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**FEI North American Junior  
Dressage Championship (NAJC)**

*Lexington, Kentucky  
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The FEI North American Junior Dressage Championship will be conducted under the Federation Equestre Internationale (FEI) Rules.

**1. DECLARATION:**

1. Athletes wishing to be considered for a 2012 USDF Junior Dressage Team must complete a **Declaration of Intent** and return it with the appropriate declaration fee to the United States Dressage Federation (USDF), Attn: Erica Minks, USDF Sport Programs Coordinator, 4051 Iron Works Parkway, Lexington, KY 40511, (859) 971-7722, [eminks@usdf.org](mailto:eminks@usdf.org)
2. Declarations and fees postmarked, hand-delivered, faxed or submitted online on or prior to March 1, 2012 will be charged \$50 per declaration. Declarations and fees postmarked, hand-delivered, faxed or submitted online after March 1, 2012 and received by USDF on or before April 1 will be charged a declaration fee of \$300 per declaration.
3. No Declarations of Intent will be accepted after April 1, 2012. In the event a declaration is received without a declaration fee, those declarations will be accepted only if the declaration fee is received by April 10, 2012. Additional horses may be added to an already received declaration until June 1 for \$50 each.
4. Athletes must declare his/her region in which he/she is domiciled on the Declaration of Intent. If he/she has multiple permanent addresses, the athlete must declare one (1) region at the time of declaration, which will remain in effect for the duration of the NAJC qualifying period.
5. Once a declaration has been submitted, a change in region can only occur if the athlete petitions a change of region through the USDF FEI Jr/YR Committee. A petition to change regions after a athlete has submitted a declaration of intent must be submitted and postmarked prior to said athletes' first official ride at a USEF/NAJYRC Qualifying Competition, including any CDI/J ride intended to be used as a NAJC qualifying score. The petition will be reviewed by the USDF FEI Jr/YR Committee, USDF Executive Board, USEF Dressage Committee and ultimately decided by the USEF Executive Committee.

6. U.S. athletes, who are domiciled abroad and have no fixed or permanent address for legal purposes in the U.S. and therefore have no home region, shall be eligible to compete as an individual provided they satisfy the qualifying requirements. If there are more than 3 U.S. athletes domiciled abroad qualified, they may form a team.
7. It is the responsibility of the owners and athletes of horses to ensure that they know and understand the NAJC Selection Procedures, USEF Rules and FEI Regulations.
8. In order for a Declaration of Intent to be accepted, the athlete and horse owner(s) must read and certify that they have read the Selection Procedures for the 2012 FEI North American Junior Championship, have read and signed the USEF Code of Conduct for participating in the NAJC, that they understand these documents and that they agree to be bound by them.
9. Qualifying scores may be earned prior to the submission of a Declaration of Intent.

## **2. ELIGIBILITY:**

### **A. FOR ATHLETE:**

1. Athletes must be United States citizens.
2. Athletes must be Participating Members in good standing of USDF at the time of all qualifying performances and the NAJC.
3. Athletes must be Active Competing Members in good standing of USEF at the time of all qualifying performances and the NAJC.
4. Athletes are eligible as Juniors from the beginning of the calendar year in which they reach the age of 14 until the end of the calendar year in which they reach the age of 18. (Article FEI J-2)
5. Per FEI GR Article 113, All Athletes must be registered with the FEI and NF before they can be permitted to take part in an International Event. Athletes will be requested to obtain a FEI Registration Number prior to starting the competition. Please register no later than four (4) weeks prior to the first competition. FEI Registration numbers need to be renewed each year. For further information, please contact USEF or visit [www.usef.org](http://www.usef.org).
6. Athletes must meet all requirements according to Article 422 and FEI Junior Annex Rules of the FEI Dressage Rules and Regulations to meet eligibility requirements. FEI rules are subject to change at any time.
7. A Junior may not compete in both Junior and Young Athlete divisions at NAJYRC in the same year per FEI Article JR-5.2
8. Per FEI Regulations for Young Riders, Article J3/YR-5.3, once a competitor has taken part in a FEI Championship for Young Riders in any discipline, he/she can no longer go back to a Championship for Juniors in the same discipline.
9. A Junior who has taken part in a Senior Continental or World Championship or in Regional or Olympic Games—in Grand Prix—is no longer eligible to compete, neither as Junior nor as a Young Rider, in any international dressage events for Juniors or Young Riders with the same horse. The participation of a Junior in any other international dressage events for Seniors does not, however, not affect his status as a Junior.” (FEI Regulations for Juniors, Article J-5)

