



## **CRITERIA TO DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY TO COMPETE IN THE 2011 USEF PARA-EQUESTRIAN DRESSAGE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP**

### **GENERAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:**

Riders must:

- Be 16 years or older as of December 1, 2010.
- Be a US citizen.
- Be current members in good standing of USEF at the time that the Required Scores are achieved.
- Be current members in good standing at the time of the 2011 USEF Para-Equestrian National Championship.
- Be medically eligible to compete in Para-Equestrian dressage competitions. To do so, riders shall have either a national or international Para-Equestrian classification and be assigned a Grade.
- Ride independently (without aides).

### **REQUIRED SCORES:**

- All scores must be achieved from January 1, 2010 through August 29, 2011;
- A total of one score for each must be submitted as follows:
  - One “championship” test score;
  - One Freestyle test score;
- The minimum score of any individual test submitted must be 60% or higher;
- Scores may be submitted from any horse/rider combination; **or** separate scores may be submitted for the rider and horse. If separate scores are submitted, the horse must also qualify as follows:
  - Submit one score of 60% or better from the current competition year;
  - Scores shall be achieved at the championship test of the rider’s Grade level or at any test which is above the rider’s Grade level. These levels are as follows:
    - For Grade I riders – Training Level Test 1 or above,
    - For Grade II riders – Training Level Test 3 or above,
    - For Grade III riders – First Level Test 4 or above
    - For Grade IV riders – Third Level Test 1 or above
- All test scores (both rider and/or horse) must be achieved at USEF or FEI PE licensed competitions. FEI PE tests must be scored by a USEF “R” rated judge or above, or an FEI PE recognized judge.

### **REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

Riders who would like to receive an invitation to the USEF Para-Equestrian National Championship are required to submit a letter of intent to compete at the championships, along with legible copies of all qualifying tests, clearly indicating the name of the judge and competition at which the scores were achieved on or before August 29, 2011.

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No late submissions will be accepted.