

2024 ProElite/USDF Breeders Championship Series Program Rules

The ProElite/USDF Breeders Championship Series (ProElite/USDFBCS) is a program intent on recognizing quality bloodlines and dressage prospects across the nation. Through a combination of in-hand and materiale classes, the ProElite/USDFBCS provides competition opportunities for dressage prospects and breeding stock.

- The ProElite/USDFBCS is scheduled on a calendar year basis. It starts January 1 and ends September 30.
- A series must have a minimum of two qualifying events to host a series final competition.
- Series boundaries are determined by USDF. Please be advised that the boundaries of any given series may cross the regional boundaries established for regular dressage competitions.
- All Dressage Sport Horse Breeding (DSHB) and ProElite/USDFBCS exhibitors and management are responsible for knowing
 the rules for USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized dressage competitions holding DSHB classes, as well as USEF-licensed/USDFrecognized competitions in general. The USEF Rule Book Dressage Chapter, Subchapter DR-2, contains the DSHB class
 rules, and can be found at www.usef.org.

I. PROELITE/USDFBCS IN-HAND CHAMPIONSHIP DIVISIONS

DSHB In-Hand classes provide evaluation of conformation and movement of horses of all ages for potential dressage horses and/or breeding stock.

C. IN-HAND CLASSES - HORSE REGISTRATION AND MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS (PROELITE/USDFBCS QUALIFYING OR SERIES FINAL CLASSES)

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	CHART 1: USDF REQUIREMENTS FOR IN-HAND DIVISIONS		
HORSE	Either USDF Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR) or USDF Horse Identification Number (HID) is required for all horses entered and must be submitted. Horses registered with a breed organization should have a copy of their registration papers submitted directly to USDF. Horses participating in ProElite/USDFBCS qualifying or series final competitions are not required to be registered with any breed registry. For registered horses the name of the breed, sire, dam, damsire, and breeder must be given on the entry blank. Horses not registered with a breed registry should be listed as "unregistered" on entry blank. For unregistered horses competing in DSHB classes, the breeding information is strongly recommended.		
OWNER	Owner is not required to be a USDF member for qualifying or series final competitions. If the owner does not have a USDF Participating, Group or Business membership, then a USDF non-member fee will apply.		
HANDLER/ ASSISTANT HANDLER	Neither USDF membership nor a USDF non-member fee is required for the handler.		
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Elimination of a horse from its relevant class or series final class may occur should any USDF non-member, membership or horse registration/HID applications with related fees fail to be paid and/or collected by show management and submitted to USDF at the completion of a competition.

B. REQUIREMENTS FOR PROELITE/USDFBCS IN-HAND QUALIFYING CLASSES

- 1. Classes must be offered and judged according to DR209.
- 2. Neither foals nor horses of any other age may be shown loose.
- 3. All qualifying competitions must offer every Sport Horse Prospect In-Hand and Breeding Stock In-Hand division of the ProElite/USDFBCS. The divisions are:
 - a. Current Year Foal Championship
 - b. Filly Championship
 - c. Colt/Gelding Championship

- d. Four-Year-Old Prospect Championship
- e. Mare Championship (Breeding Stock)
- f. Stallion Championship (Breeding Stock)

