



MEMORANDUM

To: Potential 2022 FEI Dressage World Championship U.S. Dressage Team Applicants

Date: August 23, 2021

From: Hallye Griffin, USEF Managing Director, Dressage

Re: Initial Qualifying Period – 2022 FEI Dressage World Championships

Please be advised that Tryout Events/Qualifying Competitions are anticipated to include all U.S. and foreign CDI 3*/4*/5*/CDI-W or CDIO events beginning September 1, 2021. A list of these competitions can be found at <https://data.fei.org/Calendar/Search.aspx>. Athlete/horse combinations must complete the FEI Grand Prix test or the FEI Short Grand Prix test at a minimum of three (3) CDI Tryout Events/Qualifying Competitions. At least one of these tests must be the FEI Grand Prix Test and the remaining tests may be the FEI Short Grand Prix.

Additionally, the athlete/horse combinations must also complete one (1) FEI Grand Prix Special test and one (1) FEI Grand Prix Freestyle test at CDI Tryout Events/Qualifying Competitions. A minimum of two (2) of the Grand Prix tests at CDI Tryout Events/Qualifying Competitions must be completed after January 1, 2022.

The FEI Grand Prix test and FEI Short Grand Prix test scores will be used to calculate the Ranking List for the Initial Qualifying Period (the “Ranking”). The Ranking is anticipated to be one of several factors considered for the selection of the Short List. As the FEI Short Grand Prix test is not planned to be used for the 2022 FEI World Championships, it is anticipated that the Selectors will consider any differences in scores between the FEI Grand Prix Test and the FEI Short Grand Prix Test.

The Ranking can be found [here](#). If an athlete/horse combination completes the FEI Grand Prix test or the FEI Short Grand Prix tests at more than three CDI Tryout Events/Qualifying Competitions, the lowest test will be automatically dropped from the Ranking with the exception that the FEI Grand Prix test must be at least one counting score within a combination’s final average. The FEI Grand Prix Special test and the FEI Grand Prix Freestyle test will not be used in the calculation of an athlete/horse combination’s average on the Ranking.

Following the conclusion of the initial qualifying period, it is anticipated that a Short List will be selected. The Short List is anticipated to be required to compete in Observation Event(s).

Please also be aware of the FEI requirements (including the FEI Certificate of Capability) which can be found [here](#).

This preliminary information is being provided to assist you with your competition planning. Please remember that this information is subject to change. The complete Selection Procedures are anticipated to be published in due time. More information regarding the application process will be published at that time.



If you have any questions regarding this memo, please do not hesitate to contact Hallye Griffin at (859) 225-6949 or hgriffin@usef.org.

