F	Collected canter right lead	Well defined transition; regularity and self-carriage; engagement and quality of gait	
14.	A D-R	Down centerline Half pass right	Alignment and bend while moving fluently forward and sideways; engagement and self-carriage	
15.	BETWEEN R & M	Flying change of lead	Clear, balanced, fluent, straight flying change; engagement and self-carriage	2
16.	H-K K	Medium canter Collected canter	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride with engagement; elasticity; suspension; straightness and uphill balance; consistent tempo; well defined transitions	
17.	A D-S	Down centerline Half pass left	Alignment and bend while moving fluently forward and sideways; engagement and self-carriage	
18.	BETWEEN S & H	Flying change of lead	Clear, balanced, fluent, straight flying change; engagement and self-carriage	2
19	C	Circle right 20m, showing a clear release of both reins for 4-5 strides over centerline	Clear release of reins maintaining selfcarriage; engagement and collection; size of circle and bend	2
20.	M-F F	Extended canter Collected canter	Utmost ground cover with lengthening of frame; elasticity; engagement; suspension; straightness and uphill balance	2
21.	F-A	(Transitions M and F) Collected canter	Well defined maintaining tempo and balance	
22.	A L	Down centerline Collected trot	Bend and balance in turn; engagement, self carriage and quality of gaits; well defined transition; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)	

Leave arena in free walk. Exit at A.

		USDF THII	RD LEVEL TEST 3	
		TEST	DIRECTIVES	COE
1.	A X	Enter collected trot Halt, salute Proceed collected trot	Engagement, self-carriage and quality of trot; well defined transitions; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)	
2.	C H-X-F F	Track left Change rein, medium trot Collected trot	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride with engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill balance; consistent tempo; well defined transitions	
3.	K-E	Shoulder-in right	Angle, bend and balance; engagement and self-carriage	
4.	E-X X-B	Half circle right 10m Half circle left 10m	Shape and size of half circles; supple change of bend on centerline; engagement and self-carriage	
5.	B-G C	Half pass left Track right	Alignment, bend, fluency and crossing of legs; engagement and self-carriage	2
6.	M-X-K K	Change rein, extended trot Collected trot	Utmost ground cover with lengthening of frame; elasticity; engagement; suspension; straightness and uphill balance	
7.	K-A	(Transitions M and K) Collected trot	Well defined maintaining tempo and balance	
8.	A	Halt, rein back 4 steps Proceed collected trot	Immobility, willing steps back with correct rhythm and count; straightness; well defined transitions	2
9.	F-B	Shoulder-in left	Angle, bend and balance; engagement and self-carriage	
10.	B-X X-E	Half circle left 10m Half circle right 10m	Shape and size of half circles; supple change of bend on centerline; engagement and selfcarriage	
11.	E-G C	Half pass right Track left	Alignment, bend, fluency and crossing of legs; engagement and self-carriage	2
12.	BETWEEN C & H H BETWEEN G & M	Medium walk  Turn left Collect and half turn on haunches left Proceed medium walk	Activity and quality of the preparation and execution, bend, balance, tempo, regularity, and fluency	
13.	BETWEEN G & H M	Collect and half turn on haunches right Proceed medium walk Turn right	Activity and quality of the preparation and execution, bend, balance, tempo, regularity, and fluency	
14.		(Medium walk) [CHG(M)G(H)CMR]	Regularity, quality, overtrack	2
15.	R-V V	Change rein, extended walk Medium walk	Regularity; suppleness of back; activity; overtrack; freedom of shoulders; stretching to the bit; well defined transitions	2
16.	K	Collected canter left lead	Well defined transition; regularity and selfcarriage; engagement and quality of canter	
17.	F-X X-I	Half pass left Collected canter	Alignment and bend while moving fluently forward and sideways; engagement and self-carriage	2
18.	I-S S-F	Half circle left 10m Change rein, flying change of lead near centerline	Shape and size of half circle; bend; clear, balanced, fluent, straight flying change; engagement and self-carriage	2
19	K-X X-I	Half pass right Collected canter	Alignment and bend while moving fluently forward and sideways; engagement and self-carriage	2
20.	I-R R-K	Half circle right 10m Change rein, flying change of lead near centerline	Shape and size of half circle; bend; clear, balanced, fluent, straight flying change; engagement and self-carriage	2

		USDF THIR	D LEVEL TEST 3 CONTINUED
21.	F-M M	Extended canter Collected canter	Utmost ground cover with lengthening of frame; elasticity; engagement; suspension; straightness and uphill balance
22.	M-C-H	(Transitions F and M) Collected canter	Well defined maintaining tempo and balance
23.	Н	Collected trot	Well defined, balanced transition; engagement and collection
24.	E X G	Turn left Turn left Halt, salute	Bend and balance in turns; engagement, self-carriage and quality of trot; well defined transition; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)

# **USDF** Fourth Level Tests

## **PURPOSE**

To confirm that the horse demonstrates correct basics, and has developed sufficient throughness, suppleness, balance, and impulsion to perform with ease the exercises at this medium level of difficulty. The horse has established consistent self-carriage and lightness through improved connection, engagement, and collection. The movements and transitions are performed with greater straightness, impulsion, and cadence.

All trot work must be done sitting.

# **NOTE: Double Bridle Optional**

#### **COLLECTIVE MARKS FOR ALL USEF TESTS**

- Gaits (freedom and regularity). x1
- Impulsion (Desire to move forward; elasticity of the steps; suppleness of the back; engagement of the hindquarters). x2
- Submission (Willing cooperation; harmony; attention and confidence; acceptance of bit and aids; straightness; lightness of forehand and ease of movements). x2
- Rider's position and seat (Alignment; posture; stability; weight placement; following mechanics of the gaits). x1
- Rider's correct and effective use of aids (Clarity; subtlety; independence; accuracy of test). x1

## **FOURTH LEVEL TEST 1**

Introduce: Collected walk; very collected canter; walk pirouettes; multiple flying changes on diagonal.

## **FOURTH LEVEL TEST 2**

Introduce: Counter change of hand in trot and canter; tempi changes every fourth stride; working partial pirouettes in canter.

# **FOURTH LEVEL TEST 3**

Introduce: Tempi changes every third stride; half working pirouettes in canter.

		<b>USDF FOUR</b>	TH LEVEL TEST 1	
		TEST	DIRECTIVES	COE
1.	A X	Enter collected canter Halt, salute, Proceed collected trot	Engagement, collection and quality of gaits; well defined transitions; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)	
2.	C H-X-F OVER X F	Track left Change rein, medium trot 6-7 steps collected trot Collected trot	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride with engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill balance; regularity and activity in collected steps; consistent tempo; well defined transitions	2
3.	K-X	Half pass right	Alignment, bend, fluency and crossing of legs; engagement and collection	2
4.	Х-Н	Half pass left	Alignment, bend, fluency and crossing of legs; engagement and collection	2
5.	M-X-K K	Change rein, extended trot Collected trot	Utmost ground cover with lengthening of frame, engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill balance	
6.	K-A-F	(Transitions M and K) Collected trot	Well defined transitions maintaining tempo and balance	
7.	F-B B	Shoulder-in left Turn left	Angle, bend and balance; engagement and collection	
8.	E E-H	Turn right Shoulder-in right	Angle, bend and balance; engagement and collection	
9.	C M BETWEEN G & H	Collected walk Turn right Half pirouette right proceed collected walk	Quality of transition, Regularity; suppleness of back; activity; collection; self-carriage, regularity; activity of hind legs; bend; fluency; size; self-carriage	
10.	BETWEEN G & M H	Half pirouette left proceed collected walk Turn left	Regularity; activity of hind legs; bend; fluency; size; self-carriage	
11.		(Collected walk) CMG(H)G(M)GHS	Regularity; suppleness of back; activity; collection; self-carriage	2
12.	S-P P	Extended walk Collected walk	Regularity; suppleness of back; activity; overtrack; freedom of shoulders; stretching to the bit; well defined transitions	2
13.	F	Collected canter right lead	Precise, fluent transition; engagement; collection; quality of canter	
14.	A D-B	Down center line Half pass right	Alignment and bend while moving fluently forward and sideways; engagement and collection	
15.	B-M M	Counter canter Flying change of lead	Straightness, engagement and collection; clear, balanced, fluent flying change	
16.	C	Circle left 20m, 5-6 strides of very collected canter between quarterlines	Well defined transitions; engagement and collection throughout; size of circle and bend	2
17.	H-K K	Medium canter Collected canter	Moderate lengthening of frame; elasticity; engagement; suspension; straightness and uphill balance; consistent tempo; well defined transitions	
18.	A D-E	Down centerline Half pass left	Alignment and bend while moving fluently forward and sideways; engagement and collection	
19	E-H H	Counter canter Flying change of lead	Straightness, engagement and collection; clear, balanced, fluent flying change	

