



UNITED STATES DRESSAGE FEDERATION™

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Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Championships Checklist for Prize Lists

Please be reminded that USEF Rules, Chapter 9 has requirements for your prize list.

This checklist is specific to only the Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Championships and is in addition to all other requirements of USEF.

Requirements for Prize List:

1. USDF will publish in electronic format the Official Prize List for all 2025 Regional Championships as part of an USDF Official Prize List for the Great American/USDF Regional Championship Program. Any other published version must be clearly identified as preliminary or unofficial and must include the following statement:
The official prize list of the Great American/USDF Region (#) Dressage Championship appears in the USDF Regional Championship Official Prize List webpage and may be obtained after May 1, 2025 from the USDF website or by calling USDF.
2. A preliminary copy of the prize list must be received by the USDF office by March 15th. Please allow ten (10) business days for this review to be completed.
3. Prize lists, including omnibus prize list, must be sent to USDF immediately after publication.
4. **The cover of the prize list must include the correct title of the competition:**
***Great American Insurance Group/United States Dressage Federation
Region (#) Dressage Championships
Licensed by United States Equestrian Federation, Inc.***
Any other competition names or sponsor names (no other insurance companies or agents) must be listed after the above title.
5. Include the current USDF Competition Recognition page and the USEF Federation page.
6. Management must follow all USEF rules regarding prize lists.
7. Regional Championship logo slicks and advertisements from Great American and USDF must be included in the prize list. Logo slicks and advertisements are available on the USDF website.
8. The prize list **MUST** state your post entry policy for late entries to a championship class.
9. The following statement must be included in the prize list:
A tentative schedule for the Awards Ceremonies will be printed in the "Show Program" and the official schedule will be posted in the show secretary's office by noon on the day prior to the beginning of the competition. If the posted awards schedule is changed, all affected competitors must be notified.
10. The following statement must be included in the prize list:
Riders placing in Great American/USDF Regional Championship classes must be present, mounted and in full riding attire for awards ceremonies (eight places for all Championship classes). Attendance to award ceremonies is not mandatory, but riders should let show management know if they are not attending.
11. The beginning and ending qualifying dates for the regional championships must be published in the prize list in **bold type**.
 - a. The closing date of each Regional Championship will be the fourth Monday prior to the start of the Regional Championship competition.
12. The following statement must be listed on the front cover of the prize list in bold:
Featuring over \$30,000 in Prize Money from USDF
13. The prize money amount and distribution method must be published in the prize list. If the amount of prize money has not been determined at the time the preliminary prize list is published, the following statement must be in the prize list:
*Prize money for Great American/USDF Regional Championships will be paid directly by the USDF office to the recorded horse owner within thirty (30) days of the last day of each championship. The amount of prize money to be awarded to each champion and reserve champion in all levels and divisions of the 2025 Championships will be announced by February 2025 and **MUST** be included in the final prize list.*
14. Champions and Reserve Champions in each Great American/USDF Regional Championship class who obtain a score of 57% or better will receive prize money. **Champions will receive \$476 and Reserve Champions will receive \$317.**

15. The gate at “A” may be left open for every USEF/USDF championship ride. Decisions to either close the gate or leave it open must be consistent for all championship classes. Each Regional Championship competition management must publish in its official prize list if the gate will be closed in championship classes. (USEF DR126.2.f.5)
16. The championship rules specified below must be printed in your prize list and must be printed *verbatim* from the 2025 Regional Championship Program Rules
 - a. Membership/registration requirements: Section A.
 - b. Qualifying Class and Championship Eligibility Requirements: Section B, 1 through 6.
 - c. Championship Rules: Section E, 1 through 24.
17. For the USDF Adult Amateur Equitation Regional Final, the following must be included in the prize list:
 - a. The following statement must be listed on the front cover of the prize list in bold:
USDF Adult Amateur Equitation Regional Final Class presented by Big Dee’s Tack and Vet Supply
 - b. USDF Regional Adult Amateur Equitation Program slick (vertical or horizontal)
 - c. Reminder: Competition management is required to submit \$35 per rider entered in each USDF Adult Amateur Equitation Regional Final class and \$35 per rider entered in each Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Final classes to USDF with the post competition paperwork. This fee should be included in your USDF Adult Amateur Regional Final class and USDF Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Finals class fee.
- d. For the US Dressage Finals, the following must be included in the prize list:
 - a. US Dressage Finals advertisement (full or half page)
 - b. Criteria for the US Dressage Finals
 - c. Due dates for declaration/nomination/entry to the US Dressage Finals
 - d. Display on the front cover and/or title page: ***Qualifier for the 2025 US Dressage Finals presented by Adequan*** (in bold)
- e. Include the USDF hold-harmless clause on the entry form or as an attachment to the entry form, with the signatures required as per the USEF Entry Agreement as follows:
I hereby agree to release, indemnify and hold harmless USDF, its instructors, 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 competition 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.
- f. Championship organizers may obtain additional sponsors for the competition; however, the title sponsor is reserved for Great American Insurance Group and its affiliated agents. No additional sponsors may be obtained for the Great American Insurance Group/USDF Regional Championship classes, Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Finals classes, nor the Adult Amateur Equitation Regional Final Classes. Other competition sponsors must be listed after Great American Insurance Group. **No other insurance companies, and/or their agents, may sponsor or be affiliated with any part of the entire championship competition.**

Reminders:

- Include a tentative class schedule.
- Championship classes for juniors and young riders must only be held on Friday, Saturday, and/or Sunday.
- **Great American/USDF Regional Championship competitions will be required to hold USEF/NAYC Junior/Young Rider Qualifying Classes in the non-championship portion of the show. These classes are listed below.**
 - FEI Junior Team Test
 - FEI Junior Individual Test
 - FEI Junior Freestyle Test
 - FEI Young Rider Team Test
 - FEI Young Rider Individual Test
 - FEI Young Rider Freestyle Test
- Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Finals classes must be held on Saturday or Sunday.
- For the Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Finals classes, two Federation Registered (R) or Senior (S) judges, one of whom *must* have USEF Dressage Equitation certification, will officiate together in each Semi-Finals class, using the same scribes and the same class scoresheet.
- Names of judges - of which 50% must be from outside the region. Two judges (at least one of whom must be an “S” or FEI dressage judge) must officiate in each championship class at second level and above. It is recommended that three judges officiate in FEI level championship classes. For training and first level, two “R” judges may be used, provided at least one of those judges resides outside the region.
- TD (Large R) must be from outside the region and must be a USDF PM.

- All of the classes below MUST be offered:

Training Level	Open	AA	Jr/YR
First Level	Open	AA	Jr/YR
Second Level	Open	AA	Jr/YR
Third Level	Open	AA	Jr/YR
Fourth Level	Open	AA	Jr/YR
Prix St. Georges	Open	AA	Jr/YR
Intermediate I	Open	AA	Jr/YR
Intermediate II	Open	AA	Jr/YR
Grand Prix	Open	AA	Jr/YR

Freestyle First Level	Open/Jr/YR	AA
Freestyle Second Level	Open/Jr/YR	AA
Freestyle Third Level	Open/Jr/YR	AA
Freestyle Fourth Level	Open/Jr/YR	AA
Freestyle Intermediate I	Open/Jr/YR	AA
Freestyle Grand Prix	Open/Jr/YR	AA

USDF Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Finals (13 & under)

USDF Dressage Seat Medal Semi-Finals (14 to 18)

USDF Adult Amateur Equitation Regional Final