

# WDAA WESTERN DRESSAGE ONLINE INTERNATIONAL CHALLENGE

Phase 1 - Entries Accepted

May 23 – June 3, 2024 (midnight CST)

Phase 2 - Videos Submission Accepted (When Entry Accepted Above) - June 18, 2024 (8 pm CST)

> Phase 3 - Judging and Score Board June 20 – July 3, 2024 (8 pm CST)

> > **Online Awards Ceremony** July 7, 2024

# WDAA Recognition #24-200

This show will follow all USEF General and USEF Western Dressage Rules as closely as possible

No USEF memberships or horse registrations are required

WDAA Horse Lifetime Points and Awards 1 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Point Show All Levels of Freestyle Offered

Updated – 5/20/2024

# Officials

# Judges R Western Dressage/USEF

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Equipment Checker

Francie Newsom

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# WDAA ONLINE INTERNATIONAL CHALLENGE WEBSITE

https://www.spotlighthorseshows.com/events-2/wdaa-online-internationalchallenge

# SPOTLIGHT HORSE SHOW LINKS

<u>Home Page</u> <u>Submit Video Links</u> <u>Changes or Late Entries</u>

# **Phase 1 - Entries Accepted**

- 1. Entries for the show can be submitted anytime between 5/23/2024 to 6/3/2024 8 PM CST.
  - a. Complete an entry ONLINE ENTRIES ONLY.
  - b. An automatic generated confirmation email will be provided to the person completing the entry.
  - c. A second email will be sent upon verification that the entry is complete. This email will contain your PREFILLED CLASS INFORMATION SIGN for use at the beginning of your videoed ride.
  - d. If you do not see your video sign in your in-box, check your spam folder. It normally takes 24 hours for the signs to be sent.

e. Note: No class changes after 6/3/2024 midnight CST (NO EXCEPTIONS!)

# **Phase 2 - Videos Submission Accepted**

- 1. Videos can be submitted from the time the entry is made and you have received your prefilled sign (5/23/2024 6/3/2024) through 6/18/2024 **8 pm CST**.
  - a. Follow the guidelines on page four (4) to video your ride.
  - b. Upload your video(s) to your personal YouTube account. Watch this video to see how. <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VtF2AgFSLAw</u>
  - c. Submit your videos by "copying and pasting" your video link(s) in the webform. <u>https://www.spotlighthorseshows.com/submit-video-links</u> This webform is also in the drop-down menu at the Spotlight Horse Shows main page.

# Phase 3 - Judging and Score Board

- 1. The judges will judge the tests from 6/20/2024 through 7/3/2024 8 pm CST.
- 2. Initial scores and test sheets will be emailed to the competitor and the horse owner.
- 3. All official exhibitor scores will be posted to <u>https://www.spotlighthorseshows.com/results</u> on 7/5/2024.
- 4. An Online Award Ceremony will be held 7/7/2024.