		<b>USDF FOUR</b>	TH LEVEL TEST 1 CONTINUED	
20.	M-F F	Extended canter Collected canter	Utmost ground cover with lengthening of frame, engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness; maintaining tempo and balance	
21.	F-A-K	(Transitions at M and F) Collected canter	Well defined transitions maintaining tempo and balance	
22.	K-X-M	Change rein, 3 single flying changes of lead, near first quarterline, near X, and near last quarterline	Quality of canter; clear, balanced, fluent, straight flying changes; engagement	2
23.	Н	Collected trot	Well defined transition maintaining tempo and balance	
24.	E	Turn left	Bend and balance in turns; engagement, collection and quality of trot	
	Χ	Turn left	Straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)	
	G	Halt, salute		

		TEST	DIRECTIVES	COE
1.	A X	Enter collected canter Halt, salute, proceed collected trot	Engagement, collection and quality of gaits; well defined transitions; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)	
2.	C M-B	Track right Shoulder-in right	Angle, bend and balance; engagement and collection	
3.	B-K K	Change rein, medium trot Collected trot	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride with engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill balance; consistent tempo, well defined transitions	
4.	A D-E	Down centerline Half pass left	Alignment, bend, fluency and crossing of legs; engagement and collection	
5.	E-G C	Half pass right Track left	Supple change of bend; alignment, fluency and crossing of legs; engagement and collection	
6.	H-E	Shoulder-in left	Angle, bend and balance; engagement and collection	
7.	E-F F	Change rein, medium trot Collected trot	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride with engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill balance; consistent tempo; well defined transitions	
8.	A K-R	Collected walk Change rein, extended walk	Regularity; suppleness of back; activity; overtrack; freedom of shoulders; stretching to the bit; well defined transitions	2
9.	R M BETWEEN G & H	Collected walk Turn left Half pirouette left Proceed collected walk	Regularity; activity of hind legs; bend; fluency; size; self-carriage	2
10.	BETWEEN G & M H	Half pirouette right Proceed collected walk Turn right	Regularity; activity of hind legs; bend; fluency; size; self-carriage	2
11.		(Collected walk) [AK/RMG(H)G(M)GHC]	Regularity; suppleness of the back; activity; collection; self-carriage	
12.	C	Collected canter right lead	Precise, fluent transition; engagement, collection and quality of canter	
13.	M-F F	Medium canter Collected canter	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride with engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill balance; consistent tempo; well defined transitions	
14.	A D-B	Down centerline Half pass right	Alignment and bend while moving fluently forward and sideways; engagement and collection	2
15.	В	Flying change of lead	Clear, balanced, fluent, straight flying change; engagement and collection	
16.	B-G C	Half pass left Track left	Alignment and bend while moving fluently forward and sideways; engagement and collection	2
17.	H-X-F F	Change rein extended canter Collected canter and flying change of lead	Utmost ground cover with lengthening of frame, engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill balance; well defined transitions; clear balanced, fluent, straight flying change	
18.	K-X APPROACHING X	On diagonal develop very collected canter Working pirouette right toward the letter F	Bend and balance of working pirouette; straightness, regularity, engagement and collection of canter	2
	TOWARD F	Proceed collected canter		
19.	K-X-M	Change rein, three flying changes of lead every fourth stride	Clear, balanced, fluent, straight flying changes; engagement; quality of canter	2

		USDF FOUR	RTH LEVEL TEST 2 CONTINUED	
20.	H-X APPROACHING X		Bend and balance of working pirouette; straightness, regularity, engagement and collection of canter	2
	TOWARD M	Proceed collected canter		
21.	Н	Collected trot	Well defined, balanced transition; engagement and collection	
22.	S-F F	Change rein, extended trot Collected trot	Utmost ground cover with lengthening of frame, engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness; well defined transitions maintaining tempo and balance	·
23.	A	Down centerline	Bend and balance in turn; engagement, collection and quality of trot; well	
	Х	Halt, salute	defined transition; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)	

		TEST	DIRECTIVES	COE
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1.	A X	Enter collected canter Halt, salute, proceed collected trot	Engagement, collection and quality of gaits; well defined transitions; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3 seconds)	
2.	C H-X-F F	Track left Change rein, medium trot Collected trot	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride with engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill balance; consistent tempo; well defined transitions	
3.	K-E	Shoulder-in right	Angle, bend and balance; engagement and collection	
4.	E-G C	Half pass right Track right	Alignment, bend, fluency and crossing of legs; engagement and collection	
5.	M-X-K K	Extended trot Collected trot	Utmost ground cover with lengthening of frame, engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill balance	
6.	K-A	(Transitions at M and K) Collected trot	Well defined maintaining tempo and balance	2
7.	A	Halt, rein back 4 steps and proceed collected trot	Immobility, willing steps back with correct rhythm and count; straightness; well defined transitions	2
8.	F-B	Shoulder-in left	Angle, bend and balance; engagement and collection	
9.	B-G C	Half pass left Track left	Alignment, bend, fluency and crossing of legs; engagement and collection	
10.	Н	Collected walk	Quality of transition; Regularity, suppleness of back, activity; collection; self-carriage	2
11.	S-R R-M-C	Half circle 20m Extended walk Collected walk	Regularity; suppleness of back; activity; overtrack; freedom of shoulder; stretching to the bit; well defined transitions	2
12.	C	Collected canter left lead	Precise, fluent transition; engagement; collection and quality of canter	
13.	H-K K-F	Medium canter Collected canter	Moderate lengthening of frame and stride with engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill balance; consistent tempo; well defined transitions	
14.	F-X I-S	Half pass left Half 10m circle	Alignment and bend while moving fluently forward and sideways; engagement and self-carriage; shape and size of half circle; positioning; self-carriage	
15.	S-P BETWEEN CENTERLINE AND P	Change rein Working half-pirouette left approximately 3m in diameter Proceed collected canter	Size, bend and balance of working pirouette; straightness, regularity, engagement and collection of canter	2
16.	BEFORE S	Flying change of lead	Clear, balanced, fluent, straight flying change	
17.	M-X L-V	Half pass right Half 10m circle	Alignment and bend while moving fluently forward and sideways; engagement and self-carriage; shape and size of half circles; positioning; self-carriage	
18.	V-R BETWEEN CENTERLINE AND R	Change rein Working half-pirouette right approximately 3m in diameter Proceed collected canter	Size, bend and balance of working pirouette; straightness, regularity, engagement and collection of canter	2
19.	BEFORE V	Flying change of lead	Clear, balanced, fluent, straight flying change	
20.	F-X-H H	Extended canter Collected canter and flying change of lead	Utmost ground cover with lengthening of frame, engagement, elasticity, suspension, straightness and uphill balance; well defined transitions; clear balanced, fluent, straight flying change on diagonal; clear, balanced, fluent, straight flying change	
21.	M-X-K	Three flying changes of lead every third stride	Clear, balanced, fluent, straight flying changes; engagement and quality of canter	2
22.	A X	Down centerline Halt, salute	Bend and balance in turn; engagement, collection and quality of canter; well defined transition; straightness; attentiveness; immobility (min. 3	

# **FEI Tests**

# **FEI COLLECTIVE MARKS**

 General Impression (harmonious presentation of the rider/horse combination; rider's position and seat, discreet and effective influence of the aids)

# TO BE DEDUCTED/PENALTY POINTS

- Errors of course (Art 430.6.1) are penalised
- 1st error = 2 percentage points
- 2nd error = Elimination
- Other penalties = Technical faults: 0.5% (percentage points) to be deducted per fault
- Please see Art 430.6.2

	FEI PRIX ST GEORGES			
		TEST	DIRECTIVES	COE
1.	А Х Х-С	Enter in collected canter Halt - immobility - salute . Proceed in collected trot Collected trot	Quality of paces, halt, and transitions. Straightness. Contact and poll.	
2.	C M-X-K K K-A-F	Track to the right Medium trot Collected trot Collected trot	Regularity, elasticity, balance, engagement of hindquarters, lengthening of steps and frame. Both transitions.	
3.	F-B	Shoulder-in left	Regularity and quality of trot; bend and constant angle. Collection, balance, and fluency.	
4.	В	Volte left (8m Ø)	Regularity and quality of trot, collection, and balance. Bend; size and shape of volte.	
5.	B-G G C	Half pass to the left On centerline Track to the left	Regularity and quality of trot, uniform bend, collection, balance, fluency, crossing of legs.	2
6.	H-X-F F	Extended trot Collected trot	Regularity, elasticity, balance, energy of hindquarters, overtrack. Lengthening of frame. Differentiation from medium trot.	
7.	F-A-K	Transittions at H and F. The collected trot	Maintenance of rhythm, fluency, precise and smooth execution of transitions. Change of frame. Collection.	
8.	K-E	Shoulder-in right	Regularity and quality of trot; bend and constant angle. Collection, balance, and fluency.	
9.	E	Volte right (8m Ø)	Regularity and quality of trot, collection, and balance. Bend; size and shape of volte.	
10.	E-G G	Half pass to the right On centerline	Regularity and quality of trot, uniform bend, collection, balance, fluency, crossing of legs	2

