2016 Great American Insurance Group / USDF Breeders' Championship
Rocky Mountain Series Qualifier Show and Finals
and
RMDS Sport Horse Breeding Championship 2016

Open Sport Horse Show

A USEF Level 2 Dressage Competition

USEF/USDF # 320864 RMDS #1026

Wednesday, September 14, 2016

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Opening Date: Aug. 1st Closing Date: Sept. 6th

A Qualifying Event for the Great American / USDF Breeders' Championship Series- Rocky Mountain Series Final

as well as a

Qualifying Event for the RMDS Sport Horse Breeding Championships

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BREED SHOW – OPEN CLASSES AND CHAMPIONSHIP CLASSES
Young Horse/Sport Horse Prospect Classes – Open Show
Class 1: Fillies of 2016, with or without dam, foals only to be judged
Class 2: Colts/Geldings of 2016, with or without dam, foals only to be judged
Class 3: **Current Year Foal Champion of Open Show/Great American/USDFBC Qualifier** - 1st two places from classes 1,2 (no class fee)
Class 4: Yearling Fillies (born in 2015)
Class 5: Two Year old Fillies (born in 2014)

Class 6: Three Year old Fillies (born in 2013)
Class 7: **Filly Champion of Open Show / Great American / USDFBC Qualifier** – 1st two places from classes 4,5,6 (no class fee)
Class 8: Yearling Colts and Geldings (born in 2015)
Class 9: Two Year old Colts and Geldings (born in 2014)
Class 10: Three Year Old Colts and Geldings (born in 2013)
Class 11: **Colt and Gelding Champion of Open Show / Great American / USDFBC Qualifier** – 1st two places from classes 8,9,10 (no class fee)
Class 12: **Young Horse Champion of Open Show** – 1st two places from classes 3,7,11 (no class fee)

Mature Horse/Breeding Stock Classes – Open Show
Class 13: Four Year Old and Older Broodmares with or without foals (mares only to be judged)
Class 14: Four Year Old and Older Maiden and Yeld Mares (not nursing or currently in foal)
Class 15: **Champion Mare of Open Show / Great American / USDFBC Qualifier** – 1st two places from classes 13, 14 (no class fee)
Class 16: Four Year Old and Older Stallions
Class 17: **Champion Stallion of Open Show / Great American / USDFBC Qualifier** – 1st two places from class 16 (no class fee)
Class 18: **Mature Horse Champion of Open Show** – 1st two places from classes 15, 17 (no class fee)
Class 19: **Grand Champion of Open Show** – 1st two places from classes 12, 18 (no class fee)

Under Saddle Classes – Open Show – Only one horse can be ridden per class by an individual rider.

Class 40: Three Year Old Fillies Materiale
Class 41: Three Year Old Colts and Geldings Materiale
Class 42: Four and Five Year Old Mares Materiale
Class 43: Four and Five Year Old Stallions/Geldings Materiale
Class 44: Suitable to Become a Dressage Horse – Open to horses any sex, six years and under, not competing above First Level
Class 45: Champion Under Saddle of Open Show – 1st two places from classes 40, 41, 42, 43, 44 (no class fee)

Individual Breed Classes

Winners do not move on to Championship classes, horses entered must be registered with the breed specified in the class. Please send copies of your breed papers with your entry. If you would like your breed represented, please contact Heather Petersen, 303-648-3164 or slush@drgw.net
Class 50: **Arabian / Half-Arabian Breed Class**
Class 51: **Hanoverian Breed Class**
Class 52: **Oldenburg Breed Class**
Class 53: **American Warmblood Breed Class**
Class 54: **Trakehner Breed Class**
Class 55: **KWPN and NA/WPN Breed Class**
Class 56: **Westfalen Breed Class**
Class 57: **Andalusian Breed Class (includes PRE, ½ Andalusian, etc)**
Class 58: **Holsteiner Breed Class**
Class 59: **AQHA or Appendix AQHA Breed Class**
Class 60: **Friesian or Part Friesian Breed Class**
Class 61: **Zweibrucker/RPSI Breed Class**
Class 62: **Morgan Breed Class**

Class 65: Amateur/Junior/Young Rider Handler (Score 60% on presentation of horse, handler's technique and general impressions: 40% on conformation and gaits).

Great American / USDF Breeders' Championship – Rocky Mountain Breeder's Championship 2016

Class 20: USDFBC Current Year Foal Finals – open to all Champion and Reserve Foals from qualifying series eligible to compete (class fee for this class)

Class 21: USDFBC Filly Finals – open to all Champion and Reserve Fillies from qualifying series eligible to compete (class fee for this class)

Class 22: USDFBC Colt/Gelding Final – open to all Champion and Reserve Colts/Geldings from qualifying series eligible to compete (class fee for this class)

Class 23: USDFBC Mare Finals – open to all Champion and Reserve Mares from qualifying series eligible to compete (class fee for this class)

Class 24: USDFBC Stallion Finals – open to all Champion and Reserve Stallions from qualifying series eligible to compete (class fee for this class)

Class 25: USDFBC Three Year Old Materiale Championship - open to all from qualifying competitions eligible to compete (class fee for this class)

Class 26: USDFBC Four/Five Year Old Materiale Championship - open to all from qualifying competitions eligible to compete (class fee for this class)

RMDS Sport Horse Breeding Championship – 2016

All qualified horses will be run individually on the triangle.

Class 27: RMDS Championship - Weanlings
(only open to those horses that have qualified previously or at this Open Show, class fee for this class)

Class 28: RMDS Championship – Yearlings and Two Year Olds
(only open to those horses that have qualified previously or at this Open Show, class fee for this class)

Class 29: RMDS Championship – Three Year Olds
(only open to those horses that have qualified previously or at this Open Show, class fee for this class)

Class 30: RMDS Championship - Mares
(only open to those horses that have qualified previously or at this Open Show, class fee for this class)

Class 31: RMDS Championship - Stallions
(only open to those horses that have qualified previously or at this Open Show, class fee for this class)

Class 32: RMDS Championship – Grand Champion Horse
1st two places of classes 25 through 29 will move into this class. (no class fee)

QUALIFYING FOR BREED CHAMPIONSHIP CLASSES

NOTE: The open breed show is a qualifier for the Great American / USDF Breeders' Championships – Rocky Mountain Series Final as well as for the RMDS Sporthorse Breeding Championship 2016.

To qualify for the Great American / USDF Breeders' Championships – Rocky Mountain Series Final: Horses that have been Champion or Reserve Champion Current Year Foal, Filly, Colts/Geldings, Mare or Stallion at any qualifying show (including this Open Show) are automatically qualified to enter the Great American / USDF Breeder's Championships. In addition, any other horse receiving a 77% or better in its age/sex class will be eligible to compete in the final class. A list of qualified horses is maintained by series on the USDF Web site. See the current RMDS Omnibus for a list of qualifying shows for this year.

A horse may qualify for competition in a USDF Breeders Series Final Materiale Championship class by receiving **one** score of 72.0% or higher in a materiale class held at any USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized DSHB or Dressage competition during the relative competition year. Scores must be earned at competitions licensed by USEF as dressage competitions. Scores earned at competitions licensed by USEF as Regular or Local competitions are not eligible to be used as qualifying scores for the USDFBC series finals materiale championships. The materiale championships will run on the same calendar year as the USDFBC series (January 1-December 31). **Qualifications to compete in a class must be earned in the calendar year that the championship will occur**. Any qualifications earned in other calendar years will not apply. A horse may qualify with a different rider than the rider that competes the horse in the class. Any materiale score earned at any USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized dressage competition with materiale classes scheduled prior to the USDFBC series final material championship class entered in the same calendar year are eligible for qualification to participate in that USDFBC series final.