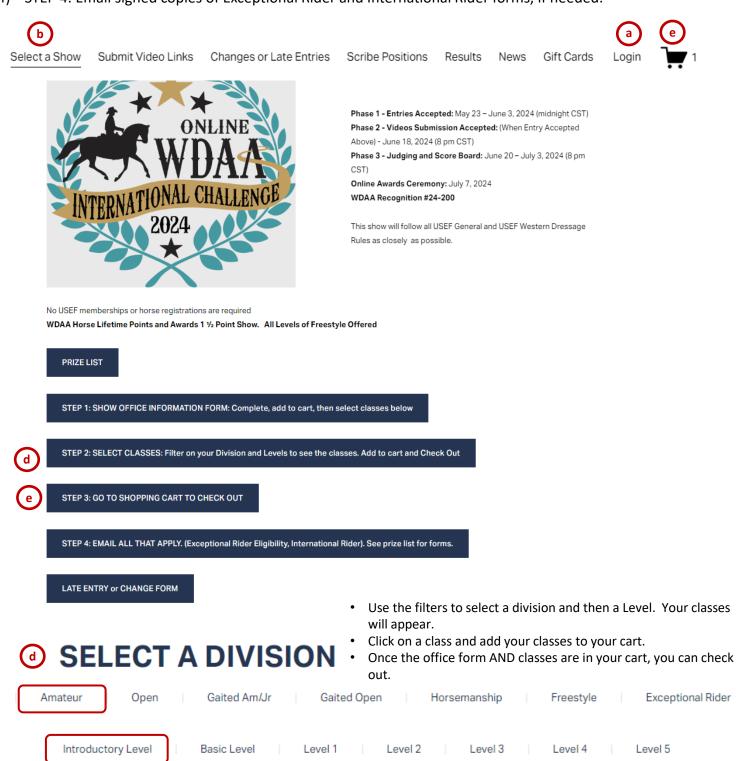
# How To Enter

# Step 1: Complete Your Entry Information

- a) Create an account or log-in at www.spotlighthorseshows.com
- b) Go to "Select A Show" from the drop down menu or click this link. https://www.spotlighthorseshows.com/events-2/wdaa-online-international-challenge
- c) STEP 1: Enter the show office information first Add to cart to complete form. Note: You will need your membership numbers. Close window.
- d) STEP 2: Click on "Select Your Classes". Select the division(s) you are showing in to show the classes in that division and level. Add classes to your cart.
- e) STEP 3: Check out with the Shopping Cart

Junior

f) STEP 4: Email signed copies of Exceptional Rider and International Rider forms, if needed.



# **Online Show Guidelines**

Please take all guidelines into consideration when preparing your video test submission.

**1.Use arenas that are as close to regulation size as possible** and be sure letters are set appropriately to be **easily viewed** by the judge. Cones with large letters on them and poles on the ground to delineate the corners are acceptable and encouraged. For arena measurements, please visit this link,

https://www.westerndressageassociation.org/western-dressage-arena

- a. Intro and Basic must use a 20 x 40-meter arena
- b. Level 1 through Level 5 must use a 20 x 60-meter arena
- c. All Freestyles are in a 20 x 60-meter arena
- d. Horsemanship classes Walk-Jog 20x40, Intermediate 20x40, Advanced 20x60.

**2.Videos of tests must be unedited from start to finish**, including the prefilled class information sigh, equipment, attire, and bit check. There must be always one continuous recording with the horse and rider visible.

3. Videos must be filmed in LANDSCAPE orientation (i.e., if using a phone, hold the phone sideways)

**4.The dressage test must be videoed from behind C**, 3 to 6 feet from the rail, where the judge would normally be seated. Try adding a little height by standing on a mounting block, for example. For Horsemanship classes, film from behind "C".

5.Prior to beginning the test, the **PREFILLED CLASS INFORMATION SIGN (including the DATE filmed) must be videoed for at least 5 seconds.** Remove the sign just before the ride begins. The videographer can hold the sign then move back to behind the camera or hold the sign in front of the camera at arm's length while also holding the camera. The sign must be in focus, for the correct ride, and held in front of the camera long enough to be readable.

**6.Keep the horse in frame**, paying close attention to the near corners. You may zoom in on the far end and corners. Videos must be in focus. Keep the camera centered on the horse on the centerlines.

**7.Make sure to keep the letters in the frame** that are elements of the test being performed. Keep the horse in the LAST one third of the viewing screen in landscape view (2/3 of the viewscreen in front of moving horse). This will allow the "judge" to see approximately two letters in front of the horse which is necessary for depth perception and line evaluation. In general, keep the horse's feet in the bottom 1/3 of the viewfinder.

8. Coaching during the test is not allowed EXCEPT for WDAA Exceptional Rider tests

**9.The natural background sound for the test must be audible**. Tests with no sound at all will not be accepted. Freestyles must have music in the background but not digitally added to the video itself.

10. The test may be called except for freestyle.

11. The video may not be a ride from a previous show.

Note: To prevent creating additional videos and possible elimination, please review your video before you complete your video session to ensure it is in Landscape mode; the prefilled sign is visible, and the correct sign was used. Also, ensure that the equipment check was performed prior to turning off the recording as a video without an equipment check will not be accepted. If you cannot plainly read the information on your required sign at the beginning of the video and see your equipment clearly on a regular computer monitor without zooming in, we cannot see it to approve your video for the judging phase.

# EQUIPMENT CHECK REQUIREMENTS

1. As soon as the test is finished, the camera must **slowly circle the horse and rider showing all equipment and attire from both sides**, including spurs and whip if used. The spurs must be shown for a count of three seconds. You do not need to spin the rowels.

