



## USEF Board of Directors Seat – Athlete Representative

### Summary of Job Duties

The Board of Directors is responsible for the development USEF's strategic direction and shall set policy and delegate the responsibility for implementation to the Chief Executive Officer and staff. Except as otherwise provided by the bylaws, the Board of Directors shall have all governance, supervising, and administrative authority of USEF. The Board's authority and responsibilities are detailed in Bylaw 301.

Athlete Representatives are expected to maintain communication with the USEF AAC and help ensure a strong and effective athlete voice in USEF governance.

### Requirements

The Board of Directors meets six times per year. Two of these meetings are in-person. One is the Annual Meeting in January and the other is the Mid-Year meeting. The remaining four meetings are conducted via video platform throughout the year.

### Attendance

Attendance is critical. Board of Directors must attend at least 2/3 of all regular meetings of the Board during any twelve month period and at least one of the two in-person meeting every twelve months, unless exigent circumstances exist or an absence is excused by the USEF President in advance.

### Term

One four-year seat is available and one two-year seat is available. If the elected athlete meets the eligibility criteria at the end of their term, they can serve for a successive four-year term.

### Eligibility

Athlete Representatives must either qualify as either:

1. **10-Year Athlete Representative:** A 10-Year Athlete Representative is an athlete who has represented the United States in one of the following within the 10 years preceding election or appointment:

- a. a Delegation Event (Olympic, Paralympic, Pan Am, ParaPan); or
- b. an Elite Protected Competition as defined by the Federation AAC and approved by the USOPC NGB Athlete Representation Review Working Group, which includes\*:

- FEI World Equestrian Games;
- FEI World Championships;
- FEI World Cup Finals;
- FEI Nations Cup (Jumping 4\* or 5\*); or
- FEI CPEDI (3\* and higher)

\*\*age-restricted events do not count

2. **10-Year+ Athlete Representative:** Same as 10-Year Athlete Representative, but representation was not within the previous 10 years.