		FEI PRI	X ST GEORGES CONTINUED	
		TEST	DIRECTIVES	COE
11.	BEFORE C C H BETWEEN G & M	[Collected walk] [Track to the left] [Turn left] Half pirouette to the left	Regularity, activity, collection, size, flexion, and bend of half pirouette. Forward tendency, maintenance of fourbeat.	
12.	BETWEEN G & H G-M	Half pirouette to the right [Collected walk]	Regularity, activity, collection, size, flexion, and bend of half pirouette. Forward tendency, maintenance of fourbeat.	
13.		The collected walk C-H-G-(M)-G-(H)-G-M	Regularity, suppleness of back, activity, shortening and heightening of steps, self-carriage. Transition into walk.	2
14.	M-R-X-V (K)	Extended walk	Regularity, suppleness of back, activity, overtrack, freedom of shoulder, stretching to the bit.	2
15.	BEFORE K K K-A-F	Collected walk Proceed in collected canter left Collected canter	Precise execution and fluency of transition. Quality of canter.	
16.	F-X X	Half pass to the left Flying change of leg	Quality of canter. Collection, balance, uniform bend, fluency. Quality of flying change.	
17.	X-M M M-C-H	Half pass to the right Flying change of leg Collected canter	Quality of canter. Collection, balance, uniform bend, fluency. Quality of flying change.	
18.	H BETWEEN H & X	Proceed toward X in collected canter Half pirouette to the left	Collection, self-carriage, balance, size, flexion, and bend. Correct number of strides (3-4). Quality of canter before and after	2
19.	H-C C	Counter canter Flying change of leg	Quality and collection of counter canter. Correctness, balance, fluency, uphill tendency, straightness of change.	
20.	M BETWEEN M & X	Porceed toward X in collected canter Half pirouette to the right	Collection, self-carriage, balance, size, flexion, and bend. Correct number of strides (3-4). Quality of canter before and after.	2
21.	M-C C	Counter canter Flying change of leg	Quality and collection of counter canter. Correctness, balance, fluency, uphill tendency, straightness of change.	
22.	H-X-F F-A-K	On the diagonal 5 flying changes of leg every 4th stride Collected canter	Quality and collection of counter canter. Correctness, balance, fluency, uphill tendency, straightness of change.	
23.	K-X-M	On the diagonal 5 flying changes of leg every 3rd stride	Correctness, balance, fluency, uphill tendency, straightness. Quality of canter before and after.	
24.	M-C-H H-X-F	Collected canter  Extended canter	Quality of canter, impulsion, lengthening of strides and frame. Balance, uphill tendency, straightness.	
25.	F F-A	Collected canter and flying change of leg Collected canter	Quality of flying change on diagonal. Precise, smooth execution of transition	
26.	A X	Down centerline Halt - immobility - salute	Quality of pace, halt, and transition. Straightness. Contact and poll.	

Leave arena at A in walk on a long rein.

		TEST	DIRECTIVES	COE
1.	A X X-C	Enter in collected canter Halt - immobility - salute. Proceed in collected trot Collected trot	Quality of paces, halt, and transitions. Straightness. Contact and poll.	
2.	C H-X-F F F-A	Track to the left Extended trot Collected trot Collected trot	Regularity, elasticity, balance, energy of hindquarters, overtrack. Lengthening of frame. Both transitions. Collection.	
3.	A D-X	Down centerline Shoulder-in right	Regularity and quality of trot; bend and constant angle. Collection, balance, and fluency.	
4.	X	Volte right (8m Ø)	Regularity and quality of trot, collection, and balance. Bend; size and shape of volte.	
5.	X-M M-C	Half pass to the right Collected trot	Regularity and quality of trot, uniform bend, collection, balance, fluency, crossing of legs.	2
6.	C	Halt - immobility. Rein back 5 steps and immediately proceed in collected trot.	Quality of halt and transitions. Throughness, fluency, straightness. Accuracy in number of diagonal steps.	
7.	Н-Х	Half pass to the left	Regularity and quality of trot, uniform bend, collection, balance, fluency, crossing of legs.	2
8.	Х	Volte left (8m Ø)	Regularity and quality of trot, collection, and balance. Bend; size and shape of volte.	
9.	X-D D A	Shoulder-in left On centerline Track to the right	Regularity and quality of trot; bend and constant angle. Collection, balance, and fluency.	
10.	K-R	Medium trot	Regularity, elasticity, balance, engagement of hindquarters, lengthening of steps and frame. Both transitions. Differentiation from extended trot.	
11.	R R-M-G-H	Collected walk Collected walk	Regularity, suppleness of back, activity, shortening and heightening of steps, self carriage. Transition into walk.	2
12.	H-B(P)	Extended walk	Regularity, suppleness of back, activity, overtrack, freedom of shoulder, stretching to the bit	2
13.	BEFORE P P P-F-A	Collected walk Proceed in collected canter right Collected canter	Precise execution and fluency of transitions. Quality of canter.	
14.	A BETWEEN D & G G	Down the centerline 3 half passes 5m to either side of the centerline with flying change of leg at each change of direction starting and ending to the right Flying change of leg Track to the left	Quality of canter. Uniform bend, collection, balance, fluency from side to side. Symmetrical execution. Quality of flying changes.	2
15.	H-X-F	Extended canter	Quality of canter, impulsion, lengthening of strides and frame. Balance, uphill tendency, straightness.	
16.	F F-A-K	Collected canter and flying change of leg Collected canter	Quality of flying change on diagonal. Precise, smooth execution of transition.	
17.	K-X-M M-C-H	On the diagonal 5 flying changes of leg every 3rd stride Collected canter	Correctness, balance, fluency, uphill tendency, straightness. Quality of canter before and after.	
18.	H(B)	On the diagonal Pirouette to the left	Collection, self-carriage, balance, size, flexion, and bend. Correct number of strides (6-8). Quality of canter before and after.	2

	FEI INTERMEDIATE I CONTINUED				
		TEST	DIRECTIVES	COE	
19.	B BEFORE & AFTER B	Flying change of leg Collected canter	Correctness, balance, fluency, uphill tendency, straightness of flying change.		
20.	B(K) L	On the diagonal Pirouette to the right	Collection, self-carriage, balance, size, flexion, and bend. Correct number of strides (6-8). Quality of canter before and after.	2	
21.	K K-A-F	Flying change of leg Collected canter	Correctness, balance, fluency, uphill tendency, straightness of flying change. Quality of canter.		
22.	F-X-H H-C	On the diagonal 7 flying changes of leg every 2nd stride Collected canter	Correctness, balance, fluency, uphill tendency, straightness. Quality of canter before and after.		
23.	C C-M	Collected trot Collected trot	Fluency; precise, smooth execution of transition. Collection.		
24.	M-X-K K K-A	Extended trot Collected trot The collected trot	Regularity, elasticity, balance, energy of hindquarters, over-track. Lengthening of frame. Both transitions. Collection.		
25.	A X	Down the centerline Halt-immobility-salute	Quality of pace, halt, and transition. Straightness. Contact and poll.		

Leave arena at A in walk on a long rein.