- 4. Only a single set of Sport Horse Prospect and Breeding Stock In-Hand DSHB qualifying classes may be offered per competition. These classes must be open to all horses and ponies of the appropriate age and sex, and not subject to any entry restriction.
- 5. A separate qualifier championship class must be held for all divisions, even those that have only one class or one horse in the division. All horses must be re-evaluated by the judge(s) at both the walk and the trot in the championship class per DR210. If any one of the judges adjudicating this class has not previously judged all the horses in this class, conformation must also be reevaluated on every horse.
- 6. Qualifier championship classes must be open to first and second place winners of their respective In-Hand qualifying classes as listed in Chart 2 below. Organizers have the option of including third placed horses in qualifier championship classes. No scores are given. Ties are not allowed. The champion and reserve champion of each division at each qualifier event are eligible to compete in their respective ProElite/USDFBCS final championship class. A third-place horse in each championship class must be named as well.
- 7. Current Year Foals ARE NOT ALLOWED in Filly Championship and Colt/Gelding Championship classes. Fillies of Current Year and Colts/Geldings of Current Year will compete in the same Current Year Foal Championship.
- 8. Four-Year-Old Prospect mares and Four-Year-Old Prospect stallions/geldings will compete against each other in the same Four-Year-Old Prospect Championship.
- 9. Mare classes may be divided by age, competition and/or breeding status (as of January 1st of the current competition year), as in the following examples:
 - a. Four-Year-Old & Older Maiden Mares
 - b. Four-Year-Old & Older Yeld Mares
 - c. Four-Year-Old & Older Broodmares
- 10. Stallion classes may be divided by age, competition and/or breeding status, as in the following examples:
 - a. Four-Year-Old & Older Stallions Showing Only In-Hand
 - b. Four-Year-Old & Older Stallions Showing Also Under Saddle
- 11. Note the following clarification on "stallion": No geldings may compete in the ProElite/USDFBCS classes for stallions even if they are gelded after qualifying for the finals and are breeding via frozen semen.
- 12. Each horse may only enter the ProElite/USDFBCS qualifying class(es) for which it is eligible and may only qualify for the specific ProElite/USDFBCS championship class(es) for that division(s). Four-Year Old Mares & Stallions may show in both the Four-Year Old Prospect class AND their respective Breeding Stock class.
- 13. Geldings of any age may NOT show in breeding stock classes/categories. Geldings, age four and under, may show ONLY in sport horse prospect classes.
- 14. All classes must be judged using the correct scoresheet for appropriate category percentages. Sport horse prospects four years old and under MUST be evaluated on the current USDF Dressage Sport Horse Prospect In-Hand scoresheets and mare and stallion breeding stock MUST be evaluated on the current USDF Dressage Sport Horse Breeding Stock scoresheets.
- 15. During awards ceremonies, each division champion and reserve champion must be named ProElite/USDFBCS qualifying champions and reserve champions for the show and be awarded a qualifier ribbon that is supplied to the show by USDF. Announcements must identify sponsors and horses' breeding information. If a champion and/or reserve has already qualified for a final, the third-placed horse from the pertinent qualifying championship class will be eligible to compete in a final. Qualifying ribbons are still awarded to the champion and reserve champion, the third-place horse will not receive a qualifier ribbon.
- 16. Any horse receiving a 75.000% or higher in its age/sex class is eligible to compete in the ProElite/USDFBCS finals, independent of whether they go forward to a qualifying championship class.
- 17. A list of qualified horses is maintained on the USDF website.
- 18. All champions and reserve champions will be eligible to compete in **ANY** ProElite/USDFBCS final, regardless of where qualification is earned, but may compete in only **one** series final competition per calendar year.

Chart 2: USDF IN-HAND DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFYING PROGRESSION					
Class	Qualifier Championship	Finals Championship	Eligibility	Scoresheet	
Current Year Fillies	Current Year Foal Qualifier	ProElite/USDFBCS Final Current Year Foal Championship	current year		
Current Year Colts/Geldings	Championship 1st & 2nd Place from age classes move here	Champion & Reserve from Qualifier AND any horse scoring 75% or higher in class	fillies & colts/geldings		
Yearling Fillies Two-Year-Old Fillies Three-Year-Old Fillies	Filly Qualifier Championship 1st & 2nd Place from age classes move here	ProElite/USDFBCS Final Filly Championship Champion & Reserve from Qualifier AND any horse scoring 75% or higher in class	yearling, two- year-old, three-year-old fillies		
Yearling Colts/Geldings Two-Year-Old Colts/ Geldings Three-Year-Old Colts/ Geldings	Colt/Gelding Qualifier Championship 1st & 2nd Place from age classes move here	ProElite/USDFBCS Final Colt/Gelding Championship Champion & Reserve from Qualifier AND any horse scoring 75% or higher in class	yearling, two- year-old, three-year-old colts/geldings	Sport Horse Prospects (In Hand)	
Four-Year-Old Mares Sport Horse Prospects Four-Year-Old Stallions/ Geldings Sport Horse Prospects	Four-Year-Old Prospect Qualifier Championship 1st & 2nd Place from age classes move here	ProElite/USDFBCS Final Four- Year-Old Prospect Championship Champion & Reserve from Qualifier AND any horse scoring 75% or higher in class	four-year-old mares, stallions & geldings		
Four-Year-Old and Older Maiden Mares Four-Year-Old and Older Yeld Mares Four-Year-Old and Older Broodmares	Mare Qualifier Championship 1st & 2nd Place from respective classes move here	ProElite/USDFBCS Final Mare Championship Champion & Reserve from Qualifier AND any horse scoring 75% or higher in class	four-year-old & older mares	Sport Horse Breeding	
Four-Year-Old and Older Stallions (showing only in-hand) Four-Year-Old and Older Stallions (showing also under saddle)	Stallion Qualifier Championship 1st & 2nd Place from respective classes move here	ProElite/USDFBCS Final Stallion Championship Champion & Reserve from Qualifier AND any horse scoring 75% or higher in class	four-year-old & older stallions	Stock (In Hand)	