### **B. FOR OWNER(S):**

1. Must be a Participating or Business Member in good standing with USDF at the time qualifying scores are earned and during the NAJC.
2. Must be an Active Competing Member in good standing of USEF at the time qualifying scores are earned and during the NAJC.

3. Qualification goes with the horse/athlete combination; ownership may change during the qualifying period and for the Championship as long as the new owner(s) meet all of the above criteria.

**C. FOR HORSE:**

1. Horses must be Lifetime Registered with USDF at the time of all qualifying performances and during the NAJC. Horse registration must be in the name(s) of the current owner(s) or lessee(s) of record. If a current lease recording is on file with USDF, the lessee is recognized as “owner” for all USDF membership requirements. A USEF and USDF Horse Identification (HID) Number will not fulfill this requirement.
2. Horses must be Annual or Life Recorded with USEF at the time of all qualifying performances and during the NAJC.
3. It is recommended that horses have a FEI Registration Number prior to starting a qualifying competition.
4. All horses entered into the North American Junior Championship must have a valid FEI Passport issued for and FEI Registration Number for that horse. Competitors competing in CDI/J qualifying events must present a valid USA National Passport or a valid FEI Passport (USEF GR1309.4)
  - a. The process of obtaining a passport is handled by USEF and takes approximately six (6) weeks or more.
  - b. Please consult with USEF or refer to FEI Vet Regs., Annex VI regarding required influenza vaccinations.
  - c. Applications are available on the USEF website, [www.usef.org](http://www.usef.org) or contact the USEF Passport Representative at (859) 258-2472.
5. Ponies and mules are ineligible to qualify for or compete in the NAJC. Horses must be over 149 cm with shoes (FEI Rules for Dressage Events, Article 422.3).
6. Horses must meet all requirements according to Article 422 of the FEI Dressage Regulations to meet eligibility requirements. FEI rules are subject to change at any time.

**D. FOR HORSE/ATHLETE COMBINATION:**

1. Qualification is based upon horse/athlete combination.
2. An athlete may compete in both Junior and Young Rider qualifying competitions on a different horse in the same year per USEF DR119.8 “Individuals who are eligible as Junior and Young Riders may not enter both FEI Junior and FEI Young Rider tests on the same horse in the same competition; however, they may enter both FEI Junior and FEI Young Rider Tests in the same competition on different horses.” as stated in the Declaration of Intent.
3. Juniors may—from the year in which they reach their 16<sup>th</sup> birthday—compete in CDIs, CDIOs and Continental Championships for Juniors and Seniors and in World Championships, Regional and Olympic Games, but they may only compete in one Championship in the same year ( FEI Article JR-5.2).

**E. FOR NON-U.S. ATHLETES:**

U.S. residents who are non-U.S. Citizens and are domiciled in the U.S. may request permission to compete as an individual in the NAJC by following the procedure listed below:

- a. Athletes must be domiciled in the United States.
- b. Athletes must complete and submit a NAJC Declaration of Intent to USDF in accordance with all payments, requirements and deadlines. A copy will be forwarded to the USEF Dressage Department.
- c. Athlete, horse and owner must comply with USDF membership requirements as outlined above.