To qualify for RMDS Sport Horse Breeding Championships: the first and second place horse from any RMDS recognized sport horse breeding class (including this Open Show) is eligible to attend the RMDS Sport Horse Breeding Championships in that class. The horse, owner and handler must be RMDS members in good standing at the time the placing was earned.

All horses entered in any Great American / USDF Breeders' Championship Series show must either be registered with USDF or pay a $25.00 USDF Horse Identification Number Fee (that is good for the life of the horse but not eligible for any USDF Year

End Awards), and submit identification information and (if available) a copy of the registry papers directly to USDF or to the first Great American / USDFBC Qualifying Event that they enter. **Any horse participating in the Series Final classes must be lifetime registered with USDF.** The Horse Identification Number Fee will apply toward the (lifetime) USDF Horse Registration Fee. Owners must have a current USDF Participating Membership (PM) or Business Membership (BM) to compete in the series finals classes. Awards may be withheld by USDF to Series winners if the following information, if known, is not provided to USDF or show management prior to reporting or competition deadlines: name and breed of horse, sire, dam, dam's sire, age, sex, breeder, handler and owner.

For competition purposes, a mares breeding status on January 1 will remain the same until December 31 of the same calendar year (i.e., a mare that is in foal or nursing will remain a broodmare for competition purposes after her foal is weaned, regardless of her actual breeding status, until December 31 of the same year. If she is not in foal on January 1 of the next calendar year, she will remain a Yeld mare, for competition purposes, throughout the next calendar year even if she is successfully re-bred during that year). Exception: During the calendar year in which an embryo-transfer recipient mare is due to foal, the embryo-transfer donor mare must compete according to her breeding status the prior year.

Awards:

- Ribbons to 6th place for the open show classes, champion and reserve champion ribbons for call back classes.
- Open Show classes – 1st place prizes.
- RMDS Sport Horse Breeding Championships neck ribbon to champion and reserve champion, trophy for champion, bridle ribbons 3rd through 8th place.
- Great American / USDF Breeders' Series Champions receive a Champion neck sash, embroidered cooler, and plaque. Reserve champions receive a reserve neck sash and plaque.

ALL COMPETITORS MUST SUBMIT WITH THEIR ENTRY CURRENT PROOF (WITHIN 6 MONTHS OF THE FIRST DAY YOUR HORSE ENTERS THE COMPETITION GROUNDS) OF EQUINE INFLUENZA AND RHINOPNEUMONITIS VACCINATION FOR ALL HORSES 7 MONTHS OF AGE OR OLDER.

Management Rules and Procedures

- Classes designated RMDS Championship classes shall be open ONLY to individual horse/rider combinations meeting the criteria described in the RMDS Standing Rules section XIV B. See the Standing Rules and qualifying requirements in the current RMDS Omnibus.
- During the competition, the performance arenas will be open to hand walking only up to one half hour prior to the start of the first class. No horses will be allowed in the performance arenas during breaks. On Tuesday and Wednesday, priority will be given to arena setup and maintenance, however, schooling might be allowed on a limited basis. Schooling will be allowed in performance arenas each evening if competition management deems it appropriate footing and weather.
- Both bridle numbers should be worn on each side of the horse when out of the stall. One bridle number is always required. **RMDS Permanent Bridle tags will not be used for the 2016 Great American/USDF Region 5 Championships nor the RMDS Championships and open show due to identification issues with championship entries, sponsorship requirements and numerical sequences.**
- ALL dogs **must** be leashed and attached to a person or immovable object *at all times*! $50 fine for all violations.
- EVERY CLASS OFFERED HEREIN WHICH IS COVERED BY THE RULES AND SPECIFICATIONS OF THE CURRENT USEF RULEBOOK WILL BE CONDUCTED AND JUDGED IN ACCORDANCE THEREWITH.
- Open show entries accepted on first come first served basis, based on the postmark or date stamp with dates on and between open and close dates. Email, fax, snail mail and online entries accepted with valid payment.
- Sharps containers will be available in the stabling area and also in the show office for trailer in horses. Competition management may fine any individuals including trainers, owners, exhibitors, or their agents up to $100 for improper disposal of needles or other sharp disposable instruments.
- Post entries accepted on first come first served basis with space available, including RMDS and USDF Region 5 Championship classes. Priority will be given to Championship Classes for post entries.
- Wait list will be maintained through Tuesday 8pm
- Management reserves the right to:
  - Add or cancel judges
  - Combine, divide, limit or cancel classes
  - Refuse entries for cause.
  - Waive penalty fees

ATTENTION COMPETITORS

Each competitor is responsible for supplying management with correct association numbers (USDF, United States Equestrian Federation) for horse, owner, rider, and trainer, before the day(s) of the competition.

The scores of competitors who fail to supply correct numbers may not be counted toward national awards.

- *NO SMOKING IN BARNS.*
- Schooling (out of competition) horses may be brought to the show but must be registered on an entry form, with signatures and appropriate fees. Areas where they may be ridden in will be restricted, and priority given to horses in competition. Check with the show office for details. Stabling for competing will be prioritized over non-compete horses.
- All horses entered in competition must have a USDF HID or Lifetime registration. All riders and owners must have a USDF nonmember ID, Group membership, or Participating membership and/or pay appropriate nonmember fees. All riders and owners must also have a USEF membership or pay appropriate nonmember fees.

TIMES
Provisional ride times will be emailed to riders if a legible email address is provided and posted at www.rmds.org, and www.twowhitefeet.com. Official times will be posted at the show office by noon on Wednesday.

Breed Show Fees:

- Breed show open, under saddle, and IBC classes **$40** per class – all classes except call back classes.
- RMDS Championship Breed Classes 27, 28, 29, 30, 31 - **$50** per class.
- RMDS Grand Champion Class #32 – **no fee**
- Great American / USDF Breeders' Champ classes 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 - **$50** per class.
- Office fee **$40** per breed show entry
- Post Entries: **$20** taken on space available
- Haul-in Fee: **$30** per **horse** per day (only if not doing stall/paddock)
- USEF Drug fee: **$16** (drugs & medications $8; USEF $8)
- USEF Show Pass (non-member fee): **$30**
- USDF Affidavit Fee: **$5**
- USDF Non member Fee: **$25**
- RV hook up fee: **$35**/night
- Bad Check Fee: **$50**

INCLUDE WITH ENTRY:

- Copies of RMDS/USDF/USEF membership cards **MUST** be included with entry.
- **ALL COMPETITORS MUST SUBMIT WITH THEIR ENTRY CURRENT PROOF (WITHIN 6 MONTHS OF THE FIRST DAY YOUR HORSE ENTERS THE COMPETITION GROUNDS) OF EQUINE INFLUENZA AND RHINOPNEUMONITIS VACINATION. A NEGETIVE COGGINS MUST ALSO BE PROVIDED THAT IS DATED AFTER JANUARY 1, 2016.**

Make checks payable to RMDS and mail to Heather Petersen. If you are mailing overnight**, please waive the required signature for delivery – If you do not waive the signature, you will be charged $5**.

