



UNITED STATES EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION
THE NATIONAL GOVERNING BODY OF EQUESTRIAN SPORT

TO: Dressage Competitors – NAJYRC 2012

FROM: Dressage Department

DATE: June 24, 2011

RE: **Qualifying Criteria and Qualifying Competitions for the 2012 FEI North American Junior and Young Rider Championships Dressage**

The United States Equestrian Federation, USEF and the United States Dressage Federation, USDF have drafted Criteria for the NAJYRC 2012. These Criteria will be reviewed for approval by the USEF Dressage Committee, the USEF and USDF Executive Committees, after which they will be duly published on the USEF and USDFs websites.

This Memo serves to advise all Junior and Young Rider Dressage athletes that the proposed qualifying period will begin on **July 1, 2011 and is expected to finish on June 25, 2012.**

For updated information, please refer to NAJYRC Declaration Guide:
<http://www.usdf.org/docs/ShowFlash/Web/NAJYRCQualifying/DeclarationGuide.pdf>

Eligibility: Athletes must meet all requirements according to current FEI Dressage Rules for Junior / Young Riders respectively. Please refer to the FEI website: www.fei.org

Qualifying competitions: The list of designated USEF/NAJYRC Qualifying Competitions in the US commencing August 2011, will be posted on the USEF and USDF websites; www.usef.org and www.usdf.org. Qualifying US and foreign CDI / CDIY/ CDIJ events can be found on the FEI website: www.fei.org

Dressage tests: The current FEI Young Rider/ Junior Team Test, FEI Young Rider/ Junior Individual Test and FEI Young Rider/ Junior Freestyle test will be used at all official USEF/ NAJYR Qualifying Competitions. As with all FEI tests, these tests must be ridden from memory.

Declaration of intent: Athletes wishing to be considered for a 2012 US Junior or Young Rider Dressage Team must complete a Declaration of Intent. Declarations and fees postmarked, hand-delivered, faxed or submitted online on or prior to March 1st, 2012 will be charged \$50 per declaration. Declarations and fees postmarked, hand-delivered, faxed or submitted online after March 1st, 2012 and received by USDF on or before April 1st will be charged a declaration fee of \$300 per declaration. Declaration forms will be posted on www.usdf.org

This preliminary information is being provided to assist you with your competition planning. Please remember that this information is based on DRAFT Criteria that is pending USEF Executive Committee approval and are therefore subject to change.