C. CONDUCT OF SERIES FINAL IN-HAND CHAMPIONSHIP CLASSES

- 1. At least two USEF DSHB judges must officiate in each series final class. Placings will be determined by the average of all judges' scores.
- 2. Ties in series final classes must remain unbroken. Examples:
 - a. If there are two champions, there is not a reserve champion.
 - b. If there are two reserve champions, the next place will be 4th place.

- 3. A grand champion and reserve grand champion for each division will be named at each ProElite/USDFBCS final event and will receive awards and prizes provided by USDF. Third through sixth place horses will receive ribbons provided by USDF. After the last ProElite/USDFBCS final held in a competition year, certificates will be available from USDF via the website.
- 4. USDF reserves the right to change, alter, or retract any placings and/or prizes for up to 60 days after the last day of competition if an error or violation is discovered.
- 5. Each horse must be shown individually on the triangle at the walk and trot and stand for conformation. Callbacks are permitted only if stated in the prize list or program (DR209).
- 6. The owner **must enter** the qualified horse in the appropriate ProElite/USDFBCS final championship class. The horse is NOT automatically entered in the series final championship class because it qualified earlier in the day or at another show. Series final events must allow late entries in series final classes for horses that qualified after the official closing date.
- 7. Management must collect all USDF non-member, membership and/or horse registration/HID applications and related fees prior to the start of a series final class for eligible entries to compete in the class. Should the required USDF non-member, membership or horse registration/HID applications and related fees fail to be submitted to USDF following the completion of a series final competition, elimination of a horse from its series final class may result.

II. PROELITE/USDFBCS Materiale Championship Division

DSHB Materiale classes provide evaluation of movement and rideability under saddle of three, four, and five-year olds as potential dressage riding horses.

A. MATERIALE CLASSES - HORSE REGISTRATION AND MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS (PROELITE/USDFBCS QUALIFYING OR SERIES FINAL CLASSES)

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CHART 3: USDF REQUIREMENTS FOR MATERIALE DIVISIONS				
HORSE	Either USDF Lifetime Horse Registration (LHR) or USDF Horse Identification Number (HID) is required for all horses entered and must be submitted. Horses registered with a breed organization should have a copy of their registration papers submitted directly to USDF. Horses participating in ProElite/USDFBCS qualifying or series final competitions are not			
	required to be registered with any breed registry. For registered horses the name of the breed, sire, dam, damsire, and breeder must be given on the entry blank. Horses not registered with a breed registry should be listed as "unregistered" on entry blank. For unregistered horses competing in DSHB classes, the breeding information is strongly recommended.			
OWNER	Owner is not required to be a USDF member for qualifying or series final competitions. If the owner does not have a USDF Participating, Group or Business membership, then a USDF non-member fee will apply.			
RIDER	Rider is required to have a current USDF Participating Membership at the time a horse's qualifying score is earned and at the time of the ProElite/USDFBCS Materiale Championship class.			
Elimination of a horse from its relevant class or series final class may occur should any USDF non-member, membership or horse registration/HID applications with related fees fail to be paid and/or collected by show management and submitted to USDF at the completion of a competition.				
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B. REQUIREMENTS FOR PROELITE/USDFBCS MATERIALE QUALIFYING CLASSES

- 1. Classes must be offered and judged according to DR134 & DR204 and the directives on the scoresheet.
- Dressage Competitions and DSHB Competitions may offer Materiale classes in the following categories:
 - a. Three-year old Fillies Materiale
 - b. Three-year old Colts and Geldings Materiale