REFUNDS
The office fee is non-refundable. Entries cancelled on or before the closing date will receive a refund of all fees except the office fee. No refunds if cancelled after the closing date unless ride is filled from waitlist. Waitlist maintained through Monday, September 12, 2016. No refunds of any kind for any reason including Acts of God from Wednesday, September 14, 2016 through Sunday September 18, 2016.

IMPORTANT: All cancellations must be made in writing and mailed or e-mailed to show secretary.
You are responsible to confirm that your cancellation has been received. Anyone not appearing for any of their dressage tests without prior notification to the show secretary will be "scratched" from their remaining classes. Those rides will be filled if possible.

STABLING – Bedding not included – NOTE TWO DIFFERENT PRICING OPTIONS AVAILABLE!

- Permanent 10x10 stalls with mats and full doors, 10x12 permanent stalls with mats and full doors or permanent 9x18 stalls with Dutch doors, bedding required but not provided. Advance bedding orders with entries will be placed in stalls prior to arrival.
- Haul-in fee: **$30** per day (only if not doing a stall or paddock)
- Bedding Preordered **$11 per bag**
- Bedding at Show **$12 per bag**

PRICING 10X10 STALLS AND 9X18 STABLING

- Stabling - per day on grounds **$35** (not per night – must pay per day on grounds)
- Tack Stall per day **$35** (not per night – must pay per day on grounds)
- Weekend Stall: **$130** (Thurs – Sun, Weds-Sat, or Tues-Fri)

- Weekend Tack Stall: **$130** (Thurs – Sun, Weds-Sat, or Tues-Fri)
- Extended Weekend Stall **$160** (Tues – Sat or Weds – Sun)
- Extended Weekend Tack **$160** (Tues – Sat or Weds – Sun)
- Full Show Stall $**190** (Tues-Sun or Weds-Mon)
- Full Show Tack $**190** (Tues-Sun or Weds-Mon)

PRICING 10X12 STALLS – ONLY 75 AVAILABLE – HEATED BARN – FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED

- Weekend Stall: **$160** (Thurs – Sun, Weds-Sat, or Tues-Fri)
- Weekend Tack Stall: **$160** (Thurs – Sun, Weds-Sat, or Tues-Fri)
- Extended Weekend Stall **$190** (Tues – Sat or Weds – Sun)
- Extended Weekend Tack **$190** (Tues – Sat or Weds – Sun)
- Full Show Stall $**220** (Tues-Sun or Weds-Mon)
- Full Show Tack $**220** (Tues-Sun or Weds-Mon)

- **Individual days of stabling may be stabled in separate area from package stalls.**
- Bedding and feed can be purchased on the grounds; please preorder to save money.
- Stalls will be available at 10:00 AM on the Tuesday prior to show weekend. If you desire other arrangements, you **MUST** speak with Heather prior to sending your entry.
- Priority will be given to stalls for horses before tack stalls if stabling fills.
- Outside bedding and feed are allowed on the show grounds.

OFFICE HOURS (Subject to change)

- Tuesday, 12 Noon to 6:00 PM;
- Wednesday through Sunday 7:00 AM until 1 hour after final ride or as posted in show office.

ARENAS

- Outdoor arenas have all weather sand mix footing.
- Warm-up arenas have comparable footing.
- NO LUNGEING in warmup arenas – use lunging arenas only.
- Coaching may be done from the outside of the arenas ONLY.
- Competition arenas will be open for schooling on set-up day, Tuesday and/or Wednesday (before show weekend) until posted close time in show office. Limited schooling may be available in the evening by management decision. Hours and availability will be posted in the show office.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Discovery Lodge – 970-586-3336; Holiday Inn (970) 586-2332; Olympus Lodge (970) 586-8141. Reserve lodging early to get the best rates and availability.

DIRECTIONS

From I-25, to CO 66, west to Lyons, Colorado and US 36 west to Estes Park; Fair Grounds on left directly off of Hwy 36 after crossing Lake Estes. 1209 Manford Ave, Estes Park, CO 80517.

USEF Competition Name: Rocky Mountain Sport Horse Breeding Championships USEF#: 320864
Competition Division(s) and Rating(s):

Dressage - Level 2

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This competition is recognized by USDF for 2016

USDF Membership Benefits: USDF is dedicated to education, the recognition of achievement, and promotion of dressage. For details on member benefits, including educational programs, awards, and other opportunities, refer to the *USDF Member Guide* or the USDF website at www.usdf.org.

Membership Requirements for USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized Competitions: Owners and riders, including foreign riders and owners who are not residents of the US, wishing to participate in a USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competition as a rider or owner/lessee, must have either a USDF Group Membership (GM), Participating Membership (PM), or have a USDF Non-Member (NM) identification number and pay the USDF Non-Member (NM) fee. (Note: USDF Business Members can own horses but cannot compete as riders with their USDF Business Membership.) Individuals cannot compete at a USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competition with a USDF Education Membership.

Horses competing at USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competitions must have either a USDF Horse Identification (HID) number or a USDF Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR). Proper credentials or verification certificates must be presented to the competition secretary.

Riders and owners wishing to participate in a USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competition, and not able to present the competition secretary with verification of a USDF membership or NM identification, and USDF LHR or USDF HID, must complete a USDF Competition Affidavit Form and pay the $5 affidavit filing fee. A copy of a completed affidavit form from another competition may also be used for verification purposes for up to 60 days. (Exception: Affidavits cannot be used at Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Dressage Championships.)

Exceptions:

- Horses competing only in Individual Breed Classes (IBCs) at DSHB competitions, sires and dams of horses in DSHB group classes, where those sires or dams are not actually competing in the same competition, horses competing only in breed restricted dressage or DSHB classes at Regular Competitions (e.g. all Arabian, all Friesian, or all Morgan classes), or in USDF Introductory Level tests, pas de deux or quadrille, are exempt from this requirement. Also exempt are horses ridden in leadline, exhibitions, games and races, classes for 4-H members, walk-trot, academy and opportunity classes.
- Riders and owners/lessees competing only in classes which are exempt from the USDF HID requirements are also exempt from the USDF NM identification number and NM fee requirements. Also exempt are handlers of horses competing in DSHB In-Hand or Group classes.

Memberships Defined

Participating Membership (PM): A membership issued to an individual directly by USDF. The membership year is December 1 through November 30. PMs are available for 1-year ($75), 5-years ($300), or life ($1,500). A USDF Youth Participating Membership (YPM) is available for individuals who have not reached their 21st birthday by December 1 of the current membership year ($60). A PM allows the member to compete at USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competitions and to participate as a rider and/or owner/lessee for all Adequan®/USDF Year-End Awards, Great American Insurance Group/USDF Breeders Championship Series Finals and the Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Dressage Championship program.

Group Membership (GM): A membership issued to an individual by USDF when the member name and dues are submitted to USDF through an affiliate Group Member Organization (GMO). The GM year begins December 1 and ends November 30. A GM allows the member to compete at USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competitions and participate in the USDF Rider Awards program.

Business Membership (BM): A membership that runs December 1 through November 30 and is issued to a business or organization directly by USDF. The USDF BM ($200) offers a wider variety of advertising benefits. BMs satisfy requirements of horse ownership only.

Education Membership (EM): A membership issued to an individual directly by USDF. This online education only membership expires 12 months after the date joined. This membership type does NOT allow an individual to compete at a USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competition.

