



## United States Equestrian Federation Licensed Officials Code of Ethics

As a Licensed Official of the United States Equestrian Federation, I understand and recognize that I hold special status with the Federation and will conduct my duties with the highest level of integrity. As an ambassador of the Federation and equestrian sport, I will discharge my responsibilities with the highest level of integrity, character, and respect for the sport and USEF, including the following:

- I will have a complete and accurate knowledge of the rules, policies, and procedures governing the competition, and will officiate in accordance with those rules and standards.
- I will provide and accept performance feedback in a positive manner and seek out opportunities for further education and self-improvement on a regular basis.
- I will be fair, consistent, and impartial to ensure equitable treatment for all exhibitors. I will avoid any actions or conduct that may give the appearance of bias or favoritism.
- I will maintain a professional and respectful attitude at all times toward exhibitors, competition staff, USEF staff, and other Licensed Officials. I will model behavior that exemplifies the [USEF Code of Conduct](#).
- I will prioritize the health and wellbeing of human athletes.
- I will uphold the highest standards for the ethical treatment of horses.
- I will refrain from conducting other business or socializing with exhibitors and/or participants during a competition or event in any manner that may give the appearance of bias or favoritism, including one-on-one or small group conversations.
- When outside of my role as a Licensed Official, my behavior and conduct will continue to reflect integrity, good character, and respect for equestrian sport and USEF.
- I will abide by the [US Equestrian Social Media Policy for Licensed Officials](#).