- c. Four-year old Mares Materiale
- d. Four-year old Stallions and Geldings Materiale

e. Five-year old Mares Materiale

- f. Five-year old Stallions and Geldings Materiale
- 3. Qualifying competitions may combine age groups but not different sexes. Fillies and/or mares may not be combined in classes with colts, geldings and/or stallions except in championship materiale classes (DR204).
- 4. Two numbers (min. 3" x 5") must be provided to and worn by Materiale class entries and they must be positioned on each side of the saddle pad.
- 5. Scores must be awarded to all competitors competing in materiale classes.
- 6. A horse may qualify to compete in a ProElite/USDFBCS Materiale Championship Final by receiving one score of 72.000% or higher in a materiale class held at any USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized DSHB or Dressage competition during the relative competition year.
- 7. Scores earned at competitions licensed by USEF as Regular or Local competitions are not eligible to be used as qualifying scores for the ProElite/USDFBCS Materiale Championships.
- 8. The ProElite/USDFBCS Materiale Championships will run on the same calendar year as the ProElite/USDFBCS (January 1-September 30). Qualifications to compete in a ProElite/USDFBCS Materiale Championship class must be earned in the calendar year that the championship occurs.
- 9. Qualifying scores to compete in a championship class may be earned up until the championship class occurs. Materiale scores earned at dressage competitions held after all ProElite/USDFBCS Finals in a competition year, are not eligible as qualifying scores.
- 10. A list of qualified horses is maintained on the USDF website.
- 11. A horse may qualify with a different rider than the rider who competes the horse in the championship class.
- 12. All qualified horses will be eligible to compete in ANY ProElite/USDFBCS final, regardless of where qualification is earned, but may compete in only one series final competition per calendar year.

C. CONDUCT OF SERIES FINAL MATERIALE CHAMPIONSHIP CLASSES

- 1. At least two USEF DSHB judges must officiate in each ProElite/USDFBCS Materiale Championship class. Placings will be determined by the average of all judges' scores.
- 2. Series final events must hold materiale classes allowing for qualification opportunities prior to holding the ProElite/USDFBCS Materiale Championship classes.
- 3. **Two** numbers (min. 3" x 5") must be provided to and worn by Materiale class entries and they must be positioned on each side of the saddle pad.
- 4. Scores must be awarded to all competitors.
- 5. Ties in ProElite/USDFBCS Materiale Championship classes must remain unbroken.
- 6. Materiale Championships will be held at each ProElite/USDFBCS final competition. All qualified horses regardless of sex will compete against one another in their respective age groups. Each ProElite/USDFBCS Final will hold the following divisions:
 - a. Three-year old Fillies, Colts and Geldings Materiale
 - b. Four-Year-Old Mares, Stallions and Geldings Materiale
 - c. Five-Year-Old Mares, Stallions and Geldings Materiale
- 7. Horses will be evaluated according to the criteria listed on the current "USDF Materiale Class" scoresheet, and classes must be conducted according to the current USDF "Procedures to Host USDF Materiale Classes".
- 8. A grand champion and reserve grand champion for each division will be named at each ProElite/USDFBCS final event and will receive awards and prizes provided by USDF. Third through sixth place horses will receive ribbons provided by USDF. After the last ProElite/USDFBCS final held in a competition year, certificates will be available from USDF via the website.
- 9. USDF reserves the right to change, alter, or retract any placings and/or prizes for up to 60 days after the last day of the championship if an error or violation is discovered.
- 10. Owner must enter the qualified horse in the horse's appropriate ProElite/USDFBCS Materiale Championship class prior to commencement of the class. The horse is NOT automatically entered in the class because the horse qualified earlier in the day or at another show. ProElite/USDFBCS final events must agree to allow late entries in the

- ProElite/USDFBCS Materiale Championship classes for horses that qualified for the championship after the official closing date.
- 11. Management must collect all USDF non-member, membership and/or horse registration/HID applications and related fees prior to the start of a series final class for eligible entries to compete in the class. Should the required USDF non-member, membership or horse registration/HID applications and related fees fail to be submitted to USDF following the completion of a series final competition, elimination of a horse from its series final class may result.