Non-Member (NM) Identification Number: For each USDF NM owner/lessee and USDF NM rider there will be a USDF NM fee of $25 per competition that must be collected by the show secretary and submitted to USDF, along with the USDF Report of Fees document and the $5 affidavit fee and Competition Affidavit Form if the person cannot provide a copy of their USDF NM card. Owners/lessees or riders exempt from the NM number requirements are also exempt from paying the USDF NM fee. If there are multiple owners of a horse and all are NMs, only one of the owners must pay the NM fee. If the horse has at least one owner who is a current USDF PM, GM, or BM there is no NM fee assessed. Competition management will be invoiced for all applicable USDF NM fees not received with the USDF post competition paperwork, along with a report listing all USDF NMs. Competition management is then required to submit the NM fees within 30 days to the USDF. An individual with a USDF NM identification number is not eligible for any USDF membership benefits. Once a USDF NM number has been assigned, a USDF NM card can be obtained from the USDF website.

Horse Identification (HID) Number: A one-time tracking number for horses ($25). Scores earned by a horse with an HID number will be recorded, but will NOT be counted towards Adequan®/USDF Year-End Awards. A horse with an HID number is not eligible to compete in Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional qualifying or championship classes or Great American Insurance Group/USDF Breeders Championship Series Finals. An HID number can be upgraded to a Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR) for a fee of $70. If a horse has a USDF LHR it does not need an HID number. An HID number is a one-time fee that does not need to be renewed.

Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR): A horse with an LHR ($95) is eligible for Adequan®/USDF Year-End Awards, and eligible to compete at Great American Insurance Group/USDF Breeders Championship Series Finals and Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional qualifying and championship classes, assuming requirements for the owner and rider are met. If a horse has an LHR it does not need an HID number. An LHR does not need to be renewed.

How to Join USDF

Applications for USDF Participating Membership (PM), Business Membership (BM), Horse Identification (HID) number, and Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR) may be found in the following locations:

- On the USDF website: www.usdf.org. You can submit the application online or download the form and fax or mail it to the USDF office.
- In the show office at USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competitions classified by USEF as Dressage Competitions, and Regular Competitions which are open to all breeds.
- By calling or writing the USDF office at (859) 971-2277, 4051 Iron Works Parkway, Lexington, KY 40511

The effective date of membership is the date the form and correct fees are received in the USDF office or, if applying at a competition, the date accepted by the competition secretary, provided the application is signed and dated by the competition secretary, member, and/or horse owner on that same day.

2016 Great American Insurance Group/USDF Breeders Championship Series

The Great American Insurance Group/USDF Breeders Championship Series (USDFBCS) is a program intent on recognizing quality bloodlines and dressage prospects across the nation. Through a combination of in-hand and materiale classes, the USDFBC program strives to provide top-notch competition opportunities for prospect and breeding stock horses. The USDFBCS is scheduled on a calendar year basis, which means that the USDFBCS competition year runs from January 1-December 31. A series must have a minimum of three qualifying events in order to host a series final competition, with series boundaries being determined by USDF. Please be advised that the boundaries of any given series may cross the regional boundaries established for dressage competitions. All Dressage Sport Horse Breeding (DSHB) and USDFBCS exhibitors and management staff are responsible for knowing the rules pertaining to USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized dressage competitions holding DSHB classes, as well as USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competitions in general. The USEF Rule Book Chapter Dressage, Subchapter DR-2, contains the DSHB class rules, and can found online at www.usef.org. All recent rule changes in the online USEF Rule Book will be noted in color

IN-HAND CHAMPIONSHIP DIVISION

A. HORSE REGISTRATION AND MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS FOR ELIGIBILITY (IN-HAND CLASSES)

1. All horses entered in any USDFBC series qualifying class must have either a USDF Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR) or USDF Horse Identification Number (HID), and submit identification information. Horses registered with a breed organization must have a copy of their registration papers submitted directly to USDF. Any horse participating in the series final classes must have a LHR with USDF. The HID fee will apply toward the LHR fee.
2. Owner is not required to be a USDF member for qualifying events; however, owner must have a current USDF Participating Membership (PM) or Business Membership (BM) for their horse to compete in the series final class.
3. No USDF membership is required for the handler.
4. Horses participating in USDFBC qualifying or final events are not required to be registered with any studbook, but "if a horse is registered with any breed organization, the name of the breed, sire, dam, damsire, and breeder must be given on the entry blank. For unregistered horses competing in DSHB classes, the information is strongly recommended, if available." (GR 907).
5. It is strongly recommended that horses not registered with a breed registry be listed as "unregistered".
6. It is the responsibility of the horse owner to ensure that their USDF membership and USDF horse registration are correct and current prior to the start of the series final class.

B. REQUIREMENTS FOR USDFBC SERIES QUALIFYING EVENTS (IN-HAND CLASSES)

1. Classes must be offered and judged according to USEF DR 209.
2. All divisions must offer Sport Horse Prospect In-Hand and Breeding Stock In-Hand classes.
3. A separate championship class must be held for all divisions, even those that have only one class or one horse in the division. For example, if there is only one class of mares, the top two mares from that class would then be shown in the championship class. If there is only one stallion in the one stallion class, that stallion would then show again in the championship class. All horses must be reevaluated by the judge(s) at both the walk and the trot in the championship class. If any one of the judges adjudicating this class has not previously judged all of the horses in this class, conformation must also be reevaluated on every horse.
4. Each qualifying event must offer a current year filly class, a separate current year colt/gelding class and a current year foal championship class. This current year foal championship class is a USDFBC series qualifying class. This class must be held and judged (i.e. re-evaluated at the walk and the trot, and possibly the conformation) in accordance with USEF DR210.5.

   The current year foal championship class, at qualifying events, must be open to first and second place winners of Sport Horse Prospect In-Hand classes for all foals of current calendar year, as listed below. First and second place (and third if desired) fillies and colts/geldings of current year will compete against each other in the same class. (Organizers have the option of including third placed horses in qualifier championship classes.) No scores are given. Ties are not allowed.

Current Year Foal Championship:
Fillies of current calendar year
Colts/Geldings of current calendar year

The champion and reserve champion current year foals at each qualifier event are eligible to compete in their respective USDFBC series final class. A third place foal in the championship class must be named as well.

5. Each qualifying event must offer a Filly Championship class and a Colt/Gelding Championship class. These classes are USDFBC series qualifying classes. These classes must be held and judged (i.e. re-evaluated at the walk and the trot, and possibly the conformation) in accordance with USEF DR210.

   The filly and colt/gelding championship classes must be open to first and second placed winners of Sport Horse Prospect In-Hand classes for all horses, as listed below. (Organizers have the option of including third placed horses in qualifier championship classes.) No scores are given. Ties are not allowed.

Filly Championship:	**Colt/Gelding Championship:**
Yearling Fillies	Yearling Colts/Geldings
Two-year-old Fillies	Two-year-old Colts/Geldings
Three-year-old Fillies	Three-year-old Colts/Geldings

The champion and reserve champion filly and the champion and reserve champion colt/gelding at each qualifier event are eligible to compete in their respective USDFBC series final class. A third place horse in each championship class must be named as well.

Current Year Foals ARE NOT ALLOWED in Filly Championship and Colt/Gelding Championship classes.

6. Each qualifying event must offer a Mare Championship class and a Stallion Championship class. These championship classes are USDFBC series qualifying classes. These classes must be held and judged (i.e. re-evaluated at the walk and the trot, and possibly the conformation) in accordance with USEF DR210.

