2027 USEF Para Dressage Funding Criteria

European CPEDI3* Equine Travel Grants

Equine European Travel Grants are being offered in 2027 based upon the following criteria:

- Horses must be listed on the USEF Elite / Pre-Elite Para Dressage Pathway Program at any time during the 2027 calendar year and traveling between the U.S. and Europe in the 2027 calendar year.
- Athlete must have agreed upon competition plan with the Para Dressage Chef d'Equipe to compete in CPEDI3* Event(s) in Europe and the U.S. between January 1, 2027 and October 10, 2027 to be eligible.
- Athletes must have achieved a minimum of 69% or above at a U.S. CPEDI3* in each test, Grand Prix A Test, Grand Prix B , and Grand Prix Freestyle within the past 12 months (from the time of application) to receive a grant. Tests scores do not need to be from the same show.
- Horses whose initial leg of travel in 2027 is Europe to U.S. must meet the following additional criteria: The athlete/horse combination must have competed in a European CPEDI3* or above during the 2026 calendar year.
- Athletes must be eligible to compete in European CPEDI in accordance with the USEF Criteria to Compete in Foreign CPEDI found HERE.
- Application must be submitted to US Equestrian by the deadline of September 30, 2027. Application may be found by signing into your USEF membership portal, athlete dashboard, online applications.

Important Notes:

- European CPEDI Equine Travel Grant is based on a maximum of one horse travelling between the U.S. and Europe in the 2027 calendar year.
- Travel between the U.S. and Europe can include U.S. to Europe and/or Europe to the U.S. as long as the travel plan is approved by the Para Dressage Chef d'Equipe.
- Funds permitting, grants are anticipated to be a maximum of $30,000.
- In the case of over-subscription, athletes with the higher score obtained in Grand Prix A Test and Grand Prix B Test within the past 12 months will be given priority. In the event there is a tie in the Grand Prix A Test and the Grand Prix B Test, then scores from the Individual / Grand Prix B Test will be considered.
- Grants are anticipated to be paid in Fall 2027, following the September 30, 2027 application deadline.

Domestic CPEDI2* and 3* Equine Travel Grants

Equine Travel Grants are being offered for horses that travel 250 miles or more (one way) to a U.S. CPEDI2* or 3* Event based on the following criteria.

- Grant is based on the following mileage scale one way and will be paid for roundtrip
  - ✓ 250-499 $500 maximum
  - ✓ 500-999 $1,000 maximum
  - ✓ 1,000-1,499 $1,750 maximum
  - ✓ 1,500-1,999 $2,500 maximum
  - ✓ 2,000-2,499 $3,250 maximum
  - ✓ 2,500+ $4,000 maximum
- **CPEDI3* Criteria**: Athlete and Horse must have achieved a 62% or higher from FEI Para Dressage tests, one (1) Para Grand Prix Test A, one (1) Para Grand Prix Test B, and one (1) Para Grand Prix Freestyle Test. (minimum three tests). Two tests must be from a USEF recognized show or CPEDI3*, one (1) test may be from the USEF Virtual Judging program. (Ridden offsite). All tests must be from within twelve (12) months of the start date of the event to be eligible for a domestic CPEDI Travel Grant.
- **CPEDI2* Criteria**: Athlete must have achieved a 60% or higher from FEI Para Dressage tests, one (1) Intermediate Test A and one (1) Intermediate Test B (minimum two tests) Tests must be from a USEF recognized show or CPEDI2*, one (1) test may be from the USEF Virtual Judging program. Ridden offsite) Both tests must be from within twelve (12) months of the start date of the event. An athlete who has competed in a

CPEDI3* does not qualify for a CPEDI2* grant.

- Application must be submitted to US Equestrian by September 30, 2027. Application may be found by signing into your USEF membership portal, athlete dashboard, online applications.

Grants are available as long as the funding remains available.

In the case of over-subscription, athletes with the furthest distance and a new annual application will be given priority over applicants who have received a previous domestic CPEDI Equine travel grant.

Grants will be awarded after the completion of the Event with the submission expense receipts for the horse transportation.

Domestic CPEDI Equine Travel Grants may be awarded a maximum of twice annually regardless of the number of horses being transported per athlete.

Classification Travel Grants

Travel grants (up to $300) are being offered for travel to Events for an athlete to be internationally or nationally classified.

- To be paid after the classification is completed with the submission of travel / hotel receipts.
- Application must be submitted to US Equestrian by September 30, 2027. Application may be found by signing into your USEF membership portal, athlete dashboard, online applications.

Grants will be awarded after the completion of the classification Event with the submission travel expenses.

Please note that the United States Para Equestrian Association (USPEA) also offers funding support for classification and more information can be found HERE.

Human Sport Science and Medicine Grants

Para Dressage athletes who are listed on the Para Dressage Structure and Pathway Program's Elite athlete list (athlete list) are eligible for funding support for Mental Performance/Health services as well as Physiotherapist support, as long as funding is available.

Application must be submitted to US Equestrian by September 30, 2027. Application may be found by signing into your USEF membership portal, athlete dashboard, online applications.

Please note that all sessions must be utilized prior to December 1, 2027. Grants will be paid directly to the athlete, following submission of invoices/receipts.

Up to $750 in grant funding per individual is available.