Chart 4: USDF MATERIALE DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFYING PROGRESSION				
Class	Championship			
Three-Year-Old Filly Materiale	ProElite/USDFBCS Final Three-Year-Old Materiale Championship any horse scoring 72% or higher in their respective class			
Three-Year-Old Colt/ Gelding Materiale				
Four-Year-Old Mare Materiale	ProElite/USDFBCS Final Four-Year-Old Materiale Championship			
Four-Year-Old Stallion/Gelding Materiale	any horse scoring 72% or higher in their respective class			
Five-Year-Old Mare Materiale	ProElite/USDFBCS Final			
Five-Year-Old Stallion/Gelding Materiale	Five-Year-Old Materiale Championship any horse scoring 72% or higher in their respective class			
Current Materiale scoresheets must be used, and scores given to every entry. Qualifying competitions may				

III. PROELITE/USDFBCS FINALS PROSPECT AWARDS

At each ProElite/USDFBCS Final, a Three-Year-Old Prospect Award and a Four-Year-Old Prospect Award will be presented to the Three-Year-Old and Four-Year-Old horses earning the highest combined scores from their respective in-hand and materiale series final championship classes. USDF will provide each ProElite/USDFBCS Finals with the prizes for the Three-Year-Old and Four-Year-Old Prospect Awards that must be presented to the winners at each competition.

combine age groups but not different sexes. Fillies and/or mares may not be combined in classes with colts,

Prospect Award Calculation

Score from respective
In-Hand
ProElite/USDFBC Finals
Championship Class



geldings and/or stallions except in championship materiale classes.

Score from respective Materiale USDFBC Finals Championship Class



Total Score \ respective Prospect Award

IV. AWARD CEREMONIES

A. REQUIREMENTS

- 1. All horses who place in a ProElite/USDFBC Series Final Championship class must be present at the appropriate award ceremonies unless other arrangements are made with show management.
- 2. Dress and saddlery for award ceremonies should be the same as in the competition, but dark or white leg bandages or boots are also allowed, including bell boots (DR 123.13).

V. COMPETITION MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS

A. PROELITE/USDFBCS GENERAL RULES

- 1. Rule changes, requirements, or contract obligations are not permitted after August 1 prior to the start of the ProElite/USDFBCS competition year, except when changed by the USEF and/or USDF Executive Board.
- 2. ProElite/USDFBCS rules and procedures must be listed in the official prize list for the event and must be available 30 days prior to the show.

3. DSHB competitions are not permitted to exclude horses from competing in ProElite/USDFBCS qualifying classes that have previously competed or qualified for a ProElite/USDFBCS Final. Such exclusion is not permitted by USEF rules.

B. APPLYING FOR AND SCHEDULING QUALIFIER AND FINAL EVENTS

- 1. The ProElite/USDFBCS is scheduled on a calendar year basis (January 1-September 30).
- A series must have a minimum of two qualifying events to hold a series final. All shows in the series, including qualifier classes held at a series final, are qualifying events for ANY series final.
- 3. All qualified horses will be eligible to compete in **ANY** ProElite/USDFBCS Final, regardless of where qualification is earned, but may compete in only **one** series final competition.
- 4. ProElite/USDFBCS qualifying competition applications must be submitted with the \$75 fee to USDF at least sixty days prior to start of competition. Any ProElite/USDFBCS qualifier applications received less than sixty days prior to start of competition will be considered on a case-by-case basis and subject to a \$50 late fee.
- 5. A separate ProElite/USDFBCS Finals application and applicable fee must be submitted to the USDF office. Competitions may not advertise as ProElite/USDFBCS Qualifiers or Finals, including any competition name or title that would include a ProElite/USDFBCS designation, prior to approval by USDF. Failure to follow this protocol will result in a \$100 fine.
- 6. Fees for ProElite/USDFBCS Final Host Site Applications are as follows:
 - a. ProElite/USDFBCS Final application submitted by February 1: \$100
 - b. ProElite/USDFBCS Final application submitted after February 1: \$150
 - c. ProElite/USDFBCS Final application submitted less than 60 days prior to the start of the competition will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
- 7. All ProElite/USDFBCS Finals must include ProElite/USDFBCS qualifying classes prior to the series finals classes.
- 8. The series final must meet the minimum requirements for a series final:
 - a. minimum USEF Level 2 competition
 - b. Show manager and secretary must both be members of USEF and USDF (USDF Participating or Group Membership is required) at the time of championships.
 - c. All other requirements as stated in the ProElite/USDFBCS Final Host Site Application
 - d. all applicable rules in the USEF Rulebook
- 9. It is recommended that a series final be held with a USEF-licensed/USDF-recognized competition unless it has a proven stand-alone history.
- 10. An approved series final will be considered "definite" when at least two qualifiers have been approved by USDF for that ProElite/USDFBCS final. An approved series final will be considered "tentative" until such approval. If a ProElite/USDFBCS does not have at least two qualifying events by June 1, the final will not be held. Exceptions will be considered in extenuating circumstances.
- 11. If two or more competitions in the same series wish to host the series final, the Sport Horse Committee will select the host site of the series final. The committee may consult with the chair of the Sport Horse Committee and the regional director(s) of the region(s) with qualifying events in the series. Priority for the final will be given to:
 - a. the date of competition, which must be after all qualifying competitions are normally scheduled, and ideally, between August 1 and September 30 of the series final year.
 - b. the most prestigious DSHB show, or USDF Regional Dressage Championship in the geographical area
 - c. location and accessibility to competitors
 - d. experience of the competition management with DSHB competitions
 - e. history of rule compliance with USEF and USDF
- 12. Series final competitions are required to submit an initial entry file to USDF for verification at least seven days prior to the start of the series final competition. Additional entries may be submitted to USDF for verification as they are received by the show secretary.

