

GENERAL RULES

1. This show is held under the direct supervision of the Alabama Arabian Horse Association, Inc and the Louisiana Arabian Horse Association, Inc. This show is approved by the AHA (Arabian Horse Association), USEF (United States Equestrian Federation), USDF (United States Dressage Federation and the WDAA (Western Dressage Association of America). Every class offered herein, covered by the rules and specifications of the current USEF Rule Book and AHA Handbook, will be conducted and judged in accordance therewith. See USEF Rule Book for Arabian Horse Rules, class descriptions and judging specifications. Any changes in USEF rules will automatically become a part of this prize list. The show committee reserves the right to make such changes in procedure, personnel, rules and regulations as deemed by them to be in the best interest of the show.
2. **USEF Members and Non Members:** Eventing Competitions at the Modified Level or above, Combined Driving Competitions at the Advanced Level, Dressage Competitions, Endurance Rides and Vaulting Competitions: (See GR828.4 of the Federation rules). Life, senior active and junior active members shall be eligible to participate in all classes at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions at the Modified Level or above and Combined Driving Competitions at the Advanced Level, Dressage, Reining and Vaulting Competitions and Endurance Rides. A non-member may participate as a handler, rider, driver, owner, lessee, or agent, at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions, Dressage Competitions, Reining Competitions and Combined Driving Competitions upon payment of a Show Pass fee. Participants in the following classes are exempted from the Requirements of this rule: 1) leadline; 2) exhibitions; 3) games and races; 4) classes for 4-H members; 5) walk trot (exception: Friesian performance FR231) and academy classes (academy classes are classes limited to horses used regularly in a lesson program); 6) USDF introductory level tests, pas de deux and quadrille classes; 7) NRHA Endorsed Reining Competitions. 8) Opportunity classes, 9) citizens of other nations who have proof, in English, of current membership in good standing of their own National Federation, 10) USEA beginner novice division; and 11) assistant handlers in Dressage Sport Horse Breeding classes.
3. **Arrival and Departure:** Stalls are available to the exhibitors for arrival on **Monday, March 20, 2023 after 9 a.m.** Stalls must be vacated by Tuesday, March 28, 2023 by 9 a.m.
*There will be a **\$25.00 per day per stall charge for early arrivals on Monday and Tuesday and for late departures on the following Tuesday.** Exhibitors desiring to be stalled together must send in entries to the secretary in the same envelope with a note stating who you would like to be stalled with and list the group.
4. **Call for Classes** While every effort will be made to maintain a working PA system, no protest will be upheld nor will any section be changed on the basis of PA malfunction alone.
GATE LIMIT/CLASS CALLS - Exhibitors are warned about entering successive classes. Show will be run according to USEF Rules. **Schedule conflicts between rings are the responsibility of the exhibitor.** This rule will be strictly enforced at the Alabama Show. **Due to holding Sport Horse and Main Ring at same time, a backup rider/handler is recommended if you have entries in more than one ring. THERE WILL BE NO DELAY BETWEEN CLASSES.** The two-minute limit for gates will be strictly enforced. The gate will close two minutes after the first horse enters the ring or with large classes taking more than two minutes, the gate will close after the entrance of the final horse in a continuous string of horses.
5. **Camper Hook up:** Available Monday March 20 through Tuesday, March 28. A Fee of \$35 for 30 amp and \$50 for 50 amp per night will be charged for each space occupied. Camper hook up arranged through AAHA Show Secretary or Barn Manager (MOLLY McGRAW 205-616-2242). Bath Houses are climate controlled. Showers are available. RV dump station available
6. **Championship Show Back Rule:** First and second place winners in each class are required to show back in the Championship class for that class. Entries qualifying in multiple performance classes are required to show back in only one performance championship. The exhibitor may however show back in all Championships for which they are qualified.
7. **Closing of Entries: Pre-entries must be postmarked by March 1, 2023.** Entries postmarked after this date will be charged post entry fees. This will be strictly enforced. We encourage you to pre-enter. Post entries are accepted but must be made before the show office closes the night before for a morning session class, before the morning session ends for an afternoon class or before the afternoon session ends for an evening class. If the horse is pre-entered in at least one class, no post entry fee will be charged for classes added at the show.