		FEI INT	ERMEDIATE II	
		TEST	DIRECTIVES	COE
1.	A X X-C	Enter in collected canter Halt - immobility - salute. Proceed in collected trot Collected trot	Quality of paces, halt, and transitions. Straightness. Contact and poll.	
2.	C H-X-F F F-A	Track to the left Extended trot Collected trot Collected trot	Regularity, elasticity, balance, energy of hindquarters, overtrack. Lengthening of frame. Both transitions. Collection.	
3.	A D-G	Down the centerline 3 half passes, 5m to either side of the centerline, beginning and ending to the right	Regularity and quality of trot, uniform bend, collection, balance, fluency from side to side, crossing of legs. Symmetrical execution.	2
4.	C BETWEEN R & B	Track right Transition to passage	Fluency, promptness, selfcarriage, balance, straightness.	
5.	B (V)	On the diagonal. Passage.	Regularity, cadence, collection, self-carriage, balance, activity, elasticity of back and steps.	
6.	CROSSING THE CENTERLINE	Piaffe 8 to 10 steps (Im forward permitted)	Regularity, taking weight, self-carriage, activity, elasticity of back and steps. Specific number of diagonal steps.	
7.	IN/OUT OF THE PIAFFE	Transitions passage - piaffe - passage	Maintenance of rhythm, collection, self-carriage, balance, fluency, straightness. Precise execution.	
8.	FROM PIAFFE V-K-A	Passage	Regularity, cadence, collection, self-carriage, balance, activity, elasticity of back and steps.	
9.	A	Piaffe 8 to 10 steps (1m forward permitted)	Regularity, taking weight, self-carriage, activity, elasticity of back and steps. Specific number of diagonal steps.	
10.	A	Transitions - passage - piaffe - passage	Maintenance of rhythm, collection, self-carriage, balance, fluency, straightness. Precise execution.	
11.	A-F-P	Passage	Regularity, cadence, collection, self-carriage, balance, activity, elasticity of back and steps.	
12.	P-S	Extended walk	Regularity, suppleness of back, activity, overtrack, freedom of shoulder, stretching to the bit. Transition into walk.	2
13.	S S-H-C	Collected walk Collected walk	Regularity, suppleness of back, activity, shortening and heightening of steps, self-carriage.	2
14.	C C-M	Proceed in collected canter right Collected canter	Precise execution and fluency of transition. Quality of canter.	
15.	M-X-K K K-A-F-P	Medium canter Collected canter and flying change of leg Collected canter	Quality of canter, lengthening of strides and frame. Balance, uphill tendency, straightness. Quality of flying change and transition.	
16.	P-X X	Half pass to the left Down the centerline	Quality of canter. Collection, balance, uniform bend, fluency.	
17.	l (	Pirouette to the left Track to the left	Collection, self-carriage, balance, size, flexion, and bend. Correct number of strides (6-8). Quality of canter before and after.	2
18.	H-X-F	Extended canter	Quality of canter, impulsion, lengthening of strides and frame. Balance, uphill tendency, straightness. Differentiation from medium canter.	
19.	F F-A-K-V	Collected canter and flying change of leg Collected canter	10 Quality of flying change on diagonal. Precise, smooth execution of transition.	
20.	V-X X	Half pass to the right Down the centerline	Quality of canter. Collection, balance, uniform bend, fluency.	

	FEI INTERMEDIATE II CONTINUED			
		TEST	DIRECTIVES	COE
21.	l C	Pirouette to the right Track to the right	Collection, self-carriage, balance, size, flexion, and bend. Correct number of strides (6-8). Quality of canter before and after.	2
22.	M-X-K K-A-F	On the diagonal 7 flying changes of leg every 2nd stride Collected canter	Correctness, balance, fluency, uphill tendency, straightness. Quality of canter before and after.	
23.	F-X-H H-C	On the diagonal 11 flying changes of leg every stride Collected canter	Correctness, balance, fluency, uphill tendency, straightness. Quality of canter before and after.	
24.	C C-M	Collected trot Collected trot	Fluency; precise, smooth execution of transition. Collection.	
25.	M-X-K K K-A	Extended trot Collected trot The collected trot	Regularity, elasticity, balance, energy of hindquarters, overtrack. Lengthening of frame. Both transitions. Collection.	
26.	A BETWEEN D & L L-I	Down the centerline Transition to passage Passage	Regularity, cadence, collection, self-carriage, balance, activity, elasticity of back and steps. Transition to passage.	
27.	T	Halt-immobility-salute	Quality of halt and transition. Straightness. Contact and poll.	

Leave arena at A in walk on a long rein.

		FEI G	RAND PRIX	
		TEST	DIRECTIVES	COE
1.	A X X-C	Enter in collected canter Halt - immobility - salute. Proceed in collected trot Collected trot	Quality of paces, halt, and transitions. Straightness. Contact and poll.	
2.	C H-X-F F-A-K	Track to the left Extended trot Collected trot	Regularity, elasticity, balance, energy of hindquarters, overtrack. Lengthening of frame. Both transitions.	
3.	K-B	Half pass to the right	Regularity and quality of trot, uniform bend, collection, balance, fluency, crossing of legs.	2
4.	B-H H-C	Half pass to the left Collected trot	Regularity and quality of trot, uniform bend, collection, balance, fluency, crossing of legs.	2
5.	(	Halt-immobility Rein back 5 steps and immediately proceed in collected trot	Quality of halt and transitions. Throughness, fluency, straightness. Accuracy in number of diagonal steps.	
6.	M-V	Extended trot	Regularity, elasticity, balance, energy of hindquarters, overtrack. Lengthening of frame. Transition to extended trot.	
7.	V-K-D	Passage	Regularity, cadence, collection, self-carriage, balance, activity, elasticity of back and steps. Transition to passage.	
8.	D	Piaffe 12 to 15 steps	Regularity, taking weight, self-carriage, activity, elasticity of back and steps.  Specific number of diagonal steps.	2
9.	D	Transitions passage - piaffe - passage	Maintenance of rhythm, collection, self-carriage, balance, fluency, straightness. Precise execu-tion.	
10.	D-F-P	Passage	Regularity, cadence, collection, self-carriage, balance, activity, elasticity of back and steps.	
11.	P-H	Extended walk	Regularity, suppleness of back, activity, overtrack, freedom of shoulder, stretching to the bit. Transition into walk.	2
12.	H-C-M	Collected walk	Regularity, suppleness of back, activity, shortening and heightening of steps, self-carriage.	2
13.	М	Proceed in passage. Transition collected wak-passage	Fluency, promptness, self-carriage, balance, straightness.	
14.	M-R-I	Passage	Regularity, cadence, collection, self-carriage, balance, activity, elasticity of back and steps.	
15.	I	Piaffe 12 to 15 steps	Regularity, taking weight, self-carriage, activity, elasticity of back and steps. Specific number of diagonal steps.	2
16.	I	Transitions passage - piaffe - passage	Maintenance of rhythm, collection, self-carriage, balance, fluency, straightness. Precise execution.	
17.	I-S-E	Passage	Regularity, cadence, collection, self-carriage, balance, activity, elasticity of back and steps.	
18.	E E-K-A-F	Proceed in collected canter left Collected canter	Precise execution and fluency of transition. Quality of canter.	
19.	F-X-H H-C-M	On the diagonal 9 flying changes of leg every 2nd stride Collected canter	Correctness, balance, fluency, uphill tendency, straightness. Quality of canter before and after.	
20.	M-X-K	Extended canter	Quality of canter, impulsion, lengthening of strides and frame. Balance, uphill tendency, straightness.	
21.	K K-A	Collected canter and flying change of leg Collected canter	Quality of flying change on diagonal. Precise, smooth execution of transition.	

		FEI G	RAND PRIX CONTINUED	
		TEST	DIRECTIVES	COE
22.	A BETWEEN D & G G	Down the centerline 5 half passes to either side of the centerline with flying change of leg at each change of direction, the first half pass to the left and the last to the left of 3 strides, the other of 6 strides Flying change of leg Track to the right	Quality of canter. Uniform bend, collection, balance, fluency from side to side. Symmetrical execution. Quality of flying changes.	2
23.	M-X-K K-A	On the diagonal 15 flying changes of leg every stride Collected canter	Correctness, balance, fluency, uphill tendency, straightness. Quality of canter before and after.	2
24.	A L	Down the centerline Pirouette to the left	Collection, self-carriage, balance, size, flexion and bend. Correct number of strides (6-8). Quality of canter before and after.	2
25.	Х	Flying change of leg	Correctness, balance, fluency, uphill tendency, straightness. Quality of canter before and after.	
26.	I C C-M	Pirouette or the right Track to the right Collected canter	Collection, self-carriage, balance, size, flexion and bend. Correct number of strides (6-8). Quality of canter before and after.	2
27.	M M-R	Collected trot Collected trot	Fluency; precise, smooth execution of transition. Collection.	
28.	R-K K K-A	Extended trot Collected trot Collected trot	Regularity, elasticity, balance, energy of hindquarters, overtrack. Lengthening of frame. Both transitions. Collection.	
29.	A D-X	Down the centerline Passage	Regularity, cadence, collection, self-carriage, balance, activity, elasticity of back and steps. Transition to passage.	
30.	Х	Piaffe 12 to 15 steps	Regularity, taking weight, self-carriage, activity, elasticity of back and steps. Specific number of diagonal steps.	2
31.	Х	Transitions passage - piaffe - passage	Maintenance of rhythm, collection, self-carriage, balance, fluency, straightness. Precise execution.	
32.	X-G	Passage	Regularity, cadence, collection, self-carriage, balance, activity, elasticity of back and steps.	
33.	G	Halt-immobility-salute	Quality of halt and transition. Straightness. Contact and poll.	

Leave arena at A in walk on a long rein.

# **USDF** Freestyle Tests

**NOTE:** Below is just a subset of the rules. Please visit www.usdf.org to view the complete Freestyle Rules and Guidelines.