- d. Athlete must obtain written permission, in English, from their national federation of citizenship (NFC), to compete in the NAJC.
- e. Athlete must have an FEI registration and all required national federation memberships processed through their NFC. Written confirmation of fulfillment of these requirements, in English, must be provided to USEF and USDF. Athlete will also be responsible for payment of International High Performance (IHP) dues with entry to NAJC.
- f. Horse must have an FEI Passport and FEI Registration, processed either through the athlete's NFC or USEF (dependent upon owner's nationality).
- g. Horse/athlete must fulfill minimum qualification requirements, including but not limited to minimum number of scores, minimum average, freestyle score requirement, etc.
- h. Athlete's NFC will be responsible for submitting athlete's entry in principle, nominated entry, and definite entry in accordance with all deadlines as published in the event schedule.
- i. If athlete competes in the NAJC, he/she will be eligible for ribbons only, and will not be eligible for medals, titles or other awards.
- j. Athlete is solely responsible for the fulfillment of all requirements as outlined above.
- k. A maximum of 2 athletes per NF will be admitted as individual competitors to the Championships. In cases of more than two applicants the NFC will decide and select which athletes will be nominated and entered for the Championships.

### **3. QUALIFYING PROCEDURES:**

1. **QUALIFYING PERIOD:** The qualifying period shall begin July 1, 2011 and will end June 25, 2012.
2. **QUALIFYING COMPETITIONS:** A series of competitions throughout the U.S. have been designated at USEF/NAJYRC Qualifying Competitions. A list of these designated USEF/NAJYRC Qualifying Competitions is available on the USDF website, USEF website or by contacting the USEF Dressage Department. *Please note:* for these qualification purposes, competition(s) held over the course of more than one day counts as a **single** qualifying competition (even if each day has a separate license number). Qualifying scores for the FEI North American Junior Championships may only be earned at designated USEF/NAJYRC Qualifying Competitions and/or CDI/J competitions. Each horse/athlete combination must earn scores in at least **three (3) different designated USEF/NAJYRC Qualifying Competitions and/or CDI/Js**, one of which must occur during the spring season (January 1, 2012 through June 25, 2012).
3. **CDI/J COMPETITIONS:** Athletes may earn qualifying scores at any CDI/J, held within the United States or any other country that offers the FEI Junior Tests. CDI/J scores are calculable at the option of the athlete and will only be computed into the horse/athletes' overall average upon receipt of a CDI/J Report form within the specified deadline. All athletes competing in CDI/J competitions and/or the NAJC will be required to pay International High Performance (IHP) fees per USEF GR207 at the time of entry. Scores earned at the USEF National Championships for Juniors can be used as optional qualifying scores and are reportable under the same rules as a CDI/J.
4. **TESTS:** The FEI Junior Team Test (current edition), FEI Junior Individual Test (current edition) and FEI Junior Freestyle Test (current edition) must be used for qualification. These tests must be held as individual classes which are specifically designated as NAJYRC Qualifying. "Test of Choice" (TOC) classes will not count. A horse/athlete combination must complete **both** the Team

and Individual Tests at a designated USEF/NAJYRC Qualifying Competition or CDI/J. For calculation purposes, each test will be counted towards 50% of a horse/athlete combination's overall average. BOTH tests must be completed or the horse/athlete combination will receive a zero (0.000%) for the Qualifying Competition. Each horse/athlete combination must ride a minimum of three (3) FEI Junior Team Tests in combination with three (3) FEI Junior Individual Tests at designated USEF/NAJYRC Qualifying Competitions and/or CDI/J.

5. **FREESTYLE REQUIREMENT:** Each horse/athlete combination must ride a minimum of one (1) FEI Junior Freestyle at a designated USEF/NAJYRC Qualifying Competition or CDI/J and earn a minimum score of 62%; however, this score will not be computed into the overall average. An athlete may elect to ride only the FEI Junior Freestyle at a designated USEF/NAJYRC Qualifying Competition. The FEI Junior Freestyle does not have to be ridden at each qualifying event.
  
