



NWFL Chapter of DSDCTA Year End Awards Qualifications

Effective for 2021-2022 Show Year

General Information

- Scores for all NWFL DSDCTA hosted shows will be automatically submitted to the DSDCTA Score Keeper. No need to send those scores in.
- Scores will only count for the month of membership through the end of the NWFL DSDCTA calendar year (November 1 – October 31).
- Riders are eligible to submit the qualifying scores earned from the non-DSDCTA shows. However, all scores must be submitted within 30 days from the time earned and include the division, height, judge, etc. Copies of the dressage test and/or final scores/placings must be submitted with all non-DSDCTA-shows. Scores earned during the month of October must be submitted by October 31st.
- All dressage test scores must be earned from a USDF "L" Graduate or higher judge.
- All scores submitted must match the appropriate DSDCTA division. Submitted scores which do not meet the guidelines provided will not be recorded.
- It is the responsibility of the rider to confirm with the NWFL Score Keeper that all scores were recorded correctly.
- Riders are required to notify the NWFL Score Keeper of any show name changes of the horse in writing.

Divisions

- All divisions (Junior, Adult Amateur, Masters, and Open), regardless of discipline, will be awarded separately, and no horse/rider combination will be considered for awards in more than one division per competition year.
- Each horse/rider combination winning a championship at any given level will NOT be eligible for competition awards below the level won.
- Horse/rider combinations can win the same division two (2) years consecutively unless approved by the board.
- JUNIOR DIVISION – Open to junior riders who meet the USEF Dressage definition of Junior. A competitor is a Junior rider until the end of the calendar year in which he/she reaches the age of eighteen. For the purpose of Year End Awards, if the rider is a Junior as of November 1st (beginning of award year) they will be considered a junior and all scores will count towards a JUNIOR award. If entries warrant, NWFL reverses the right to split the Junior division into two groups based on age. These groups will be Juniors ages 0-12 and Juniors ages 13-18.
- ADULT AMATEUR DIVISION – Open to adult riders who meet the USEF Dressage definition of Adult Amateur and possess current amateur status issued by the Federation. A competitor shall be considered an Adult Amateur from the beginning of the calendar year in which they reach the age of 18. Adult amateurs can not receive remuneration (cash, goods, sponsorships, discounts or services, reimbursement of any expenses, trade or in-kind exchange of goods or

serves such as board or training) AND ride, exercise, drives, shows, trains, assists in training, schools, or conducts clinics/lessons/seminars.

- MASTER DIVISION – Open to riders 50 years or older. Members must declare intent to compete in the Master's division at the beginning of the competition year. In order for Master's awards to be given at the year end banquet, there must be at least two (2) in the class. Otherwise, the Master's will be combined with Adult Amateur.
- OPEN DIVISION – Open to all riders. There are no restrictions based on the horse (age, breed, sex, size, residence or membership of owner) or rider (experience, qualifications, sex, residence, or membership).

Submitting Scores

- Scores earned at recognized or schooling school with USDF "L" graduate or higher judging will be eligible for year end awards.
- Current scores submitted will be published on the chapter website. www.nwflequestrian.com
- It is the members responsibility to check the website and ensure scores were received and posted correctly. If any discrepancies are found, members should work the scorekeeper to rectify the error by September 30th.
- The date submitted must include: name of show, date of show, horse name, riders name, final score, name of judge, copy of dressage test which includes judges name, test, and score and copy of final placings (for CT or Three Phase scores).
- All eligible scores will be recorded. The lowest score(s) will be dropped after the member has met the minimum number of score requirements at a given level.
- Dressage, Dressage Sport Horse Breeding, Combined Training, and Eventing (horse trials) awards will be based on the AVERAGE of the combination best scores.

Horse/Rider Combination Rules

- To be eligible for NWFL DSDCTA Year End Awards, horse/rider combo must have the minimum number of qualifying scores for the division AND satisfy the following requirements:
 - Attend a minimum number of 2 NWFL DSDCTA hosted shows with any horse/rider combination; AND
 - Complete a minimum of 4 hours volunteering; OR
 - Pay \$50 volunteer wavier fee per rider.
 - Volunteer hours will be counted at both NWFL DSDCTA and NWFL DSDCTA sanctioned shows. Volunteer hours may also be donated.
- Horse/rider combination who won Year End NWFL DSDCTA Champion shall be ineligible to win a Year End Award for a lower division the following year unless approved by the NWFL DSDCTA Board.
- Horse/Rider combinations may only earn NWFL DSDCTA Year End Division Champion Awards for the highest two divisions horse/rider qualified for in Eventing, Combined Test, Dressage, Western Dressage and Jumping.