#### REQUIREMENTS AND LIMITATIONS

All compulsory elements must be incorporated into the freestyle program. These are listed on the scoresheet under technical execution. Of these, some must be demonstrated on both hands (in both directions). Riders must salute during the halt at the beginning and end of the freestyle. The first and final halt must be on the centerline facing C. Riders should avoid receiving an error by making sure the salutes are clear to the judge(s). Time begins when the horse moves forward after the competitor's halt and salute, and ends with the final halt and salute. Reins in one hand are allowed. Freestyles may include all dressage movements found in tests of the declared level entered or below. Permitted movements, figures, and transitions may be constructed into any combination or pattern of the rider's choosing. Lateral movements (shoulder-in, travers, and renvers) must cover a minimum distance of 12 meters. **Errors-**The bell is not rung for errors occurring in USDF Freestyle Tests. Errors occur for failure to salute in the first and final halt or rising at the trot at Second Level and above. Two points will be deducted for each error; however, they are not cumulative, and will not result in elimination. Time-Training through Intermediare 1 and Pas de Deux: 5 minute maximum, no minimum time; Grand Prix: 6 minute maximum, no minimum time.

#### SCORING AND JUDGING

Two (2) sets of marks are given—one for technical execution and one for artistic impression. Each set of marks is totaled separately, and then those totals are added together and converted to the final percentage score. In the case of two or more judges, scores will be averaged and these averages will comprise the competitor's final score.

Technical Execution: "Preliminary Marks" will be given for each execution, of the compulsory elements. For "Compulsory Elements" that must be shown on both hands, "Preliminary Marks" will be given for each direction separately, all attempts will be considered for the "Judge's Marks." If a required element is not performed, it will receive a score of zero (0) under "Final Score." If a required element that must be shown on both hands is not shown at all, it will receive a score of zero (0) under "Final Score." If a required element that must be shown on both hands is shown on only one hand, it will receive a zero (0) for the direction that was not shown. The right and left hand scores will both determine the "Judge's Mark." In addition, omission of a required element or direction will affect the artistic impression under "Degree of Difficulty" and "Choreography" depending on what was omitted. In scoring technical execution, "Judge's Mark" must be given in half-points or full points (no tenths). Movements "Above the Level" (found ONLY in a higher-level test) receive a deduction of four (4) points from the total for "Technical Execution" for each illegal movement, but not for each recurrence of the same movement. "Preliminary Marks," "Judge's Mark," and "Final Score" are columns which appear on the scoresheet.

**Artistic Impression:** In scoring artistic impression, "Judge's Marks" may be given in tenths (1) increments. Elements performed after the five-minute time limit has elapsed will not be scored, and a penalty of (1) point will be deducted from the Total Artistic Impression.

TRAINING LEVEL FREEST	YLE
COMPULSORY ELEMENTS	COE
1. Medium walk (20m continuous)	2
2. Free walk (20m continuous)	2
3. 20-meter circle RIGHT in working trot	
4. 20-meter circle LEFT in working trot	
5. Serpentine in working trot two or more changes of direction with loops no smaller than 15 meters	2
6. Stretch forward & downward on a 20-meter trot circle in rising trot	2
7. 20-meter circle RIGHT in working canter	2
8. 20-meter circle LEFT in working canter	2
9. All transitions between gaits (Halts not included)	2
10. Halt with salute on centerline facing C, first and final	
ARTISTIC IMPRESSION	
AKTISTIC IMPRESSION	COE
Rhythm, energy, and elasticity	4
Rhythm, energy, and elasticity	4
Rhythm, energy, and elasticity     Harmony Between Horse and Rider     Choreography: design cohesiveness, use of arena, balan	4
Rhythm, energy, and elasticity     Harmony Between Horse and Rider     Choreography: design cohesiveness, use of arena, balan creativity	4 4 ice, 4
Rhythm, energy, and elasticity     Harmony Between Horse and Rider     Choreography: design cohesiveness, use of arena, balan creativity     Degree of Difficulty	4 4 4 1ce, 4 1 2
Rhythm, energy, and elasticity     Harmony Between Horse and Rider     Choreography: design cohesiveness, use of arena, balan creativity     Degree of Difficulty     Music: suitability, cohesiveness, seamlessness     Interpretation: music expresses gaits, use of phrasing ar	4 4 4 cce, 4 1 2 2 and 2

FIRST LEVEL FREESTYLE	
COMPULSORY ELEMENTS	COE
Medium walk (20m continuous)	
2. Free walk (20m continuous)	2
3. 10-meter circle RIGHT in working trot	
4. 10-meter circle LEFT in working trot	
5. Leg-yield RIGHT in working trot	2
6. Leg-yield LEFT in working trot	2
7. Lengthen stride in trot on a straight line	
8. 15-meter circle RIGHT in working canter	
9. 15-meter circle LEFT in working canter	
10. Change of lead through trot RIGHT	2
11. Change of lead through trot LEFT	2
12. Lengthen stride in canter on a straight line	
13. Halt with salute on centerline, first and final	
ARTISTIC IMPRESSION	COE
1. Rhythm, energy, and elasticity	4
2. Harmony Between Horse and Rider	4
3. Choreography: design cohesiveness, use of arena, balance, creativity	4
4. Degree of Difficulty	2
5. Music: suitability, cohesiveness, seamlessness	2
Interpretation: music expresses gaits, use of phrasing and dynamics	2
Forbidden: Any movement or transition found only in tests	
above the level. Exceptions are listed under Additionally	
Allowed.	
Additionally Allowed: Lengthen trot and/or canter on a	
curved line, canter serpentine, counter-canter.	

COMPULSORY ELEMENTS	COE
1. Medium walk (20m continuous)	2
2. Free walk (20m continuous)	2
3. Shoulder-in RIGHT in collected trot (12m min)	
4. Shoulder-in LEFT in collected trot (12m min)	
5. Travers RIGHT in collected trot (12m min)	
6. Travers LEFT in collected trot (12m min)	
7. Medium trot on a straight line	
8. Transitions in and out of medium trot	
9. Simple change of lead RIGHT	2
10. Simple change of lead LEFT	2
11. Counter-canter in collected canter RIGHT	
12. Counter-canter in collected canter LEFT	
13. Medium canter on straight line	
14. Transitions in and out of the medium canter	
15. Halt with salute on centerline, first and final	
ARTISTIC IMPRESSION	COE
1. Rhythm, energy, and elasticity	4
2. Harmony Between Horse and Rider	4
<ol> <li>Choreography: design cohesiveness, use of arena, balance, creativity</li> </ol>	4
4. Degree of Difficulty	3
5. Music: suitability, cohesiveness, seamlessness	2
6. Interpretation: music expresses gaits, use of phrasing and dynamics	2
Forbidden: Any movement or transition found only in tests above the level. Exceptions are listed under Additionally Allowed.	
Additionally Allowed: Half turn on haunches (no more than 180 degrees), renvers, medium trot and/or canter on a curved line.	

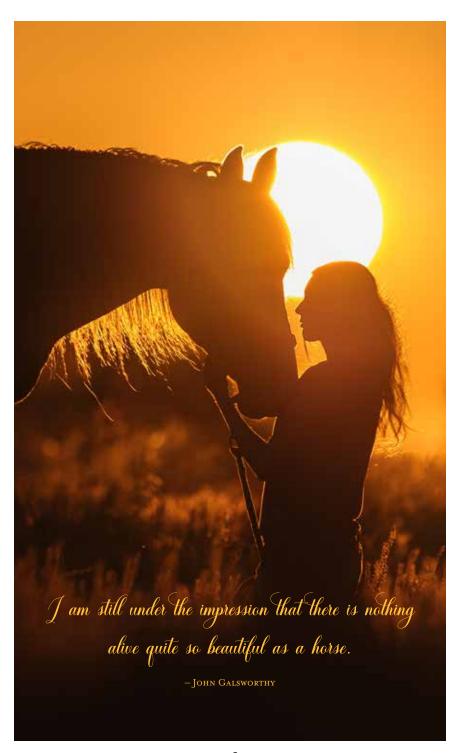
	THIRD LEVEL FREESTYLE	
cc	OMPULSORY ELEMENTS	COE
1.	Medium walk (20m continuous)	2
2.	Extended walk (20m continuous)	2
3.	Shoulder-in RIGHT in collected trot (12m min)	
4.	Shoulder-in LEFT in collected trot (12m min)	
5.	Trot half-pass RIGHT in collected trot	2
6.	Trot half-pass LEFT in collected trot	2
7.	Extended trot on straight line	
8.	Canter half-pass RIGHT in collected canter	2
9.	Canter half-pass LEFT in collected canter	2
10.	. Flying change of lead RIGHT	
11.	Flying change of lead LEFT	
12.	Extended canter on straight line	2
13.	Halt with salute on centerline, first and final	
Al	RTISTIC IMPRESSION	COE
1.	Rhythm, energy, and elasticity	4
2.	Harmony Between Horse and Rider	4
3.	Choreography: design cohesiveness, use of arena, balance, creativity	4
4.	Degree of Difficulty	4
5.	Music: suitability, cohesiveness, seamlessness	2
6.	Interpretation: music expresses gaits, use of phrasing and dynamics	2
ab	rbidden: Any movement or transition found only in tests love the level. Exceptions are listed under Additionally lowed.	
de ch m	Iditionally Allowed: Walk half-pirouette (no more than 180 ogrees), half-pass zig-zag in trot, canter to halt, counter- ange of hand in canter (only one change of direction), edium trot and/or canter on a curved line. Flying changes own in sequence of every five strides or more.	