C. ADVERTISING AND PROMOTION

1. To receive full promotional benefits from USDF, qualifying and final events must be approved at least six months prior to the competition.

- 2. The title "ProElite/USDF Breeders Championship______ Series Final" must be prominently listed in the final event official prize list, show program, promotional materials, and advertisements once the competition has received written approval of its status as a designated ProElite/USDFBCS Final competition. "ProElite/USDFBCS" or "ProElite/USDF Breeders Championship Series" must be used in its entirety if included as the title of an event, or if referred to anywhere within the prize list or program. (In other words, you cannot title a competition the "XYZ Breeders Competition").
- Series final prize lists must include a prize list insert for the ProElite/USDFBCS program as provided by USDF.

D. LICENSED OFFICIALS

- 1. According to DR202 a competition with a USEF-licensed DSHB division must have a USEF-licensed DSHB judge and a USEF-licensed dressage technical delegate (TD). At least two USEF DSHB judges must officiate in each series final class; one of the two judges must be a USEF 'R' DSHB judge. Each judge will evaluate each entry independently, and a scribe must be provided for each judge. Guest Cards to judge DSHB classes are not allowed (GR1005).
- 2. Apprentice judging is NOT permitted during ProElite/USDFBCS final classes.
- 3. It is recommended that the USEF TD officiating at a ProElite/USDFBCS final have significant experience officiating as a TD at DSHB shows.

E. AWARD CEREMONIES AND PRIZES

- 1. For all ProElite/USDFBC series finals, a USDF sponsor banner supplied by USDF must be prominently displayed. If misplaced or damaged, the event will be responsible for the cost of repair or replacement. Banners must be returned to USDF within 30 days of the competition unless other arrangements are made.
- 2. Award ceremonies and award presenters at each series final must be arranged in cooperation with USDF. USDF will inform show management if any sponsors or representative plan to attend the award ceremonies.
- 3. Award ceremony announcements must identify the sponsoring organizations. Any sponsors in attendance at these events should be provided with a complimentary copy of the competition program and be given free admission to the event.
- 4. Show management is responsible to have a professional photographer for all ProElite/USDFBCS Finals. Management must send USDF photos electronically of at least two in-hand champions, two materiale champions, and the two prospect award winners, with the final results. People and horses in the photos must be identified. A photographer's release must also be submitted.
- 5. Public announcements crediting sponsors and promoting the program must be made throughout the event and during the award ceremonies. The name of the breeder(s) must be announced. It is also strongly recommended that breeder(s) and owners of placing horses be invited to participate in award ceremonies.
- 6. All unused ribbons and prizes must be returned to USDF within 30 days of the competition unless other arrangements are made. If awards are misplaced or damaged, the event will be responsible for the cost of replacement. For series qualifiers, USDF will provide twelve qualifier ribbons (two per in-hand division). For series finals, USDF will provide neck sashes and prizes for Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion and ribbons for third through sixth place. Ribbons and prizes will be sent to the designated competition contact about two weeks prior to the event.
- 7. Prizes and/or other awards may be withheld by USDF to series winners if the following information is not provided to USDF or show management by required deadlines: name of owner; name, age, and sex of horse; and if known, the breed of horse, sire, dam, damsire, and breeder.
- 8. Prizes and/or other awards may be withheld by USDF if it is found that a series final award winner or owner was not in compliance with USDF series final non-member or membership, horse registration requirements, and related fees, for competition. These requirements can be seen in Chart 1 and 3.