6. **SCHOOLING AND WARMUP:** For NAJC qualifying classes that are included in USEF licensed competitions or in a FEI recognized CDI/J: under penalty of disqualification for NAJC qualifying purposes, at no time during a competition offering FEI Junior Qualifying Classes, at a designated USEF/NAJYRC Qualifying Competition, may any horse entered in a FEI Junior Qualifying class be ridden by anyone other than the athlete entered in the FEI Junior class on that horse. Exception: grooms riding on a loose rein. For purposes of this rule, the competition starts when horse and/or athlete arrive on the show grounds.  
For NAJC qualifying classes that are included in a CDI/J; per FEI Art. 422.17, on no account, and under penalty of disqualification, may any horse take part in a CDI/CDIO which has been schooled by anyone other than the athlete mounted in the saddle 24 hours before the planned Veterinary Inspection as well as for the duration of the whole event. Upon arrival of the showground, only the athlete when riding, walking, leading or lunging a horse (lunge whip allowed), is allowed to carry a whip (maximum 120 cm) anywhere on the showground. The groom may also walk, lead, and lunge a horse as above. Other parties are allowed to carry a whip, provided it is not in connection with the training of the horse. Under no circumstances is it allowed to school the horse in the stables. Horses may not leave the stables, the competition area, or the areas supervised by Stewards for any purpose unless authorized by a recognized FEI Official of the event or a Veterinarian acting in the interest of the health and welfare of the horse.
  
7. **VETERINARY/MEDICAL WITHDRAWAL:** Exceptions to #4 (above) requiring completion of both tests will only be made for Juniors who submit an Official USEF/USDF Veterinary/Medical Withdrawal Certificate completed and signed by the official show veterinarian or from a physician stating the reason the horse and/or athlete was unable to complete the competition. Documentation must be received by the USEF Dressage Department within forty-eight (48) hours of the end of the competition. It is the sole responsibility of the athlete to submit this documentation to the USEF Dressage Department within the time allowed. In such cases, the score for the single completed ride will not be factored into the horse/ride combinations' overall average. Failing to submit such documentation will result in an overall score of zero (0.000%) for that entire competition for NAJC qualifying purposes.
  
8. **NUMBER OF SCORES:** At least three (3) sets of qualifying scores must be earned (3—Team Test, 3—Individual Test=3 overall averages) and one (1) qualifying score in the FEI Junior Freestyle, which meet all qualification requirements outlined herein.
  
9. **DROP SHOW:** If a horse/athlete combination competes in more than three (3) designated USEF/NAJYRC Qualifying Competitions and/or CDI/Js, the scores from the one (1) competition

that has the lowest average will be dropped. Only one (1) score will be dropped. (CDI/J scores will only be computed upon receipt of the CDI/J Report Form within the specific deadline.)

10. **JUDGES:** Qualifying tests must be **judged by a panel of at least two (2) FEI or USEF “S” officials.** *Please note: Judges with students who have submitted Declarations of Intent in a region are ineligible to judge any FEI Junior classes at designated USEF/NAJYRC Qualifying Competitions or CDI/J competitions within that Region.*
  
11. **SCORE CALCULATION:** USDF will automatically track scores for horse/athlete combinations which are earned at designated USEF/NAJYRC Qualifying Competitions. CDI/J scores will only be computed upon receipt of the CDI/J Report Form within the specified deadline. Scores from CDI/Js are calculable at the option of the athlete. The scores will NOT be automatically calculated into the horse/athlete’s overall average without receipt of a CDI/J Report Form within the specified deadline. Percentages are carried out to the third decimal point with numbers of five and above rounded up (63.4555%=63.456%). It is the responsibility of the athlete to verify the accuracy of the standings posted on the USDF website. USDF is not responsible for inaccurately reported or illegible scores. If any errors are detected, athletes are encouraged to contact the USDF office immediately at (859) 971-2277 or [najyrc@usdf.org](mailto:najyrc@usdf.org) . Errors must be reported no less than five business days prior to the NAJYRC nominated entry deadline.
  