If the videographer is unable to enter the arena, at G the rider may turn the horse slowly, wait five seconds, then turn slowly to show the second side, and wait an additional 5 seconds to complete filming of the equipment.

- 2. Show the bridle on the horse, from both sides.
- 3. After a view of both sides of the horse is shown the rider <u>must dismount</u> for the bridle check.
  - a. Exceptional riders are exempt from the bit dropping requirement and are not required to dismount. Participants should still abide by all USEF regulations pertaining to attire, tack, and equipment for the recognized show.
- 4. Prior to dropping the bridle, show that two fingers can fit between the cavesson (if there is one) or bosal and the horse's cheek, then drop the bit.
- 5. Hold the bridle still so the bit can clearly be seen, in frame, for a minimum count of five seconds.
  - a. Stand close to the equipment and video from several angles.
- 6. Do the same with your curb strap/chain (if used) and bit.
- 7. If you are using a bosal, you must drop that as well. After you remove the bosal, show both sides of your horse's face, unobstructed, as well as the bosal. Please demonstrate flexibility of the bosal.
- 8. The cavesson noseband must be shown to the camera, both inside and out. Please demonstrate the flexibility of the cavesson noseband.
- 9. Prior to submitting your video, review the equipment check in detail to ensure that all of the above requirements have been met and that the equipment checks have a clear, focused, steady view of your tack.
- 10. You are responsible for knowing the correct rules for tack, attire, and equipment for Western Dressage. See <u>USEF WD121-123</u> for rules on tack and attire.
- 11.If your equipment check is unable to be completed due to any of the above rules not being followed, your ride will have to be retaped and resubmitted.

# PLEASE NOTE

Show Management will review all submissions to ensure adherence to the guidelines as stated above. If a test is submitted that does not comply with these guidelines, Show Management will contact the exhibitor immediately via email or phone. The exhibitor will be allowed one resubmission if the video is rejected, and must submit a replacement video no later than noon CST on 6/19. Rejected videos will NOT be judged and will not be refunded

\$55/test
\$30/test
\$65/test
\$65/test
\$55/test
\$40
\$25/entry
\$50

# Fees and Payments and Refunds

**Payment:** Entries must be completed online at SpotlightHorseShows.com by the closing date. You may use PayPal or Credit Card.

To enter online, go to <u>SpotlightHorseShows.com</u>. Online entries must be completed by the closing date and no class changes can be made after closing date

# **Refunds:**

Entries canceled for any reason **prior to the closing date** will be refunded, minus the office fee. In the event the competition is canceled, Total Entry Fees minus the office fee will be refunded.

Other than the competition cancelation, there are NO REFUNDS made after the Phase 1 closing date (6/3/2024).

Entry fees for videos not submitted by 6/18/2024 or not accepted by the Steward and not resubmitted by 6/19/2024 (noon) will not be refunded. The show incurs many costs, particularly after the closing date. Thank you for understanding.

# 2024 Online International Awards

- Everyone who places in a class or division will receive an item directly from Tioga Territory with their titles printed on it, along with the Online International Exhibitor logo.
- All others will receive a 2024 WDAA Western Dressage Online International Challenge Exhibitor patch.

# A. Class Awards

1<sup>st</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> place will be awarded in all classes, your placing will be represented on your item from Tioga Territory as Champion, Reserve Champion or top 10.

# B. Division Championship Awards

Division champions (1<sup>st</sup> place in one of the following divisions) will receive an Online International buckle

1<sup>st</sup> through 10<sup>th</sup> place will be awarded in all classes, your placing will be represented on your item from Tioga Territory as Champion, Reserve Champion or top 10.

# **Division Calculations**

Awarded to the highest average percentage of the top two scores at the level. One score MUST be from either test 3 or test 4 and the other score can be from any other test within the level.

- Introductory Level, Basic Level, Level 1, Level 2, Level 3
  - o Junior Rider
  - o Amateur Rider
  - o Open Rider
- Level 4, Level 5
  - Amateur/Junior Rider
  - o Open Rider
- Gaited Horse Introductory Level Basic Level
  - Amateur/Junior Rider
  - o Open Rider
- Gaited Horse Level 1 Level 5
  - o Open Rider
- Exceptional Rider Awarded to the highest average percentage of the top two scores.
  - Physically Challenged
  - o Therapeutic Rider

# Award Notes

- In the event of a tie, the combination with the highest single percentage will earn the tie breaker.
- Musical freestyles DO NOT count toward Division championship awards.