   Mare and Stallion Championship classes must be open to first and second placed winners of Breeding Stock In-Hand classes for horses age four years old and over, as listed below. (Organizers have the option of including third placed horses in qualifier championship classes): No scores are given. Ties are not allowed.

Mare Championship:
Mare classes may be divided by age, competition and/or breeding status (as of January 1st of the current competition year), as in the following example:

- Four-year-old and older maiden mares – never bred
- Four-year-old and older yeld mares – previously bred but not currently bred or nursing
- Four-year-old and older broodmares – in foal or currently nursing (mare only to be judged).

For details on determining breeding status for competition purposes, please refer to USEF, DR203.

Stallion Championship:

Stallion classes may be divided by age, competition and/or breeding status, as in the following example:

- Four-year-old and older stallions showing only in-hand
- Four-year-old and older stallions showing also under saddle

The champion and reserve champion mare and the champion and reserve champion stallion at each qualifier event are eligible to compete in their respective USDFBC series final class. A third place horse in each championship class must be named as well.

7. Age/sex eligibility is determined as follows:
   a. Fillies, colts, and geldings three years of age or under may show ONLY as sport horse prospects, not in breeding stock classes/categories.
   b. Mares and stallions age four and over, may show ONLY in breeding stock classes/categories. Note: Two and three–year-olds are ONLY eligible to compete in the filly or colt championships. They are NOT eligible for the mare or stallion championships.
   c. Geldings of any age may NOT show in breeding stock classes/categories. Geldings age three and under may show ONLY in sport horse prospect classes.
8. Scoresheets: Age group classes must be judged using the appropriate scoring categories and percentages. Sport horses three years old and under MUST be evaluated on the current USDF Dressage Sport Horse Prospect In-Hand scoresheets and breeding stock MUST be evaluated on the current USDF Dressage Sport Horse Breeding Stock scoresheets.
9. Horses in all USDFBC Series qualifying classes must be evaluated for movement according to USEF DR210.4 – DR210.8. Each horse competing at a USDFBC series qualifying show will have only ONE opportunity to qualify for the championship class appropriate to their age/sex category.
10. During the same or separate awards ceremonies, the current year foal champion and reserve, the filly champion and reserve, the colt/gelding champion and reserve, the mare champion and reserve, and the stallion champion and reserve, must be named USDFBC series qualifying champions and reserve champions for the show. A third place horse in each championship class must be named as well. NO ties allowed. Announcements must identify sponsors and horses' breeding information.
11. Each qualified champion and reserve champion (up to ten), must be presented with a qualifier ribbon. These ribbons will be supplied to the show by USDF. Only the champion and reserve champion will receive the qualifier ribbons, even if they have previously qualified. The third place horse in the qualifier championship class will not receive a qualifier ribbon. The qualifier ribbons for champion and reserve champion are identical.
12. All champions and reserve champions will be eligible to compete in the breeders series finals. In the event that a champion and/or reserve has already qualified for the final, the third-placed horse from the pertinent qualifying championship class will be eligible to compete in the final. Competition management is required to have judges place qualifying championship classes to three places, with no ties. In addition, any other horse receiving a 77.00 percent or better in its age/sex class will be qualified and eligible to compete in the breeders series final.
13. A list of qualified horses is maintained, by series, on the USDF website.
14. Horses must qualify in the same series in which they enter the final. Exception: Horses that have qualified for a series final which is either not scheduled or is cancelled may participate in the final of any other USDFBC series in the same calendar year, without having to re-qualify for that series final. Owners of horses that have qualified for a final that is not held must indicate which breeders series their horse qualified in on their entry form for the alternative final.
15. Horses may compete in qualifying events in any series, but if qualified for more than one series final, they may participate in only one final class.
16. If there is a change of ownership of the horse, the new owner(s) may choose to participate in the series final where they reside, regardless of where the horse qualified, provided that the new owner contacts the USDF office and initiates the transfer of ownership at least 30 days prior to the new series final date.

C. CONDUCT OF IN-HAND FINALS CLASSES AT THE BREEDERS SERIES CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL

1. At least two USEF DSHB judges (USEF DR202) must officiate in each series final class, one of the two required judges must be a USEF 'R' DSHB judge. Each judge will evaluate each entry independently, and scribes must be provided for each judge. Winners will be determined by the average of all judges' scores. The highest scoring horses will be declared champions and the second highest will be declared reserve champions.
2. Ties in USDFBC Finals classes must remain unbroken.
3. There are five championship classes in the USDFBC series finals. Current year foal champions and reserves from each qualifying event will compete together in the USDFBC current year foal final class. Filly champions and reserves from each qualifying event will compete together in the USDFBC filly final class. Colt/gelding champions and reserves from each qualifying event will compete together in the USDFBC colt/gelding final class. Mare champions and reserves from each qualifying event will compete together in the USDFBC mare final class. Stallion champions and reserves from each qualifying event will compete together in the USDFBC stallion final class.
4. A grand champion and reserve grand champion current year foal, a grand champion and reserve grand champion filly, a grand champion and reserve grand champion colt/gelding, a grand champion and reserve grand champion mare, and a grand champion and reserve grand champion stallion will be named at each breeders series final event. Grand and Reserve champions will receive awards and prizes provided by USDF. Third through sixth placed horses in final classes will receive ribbons provided by USDF. After the final event, special certificates will be available from USDF via the website to owners of all horses that competed in USDFBC series final classes.
5. USDF reserves the right to change, alter, or retract any placings and/or prizes for up to 60 days after the last day of the championship if an error or violation is discovered, after which no changes will be made.
6. Horses must be shown individually on the triangle at the walk and trot, and standing for conformation. Each horse must be evaluated in the same manner. Callbacks are permitted. If horses may be recalled, the prize list or program must state that this procedure will be used. (USEF DR 209.1.c)

7. Owner must enter the qualified horse in the USDFBC series final championship class. The horse is NOT automatically entered in the finals class because it qualified earlier in the day or at another show.
8. Horses in the current year foal final class, filly final class and the colt/gelding final class MUST be evaluated using the USDF Dressage Sport Horse Prospect **In-Hand** scoresheets. Horses in the mare final class and the stallion final class MUST be evaluated using the USDF Dressage Sport Horse Breeding Stock scoresheets.
9. Management must collect USDF Lifetime Horse Registration and/or Participating or Business Memberships applications and fees prior to commencement of the series final classes for eligible entries that wish to participate in the series final classes. These applications and fees must be submitted to the USDF office within 24 hours of the series final classes.
10. Series final events must agree to allow late entries in the series final classes for horses that qualified for the series final event after the official closing date.

MATERIALE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Materiale Championships will be held at each Great American Insurance Group/USDF Breeders Series Final competition. Each USDFBC series final will hold a Three-Year-Old Materiale Series Final Championship class and a Four/Five-Year-Old Materiale Breeders Series Final Championship class. Fillies, colts, mares, stallions, and/or geldings, will compete in the same championship classes of their respective age groups. A Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion will be named for both the three-year-old championship class and the four/five-year-old championship class at each series final event. These specific age categories of three-year-olds and four/five year-olds are the only eligible categories to be offered as USDF Breeders Series Final Materiale Championship classes.