12. **MINIMUM AVERAGE:** Horse/athlete combinations must achieve a minimum overall average score of 62.000% or higher to be eligible for team selection. Individual competition scores may be less than 62.000% as long as the final average is 62.000% or higher.
  
13. **DRESS & SADDLERY:** Please refer to USEF Rules for dress and saddlery requirements (DR 120-121) if competing in a USEF/NAJYRC Qualifying Competition or FEI Dressage Regulations if competing in CDI/J competitions and/or the NAJYRC. Double Bridle is compulsory. Athletes must adhere to prevailing USEF Rules regarding whips while competing in designated USEF/NAJYRC Qualifying Competitions; however, when riding in a CDI/J, FEI whip rules supersede USEF rules.
  
14. **RULE VIOLATIONS:** Alleged violations of the USEF rules must be brought to the attention of the officials at the event. The USEF Bylaws and Grievance Procedures can be found on the USEF website [www.usef.org](http://www.usef.org). For protests at CDI/J events, please refer to FEI General Regulations.
  
15. **QUALIFYING ABROAD:** U.S. athletes residing abroad may request permission to qualify for NAJC. U.S. horse/athlete combinations eligible to compete abroad must first satisfy the requirements of USEF (NGB) for foreign competition. Athletes then must request in writing, prior to the first competition they enter, permission from USDF, Erica Minks, to use foreign competitions to satisfy the qualifying requirements. This request must include a list of competitions that the athlete plans to enter and the judges that will be officiating the FEI Junior Tests. Only competitions held within the regular qualifying season (July 1, 2011 through June 25, 2012) will be considered.  
All requests from athletes wishing to qualify abroad will be forwarded to the USEF Credentials Committee for approval. Athletes are encouraged to submit their requests well in advance of the closing date of the first competition. Scoring of the USEF approved foreign competitions and of designated USEF/NAJYRC Qualifying Competitions and CDI/Js will be considered equal for purposes of ranking horse/athlete combinations. An athlete who has been granted permission to qualify abroad must meet all selection procedure requirements. Athletes must also send a CDI/J

Report Form along with copies of their FEI Junior Test score sheets to the USDF office within the specified deadline for the scores to be eligible. Any intentional misrepresentation of scores will eliminate the horse/athlete from both the qualifying process and consideration for Team or Individual participation in the NAJC.

16. **DIRECT QUALIFICATION:** The horse/athlete combinations earning the top three scores at the USEF National Junior Dressage Championships will receive an automatic invitation to compete on their respective regional team at the FEI North American Junior Dressage Championship as long as the following requirements are met. Direct qualification will not be offered if the USEF National Junior Dressage Championships occur after NAJC.
- a. Each horse/athlete combination must have completed a NAJC Declaration of Intent by the specified deadline.
  - b. Each horse/athlete combination must fulfill all current FEI NAJC Qualifying Criteria and Selection Procedures, including but not limited to: appropriate mandatory scores, minimum qualifying percentages, membership and horse registration requirements.
  - c. According to FEI regulations, all horses competing in the FEI NAJYRC (CDI/J) must measure at minimum 149 cm in height with shoes.
  - d. In the case of a tie, the average of the horse/athlete combination's Team Test scores will determine the placing.