**C.** <u>Overall High Score Awards</u> The winner will receive a saddle pad from Circle Y Saddlery (Based on the top score earned in a class from one test across all levels except freestyle)

- Junior Rider = 13 and under
- Junior Rider = 14- 17
- Amateur Rider = 18 39 years of age
- Amateur Rider = 40 59
- Amateur Rider = 60 and up
- Open Rider = 39 years of age and under
- Open Rider = 40 years of age and up
- Exceptional Rider

Note: Rider DOB must be submitted with entry to be eligible for Overall High Score Awards

# D. Special Awards

Special awards can be printed on an item from Tioga Territory if you receive one for placing in a class. If not, you may purchase an item from Tioga Territory and WDAA will cover the cost of printing your special award on that item.

Breed High Score Awards – The high score winner from each declared breed.

**Century Rides** – The Dressage Foundation recognizes riders and horses whose combined ages total 100 years or more. For more information and registration please visit

<u>https://www.dressagefoundation.org/.</u> We welcome anyone wishing to complete their Century Ride in the 2024 WDAA Western Dressage Online International Challenge. To compete for this Special Award, you must add this designation to your entry (on entry blank or chosen as a class in the online entry process).

**International Challenge** – Highest scoring horse and rider team from each non-US country competing. (Note: Video must be ridden and produced in the non-US country listed on the entry blank and International Challenge Eligibility form must be sent to the show secretary). **High Score Musical Freestyle** – Highest score earned in a musical freestyle class.

**High Score Military Veteran** – Highest scoring horse and rider team where the rider is a Military veteran (Non-US Military is also included). To compete for this Special Award, you must add this designation to your entry (on entry blank or chosen as a class in the online entry process)."

**High Score Professional Rider** – Highest score earned in level 2 or higher by a declared professional equestrian. Professionals may not enter junior or amateur classes. To compete for this Special Award, you must add this designation to your entry (on entry blank or chosen as a class in the online entry process).

**USA Award** – Highest scoring horse and rider team from the United States of America competing.

**WDAA Versatility Horse** - Any horse and rider team that shows in all 3 divisions (Horsemanship, WDAA test and Freestyle). To compete for this Special Award, you must add this designation to your entry (on entry blank or chosen as a class in the online entry process).

# E. 4th Annual WDAA Harmony Award

All exhibitors that meet the following requirements, will be part of a drawing for a beautiful trophy saddle.

- 1. A horse and rider team must have shown and been judged in the 2024 WDAA Online International Show and the 2024 WDAA World Championship Show
- 2. That team must have earned an 8.0 or higher, in harmony at both shows
- 3. Every test in which the horse and rider team achieve an 8.0 or higher in harmony will count as an additional entry in the drawing.

The drawing for the saddle will be held Saturday during the World Show Awards Celebration. Scores are automatically tracked by the show secretary, so you can focus on your ride! For all information, please visit this link: <u>WDAA Harmony Award (memberclicks.net)</u>

### F. WDAA Western Dressage Online International Challenge Team Competition

For all information, please visit this link: <u>https://wdaa.memberclicks.net/online-international-challenge-team-competition</u>

### E. WDAA Horse Lifetime Points & Awards Program

Scores earned at this show count triple points (1.5) toward WDAA Horse Lifetime Points & Awards Program. It is optional to participate in this program. For more information, or to enroll in the program, please visit: <u>https://wdaalifetimepoints.org/</u>

# **Class Information**

# **Class Description**

	Equitation Pattern Only Classes			
19	Western Dressage Horsemanship – Walk Jog Pattern A**	Junior 17 and under		
20	Western Dressage Horsemanship – Walk Jog Pattern A**	Amateur		
21	Western Dressage Horsemanship – Walk Jog Pattern A**	Open		
22	Western Dressage Horsemanship – Walk Jog Pattern A**	Open Gaited		
	(** <b>Rider</b> may not compete in any Walk/Jog/Lope classes including tests)			
23	Western Dressage Horsemanship – Intermediate Pattern A)	Junior 17 and under		
24	Western Dressage Horsemanship – Intermediate Pattern A)	Amateur		
25	Western Dressage Horsemanship – Intermediate Pattern A)	Open		
26	Western Dressage Horsemanship – Intermediate Pattern A)	Open Gaited		
27	Western Dressage Horsemanship – Advanced Pattern A)	Junior 17 and under		
28	Western Dressage Horsemanship – Advanced Pattern A)	Amateur		
29	Western Dressage Horsemanship – Advanced Pattern A)	Open		
30	Western Dressage Horsemanship – Advanced Pattern A)	Open Gaited		