8. **Conduct:** Exhibitors are warned that any act of discourtesy or disobedience to the officials on the part of the owner, groom, rider, driver or member of the family of the person participating in the show will disqualify the horse from adjudication. The show management reserves the right to remove a groom, horse, rider or driver from the show without being liable for compensation or damages. The show committee also bears the responsibility to aid judges in avoiding contact with exhibitors or their agents before and during the show.
9. **Dogs:** All dogs must be kept on a leash at all times. The Louisiana State Humane Officer requires dogs to be confined or on a leash at all times. **No dogs will be allowed in or around the show arena** - exception is only for dogs assisting sight or hearing impaired. Please do not bring in service dogs without their proper credentials. Please do not bring in service dogs unless assisting and working a service. ****These rules will be strictly enforced**.**
10. **Entries:** One owner per entry blank only. Every owner/rider/driver/handler/trainer or his agent must sign the entry blank. If owner/ rider/driver/handler/trainer is under age 18, his/her parent, guardian or trainer must sign the entry blank on the minor's behalf. In addition, the "Junior" exhibitor consent must be completed. Parents who sign must be members of AHA and **To be eligible to compete at Federation Licensed Competitions, coaches, trainers, and legal guardians signing as coaches or trainers on behalf of their minors must be Senior Active Members in good standing, as defined herein. BOD 9/26/22 Effective 12/1/22**
***Entries must include** - Full addresses, AHA, USEF membership numbers, all fees, copies of registration papers, plus photo copies of current AHA and USEF membership cards. The submitting of an entry blank to the show secretary shall constitute an acceptance by each person signing name acceptance of the provisions herein set forth in this prize list. No entries will be accepted, and no stalls will be reserved unless accompanied by payment in full, check payable to the Alabama Arabian Horse Association (AAHA) or Valid credit card (Visa/Mastercard/American Express) info, please complete Authorization Form.

11. **GUEST (NON COMPETING) HORSES ARE WELCOME, AS SPACE PERMITS. SUBMIT A COMPLETE ENTRY FORM (INCLUDING SIGNATURES), COPY OF CURRENT COGGINS, THERE ARE NO FEES, (OTHER THAN STALL AND SHAVINGS) CHARGED FOR GUEST HORSES.**
12. **Horse Eligibility to Compete:** Purebred Arabian Horses shown in the Arabian Division must have been issued a certificate of registration from either the Arabian Horse Registry of America, Inc., the Arabian Horse Association as a Purebred Arabian and/or the Canadian Arabian Horse Registry as a Purebred Arabian (or in the case of a foreign entry, which has not been issued said certificate of registration, have been issued a Competition Visa by the Arabian Horse Association). Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Horses shown in the Arabian division must have been issued a certificate of registration from the International Arabian Horse Association or the Arabian Horse Association or the Canadian Part bred Arabian Registry as a Half-Arabian or Anglo-Arabian. Purebred Arabian, Half-Arabian and Anglo-Arabian horses, if under one year of age, must be eligible for registry, and registration applied for and must be entered under their full registered name.
13. **Sale/Lease:** In the case of a lessee, pending transfer, contract of sale, or cash sale, proof of lease or ownership must be submitted. These documents must contain the correct registered name and number of the horse, date, and the signature of the seller or lessee and must be attached to the copy of the registration certificate.
14. **ONE DAY STALL/NO SHOWING FROM TRAILER:** For safety purposes **we will not permit showing from trailer**, you must rent a stall for a single day or showing. \$45.00 per horse per day per stall. Exhibitors using any unassigned stalls will be charged \$250.00 per stall. ****This is strictly enforced**.**
15. **Hard Hats:** All exhibitors in Hunter and or Hunter Seat EQ must wear a properly fitting protective headgear while riding in the designated schooling and exercise areas, and in the show ring. Harness must be secured and properly fitted. **USEF AR111 PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR** - Riders in all classes where jumping is required and when jumping anywhere on the show grounds must wear protective headgear, with chinstrap fastened. All juniors riding in Hunter, Jumper and Hunter Seat Equitation sections must wear protective headgear passing testing standards while riding in the designated schooling and exercise areas, the show ring and while jumping anywhere on the competition grounds. Adults must wear hard hats when jumping anywhere on the competition grounds. Refer to current USEF Rule Book. **Affirmation of the United States Equestrian Federation Helmet/Vest Rule GR801.4 Dress** Any exhibitor may wear protective headgear (ASTM/SEI) and/or a protective safety vest, specifically designed for use in equestrian sport in any division or class without penalty from the judge. The Federation recommends that the vest meet or surpass the current ASTM standard or be certified by the Safety Equipment Institute.