#### **4. TEAM SELECTION:**

1. All horse/athlete combinations that have submitted a Declaration of Intent as outlined above (see "Declaration of Intent") and have qualified by the method outlined above (see "Qualifying Procedure") will be ranked according to scores and be selected up to the maximum number of team slots allowed in each of the nine (9) USDF Regions.
2. Each USDF Region may enter only one (1) team with a maximum of four (4) athletes. Each team is composed of either three (3) athletes and three (3) horses or four (4) athletes and four (4) horses (FEI Dressage Regs. Article YR-12.2).
3. Reserve horse/athlete combinations are not allowed. For substitutions see below 6.4.
4. Regions may not enter individuals in addition to a team (FEI Dressage Regs. Article YR-12.3).
5. If a region is unable to field a team of three (3) or four (4) athletes, it may enter one (1) or two (2) individual athletes each with one (1) horse (FEI Dressage Regs. Article YR-12.4). Those individual athletes may be put on a composite team at the discretion of USEF.
6. The teams, including those which have been determined by USEF, will be the only teams recognized by the Organizer of the NAJC.
7. Athletes who achieved the minimum qualifying score but who were not selected to their declared region's team may not join a team from other regions which have fewer than the maximum number of competitions.
8. Ties will be broken according to the horse/athlete combination that achieved the highest average of FEI Junior Team Test scores.

**5. REMOVAL OF ATHLETES:** An athlete who is nominated to the Team may be removed for any of the following reasons as determined by the USEF and the USDF in accordance with the procedures:

1. Voluntary withdrawal. Athlete must submit a written letter to the USDF President.
2. Injury or illness as certified by a physician. If an athlete refuses verification of their illness or injury by a physician, their injury will assumed to be disabling and they may be removed.
3. Violation of the USEF Code of Conduct.
4. Detection of a prohibited substance in the horse.
5. Failure to adhere to all WADA, FEI, USEF and USADA anti-doping protocols, policies and procedures including participation in competition testing as required by WADA, FEI, USEF and USADA rules.

**6. NAJC ENTRIES:** Entries to the FEI North American Junior Dressage Championship are to be made in three (3) phases and are completed by the USDF FEI Jr/YR Regional Coordinator and/or the Region's Chef d'Equipe. Entries should be submitted to the USDF FEI Jr/YR Liaison. The first phase is the Entry in Principle, which is followed by the Nominated Entry, followed by the Definite Entry. All entries are submitted to the Organizer of the NAJC by the National Federation (USEF International Disciplines Department) via the USDF FEI Jr/YR Liaison.

1. **Entry in Principle**—to inform the organizing committee as to the intention to send a team and/or individual horse/athlete combinations without giving names of athletes or horses.
2. **Nominated Entry**—to inform the organizing committee of the names of athletes and horses from which list the Definite Entries must be selected. Up to twice the number of entries allowed in the competition may be listed on this form. No substitutions or additions to this list will be allowed after the deadline for submission.
3. **Definite Entry**—on this form horses must be allocated to the athletes. This is the final selection of athletes and horses that will travel to the event. All must come from the Nominated Entries list. The National Federation (USEF) may authorize Regions unable to field teams to combine individuals but only if the individuals are declared on the Definite Entry.
4. **Substitutions** – In accordance with FEI DR Art. 423: Following receipt of definite entries, substitution of horse(s) and athlete(s) from the Nominated list, may be made with the agreement of the Organizing Committee (OC). The OC must print in the schedule the latest date for substitution of horse(s) and athlete(s), which may never be later than the day of the veterinary inspection.  
Any substitutions shall be made in accordance with rankings as established in Section 4, Team selection.

## **7. NAJC COMPETITION:**

1. The 2012 FEI North American Junior Dressage Championship will be held at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington, Kentucky. Tentative date: 18-22 July 2012. FEI Regulations will be followed.
2. Horses will be examined for soundness. A jog will be scheduled prior to the Championship classes, at which time all horses must be presented to the treating veterinarian and a member of the judging panel for examination.
3. To compete in the NAJC, each horse must meet all health criteria required by the FEI rules, the NAJC Organizing Committee and the Regional Team Criteria.
4. Tests shall be ridden from memory and **WHIPS ARE FORBIDDEN**. Please refer to FEI Dressage Regulations for complete dressage and saddlery requirements.
5. Starting order shall be determined by an open draw.