# Use 2023 WDAA Western Dressage Seat Equitation Patterns: https://www.westerndressageassociation.org/wdaa-tests

				Gaited Open	Gaited AM/JR
	Open	JR	AMT	Open	Alvi/JK
	Introducto	ry Level	1	_	
WDAA Introductory Level Test 1	110	l1J	I1A	I1GO	I1GAJ
WDAA Introductory Level Test 2	120	I2J	I2A	I2GO	I2GAJ
WDAA Introductory Level Test 3	130	I3J	I3A	I3GO	13GAJ
WDAA Introductory Level Test 4	140	4J	14A	I4GO	I4GAJ
	Basic L	evel			
WDAA Basic Level Test 1	B1O	B1J	B1A	B1GO	B1GAJ
WDAA Basic Level Test 2	B2O	B2J	B2A	B2GO	B2GAJ
WDAA Basic Level Test 3	B3O	B3J	B3A	B3GO	B3GAJ
WDAA Basic Level Test 4	B4O	B4J	B4A	B4GO	B4GAJ
	Leve	1			
WDAA Level 1 Test 1	110	11J	11A	11GO	
WDAA Level 1 Test 2	120	12J	12A	12GO	
WDAA Level 1 Test 3	130	13J	13A	13GO	
WDAA Level 1 Test 4	140	14J	14A	14GO	
	Leve	2			
WDAA Level 2 Test 1	210	21J	21A	21GO	
WDAA Level 2 Test 2	220	22J	22A	22GO	
WDAA Level 2 Test 3	230	23J	23A	23GO	
WDAA Level 2 Test 4	240	24J	24A	24GO	
	Leve	3		·	
WDAA Level 3 Test 1	310	31J	31A	31GO	
WDAA Level 3 Test 2	320	32J	32A	32GO	
WDAA Level 3 Test 3	330	33J	33A	33GO	
WDAA Level 3 Test 4	340	34J	34A	34GO	

Level 4				
WDAA Level 4 Test 1	410	41AJ	41GO	
WDAA Level 4 Test 2	420	42AJ	42GO	
WDAA Level 4 Test 3	430	43AJ	43GO	
WDAA Level 4 Test 4	440	44AJ	44GO	
	Level	5		
WDAA Level 5 Test 1	510	51AJ	51GO	
WDAA Level 5 Test 2	520	52AJ	52GO	
WDAA Level 5 Test 3	530	53AJ	53GO	
WDAA Level 5 Test 4	540	54AJ	54GO	

Freestyle Classes				
	Junior, Amateur or Open	Gaited Open		
Costume Introductory & Basic Freestyle	FSC-IB	FSCG-IB		
Introductory & Basic Freestyle	FS-IB	FSG-IB		
Costume Freestyle Test of Choice				
(Level 1 – Level 5)	FSC-15	FSCG-15		
Freestyle Test of Choice				
(Level 1 – Level 5)	FS-15	FSG-15		

	EXCEPTIONAL RIDER CLASSES (Exhibition Classes)				
Therapeutic Riding Classes – mus	t use WDAA Therapeutic Rider tests				
Therapeutic Riding	TR1				
Therapeutic Riding	TR2				
Therapeutic Riding	TR3				
Therapeutic Riding	TR4				
Physically Challenged	I – must use WDAA tests				
PC Test of Choice	PC1				
PC Test of Choice	PC2				
PC Test of Choice	PC3				
PC Test of Choice	PC4				

# **Competition Rules**

**WDAA Memberships:** All owners, and riders **MUST be a member of WDAA** to compete in this show. You may join WDAA at <u>www.westerndressageassociation.org</u>.

