



UNITED STATES EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION
THE NATIONAL GOVERNING BODY OF EQUESTRIAN SPORT

TO: Dressage Competitors – 2012 Festival of Champions

FROM: Dressage Department

DATE: July 29, 2011. Updated September 2, 2011.

RE: **Selection Procedures for the 2012 Festival of Champions
Junior Rider, Young Rider and Pony Rider National Championships**

The United States Equestrian Federation has drafted selection procedures for the 2012 USEF National Junior Dressage Championship, 2012 USEF National Young Rider Dressage Championship and 2012 USEF National Pony Rider Dressage Championship. These selection procedures will be reviewed for approval by the USEF Dressage Committee and the USEF Executive Committee, after which they will be duly published on the USEF website under:

<http://www.usef.org/IFrames/breedsdisciplines/discipline/alldressage/natDressage.aspx>

This memo serves to advise all Junior Rider, Young Rider and Pony Rider Dressage athletes of the following:

Qualifying period: The proposed qualifying period will begin on **August 2, 2011 and finish on May 28, 2012.**

Qualifying competitions: A list of designated USEF/NAJYRC Qualifying Competitions in the U.S. commencing as of August 2, 2011 can be found on the USEF website:

<http://www.usef.org/IFrames/breedsdisciplines/discipline/alldressage/2012NatDresschampQualify.aspx>

Foreign CDI qualifying competitions can be found on the FEI website www.fei.org

Declaration of intent Athletes wishing to be considered for the 2012 USEF National Junior Dressage Championship, 2012 USEF National Young Rider Dressage Championship or 2012 USEF National Pony Rider Dressage Championship must complete an online Declaration of Intent and submit the appropriate declaration fee to the USEF. Declarations can be submitted by February 1, 2012 for a \$50 fee and by no later than March 1 for a fee of \$150. The online application will be available at www.usef.org as of January 1, 2012. No applications will be accepted after March 1, 2012.

This preliminary information is being provided to assist you with your competition planning. Please remember that this information is based on draft selection procedures that have been proposed by the USEF and require finalization and approval by the USEF Dressage Committee and USEF Executive Committee and are therefore subject to change.