## **8. NAJC FORMAT:**

### **1. COMPETITION No. 1**

**FEI North American Junior Team Championship:** All entries in the NAJC will compete in the Junior Team Test. The FEI Junior Team Test (current edition) will be used. FEI Medals to the three best teams.

### **2. COMPETITION No. 2**

#### **FEI North American Junior Individual Championship**

All entries in the NAJC will compete in the Junior Individual Test. The FEI Junior Individual (current edition) will be used. FEI Medals to the three best athletes.

### **3. COMPETITION No. 3**

#### **FEI North American Junior Freestyle Championship**

The top 15 athletes from the Junior Individual Test will compete in the Junior Freestyle. The FEI Junior Freestyle Test (current edition) will be used. FEI Medals to the three best athletes.

**9. CHEF D'EQUIPE:** The USDF FEI Jr/YR Regional Coordinator and/or the Chef d'Equipe will help the team members coordinate transportation, housing, team apparel, saddle pads, etc., as well as handle the entries for the region's team. Each region may determine the specific duties assigned to the Chef d'Equipe according to the region's needs. Per FEI Article YR-8.4, the Chefs d'Equipe are responsible for the behavior of their teams and/or individuals throughout the event. They and their NF are responsible for any damages that occur. If the athletes are not lodged in private homes, the Chefs d'Equipe must stay with their teams and/or individuals. Chefs d'Equipe must adhere to the obligations set forth per FEI General Regulations Article 120.

**10. CODE OF CONDUCT:** Athletes, horse owners and trainers will be required to sign and abide by the USEF Code of Conduct. Failure by athletes, horse owners and trainers to comply with the USEF Code of Conduct during the NAJC may be grounds for removal from show grounds.

**11. DRUG TESTING:** All horses shall be subject to drug testing. Blood and/or urine samples may be collected at any time during the qualifying events including USEF/NAJYRC Qualifying Competitions, CDI/J's and/or at the NAJC. USEF Medication rules will be followed at USEF/NAJYRC Qualifying Competitions as they are all USEF licensed/USDF recognized. FEI drug rules will be followed at USEF/NAJYRC Qualifying Competitions that are FEI recognized, as well as at the NAJC. All athletes may be subject to drug testing at the NAJC, in accordance with the guidelines and regulations of the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA). Athletes will be expected to adhere to the most current FEI Doping Control and Protection of Competitors Provision (FEI Article 143).

## ANNEX

### COMPETITION MANAGERS:

1. Designated USEF/NAJYRC Qualifying Competitions for the 2012 NAJC must be scheduled between July 1, 2011 through and including June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2012 inclusive.
2. All designated USEF/NAJYRC Qualifying Competitions must be USEF Licensed/USDF Recognized and as such, USEF rules will be followed.
3. Managers of designated USEF/NAJYRC Qualifying Competitions are required to accept all entries for the FEI Junior classes provided that the entry is received on or before the closing date. Entries received after the closing date may be accepted at the discretion of the competition management, in accordance with the show's post entry policy and USEF rules.
4. A designated USEF/NAJYRC Qualifying Competition held over the course of more than one day counts as a **single** qualifying competition (even if each day has a separate license number).
5. The FEI Junior Team Test and the FEI Junior Individual Test cannot be scheduled on the same day. The FEI Junior Team Test must be offered on a day prior to the FEI Junior Individual Test. The FEI Junior Freestyle may be scheduled on the same day as either the FEI Junior Team Test or the FEI Junior Individual Test, but must be scheduled after the Team Test. Consideration should be given to separating the FEI Junior Tests in accordance with the FEI philosophy.
6. In the event that a USEF/NAJYRC Qualifying Competition must be cancelled due to weather, extreme conditions or acts of God, and the Team Test has already been ridden, the athlete will not receive a zero and his [her] scores will not count toward NAJYRC qualifying.