**Amateur Status:** If you are entering amateur classes, you must submit a WDAA DECLARATION OF AMATEUR STATUS form (found below and on the WDAA site). Please read the form and provide needed documents accordingly. If you select option 1 (you possess an "ACTIVE" amateur card from USEF, AQHA, APHA or any other equestrian association), you must also submit a copy of the card. The DECLARATION OF AMATEUR STATUS can be found below on page 16:

The DECLARATION (and card if applicable) must be emailed to the show secretary at <u>Gail@SpotlightHorseShows.com</u> If you are found to NOT be an amateur, you will forfeit your entries with no refund.

Junior Status: Riders are eligible to compete as juniors if they are 17 years of age or less at the beginning of the 2024 competition year (December 1, 2023 – November 30, 2024). <u>GR 103.</u>

**Prefilled Class Information Sign**: You will be provided with a sign to use at the beginning of the video. Signs will be emailed to you and will be available to print out. The beginning of the video must contain at least 5 seconds of this document. Video will not be judged without this prefilled sign – DO NOT create your own sign.

All decisions of equipment checkers, show secretary, judges and WDAA Board of Directors are final. There is no protest covenant at this non-USEF licensed event.

**Breaking Scoring Ties** – In the case of a scoring tie, ties will be broken per the USEF <u>WD127 – Scoring</u>, <u>Classification and Prize-Giving</u> rule.

# **Exceptional Rider Division**

For all WDAA exceptional rider information please visit this page on the WDAA website: <u>https://wdaa.memberclicks.net/exceptional-rider-information</u>

- Physically Challenged classes (use standard WDAA tests) Open to individuals with a diagnosed significant physical disability. A WDAA Statement of Eligibility for Exceptional Rider Classes form is required to show in these classes. (Located below the Entry Blank).
- Therapeutic Rider classes (use WDAA Therapeutic Rider tests) Open to individuals with a diagnosed physical, social, or emotional disability. A **WDAA Statement of Eligibility for Exceptional Rider Classes** form is required to show in these classes. (Located below the Entry Blank).

Exceptional riders are exempt from the bit dropping requirement and are not required to dismount. Participants should still abide by all USEF regulations pertaining to attire, tack, and equipment for the recognized show. Reference <u>GR120</u> for additional information.

### **Class Restrictions**

- Horses may be ridden by two riders. Each horse/rider combination requires a separate entry with all signatures and emergency contact. <u>WD 102</u>
- No horse may be ridden in the same class number more than once (even with a different rider) per WD 102.2
- Horse/rider combinations showing in walk/jog rail classes are not eligible for other rail classes or any test other than Introductory Level (Different horse/rider combinations are eligible for other rail classes and tests)
- Horses may only compete in levels that are adjacent with the same rider. For example, a horse may not be ridden in a basic level test and a level two test UNLESS with a different rider. <u>WD 102.</u>
- A horse may be ridden by a maximum of two riders. <u>WD 102.</u>
- To be eligible for Intro Level, a horse/rider combination must not have shown in a Western Dressage test at First level or above in the same competition year. <u>WD 130.1.</u>

### Western Dressage Tests: We will be using the 2022 WDAA Western Dressage tests.

https://www.westerndressageassociation.org/wdaa-tests

For this online show, the following arena sizes must be used:

- Intro and Basic must use a 20 x 40-meter arena
- Level 1 through Level 5 must use a 20 x 60-meter arena
- All Freestyles are in a 20 x 60-meter arena

#### Horsemanship Patterns –

We will be using the 2023 WDAA Western Dressage Seat Equitation Patterns

Horsemanship classes arena size – Walk-Jog 20x40, Intermediate 20x40, Advanced 20x60.
 <a href="https://www.westerndressageassociation.org/wdaa-tests">https://www.westerndressageassociation.org/wdaa-tests</a>

**Attire and Equipment:** USEF rules will be used for attire and equipment. For more information, please review the USEF rule by clicking this link <u>WD 120 121 122 123</u>. In the Costume Freestyles, the rider is required to wear boots.

**Other:** Every class offered herein which is covered by the rules and specifications of the current rules and of the current USEF/WESTERN DRESSAGE rules will be judged in accordance therewith.

#### A. General Information:

#### **Entries and Scoring**

Entries must be entered online by the closing date. Please visit <u>www.SpotlighthHorseShows.com</u> for online entry. Every horse/rider team requires a separate entry and will pay a separate office fee.

For an entry to be considered complete, you must include the WDAA membership numbers for Owner and Rider. If WDAA membership numbers are not received by 6/5, the entry will not be accepted. No exceptions.

