

2020 CTDS Mini-Show Guidance & Rules

Classes Offered: All USDF/USEF/FEI test are allowed for Junior, Adult Amateur and Open.

Classes Awarded at Year End: USDF Intro to 2nd Level test (including Freestyle) in Junior/YR, Adult Amateur, and Open divisions.

Ride Limit: Per USEF rules, a horse may only be ridden in three USDF tests per day, or two FEI tests per day, even with multiple riders. Dressage Seat Equitation can be added above the max ride rule.

Stallions: Stallions may be entered, but must be ridden by an adult (18 years of age or older). *Stallions must be stalled, no grounds option.*

Working/Volunteering: We love our volunteers! Riders may supply substitute workers, but the full 2 hours must be worked. CTDS shows are staffed by the competitors and volunteers. **Please note:** If all jobs have been filled, you may be required to pay the non-working entry fee even if you have requested to work.

Volunteer opportunities are: scribe, runner, scorer, paddock master, check-in and test caller.

Scribe-scribes are swift and nimble with their pen. The scribe quickly and legibly records comments and scores from the judge on each test.

Runner- swift and nimble of foot. Runners collect the tests from the judges box in-between rides and delivers them safely to the scorer.

Scorer-are you great with a calculator? Scorers calculate the scores of each test and record the information on the official score sheet. Scorer will check in any late arrival on show day.

Paddock Master(PM)- aka Ring Steward. Paddock Master is much like a ring steward—coordinating entry into the show arena and gives notice to those in the warm up arena of their approaching test. We will provide the schedule and clip board if you bring your voice.

Test Caller- This is a club fund raiser and an opportunity for members voices to be heard! :) A great way to learn the test and give riders one less thing to worry about during their ride.

Check-in-/Arena Set up Volunteer marks off horses as they come into facility. If an entry has any issues, the volunteer will have notes on check-in sheet. If issues can be resolved by volunteer make note on check-in-sheet if not show manager will resolve. This position is on Friday and continues on Saturday but is done by scorer on show day. Arena set up starts at 11 am on Friday and will be done by the first set of check-in volunteers. Consists of unloading dressage arena and setting up railing and letters.

Entries: Please remember that there are a limited number of rides that can be accommodated in the show schedule and is dependent on the contract made with the judge. Complete entries (online paid entry) and a copy of a negative Coggins that is available to facility if required. CTDS does not need a copy of coggins. Ride time preference will be given to those who volunteer/work the show, if necessary. All entries are done online, payment must be made online via PayPal.

Payment is to be made to: CTDS, Inc.

Fees:

- CTDS Members: All tests are \$20 per test if volunteering and \$40 per test if not volunteering.
- Office fee: \$15
- Facility fee \$15 (when required).
- \$35 per stall or \$25 grounds fee per horse.
- CTDS Members: \$20 (volunteering) or \$40 (non-volunteer/non-member) schooling fee if not in show schedule.

Stalls: Available after 12:00 noon on Friday before show day. Shavings can be purchased. Stalls may be claimed on a first-come, first-served basis. Stalls are not reserved. DO NOT come early and claim stalls for horses that are not on facility property.

Lodging: There are a number of hotels in the area, google mapping the area will bring a selection up.

Ride Times: Notice of ride times are e-mailed directly to those who supply a valid e-mail address on the entry form no later than the Thursday evening, prior to the show. If you volunteered to work, your work time will be in the e-mailed show schedule. It is the rider's responsibility to obtain ride/work times and to resolve any schedule conflicts before the show. It is up to the rider to forward ride times to trainers/owners.

Arrival on Show Grounds: Please do not arrive on the show grounds before 12:00 noon on Friday when CTDS assumes the lease. A CTDS representative will be on site Friday afternoon and possibly evening. **Show grounds are CLOSED Friday night at 8:00 pm.**

Concessions: Concessions are available depending on the show facility. There are convenience stores located close to show facility.

Dogs: NO DOGS AT ANY FACILITY.

Attire: At the Mini-Shows, braiding is not required. For riders, a collared shirt with sleeves, long or short, any color breeches (or schooling tights), and shoes with a heel are required. The exception is the formal events, which does adhere to USDF rules of attire and conduct. All riders must wear a helmet while mounted at all CTDS functions.

Check In: REQUIRED when you arrive at the show grounds to verify all show and payment information pertinent to you and your horse. If not staying overnight, the Mini-Show Manager will arrive on-site no later than 7:30 a.m. before the show begins at 8:00 a.m.

Arena Availability: The warm up arena and show arena will be available for schooling beginning at Noon on Friday. The arenas may be watered and dragged—please be mindful and courteous as the grounds are maintained. The covered arena will be available for schooling before 0745 and during the lunch break. The warm up arena is available for schooling for the duration of the Mini-Show. The Mini-Show manager will email the facility closing time with the ride schedule—if you require additional time for arrival or schooling on Friday night, please make arrangements with the Mini-Show Manager, accommodations will be considered.

Schooling: Entry forms must be completed and received by the Mini-Show Manager as outlined above in "Entries". The rider/handler must complete an entry form and pay the appropriate fees, including stabling or grounds fee. Preference in the arenas and on the grounds is given to competitors. The covered arena will only be available for schooling Friday afternoon, before 0745 Saturday and during the lunch break. The warm up arena will be available for the duration of the Mini-Show. Those intending to school must be cognizant of this limited opportunity to ride.

Lunging: Permitted in corners of warm up on Friday and a **safe area** outside of covered arenas on Saturday.

Cancellations/Scratches: If you cancel or scratch after the closing date, the entrant forfeits all fees, including stall or grounds fee. If the show is cancelled, entry fees will be refunded unless other arrangements are made. All cancellations made prior to closing date will be refunded less the \$15 office fee.

Results/Ribbons: Rosettes are awarded through 3rd place for each level/test combination in the three divisions of Open, Adult Amateur, and Junior/Young Rider. High point is awarded for each division per show. Because classes are typically not run in order (except for two-ring shows), ribbons will not be available until all riders in the class have ridden and been placed. However, test sheets will be available after individual tests are scored. ANY TEST LEFT IN OFFICE AT THE END OF THE SHOW WILL BE DISPOSED OF. Ribbons WILL NOT be mailed. You can pick up ribbons at the following show.

CTDS October Costume show: The Mini-Shows are intended to provide a relaxed and fun atmosphere for our competitors to ride real tests for real judges without any of the "real" show pressures. Themes are intended only to add another aspect to the show environment for those who wish to participate, and follow a Quadrille or breed show kind of mentality, which often are costumed activities. Show-goers who want to participate, may participate. There's absolutely no pressure here either way, but the prizes are fun. Out side of competitor(s) doing a Quadrille or costume freestyle we will have a costume class at our Halloween show only.

Please remember that the safety of our horses and riders is paramount. This is NOT intended to be an "over-

the-top" costume competition. Participants are encouraged to exhibit the "spirit" of the theme while also exercising good judgment. Obviously, parents/guardians are responsible for supervising appropriate attire for juniors/young riders. If in doubt, please inquire in advance.

Champion and Res. Champion (High Point of the day) This is awarded to the 2 highest scores in each division no matter the test ridden at each show. (**Leadline, intro, DSE, WD, Freestyle and Eventing are excluded**). This award is available to every rider ONCE A YEAR. Once you have received this distinction you are not eligible the rest of the year. A rider can be awarded champion and res. champion at the same or different shows. Award winners will receive award at Year End Banquet and must be present to receive award.