

Pony Club

Where it all begins



2020 WESTERN DRESSAGE RULEBOOK

The inaugural 2020 rulebook is now available online and through Shop Pony Club. Please note that after publishing, there were several USPC National Policy updates approved by the USPC Board at the January 2020 meeting. The most current USPC National Policies as listed on the USPC website always supersede any previous USPC Policy. Corrections to Section I policy references will be included in the 2021 rulebook.

Reminder

All competitors at USPC competitions must wear ASTM/SEI certified helmets. Competitors may use English-style helmets, Western-style helmets, or modify English-style helmets by adding a helmet cover or brim so long as the structure of the helmet is not affected.

USPC WESTERN DRESSAGE CHAMPIONSHIPS

USPC is pleased to host Festival Western Dressage Championships 2020 at the Kentucky Horse Park, July 13-17. Cross-entering not permitted. Please remember there is a new registration process which requires the member to register themselves. More details about the competition and registration process will be included in the Guidebook to Championships and posted on the Championships Competition Information page of the USPC website.

WESTERN DRESSAGE TESTS FOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

Championships Divisions

Western Basic Level: 2017 WDAA Test 3 and Test 4
Western Level 1 and Up: 2017 WDAA Test 3 and 4 at the appropriate Level

Western Musical Freestyles: 2017 WDAA at the appropriate Level

Modified Divisions

Western Basic Level: 2017 WDAA Test 2 and Test 3
Western Level 1 and Up: 2017 WDAA Test 2 and 3 at the appropriate Level

Note: Modified Divisions do NOT perform Musical Freestyles.

Note: ALL Western Dressage Tests are available for download at <https://westerndressageassociation.org/wdaa-tests/>

CHAMPIONSHIPS ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION

A reminder that C-3/B/A certified members are not required to participate at a regional rally in order to attend Championships. To enter they must have the permission of their RS.

Championships Divisions

Competitors must complete test 3, 4 and a musical ride of their competition level at a standard rally. They must earn a 60% or higher score on Test 4.

Modified Championships Divisions

Competitors must earn a 55% or higher score on Test 3 of their competition level at a standard or modified rally.

CHAMPIONSHIPS ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION CONT

Exceptions

Competition eligibility exception requests will be handled on a case-by-case basis. There are no exceptions to the age or certification requirements. All competition exception requests must be submitted by the Regional Supervisor using the online system, www.ponyclub.org/Events/Championships/CompetitorInformation.aspx.

If a region does not hold a standard rally with Western Dressage classes. Please contact Becky Smith, the Western Dressage Chair or Erin Woodall, Activities and Events Director, activities@ponyclub.org for suggestions on additional ways to earn eligibility.

Mount Substitutions

Mount substitution requests will be handled on a case-by-case basis. All mount substitution requests must be submitted by the regional supervisor using the online system, www.ponyclub.org/Events/Championships/CompetitorInformation.aspx.

WESTERN DRESSAGE RALLY SUPPORT

Rally Organizer's Web Page

The Rally Organizer's page of the USPC website will be receiving a reorganization and expansion in the coming months. Keep your eyes open for the new Rally Organizer's Guide and an increased number of resource materials for organizing rallies.

Rally Technical Delegate Reports

Regional rally organizers are reminded that Technical Delegate Reports are REQUIRED for standard rallies and requested for all rallies because they aid the discipline committees in monitoring the number of Pony Club competitors participating in the discipline across the U.S. Electronic versions of TD reports are always preferred, but hardcopy versions are also acceptable. Please make sure that your Technical Delegate is submitting the reports to the National Office.

USPC DRESSAGE IN SOCIAL MEDIA

Follow Western Dressage in USPC on Facebook, <https://www.facebook.com/WesternDressageinUSPC/>, for more information about Western Dressage in Pony Club.

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