Management reserves the right to change officials, limit entries, combine or cancel classes, and modify the schedule to make whatever changes are required by circumstances to the competition specifications listed herein. Management reserves the right to cancel classes insufficiently filled and to refuse or require withdrawal of an entry for cause deemed enough by Show Management.

#### B. Tests and Exhibitor Gift

- Score sheets will be emailed to the rider and owner shortly after the test is scored.
- All exhibitors will receive a 2024 WDAA Western Dressage Online International Challenge patch from WDAA.
- Following the Awards ceremony, Tioga Territory the Official Merchandise supplier of WDAA will begin shipping all placing exhibitors an item with the 2024 Online International Exhibitor Logo and their titles printed on it. Please be patient for your items to be shipped this will be a very big project.

#### Western Dressage Association of America AGREEMENT FOR WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND INDEMNITY

For and in consideration of Western Dressage Association of America ("WDAA") allowing me, the undersigned, to participate in any capacity (including as a rider, handler, longeur, lessee, owner, agent, coach, judge, official, contractor, staff, trainer or volunteer) in a WDAA sanctioned, licensed or recognized event or activity, including but not limited to equestrian clinics, practices, shows, competitions and related or incidental activities. I, for myself, and on behalf of my spouse, children, heirs and next of kin, and any legal and personal representatives, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns, hereby agree to and make the following contractual representations pursuant to this Agreement (the "Agreement"):

A.RULES AND REGULATIONS: I hereby agree to be bound and abide by the rules, regulations, and policies of WDAA as published in the USEF Western Dressage Rules and on the website at https://westerndressageassociation.org/, as amended from time to time.

B.ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RISK: I knowingly, willingly, and voluntarily acknowledge the inherent risks associated with the sport of equestrian and know that horseback riding and related equestrian activities are inherently dangerous, and that participation in any WDAA Event involves risks and dangers including, without limitation, the potential for serious bodily injury (including broken bones, head or neck injuries), sickness and disease (including communicable diseases such as COVID-19 or other illness caused by the virus SARS-CoV-2), trauma, pain & suffering, permanent disability, paralysis and death; loss of or damage to personal property (including my mount & equipment) arising out of the unpredictable behavior of horses; exposure to extreme conditions and circumstances; accidents involving other participants, event staff, volunteers or spectators; contact or collision with other participants and horses, natural or manmade objects; adverse weather conditions; facilities issues and premises conditions; failure of protective equipment (including helmets); inadequate safety measures; participants of varying skill levels; situations beyond the immediate control of the WDAA Event organizers and competition management; and other undefined, not readily foreseeable and presently unknown risks and dangers ("Risks").

#### EQUINE ACTIVITY LIABILITY ACT WARNING:

**CAUTION: HORSEBACK RIDING AND EQUINE ACTIVITIES CAN BE DANGEROUS. RIDE AT YOUR OWN RISK.** Under the laws of most States, an equine activity sponsor or equine professional is not liable for any injury to, or the death of, a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities. **WARNING:** Under Colorado Law, an equine professional is not liable for an injury to or the death of a participant in equine activities resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities, pursuant to section 13-21-119, Colorado Revised Statutes.

C.ASSUMPTION OF RISK: I understand that the aforementioned Risks may be caused in whole or in part or result directly or indirectly from the negligence of my own actions or inactions, the actions or inactions of others participating in the WDAA Events, or the negligent acts or omissions of the Released Parties defined below, and I hereby voluntarily and knowingly assume all such Risks and responsibility for any damages, liabilities, losses, or expenses that I incur as a result of my participation in any WDAA Events. I also agree to be responsible for any injury or damage caused by me, my horse, my employees or contractors under my direction and control at any WDAA Event.