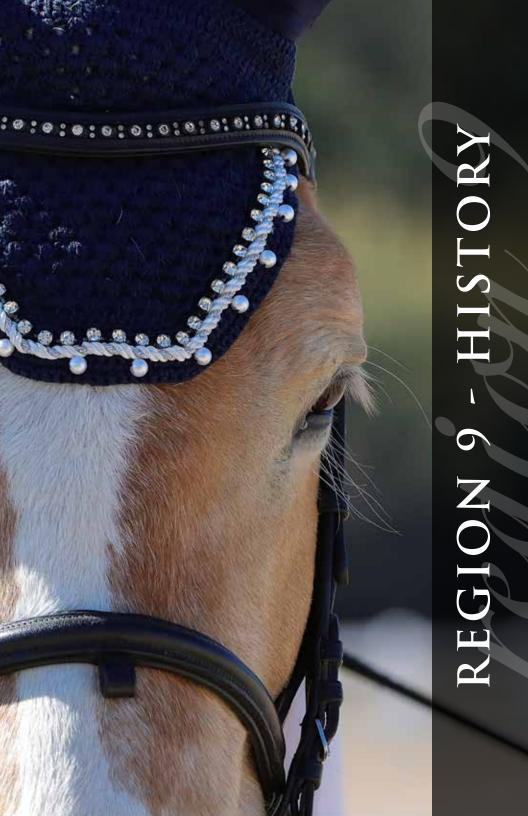
FOURTH LEVEL FREESTYL	E.
COMPULSORY ELEMENTS	COE
Collected walk (20m continuous)	2
2. Extended walk (20m continuous)	2
3. Shoulder-in RIGHT in collected trot (12m min.)	
4. Shoulder-in LEFT in collected trot (12m min.)	
5. Trot half-pass RIGHT in collected trot	
6. Trot half-pass LEFT in collected trot	
7. Extended trot on straight line	
8. Canter half-pass RIGHT in collected canter	
9. Canter half-pass LEFT in collected canter	
10. Flying changes of lead, every 4th stride (min. 3)	
11. Flying changes of lead, every 3rd stride (min. 3)	2
12. Canter working half-pirouette RIGHT	2
13. Canter working half-pirouette LEFT	2
14. Extended canter on straight line	
15. Halt with salute on centerline, first and final	
ARTISTIC IMPRESSION	
1. Rhythm, energy, and elasticity	4
2. Harmony Between Horse and Rider	4
3. Choreography: design cohesiveness, use of arena, balance, creativity	4
4. Degree of Difficulty	4
5. Music: suitability, cohesiveness, seamlessness	2
6. Interpretation: music expresses gaits, use of phrasing and dynamics	2
Forbidden: Any movement or transition found only in tests above the level. Exceptions are listed under Additionally Allowed.	
Additionally Allowed: Half-pirouettes in canter, half-pass zig-zag in trot and counter-change of hand in canter (only one change of direction), halt to canter, medium trot and/or canter on a curved line.	

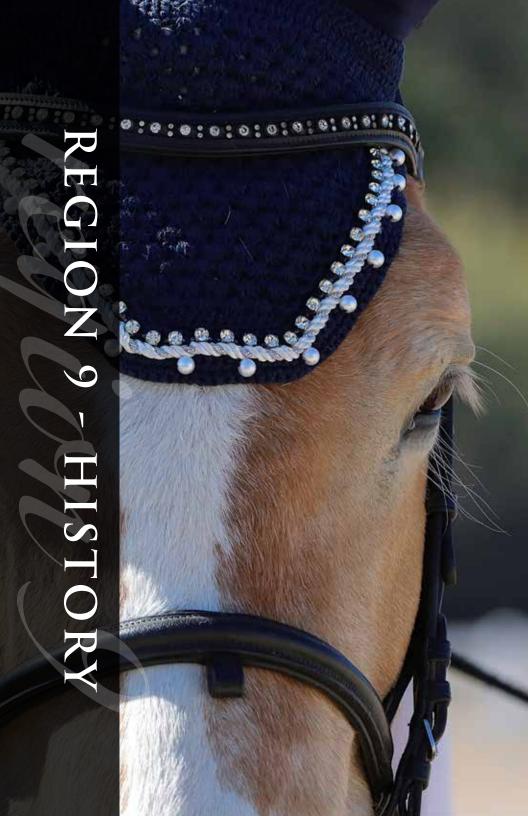
PAS DE DEUX TRAINING-GRAND P	PRIX
COMPULSORY ELEMENTS	COE
Compulsory Elements Technical Execution	3
2. Performance as a Pair spacing, alignment, synchro	ony 4
3. Gaits-rhythm & quality	
4. Impulsion–energy, elasticity, engagement	
<ol><li>Submission—basic issues of submission, technical a of the riders</li></ol>	aspect
ARTISTIC IMPRESSION	COE
Harmony between Horses & Riders, Fluency of Performance	3
Choreography: design cohesiveness, use of arena, creativity, difficulty	balance, 4
3. Music: suitability, seamlessness, cohesiveness	2
Interpretation: music expresses gaits, use of phras dynamics	sing and

FEI GRAND PRIX FREESTY	LΕ
COMPULSORY ELEMENTS	COE
Collected walk (minimum 20m)	
2. Extended walk (minimum 20m)	
3. Half-pass right (collected trot)	
Half-pass left (collected trot)	
5. Extended trot	
6. Half-pass right (collected canter)	
7. Half-pass left (collected canter)	
8. Extended canter	
Flying changes every 2nd stride (minimum 5 times consecutively)	
10. Flying changes every stride (minimum 9 times consecutively)	
11. Canter pirouette right	2
12. Canter pirouette left	2
13. Passage (minimum 20 m on one track)	2
14. Piaffe (minimum 10 steps straight)	2
<ol> <li>Transitions from passage to piaffe and from piaffe to passage</li> </ol>	
16. The entrance and halts at the beginning and the end of the test	
ARTISTIC IMPRESSION	COE
16. Rhythm, energy and elasticity	4
17. Harmony between rider and horse	4
18. Choreography. Use of arena. Inven-tiveness	4
19. Degree of difficulty. Calculated risks	4
20. Music and interpretation of the music	4

FEI INTERMEDIATE 1 FREESTYLE	
COMPULSORY ELEMENTS	COE
1. Collected walk (minimum 20m)	
2. Extended walk (minimum 20m)	2
3. Shoulder-in right (collected trot) (minimum 12m)	
4. Shoulder-in left (collected trot) (minimum 12m)	
5. Half-pass right (collected trot)	2
6. Half-pass left (collected trot)	2
7. Extended trot	
8. Half-pass right (collected canter)	
9. Half-pass left (collected canter)	
10. Extended canter	
11. Flying changes every 3rd stride (minimum 5 times consecutively)	
12. Flying changes every 2nd stride (minimum 5 times consecutively)	
13. Single pirouette in canter right	2
14. Single pirouette in canter left	2
15. The entrance and halts at the beginning and the end of the test	
ARTISTIC IMPRESSION	COE
16. Rhythm, energy and elasticity	4
17. Harmony between rider and horse	4
18. Choreography. Use of arena. Inventiveness	4
19. Degree of difficulty. Calculated risks	4
20. Music and interpretation of the music	4









# Our Story

Established in 1989, the United States Dressage
Federation Region 9 includes the states of Arkansas,
Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma, and Texas.
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# PAST REGIONAL DIRECTORS

 1989-1995
 Becky Snell\*

 1996-Dec. 2000
 Sarah Jane Martin

Dec. 2000-Jan. 2001 Acting Region 9 Director: Leigh Olejer

Feb. 2001-Jan. 2002 Leigh Olejer Feb. 2002-2007 Kathryn (Kat) Kyle\*

2008-2012 Bess Bruton
2013-Summer 2021 Sherry Guess
Summer 2021-Present Bess Bruton

\*deceased

# History of USDF Region 9 and the Region 9 @mnibus

In the Fall of 1989, the USDF Board of Governors approved realignment of the Regions, and thus, Region 9 was born—consisting of five states: Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma, and Texas. The first Region 9 Director was Becky Snell. Before that, our states were part of Regions 3 and 5.

In 1996, Sarah Jane Martin, then Region 9 Director, along with others on the Region 9 Board, decided it would be a good idea to publish a Region 9 Omnibus. Its main purpose was to be the Region 9 official prize list for all AHSA-recognized competitions. It also contained advertisers: breeders, professional businesses, etc. The Instructor/Trainers (by area) were also listed. And as today, Regional Board members, GMO contacts, Judges, TDs, USDF L Grads, and certified Instructors were included. The hard copy book was mailed for free to the almost 2,000 Region 9 members. If you wanted an extra copy, cost was \$10.00. The electronic version became available around 2010.