Dressage Awards

- Scores must be greater than 58% to be considered qualifying.

- Scores must be earned at a minimum of two (2) shows with two (2) different judges.
- A minimum of four (4) scores are needed for Second Level and Below.
- A minimum of three (3) scores are needed for Third Level and Above, to include FEI classes.
- NWFL will recognize a musical freestyle at the Introductory level. Please see the test requirements on the website at www.nwflequestrian.com.
- To be eligible for year end award at a level the horse/rider combination must have a qualifying score (58% or above) at the test below. Scores will be tracked by the rider not the horse/rider combination for Introductory level only.

Level	Required Test	# of Scores Required
Introductory Level	Introductory Level B	4
Training Level	Training Level Test 3	4
First Level	First Level Test 3	4
Second Level	Second Level Test 3	4
Third Level	Third Level Test 3	3
Fourth Level	Fourth Level Test 3	3
Prix St. George	Prix St. George	3
I-1	I-1	3
I-2	I-2	3
Grand Prix	Grand Prix	3
Musical Freestyle	TOC	3

Western Dressage Awards

- Scores must be greater than 58% to be considered qualifying.
- Scores must be earned at a minimum of two (2) shows with two (2) different judges.
- A minimum of four scores are needed for Level 2 and Below.
- A minimum of three scores are needed at Level 3 and above.
- To be eligible for year end award at a level the horse/rider combination must have a qualifying score (58% or above) at the test below:

Level	Required Test	# of Scores Required
Introductory Level	Introductory Level Test 4	4
Basic Level	Basic Level Test 4	4
Level 1	Level 1 Test 4	4
Level 2	Level 2 Test 4	4
Level 3	Level 3 Test 4	3
Level 4	Level 4 Test 4	3
Musical Freestyle	TOC	3

Eventing (Horse Trials)

- Scores must be less than 60.1 to be considered qualifying for horse trials.
- Score must be from at least one NWFL hosted show.

- Eventing/Horse Trials (Three Phase contest consisting of dressage, cross country, and show jumping) will have the following division for Year End Awards:

Division	Dressage Test	<u>Cross County Height</u>	<u>Show Jumping Height</u>
Pre-Ameoba	Intro A	>18"	18"
Amoeba	Intro B	18"	2'
Tadpole	Intro C	2'	2'
Beginner Novice	USEF Beginner Novice Test A or B	2'7"	2'7"
Novice	USEF Novice Test A or B	2'11"	2'11"
Training	USEF Training Test A or B	3'3"	3'3"
Preliminary	USEF Preliminary Test A or B	3'7"	3'7"
Intermediate	USEF Intermediate Test A or B	3'9"	3'9"
Advanced	USEF Advanced Test A or B	3'11"	3'11"

Combined Training Awards

- Scores must be less than 50.1 to be considered qualifying for Combined Test (Two Phase).
- Score must be from at least one NWFL hosted show.
- Combined Tests (Two Phase contest consisting of Dressage and EITHER one of the following: Cross Country OR Show Jumping OR the "Derby Format" of the second phase which may consist of both cross country stadium jumps in one phase) the following divisions will have Year End Awards:

Division	Dressage Test	<u>Cross County Height</u>	<u>Show Jumping Height</u>
Pre-Ameoba	Intro A	>18"	18"
Amoeba	Intro B	18"	2'
Tadpole	Intro C	2'	2'
Beginner Novice	USEF Beginner Novice Test A or B	2'7"	2'7"
Novice	USEF Novice Test A or B	2'11"	2'11"
Training	USEF Training Test A or B	3'3"	3'3"
Preliminary	USEF Preliminary Test A or B	3'7"	3'7"
Intermediate	USEF Intermediate Test A or B	3'9"	3'11"
Advanced	USEF Advanced Test A or B	3'11"	4'1"

Dressage Sport Horse Breeding (DSHB) Awards (In-Hand)

- Awards will be offered in the following age categories (date of birth is necessary):
 - Ponies 14.2 hands and Under
 - Current Year Yearling
 - Two Year Old
 - Three Year Old
 - Four Year Old and Older Maiden Mare Not Bred and Broodmares in foal as of January 1st
 - Four Year Old and Older Gelding/Stallions
 - Material Dressage Horse Under Saddle
- The horse needs a minimum of three (3) scores from at least two (2) different judges from two (20 different competitions in the categories listed.
- The horse owner must be a DSDCTA member in good standings at the time scores are earned.
- Scores from amateur or junior handler, group and undersaddle classes are not eligible for DSHB All Breeds Awards.
- Awards shall be offered in hand handlers responsible for showing the horse.