A. HORSE REGISTRATION AND MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS FOR ELIGIBILITY (FOR MATERIALE CLASSES)

1. All horses entered in any materiale class held at a USEF/USDF recognized Dressage Sport Horse Breeding (DSHB) or dressage competition must have either a USDF Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR) or USDF Horse Identification Number (HID), and submit identification information. Horses registered with a breed organization must have a copy of their registration papers submitted directly to USDF. Any horse participating in the Breeders Series Final Materiale Championship classes must have a LHR with USDF. The HID fee will apply toward the LHR fee.
2. Owner is not required to be a USDF member for a horse to compete in materiale classes or earn USDF Breeders Series materiale championship qualification scores at USEF/USDF recognized DSHB or dressage competitions. If the owner is not a USDF Group, Participating or Business member, non-member fees will apply. However, the owner must have a current USDF Participating Membership (PM), or Business Membership (BM), for the owner's horse to compete in a USDF Breeders Series Final Materiale Championship class.
3. **Rider is required to have a current USDF PM at the time a horse's qualifying score is earned and at the time of the USDF Breeders Series Final Materiale Championship class.**
4. Horses participating in USDFBC qualifying or final events are not required to be registered with any studbook, but, "if a horse is registered with any breed organization, the name of the breed, sire, dam, dam sire and breeder must be given on the entry blank" (GR907.2).
5. It is strongly recommended that horses not registered with a breed registry be listed as "unregistered".
6. It is the responsibility of the horse owner to ensure that the owner's and rider's USDF membership and USDF horse registration are correct and current.

B. REQUIREMENTS FOR MATERIALE CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFICATION

1. A horse may qualify for competition in a USDF Breeders Series Final Materiale Championship class by receiving **one** score of 72.0% or higher in a materiale class held at any USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized DSHB or Dressage competition during the relative competition year.
2. Scores must be earned at competitions licensed by USEF as dressage competitions. Scores earned at competitions licensed by USEF as Regular or Local competitions are not eligible to be used as qualifying scores for the USDFBC series finals materiale championships.
3. The materiale championships will run on the same calendar year as the USDFBC series (January 1-December 31). **Qualifications to compete in a class must be earned in the calendar year that the championship will occur**. Any qualifications earned in other calendar years will not apply.
4. Qualifying scores must be earned in materiale classes run under USEF rule DR134 and DR 204.1. Fillies and/or mares may not be combined in classes with colts, geldings and/or stallions (exception: championship materiale classes – see USEF rule DR 204.2.d).
5. At each USDFBC series final, two age-group materiale championship classes will be held. All qualified horses regardless of sex will compete against one another in their respective age groups. This means that all qualified three-year-olds will compete in one class to determine the USDFBC series materiale champion three-year-old, and all four-and-five-year-olds will compete in a separate class to determine the USDFBC series materiale champion four/five-year-old.
6. Horses will be evaluated according to the criteria listed on the current "USDF Materiale Class" scoresheet, and classes must be conducted according to the current USDF "Procedures to Host USDF Materiale Classes".
7. Qualifying scores to compete in a class may be earned up until the championship class occurs.
8. Once a horse has qualified to compete in a USDFBC Series Final Materiale Championship class, the horse is eligible to compete at the USDFBC series final of the owner's choice. This means that the horse does **not** have to attend the series final being held within the same geographical area or series that the qualifying score was earned in. However, a horse may only compete in one USDFBC Series Final Materiale Championship class in a given calendar year.
9. A list of qualified horses is maintained on the USDF website.
10. A horse may qualify with a different rider than the rider that competes the horse in the class.
11. Any materiale score earned at any USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized dressage competition with materiale classes scheduled prior to the USDFBC series final material championship class entered in the same calendar year are eligible for qualification to participate in that USDFBC series final.
12. Dressage competitions with materiale classes scheduled after the USDFBC series finals are held, are not eligible to participate in the USDFBC program, and will not be qualifying events for the next year's series final.

C. Conduct of Materiale Championship Classes at the Breeders Series Final

1. At least two USEF DSHB judges must officiate in each USDFBC Series Final Materiale Championship class. One of the two required judges must be a USEF 'R' DSHB judge. The other judge may be a USEF "r" DSHB judge or may have an appropriate guest card. Each judge will evaluate each entry independently, and scribes must be provided for each judge. Winners will be determined by the average of all judges' scores. The highest scoring horse will be declared grand champion, and the second highest will be declared reserve grand champion for their respective age-group classes. Scores must be awarded to all competitors competing in materiale classes, as well as USDFBC series finals Materiale Championship classes.

a. Ties in USDFBC series finals Materiale Championship classes must remain unbroken.

b. A Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion will be named for both the three-year-old and four/five-year-old USDFBC Series Final Materiale Championship classes at each USDFBC series final. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champions will receive awards and prizes provided by USDF. Third through sixth placed horses in these materiale championship classes will receive ribbons provided by USDF.

c. After the final event, special certificates will be available from USDF via the website to owners of all horses that competed in USDFBC Series Final Materiale Championship classes.

d. USDF reserves the right to change, alter, or retract any placings and/or prizes for up to 60 days after the last day of the championship if an error or violation is discovered, after which no changes will be made.

e. Owner must enter the qualified horse in the horse's appropriate USDFBC Series Final Materiale Championship class prior to commencement of the class. The horse is NOT automatically entered in the class because the horse qualified earlier in the day or at another show. All appropriate memberships and horse recordings must also be correct prior to commencement of the class.

f. Management must collect all USDF Lifetime Horse Registration and/or Participating or Business Membership applications and fees for eligible entries that wish to participate in a USDFBC Series Final Materiale Championship class prior to commencement of the class. The applications and fees then must be submitted to the USDF office within 24 hours of the USDFBC Series Final Materiale Championship classes.

g. USDFBC series final events must agree to allow late entries in the USDFBC Series Final Materiale Championship classes for horses that qualified for the championship after the official closing date.

h. Series final events must hold materiale classes allowing for qualification opportunities prior to holding the USDFBC Series Final Materiale Championship classes.

AWARD CEREMONIES

A. Requirements

1. For all finals, a USDF sponsor banner must be prominently displayed. If the banner is misplaced or damaged, the event will be responsible for the cost of repair or replacement. Banners must be returned to USDF within 30 days of the competition.
2. In addition to the general requirements above, the awards presentation ceremonies and award presenters at each series final event must be arranged in cooperation with USDF. USDF will contact sponsors to determine if they or a representative plan to attend the award ceremonies. USDF will forward this information to the appropriate management team.
3. All USDFBC sponsors (or their representatives) should be invited to participate in the final event award ceremonies. Award ceremony announcements must identify the sponsoring organizations. Any sponsors in attendance at these events should be provided with a complimentary copy of the competition program and be given free admission to the event.
4. Management must send two champion photos of in-hand competitors, as well as two champion photos of materiale competitors, electronically to USDF for publication with the final results. Persons and horses in the photos must be identified. A photographer's release must also be submitted.
5. Public announcements must be made, which credit the title sponsor and promote the program to the public. These announcements <u>are required</u> to be made throughout the event, in particular, during the awarding of Current Year Foal, Filly, Colt/Gelding, Mare and Stallion Championships and Three Year Old Materiale and Four/Five Year Old Materiale Championships. The name of the breeder(s) must be announced during award ceremonies. It is also strongly recommended that breeder(s) and owners of placing horses be invited to participate in award ceremonies.
6. All unused ribbons and prizes must be returned to USDF within 30 days of the competition. If awards are misplaced or damaged, the event will be responsible for the cost of replacement. For series qualifiers, USDF will provide ten qualifier ribbons (two per division). For series finals, USDF will provide neck sashes and plaques for Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion and ribbons for third through sixth place, as well as a cooler for the Grand Champions. Ribbons and prizes will be sent directly to the designated competition contact about two weeks prior to the event.
7. Show management is responsible to have a professional photographer for the USDFBC Finals.