Over 30 years, the Omnibus has grown to include much more information. We strive to recognize our members and their accomplishments. Through the years we have added: The Dressage Foundation grant information and award recipients, our Region 9 award winners, youth information, convention and summer meeting highlights, USDF and GMO benefits, the dressage tests, and more.

Competitions can no longer use the Omnibus as an official prize list. And, unfortunately due to the cost of shipping, we don't mail it out free to all 1,910 Region 9 members. But we still take pride in publishing a "goto" informational/historical book for all our members to use and cherish.

There are so many members and volunteers to thank for their commitments through the years. I wish space allowed to name them all, but alas...

As a blast from the past, I will throw out a few names of those who helped to shape our Region and paved the path, making it smoother for all of us now.

# 30 Years Ago

**1996 USDF National Regional Coordinators from Region 9:** Anthony Jones, Trisha Wallace, Sandra Marx, Meg Flemming, Shirley Johnson, Mary Wetzel, Elizabeth Glass, Charlotte Kerr, Don Darensbourg, and Leigh Olejer.

# 26 Years Ago

**2000 Region 9 Omnibus volunteer staff:** Sally Chionsini, Kat Kyle, Sarah Jane Martin, Leigh Olejer, JoAnn Sette, Jan Thomason, and Evie Tumlin.

2000 Region 9 Board members and/or USDF National Committee members: Barbara Lewis, Sandy Oliverson, Leigh Olejer, Karen Geisler, Debbie Lavallee, Rena Gillis, Evie Tumlin, Mary Wetzel, Marie Morgan, Sally Chionsini, Emily Green-Steel, Tevia Laren, Kat Kyle, Linda Hays, Tina Smith, Arlene Boylan, Beth Haist, and Jan Thomason.

**2000 Region 9 GMO contacts:** Kat Kyle–ADA; Pam Shurett–ADS; Julie Wright–BACH; Sherry Sorum–CTDS; Debbie Lavallee–DDC; Meg Fletcher–FWDC; Sandy Oliverson–HDS; Faith Taylor– Heartland and Betty Dillingham–LEDA; Laura Freeman—LMDCTA; Evie Tumlin–MDCTA; Paul Johnson–ODS; Jennifer Welsh-Wise–Tri–State.

Here are a few volunteers between then and now who have diligently worked to help our Region and dressage grow.

# 20 Years Ago

# 2006 Region 9 Board and/or USDF National Committee members:

Kat Kyle, Sarah Jane Martin, Barbara Lewis, Linda Hays, Sandra Marx, Mary Wetzel, Vera Muckleroy, Laura Freeman, Donna Meyer, Evie Tumlin, Michele Voorhees, Julie Madriguera, Bruce Lawrie, Jacqueline Reynolds, Bess Reineman-Bruton, Cheryl Roberson, Joan Darnell, Mandy Meyers, Carole Chiles-Fuller, Judi Gerhardt, Sherry Guess, and Cindy Dix Weathersbee.

# 10 Years Ago

2016 Region 9 Board and/or USDF National Committee members:
Donna Meyer, Barbara Lewis, Paul Kathen, Jennifer Jarvis, Carolyn
VandenBerg, Vera Muckleroy, Marilyn Kulifay, Kathy Jones, Arlene Gaitan,
Sarah Jane Martin, Meg Flemming, Nettie Olsen, Nicole LandreneauMiller, Anne Kuhns, Jennifer Delmer, Veronica Moody, Benny Pfabe,
Kat Kyle, Leslie Rohrer, Joan Darnell, Jan Colley, Regina Milliken, Susan
Howard, and Alecia Daniel.

**2016 Region 9 GMO contacts were:** Arlene Gaitan-ADA; Michael Jones-ADU; Jennifer Landers-ADS; Gina Cifelli-BACH; Tina Zehnder-CTDS; Barbara Lewis-DDC; Barbara Harty-FWDC; Leslie Rohrer-HDS; Denise Fowler-NETDC; Roberta Clark-ODS; Lynn Quast-SEDA; Tammy Glen-Tri-State.

I'm sure you recognize familiar names...some are still around today, actively involved. When you see them, please thank them for their enduring service.

# We want to recognize our Region 9 licensed officials from on or before 2000. Thanks for (at least) 26 years of dedication:

- · Licensed Judges: Bobbie Paulk, Dinah Babcock, Fran Dearing-Kehr.
- Licensed Technical Delegates: Sarah Jane Martin, Carolyn VandenBerg
- USDF Certified Instructor: Marie Morgan
- USDF Certified L Grads: Bess Reineman-Bruton, Pam Fowler-Grace, Sherry Guess.

We also want to gratefully thank those who were in the 2000 Omnibus, and are still supporting us today: Bess Reineman-Bruton; Brookstone Farm—Carol Schmickrath; On The Bit Farm—Donna Meyer; Sherry Guess Dressage; Waterloo Dressage-Grace Harris; Windy Knoll Farm—Fran Dearing-Kehr; Yellow Rose Dressage–Nancy Hinz.

Of note, these came along just a few years later — Irish Day Farm/Hans Jurgen Boone and Olva Stewart-Pharo — and are still advertising today. We appreciate you all! And thank you to our newer advertisers, too.



The longest running shows, dating from the 2000 Omnibus, are going strong in 2026 Omnibus: Alamo Spring Show; CTDS Bluebonnet Classic; DDC Yellow Rose and Spring Show; FWDC Cowtown Classic; HDS Spring and Autumn Classic; Le Bon Temps; ODS Green Country Dressage and Spring Show; SWDC; USDF Region 9 Championships.

A few newer shows which have been around at least 10 years: Emerald Classic; Great Plains (aka Central Plains) Shows; GSWEC Shows; HDS Winter, Summer, Laborious Day Shows; Texas Rose Horse Park Classic.

These and all of our shows are part of the backbone of our sport, where you can test your knowledge, and have fun, too. The countless volunteers – workers who do it because they love it, in good and bad weather – are greatly appreciated and respected. Thank you!

Thank you all...for your love of the horse, dressage, and spreading that love to others. And for helping us through the years!

Wow...what a journey! This history is not complete, but ongoing...in the future...and from our past. We will add updates, such as the history of Region 9 Para Dressage, a history of the NAYC Teams, the SWDC history, and the history of long established barns and stables. As we gather information, it will be posted on the Region 9 website, and possibly in the Region 9 Omnibus.

We are still looking for copies of the 1996-1999 Omnibus. If you have them, please let us know. We are keeping historical documents safe, and the 30 years of our Omnibus is very important to preserving our history.

A special thanks to the USDF staff for helping with the history research!

Thank you for taking a step back in time, remembering, and reliving some fond memories.

Bess Bruton
Region 9 Director



# Region 9 GMOs Charter dates

## Alamo Dressage Association: 1981

(Originally Texas Dressage Society, founded in 1973 as the first GMO in Texas. Celebrated 50 years in 2023.)

## Arkansas Dressage Society: 2000

(Celebrated 25 years in 2025.)

## Austin Dressage Unlimited: 2009

#### Brazos Association for Classical Horsemanship: 1985 Central Plains Dressage Society: 2017

(Founding members formed the first Board of Directors: Chris Cashel, Nancy Litsch, Annie Houchin, Nancy Eytcheson, Christine Harmon.)

## Central Texas Dressage Society: 1980

#### Dallas Dressage Club: 1975

(Celebrated 50 years in 2025.)

## Fort Worth Dressage Club: 1985

## **Houston Dressage Society:** 1977

## Northeast Texas Dressage Club: 2015

## Oklahoma Dressage Society: 1978

#### Southern Eventing & Dressage Association: 1975 (Originally LA Combined Training Association, then Louisiana-Mississippi Dressage and Combined Training Association, became SEDA in 2001. Celebrated 50 years in 2025.)