Jumpers

- Scores from jumper classes are only accepted from NWFL DSDCTA and NWFL sanctioned shows. The NWFL scorekeeper will record points from jumping classes directly from the final placings.
- In order to qualify for a Jumper Year End Award in any 18" Jumper of higher jumper division, the horse/rider combination needs to have earned a minimum of 20 points in the division during the show year. This rule does not apply to Ground Poles or 12" Walk/Trot Crossrails division.
- Points accrue for each horse/rider combination in any 18" Jumper or higher jumper division. Points for ground poles and Walk/Trot Crossrails divisions will follow the rider regardless of the horse that is being ridden.
- All divisions will be awarded Champion through tenth place if entries warrant.
- All divisions 18" and higher are open to all horses and riders. Classes may be separated into division (Junior, Adult Amateur, Masters, and Open) if approved by the board.
- Placings will earn the points as follows:

NWFL Sanctioned Shows	
1 st Place	7 points
2 nd Place	5 points
3 rd Place	4 points
4 th Place	3 points
5 th Place	2 points
6 th Place	1 points

NWFL Hosted Shows	
1 st Place	14 points
2 nd Place	10 points
3 rd Place	8 points
4 th Place	6 points
5 th Place	4 points
6 th Place	2 points

- NWFL DSDCTA recognizes the following Jumper divisions:

Division	Class Specifications
Beginner Walk/Trot Ground Poles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Horse/Rider combo may not cross enter any classes with jumping higher than 12", including Combined Training/Eventing divisions, or canter at the same show. • There will be no jump off. • Division is judged as a Red/Blue Class. • Blue = clear round • Red = Up to 3 refusals • Elimination = More than 3 refusals • Riders may be led and/or coached from within the arena.
Walk Trot Crossrails (12")	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intended for walk/trot riders only. • Horse/Rider combo may not cross enter any classes with jumping higher than 12", including Combined Training/Eventing divisions, or canter at the same show. • Riders may not be led but can be coached from within the arena.
18" Jumpers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Class A – Table II, 2(b)* • Class B – Table III**
2' Jumpers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Class A – Table II, 2 (b)* • Class B – Table III**
2'3" Jumpers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Class A – Table II, 2(b)* • Class B – Table III
2'6" Jumpers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Class A – Table II, 2 (b)* • Class B – Table III**
2'9" Jumpers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Class A – Table II, 2(b)* • Class B – Table III**
3' Jumpers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Class A – Table II, 2 (b)* • Class B – Table III**
3'3" Jumpers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Class A – Table II, 2(b)* • Class B – Table III**
3'6" Jumpers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Class A – Table II, 2 (b)* • Class B – Table III**

*Table II, 2 (b) – All horse/rider combinations compete in the first round of the class. If they have no jumping or time faults in the first round, the riders stays in the ring to complete the jump off. The jump off is a shorter version of the first round and the rider with the fastest time and least amount of faults wins the class. Jump off is placed as riders with rails placed below riders with no faults, even if their time is better.

**Table III – Only one round which challenges the rider to go fast and clear. Faults are converted to seconds and added to the riders time.

Rider Awards

- Scores must be earned by a L graduate or higher for classical dressage and western dressage must be earned by an L graduate or higher or a WDAA recognized judge.
- Scores must be earned by 3 different judges. Scores can be earned at the same show.
- Scores will be tracked on the rider, not the horse so multiple horses can be used to achieve scores. Rider must be in good standings with NWFL.
- Rider Awards will need to be applied for no later than October 31st of the competition year. These awards will be presented at the year-end awards banquet. A copy of all tests must be provided unless they can be validated on the USDF website. It is the rider's responsibility to apply for these awards.
- All scores must be 58% or higher to be accepted.

Medal	Classical	Western Dressage
Bronze	3 scores at Intro level 3 scores at Training level	3 scores at Intro Level 3 scores at Basic Level
Silver	3 scores at First Level 3 scores at Second Level	3 scores at Level 1 3 scores at Level 2
Gold	3 scores at Third Level 3 scores at Fourth Level	3 scores at Level 3 3 scores at Level 4
Platinum	3 scores at FEI	N/A