

USEF-Licensed and WDAA Recognized Show Comparisons

Main Areas of Requirement	USEF Regular Competition	USEF Local Competition	USEF Lite Competition	WDAA Recognized Show
License Requirements	Any competition may apply	Any competition may apply	<p>A show may run with a Lite license if it is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◇ a first-time competition ◇ if the competition has only run under a Lite license within the past three (3) years ◇ or if the competition has not been USEF licensed within the past three (3) years. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Competitions that do not meet the above requirements may request for an exception, which will be reviewed on a case-by- case basis by the CEO <p>Competitions may only run under a Lite license for three (3) consecutive years</p>	Any competition may apply
USEF Membership Required	<p>Yes, or pay \$45 for show pass for the day</p> <p>Anyone signing as Trainer/Coach on the entry blank must be a USEF competing member</p>	<p>No, only amateurs or exhibitors who want to be eligible for HOTY points</p> <p>Anyone signing as Trainer/Coach on the entry blank must be a USEF competing member</p>	<p>No, only those who want to be eligible for HOTY points</p> <p>Anyone signing as Trainer/Coach on the entry blank must be a USEF competing member</p>	No
WDAA Membership Required	Yes, or pay non-member fee (adults \$45; juniors \$30)	Yes, or pay non-member fee (adults \$45; juniors \$30)	No	No, unless show is USEF-licensed (as shown for licensed shows)
Drug Fee	\$23	\$23	No, but horses may still be tested	No

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Judge	USEF-licensed Western Dressage *See WD124 for rail class judging exceptions	USEF-licensed Western Dressage *See WD124 for rail class judging exceptions	USEF-licensed Western Dressage *See WD124 for rail class judging exceptions	USEF-licensed Western Dressage *See WD124 for rail class judging exceptions
Steward	USEF-licensed C2 Steward	USEF-licensed C2 Steward	Yes, USEF-licensed Steward or Technical Delegate, or someone who is in the process of obtaining a USEF Steward or Technical Delegate's license and has completed the Safety Training	No, USEF-licensed Steward or someone knowledgeable of rules
Competitions Licensing Cost	\$100 for new competitions or those with 200 or fewer horses the previous year; \$250 for competitions with 300 horses or more the previous year Due at least 60 days before show	\$50, due at least 30 days before the show	\$50, due at least 30 days before the show	\$35, due before the show
Medical Personnel	Licensed EMT, or Paramedic, Certified First Responder, or a Physician or Nurse trained in pre-hospital trauma care and currently certified or licensed in their profession under applicable law where the competition is held	Licensed EMT, or Paramedic, Certified First Responder, or a Physician or Nurse trained in pre-hospital trauma care and currently certified or licensed in their profession under applicable law where the competition is held	Licensed EMT, or Paramedic, Certified First Responder, or a Physician or Nurse trained in pre-hospital trauma care and currently certified or licensed in their profession under applicable law where the competition is held	Optional
Farrier	Optional or on call	Optional or on call	Optional or on call	Optional
Safety Coordinator	Must be designated per prize list	Must be designated per prize list	Must be designated per prize list	Optional
Vet	Optional or on call	Optional or on call	Optional or on call	Optional

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USEF Manager & Secretary	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
\$1 Million Insurance	Yes	Yes	Yes, USEF must be listed as additional insured	No
Results Reported Within 10 Days	Yes	Yes	Yes	14 days to WDAA
USEF Entry Blank Language (per GR9126)	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Regulations Process-Protest Charges (unpaid checks)	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Use of USEF General & Discipline Rules	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Proof of Horse Vaccination	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
HOTY Points	Yes, if horse has HOTY recording and owner is current USEF member	Yes, if horse has HOTY recording and owner is current USEF member	Yes, only ½ points, if horse has HOTY recording and owner is current USEF member	No
WDAA WHLPAP Points	No	No	No	0.5× points for online shows 1× points for live shows 1.5× points for WDAA International online show 2× points for USEF-licensed show 3× points for WDAA World Championship Show
Must Submit Prize List	Yes, 60 days prior to show	Yes, 60 days prior to show	Yes, 30 days prior to show	Yes, prior to the show
Who Can Apprentice at Shows	Small 'r' or large 'R' Western Dressage applicants if the presiding judge is a USEF-licensed Western Dressage judge (also see USEF GR1005)	Small 'r' or large 'R' Western Dressage applicants if the presiding judge is a USEF-licensed Western Dressage judge (also see USEF GR1005)	Small 'r' or large 'R' Western Dressage applicants if the presiding judge is a USEF-licensed Western Dressage judge (also see USEF GR1005)	Small 'r' or large 'R' Western Dressage applicants if the presiding judge is a USEF-licensed Western Dressage judge and the competition is USEF licensed (also see USEF GR1005)