## Tri-State Dressage Society: 1981

#### Past GMOs

#### **Heartland Dressage—**

Oklahoma

#### Llano Estacado Dressage—

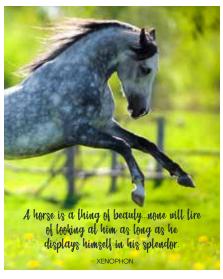
Northwest Texas

#### Mississippi Dressage & Combined Training Association—North

Mississippi

#### Palm Valley Dressage—

South Texas



#### Region 9 GMO Delegates 2006 and 2011-present\*

Amy Allen Audris Griffith Nettie Olsen - 5yrs Tracy Augustine Sherry Guess Claire Oxlev Joanne Baum Susan Peacock Kathrvn Hanford Carvn Bloom Cheryl Harlin Angie Peters-Hughes Jennie Bohart Christina Harmon Debra Peterson Becky Brown Elaine Harmon Christine Renne Bess Bruton Barbara Richardson-Lewis Jane Holman

- 7yrs

Christine Cashel Joanne Homeyer

Leslie Rohrer - 5yrs Sally Chionsini James Humphrevs Lisa Seaburg Flizabeth Clifton Kathleen Jones Doreen Simonsen Jan Colley Kay Kamish Lynne Smith Erika Culmann Jennifer Landers Sandra Thompson lennifer Delmer Bruce Lawrie Carolyn Tice Sarah Denham Sarah Jane Martin

Carolyn VandenBerg Kari Felton Kelly Martinez Cindy Dix Weathersbee Natasha Fernandez Nicole Miller - 10yrs Tina Zehnder - 7yrs Tamara Glenn Sharon Mulder-Lampley

Gabrielle Gordon Marsha Murray

#### Region 9 PM Delegates 2004-present\*

Amy Allen Kathryn Hanford Brenda McCall Tracy Augustine Christina Harmon Amanda Mevers Betty Beebe - 5yrs Susan Howard Barbara Richardson-Lewis Sally Chionsini Jennifer Jarvis Carolyn Tice - 6yrs Paul Kathen - 10yrs Elizabeth Clifton - 7yrs Janet Tornelli-Mitchell Jan Colley - 8yrs Marilyn Kulifay - 12yrs Evelyn Tumlin - 7yrs Leslie Cummings Kathryn Kyle - 9yrs Carolyn VandenBerg Lauren Fisher Bruce Lawrie Sandy Venneman Sarah Jane Martin - 15yrs Laura Freeman Mary Wetzel

Arlene Gaitan - 9vrs Sandra Marx

<sup>\*</sup>Those who carried a proxy are not listed.

<sup>\*</sup>Those who moved out of the Region and/or moved back, are not listed.

## Region 9 Annual T-shirts

## This annual fundraiser helps the Region and showcases member talent.



Designed by Alicia Schordine



Designed by Nicole Miller



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Designed by Olva Stewart Pharo



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## **USDF** Annual Convention

### The locations 1973-present

2000 Cincinnati, OH

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1973 Lincoln, NE	2001 Orlando, FL
1974 Des Plaines, IL	2002 Portland, OR
1975 San Francisco, CA	2003 Dallas, TX
1976 Kansas City, MO	2004 Lexington, KY
1977 Cleveland, OH	2005 Burbank, CA
1978 Milwaukee, WI	2006 Kansas City, MO
1979 San Diego, CA	2007 Orlando, FL
1980 Denver, CO	2008 Denver, CO
1981 Orlando, FL	2009 Austin, TX
1982 St. Louis, MO	2010 Jacksonville, FL
1983 Reno, NV	2011 San Diego, CA
1984 New Orleans, LA	2012 New Orleans, LA
1985 Baltimore, MD	2013 Lexington, KY
1986 Houston, TX	2014 Cambridge, MA
1987 Seattle, WA	2015 Las Vegas, NV
1988 Lincoln, NE	2016 St. Louis, MO
1989 Charlotte, NC	2017 Lexington, KY
1990 Scottsdale, AZ	2018 Salt Lake City, UT
1991 Lincoln, NE	2019 Savannah, GA
1992 Atlanta, GA	2020 Virtual
1993 Lake Tahoe, NV	2021 Virtual
1994 St. Louis, MO	2022 Lexington, KY
1995 Freeport, Bahamas	2023 Omaha, NE
1996 Albuquerque, NM	2024 Houston, TX
1997 New Orleans, LA	2025 Lexington, KY
1998 Savanna, GA	2026 Lexington, KY
1999 Denver, CO	

# USDF Convention Delegates 2024 USDF Convention - Houston, TX



Back row (left to right): Nicole Miller-SEDA, Lynne Smith-CDS, Pamela Byers-ODS, Christina Harmon-CPDS, Audris Griffith-CDS. Front row (left to right): Carolyn VandenBerg-PM & NETDC, Marilyn Kulifay-PM & FWDC, Barbara Lewis-PM & DDC, Betty Beebe-PM, Emily Conn-HDS volunteer, Zoe Lewis-youth, Ruby Lewis-youth, Bess Bruton-Regional Director, Marsha Lewis-R9 Jr/Yr & Youth, Claire Oxley-ADA, Marsha Murray-Tri-State, Arlene Gaitan-PM, Joanne Baum-ODS, Leslie Rohrer-R9 Membership, Elizabeth Clifton-R9 Awards, Sarah Jane Martin-PM & BACH. Not pictured-Sarah Denham-HDS and Joanne Homeyer-ADS.

Our members volunteer to be PM and GMO Delegates, representing Region 9 at the Board of Governors meeting, voting on proposals and elected officials. Their purpose is to see that USDF and Region 9 move forward in a positive way for all members.

They also attend committee meetings, forums, and educational seminars to learn and take information back to their GMOs.

Thanks to all who traveled to Houston, giving your time and enthusiasm!

Anyone interested in running for PM Delegate (elected by Participating Members) contact Alecia Daniel

- Region 9 Nominations Chair at iamhorsey2@icloud.com.

To be a GMO delegate, contact the president of your local GMO.



HOUSTON

# USDF Convention Delegates & Highlights 2024 USDF Convention - Houston, TX





GMO BasketWinners. Above: Bess Bruton & Zoe Lewis Right: Betty Beebe





Top: Lynne Smith, Audris Griffith, and Betty Beebe. Bottom: Emily Conn, Marilyn Kulifay, Claire Oxley, Marsha Murray, and Christina Harmon.



**GMO Award Winners.** Christina Harmon, accepting for Janelle Williams-(CPDS) 2024 USDF Region 9 GMO Volunteer of the Year. Nicole Miller, accepting GMO Website and Newsletter Awards for Southern Eventing and Dressage Association.



Region 9 award winners at the Salute Gala

#### 2025 Summer Meeting New Orleans, Louisiana

In mid July, despite the threat of a tropical system (only a little rain one day), we had an awesome weekend in the French Quarter, New Orleans, at the Royal Sonesta Hotel.

Thanks to SEDA for hosting us and congratulations on their 50th year celebration!

Fun, festivities, Region 9 Summer Meeting/networking, great food, good music, camaraderie, and making lifelong friends.

The networking was invaluable. Sharing and taking home ideas... priceless.

It was voted to hold next year's Region 9 Summer Meeting in San Antonio, hosted by Alamo Dressage Association.

Some of the places we visited: Bourbon Street, French Market, Royal Street Galleries, Cafe Du Monde (famous for chicory coffee & beignets covered in powdered sugar, since 1862), Oak Alley Plantation – 250 years old – Garden District, Bourbon House Restaurant, The City of New Orleans Paddle wheel boat/dinner cruise on the Mississippi River, The Original Pierre Maspero's Restaurant, NOLA City Cemetery, Jackson Square, and St. Louis Cathedral – the oldest cathedral in the U.S.





Lunch at Bourbon House. Left to right: Natasha Fernandez, Sarah Jane Martin, Jody DeStefanis, Simone Van der Schalk, Betty Beebe, Leslie Covington, Dyanna Lawson, Leah Stephen, Gaye Slomka, Regina Milliken, Nicole Miller, Judy Dauterive, Celeste Brown, Barbara Lewis, Alecia Daniel, Christina Harmon.



Lunch at Bourbon House. Left to right: Nancy Ratcliff, Peggy Seleske, Barbara Harty.



Dinner at Pierre Maspero's. Left to right: Leah Stephen, Jody DeStefanis, Sarah Jane Martin, Bess Bruton, Donis Hatcher, Gaye Slomka.



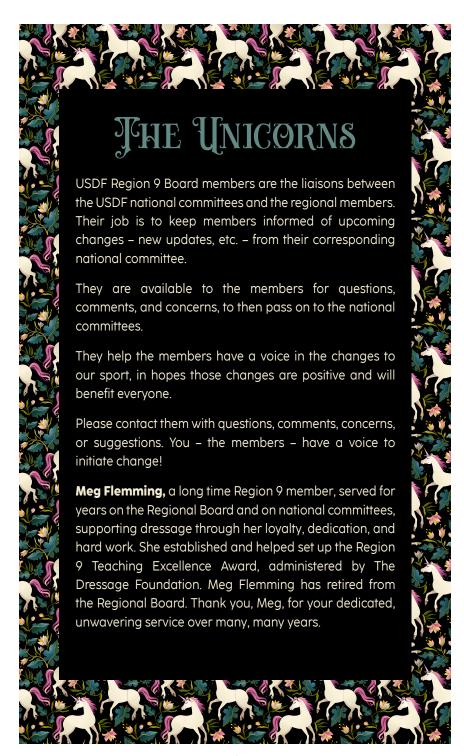
Dinner at Pierre Maspero's. Left to right: Waitress, Betty Beebe, Christina Harmon, Simone van der Schalk, Alecia Daniel, Barbara Harty, Celeste Brown.



SEDA 50th Anniversary cake.



St. Louis Cathedral/Jackson Square.





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