<u>COMPETITION MANAGEMENT</u>

A. Applying for and Scheduling Qualifier and Final Events

1. The USDFBC series is scheduled on a calendar year basis (January 1-December 31).
2. A series must have a minimum of three qualifying events in order to hold a series final. All shows in the series, including qualifier classes held in conjunction with the series final, are qualifying events.
3. The final event of each series is often the last USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized dressage competition holding DSHB classes scheduled in a particular geographical area of the United States. However, a series final must also be held in conjunction with a USDFBC qualifying event. Host sites of series finals will be designated on or about November 1 of the year prior to the series final year.
4. The official USDFBC host site application form for qualifiers and series finals will be available from the USDF office during the summer, prior to the start of the next competition year. USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized dressage competitions interested in hosting a final for a series must submit a completed USDFBC event application form and contract to the USDF office by October 1 of the year prior to the series final to request consideration for hosting the series final.
5. The series final must meet the minimum requirements for a series final: 1) minimum USEF Level 2 competition 2) Show manager and secretary must both be members of USEF and USDF (USDF Participating or Group Membership is required) at the time of championships. 3) all other requirements as stated in the USDFBC Finals Host Site Application.
6. It is recommended that a series final be held in conjunction with a USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competition unless it has a proven stand-alone history.

7. All applications for a series final will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
8. A series final will be considered "definite" when at least three qualifying events have registered with USDF to participate in the series for the year. If it meets the minimum requirements, a series final will be considered "tentative" until at least three events have registered for the series.
9. If two or more qualified events in the same series wish to host the series final, a working group appointed by the Sport Horse Committee, will select the host site of the series final, after consultation with the chair of the USDF Sport Horse Committee, the regional director(s) of the region(s) with qualifying events in the series and the USDF Sport Horse Committee liaison. Priority for the final will be given to 1) the date of event, which must be after all qualifying events are normally scheduled, and ideally, between August 1 and October 1 of the series final year, 2) the most prestigious DSHB show, or USDF Regional Dressage Championship in the geographical area, 3) location and accessibility to competitors, 4) experience of the competition management with DSHB competitions and 5) history of rule compliance with USEF and USDF.
10. All USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized dressage competitions with DSHB classes scheduled prior to the series final in the same calendar year and geographical area are eligible to participate in their USDFBC series. Dressage competitions with DSHB classes scheduled after the series final in their area are not eligible to participate in the USDFBC program, and will not be qualifying events for the next year's series final.
11. Only one USDFBC series, or part of a series, may be held in any particular geographical area in the same calendar year. The boundaries of a series will be determined by USDF in consultation with regional directors and the chair of the USDF Sport Horse Committee. Series will include clusters of DSHB shows, and may cross the regional boundaries established for dressage competitions.
12. If a USDFBC series does not have at least three qualifying events recognized by USDF by June 1 of the series final year, the final will not be held.

B. ADVERTISING AND PROMOTION

1. In order to receive full promotional benefits from USDF, qualifying and final events must be approved at least six months prior to the competition.
2. Qualifiers and final events must be approved by USDF in writing each year before they advertise that they are participating as qualifying or final events in the USDFBC program.
3. "Great American Insurance Group/USDFBC" or "Great American Insurance Group/USDF Breeders Championship Series" must be used in its entirety if included as the title of an event, or if referred to anywhere within the prize list or program. (In other words, you cannot title a competition the "XYZ Breeders Competition").
4. The title "Great American Insurance Group/USDF Breeders Championship_____ Series Final" must be prominently listed in the final event official prize list, show program, promotional materials, and advertisements once the competition has received written approval of its status as a designated USDFBC Series Final competition.
5. Unless a competition has received written confirmation from USDF of the Federation's approval to host a USDFBC series final competition, the competition cannot utilize any competition name or title that would include a USDFBC series final designation. Any failure on the part of the competition management to follow this protocol will result in a $100 fine.

C. PRIZES

1. Prizes will be awarded during the finals competition award ceremonies.
2. Prizes and/or other awards may be withheld by USDF to series winners if the following information is not provided to USDF or show management by required deadlines: name of owner; name, age and sex of horse; and if known, the breed of horse, sire, dam, damsire, and breeder.
3. Prizes and/or other awards may be withheld by USDF if it is found that a series award winner or owner was not in compliance with USDF series final membership and horse registration requirements.

D. RULES REGARDING CONTRACTS AND RECOGNITION

1. Qualifying and final events must be USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized dressage competitions and all classes must be conducted under USEF rules.
2. USDFBC event application, contract and rules for the upcoming competition year will be available to show managers during the summer of the year prior to each USDFBC competition year.
3. Rule changes and requirements will be fully approved and publicized by July 1 of the year prior to each USDFBC competition year.
4. Changes of rules, requirements, or contract obligations for competition management (and/or competitors, if applicable) are not permitted after August 1 of the year prior to the start of the USDFBC competition year, except when changed by the USEF and/or USDF Executive Board.
5. USDFBC rules and procedures must be listed in the official prize list for the event, and must be available sufficiently in advance to all potential competitors, or the event may be in violation of USEF rules.
6. For qualifying events whose dates fall after the closing date for their series final event, the results must be emailed to USDF at results@usdf.org within 24 hours of completion of the qualifying event. USDF will verify those horses who have qualified with the series final event secretary.

E. CONDUCT AND COMPETITION STANDARDS FOR QUALIFYING AND FINAL EVENTS

Series Final events must meet the minimum requirements for a series final:

1. A minimum Level 2 competition.
2. Show manager and secretary must both be members of USEF and USDF (USDF Participating or Group Membership is required) at the time of championships. All other requirements are as stated in the USDFBC Finals Host Site Application.
3. DSHB competitions are not permitted to exclude horses from competing in an event that have previously qualified for a USDFBC series final. Such exclusion is not permitted by USEF rules, and penalties could result.
4. Neither foals nor horses of any other age may be shown loose.
5. Note the following clarification on "stallion": No geldings may compete in the USDFBC classes for stallions even if they are gelded after qualifying for the finals and are breeding via frozen semen.

2016 Entry Form

RMDS / USDF / USEF Approved

Only one horse/rider per Entry Form. Every horse entered must be named and must have same name registered with all organizations. Both sides of this form must be completed. PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY OR TYPE. Mail this entry form with original signatures to the Dressage Competition Secretary concerned.

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Name of Competition:	Date:

Name of Horse		Breed	Sex	Height	Color	Age

RMDS #	USDF #	USEF #	RMDS Permanent Bridle Tag #

Sire	Dam	Dam's Sire	Breeder

	Name	RMDS #	USDF #	USEF #
Rider or Handler				
	Address	Jr/YR Birthdate	Email	Phone #
Trainer* (see below)	Name	RMDS #	USDF #	USEF #
	Address		Email	Phone #
Owner	Name	RMDS #	USDF #	USEF #
	Address		Email	Phone #

*TRAINER - person responsible for the horse during the show, must be 18 years of age or older and must be on the show grounds during the show.

Class #	Division	Class Description	Class Fees

STABLING INFORMATION

Arrival Time / Day	
Departure Time / Day	
Special Requests	

Stabling Fees Enclosed For…		Name of person responsible for horse during competition:
# Stalls		
# Nights / stall		Emergency phone number during competition:
# Bedding		
Total $		RMDS is a Group Member Organization of United States Dressage Federation and RMDS Members are automatically USDF Group Members.