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Signatures PARTICIPANT (mandatory)	OWNER (mandatory)
Signature:	Signature:
Print Name:	

Parent/Guardian	Signature: (Require	d if Participant is a
minor)		

Print Parent/Guardian	Name:
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#### Western Dressage Association of America

# AGREEMENT FOR WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND INDEMNITY

For and in consideration of Western Dressage Association of America ("WDAA") allowing me, the undersigned, to participate in any capacity (including as a rider, handler, longeur, lessee, owner, agent, coach, judge, official, contractor, staff, trainer or volunteer) in a WDAA sanctioned, licensed or recognized event or activity, including but not limited to equestrian clinics, practices, shows, competitions and related or incidental activities. I, for myself, and on behalf of my spouse, children, heirs and next of kin, and any legal and personal representatives, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns, hereby agree to and make the following contractual representations pursuant to this Agreement (the "Agreement"):

RULES AND REGULATIONS: I hereby agree to be bound and abide by the rules, regulations, and policies of WDAA as published in the USEF Western Dressage Rules and on the website at

https://westerndressageassociation.org/, as amended from time to time.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RISK: I knowingly, willingly, and voluntarily acknowledge the inherent risks associated with the sport of equestrian and know that horseback riding and related equestrian activities are inherently dangerous, and that participation in any WDAA Event involves risks and dangers including, without limitation, the potential for serious bodily injury (including broken bones, head or neck injuries), sickness and disease (including communicable diseases such as COVID-19 or other illness caused by the virus SARS-CoV-2), trauma, pain & suffering, permanent disability, paralysis and death; loss of or damage to personal property (including my mount & equipment) arising out of the unpredictable behavior of horses; exposure to extreme conditions and circumstances; accidents involving other participants, event staff, volunteers or spectators; contact or collision with other participants and horses, natural or manmade objects; adverse weather conditions; facilities issues and premises conditions; failure of protective equipment (including helmets); inadequate safety measures; participants of varying skill levels; situations beyond the immediate control of the WDAA Event organizers and competition management; and other undefined, not readily foreseeable and presently unknown risks and dangers ("Risks").

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# **DECLARATION OF AMATEUR STATUS**



To compete in Amateur classes at the WDAA Western Dressage Online International Challenge Show exhibitors are required to provide proof of Amateur status in one of three ways. **You will provide the needed information in the show office form.** It is printed here for your convenience.

#### There are 3 ways to submit for Amateur Status

- 1. Submit a copy of amateur card from a recognized equestrian sport governing organization (USEF, AQHA, APHA etc.)
- 2. Attest that you are serving an internship for college credit through your respective accredited college program and have never held professional status.

# 3. Attest that you meet the qualifications below, sign this form and return it with your World Show entry.

I attest that, after my 18th birthday, I have not:

- 1. Accepted remuneration for riding, driving, showing, training, schooling, or conducting clinics or seminars.
- 2. Accepted remuneration for giving riding or driving lessons, lessons in showmanship, instructions in equitation or horse training. (Persons acting as counselors at summer camps, who are not hired in the exclusive capacity of riding instructors, are excluded and persons giving instructions and training to the handicapped are also excluded).
- 3. Accepted remuneration AND acted as an agent in the sale of a horse or pony or accepted a horse or pony on consignment for the purpose of sale or training that is not owned by me, my cohabitant, or family member, a farm/ranch/syndicate/partnership/corporation/business I, my cohabitant or family member controls.
- 4. Accepted remuneration for the use of my name, photograph, or other form of personal association as a horseman in connection with any advertisement or article to be sold.
- 5. Accepted prize money in equitation or showmanship classes, except in amateur or owner classes.
- 6. Advertised my professional services such as training or giving lessons by way of business cards, print ads, or internet. Exception: The writing of books or articles pertaining to horses.
- 7. Accepted a token of appreciation, other than money, for riding, driving, or showing in hand in halter (tokens worth more than \$300 are considered remunerations)

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# WESTERN DRESSAGE ASSOCIATION®

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# WDAA Statement of Eligibility for Exceptional Rider Classes

EXHIBITOR NAME			
EMAIL ADDRESS			
PHONE NUMBER			
This letter verifies that (name of exhibitor) is eligible to participate in WDAA Physically Challenge WDAA hosted competitions. These competitive classe disability, physical and/or social or emotional.	ed and/or WDAA Therape	utic Riding	classes at
Signed	Licensed	Medical	Professional
Printed name	Date		
Practice name			
Practice address			
Email address			
Phone number			

# Return signed form to: Gail@SpotlightHorseShows.com



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WDAA Eligibility for International (non USA) Rider

EXHIBITOR NAME _	 	
EMAIL ADDRESS		
PHONE NUMBER		
COUNTRY		

Signed	(Exhibitor or Parent if under 18)
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Printed name\_\_\_\_\_

Date

Email Completed form to Gail@SpotlightHorseShows.com



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