USEF Show Pass (NM) fee per owner, trainer & rider = $30 each	$	
USEF Fee per Horse $8 USEF + $8 Drug = $16.00	$	
Haul-In Fee (Varies)	$	
* Stabling Fee	$	0.00
* Office Fee	$	
* Other Fees	$	
Class Sponsorship (optional)	$	
USDF non-member fee per owner & rider = $25 each	$	
Donation to RMDS Scholarship Fund (optional)	$	
TOTAL FEES	$	0.00

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RMDS/USDF RELEASE, WAIVER AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

Every entry at a recognized competition shall constitute an agreement and affirmation that all participants (which include, without limitation, the owner, lessee, trainer, manager, agent, coach, driver, rider, handler and the horse), For themselves, their principles, representatives, employees and agents: (1) Shall be subject to the constitution and rules of the Association and the local rules of the competition; (2) Represent that every horse, rider, driver, and handler is eligible as entered; (3) Agree to be bound by the constitution and rules of the RMDS and of the competition, and will accept as final the decision of the Hearing Committee on any question arising under said rules, and agree to hold the competition, the RMDS, their officials, directors and employees harmless for any action taken; (4) Agree that as a condition of and in consideration of acceptance of entry, they authorize the RMDS and/or the competition management to market, transfer, assign or otherwise make any use of any photographs, likenesses, films, broadcast, cablecasts, audiotapes, or videotapes taken of the horses(s) and participants(s) while on the grounds, incident to, on in transit between the stabling facility and the event site, in any way they see fit for the promotion, coverage or benefit of the event, sport, or the RMDS, without compensation to any of them, so long as the use neither jeopardizes amateur state nor endorses a specific product or service, and hereby expressly and irrevocably waive and release any rights in connection with such, including any claim to invasion of privacy, right of publicity, or to misappropriation; and (5) Agree that they participate voluntarily in the competition fully aware that horse sports and the competition involve inherent dangerous risk pf serious injury or death, and by participating they expressly assume any and all risks of in injury or loss, and they agree to hold the RMDS, the competition and their officials, directors, employees and agent harmless from and against all claims including claims based on negligence, breach of contract, strict liability and/or otherwise for any injury or loss suffered during or in connection with the competition, officials, directors, employees or agents of the RMDS or competition. The construction and application of RMDS rules are governed by the laws of the State of Colorado, and any action instituted against the RMDS must be filed in the State of Colorado.

UNDER COLORADO LAW, AN EQUINE PROFESSIONAL IS NOT LIABLE FOR AN INJURY TO OR THE DEATH OF A PARTICIPANT IN EQUINE ACTIVITIES, PURSUANTTO SECTION 13-21-119 COLORADO REVISED STATUTES.

I hereby agree to release, indemnify and hold harmless USDF, officers, directors, agents and volunteers from and against any and all loss, liability or damage arising from or because of, or in connection with, participation in this competition or related activities. I also hereby agree to release, indemnify and hold harmless the show management, show committee and members, officers, directors, agents, and volunteers from and against any and all loss, liability or damage arising from or because of, or in connection with, participation in this competition or related activities.

FEDERATION ENTRY AGREEMENT

By entering a Federation-licensed Competition and signing this entry blank as the Owner, Lessee, Trainer, Manager, Agent, Coach, Driver, Rider, Handler, Vaulter or Longeur and on behalf of myself and my principals, representatives, employees and agents, I agree that I am subject to the Bylaws and Rules of The United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. (the "Federation") and the local rules of _____.
I agree to be bound by the Bylaws and Rules of the Federation and of the competition. I will accept as final the decision of the Hearing Committee on any question arising under the Rules, and agree to release and hold harmless the competition, the Federation, their officials, directors and employees for any action taken under the Rules. I represent that I am eligible to enter and/or participate under the Rules, and every horse I am entering is eligible as entered. I also agree that as a condition of and in consideration of acceptance of entry, the Federation and/or the Competition may use or assign photographs, videos, audios, cable - casts, broadcasts, internet, film, new media or other likenesses of me and my horse taken during the course of the competition for the promotion, coverage or benefit of the competition, sport, or the Federation. Those likenesses shall not be used to advertise a product and they may not be used in such a way as to jeopardize amateur status. I hereby expressly and irrevocably waive and release any rights in connection with such use, including any claim to compensation, invasion of privacy, right of publicity, or to misappropriation. The construction and application of Federation rules are governed by the laws of the State of New York, and any action instituted against the Federation must be filed in New York State. See GR908.4.

Federation Release, Assumption of Risk, Waiver and Indemnification

This document waives important legal rights. Read it carefully before signing.

I AGREE in consideration for my participation in this Competition to the following:

I AGREE that the "Federation" and "Competition" as used herein includes the Licensee and Competition Management, as well as all of their officials, officers, directors, employees, agents, personnel, volunteers and Federation affiliates.

I AGREE that I choose to participate voluntarily in the Competition with my horse, as a rider, driver, handler, vaulter, longeur, lessee, owner, agent, coach, trainer, or as parent or guardian of a junior exhibitor. I am fully aware and acknowledge that horse sports and the Competition involve inherent dangerous risks of accident, loss, and serious bodily injury including broken bones, head injuries, trauma, pain, suffering, or death. ("Harm").

I AGREE to hold harmless and release the Federation and the Competition from all claims for money damages or otherwise for any Harm to me or my horse and for any Harm of any nature caused by me or my horse to others, even if the Harm arises or results, directly or indirectly, from the negligence of the Federation or the Competition.

I AGREE to expressly assume all risks of Harm to me or my horse, including Harm resulting from the negligence of the Federation or the Competition.

I AGREE to indemnify (that is, to pay any losses, damages, or costs incurred by) the Federation and the Competition and to hold them harmless with respect to claims for Harm to me or my horse, and for claims made by others for any Harm caused by me or my horse while at the Competition. I have read the Federation Rules about protective equipment, including GR801 and, if applicable, EV114, and I understand that I am entitled to wear protective equipment without penalty, and I acknowledge that the Federation strongly encourages me to do so while WARNING that no protective equipment can guard against all injuries. If I am a parent or guardian of a junior exhibitor, I consent to the child's participation and AGREE to all of the above provisions and AGREE to assume all of the obligations of this Release on the child's behalf I represent that I have the requisite training, coaching and abilities to safely compete in this competition.

I AGREE that if I am injured at this competition, the medical personnel treating my injuries may provide information on my injury and treatment to the Federation on the official USEF accident/injury report form.

BY SIGNING BELOW, I AGREE to be bound by all applicable Federation Rules and all terms and provisions of this entry blank and all terms and provisions of this Prize List. If I am signing and submitting this Agreement electronically, I acknowledge that my electronic signature shall have the same validity, force and effect as if I affixed my signature by my own hand.

Rider/Driver/Handler/ Vaulter/Longeur (mandatory)	**Owner/Agent (mandatory)**	**Trainer (mandatory)**	**Coach (if applicable)**
Signature:_____	Signature:_____	Signature:_____	Signature:_____
Print Name:_____	Print Name:_____	Print Name:_____	Print Name:_____

Print Parent//Guardian Name:_____ Is Rider/Driver/Vaulter a U.S. Citizen? Yes: _____ No: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature (Required if Rider/Driver/Handler/Vaulter/Longeur is a minor): _____

Emergency Contact Name / Phone Number:_____