16. **Health Requirements:** Governing admission of horses for the West Monroe Arabian Horse Show: ALL HORSES must be accompanied by an ORIGINAL laboratory chart of **Negative Equine Infectious Anemia (Coggins Test)** made within the past year (12 months) and with proper animal identification listed thereon. **Photocopies ARE NOT** acceptable. Any horse not having proper Coggins papers will not be allowed to stay on the grounds. This is ****STRICTLY ENFORCED****. **VACCINATION REQUIREMENT: MUST SHOW PROOF OF RHINO-PNEUMONITIS VACCINATION. SEE USEF GR845**
17. **Single Event Fee/ AHA Membership:** If you are not a member of AHA and you are entered in the show as an owner/rider/driver/handler/trainer, you must pay a \$35.00 Single Event Non-Membership fee per person/per show. Any exhibitor showing in the Offsite Regional Championship show must be a member to participate, Single Event Memberships are not allowed.
18. Only one **9-90 Fee** (\$10 per horse) will be charged at concurrently run shows. (Exception: concurrently run Regional Championship classes as outlined in COMP 203.1.a. must pay a 9-90 fee of \$20 per horse per Regional Championship). (BOD 3/20) (Res. 15-07, Res. 16-19) The 9- 90 fee from a vetted out horse will be refunded to the exhibitor by the competition. (Res. 15-11)
19. **AHA MEMBERSHIP STATEMENT** - Each competitor (this includes at least one recorded owner and all trainers, drivers, riders, halter handlers, coaches and the person(s) signing the entry blank) in an Arabian horse association recognized Arabian division, at the time of entry into a competition, must submit a copy of a valid aha membership/competition card, join aha or pay an aha single event membership fee per competitor. When an agent signs for the owner at an AHA recognized competition, both the owner and agent must be members of AHA or pay the AHA single event membership. Single event membership is not acceptable at AHA regional or national competitions. Exhibitors in walk-trot classes are exempt from AHA membership requirements at qualifying competitions but must have an AHA membership with competition card at AHA regional and national competitions. Exhibitors in lead line classes or parents/guardians signing for minors are exempt from AHA membership requirements. (BOD 5/12)
20. **WDAA Membership.** a. To be eligible to participate and/or compete as an exhibitor, owner, lessee, agent, coach, or trainer in any Western Dressage class or at any Federation Western Dressage Licensed Competition persons must be active members of WDAA or pay a non-member fee equal to the price of an annual membership for each competition. **Exception: WDAA membership or non-member fee is not required at a Lite Licensed competition.** Lessees are considered owners in connection with this membership requirement. In the event of an entry under multiple ownership, only one owner need be a Member or pay a non-member fee. The competition is responsible for listing either the active member or the owner that paid the non-member fee in the results. The competitions will be responsible for forwarding a list of the names of individuals who pay non-member fees at the competition to WDAA with the post competition report. Payment of nonmember fees for the purpose of competing does not entitle the individual to any privileges of the WDAA membership.
21. **Junior Exhibitors:** Youth eligible for Junior Exhibitor classes shall not have reached their 19th birthday as of 12/01. For horse show purposes, the age of the individual on December 1 shall be maintained throughout the entire year. Juniors may compete in Ladies or Gentleman to Ride classes.

22. **-Amateur:** USEF membership is required for adult amateurs and to ride in amateur classes. Every rider having reached his 18th birthday prior to 12/01 must have in his/her possession an amateur card issued yearly by USEF or make application for such at least one hour prior to riding in Amateur to Ride classes. Application may be secured from the USEF Website www.usef.org. If you join or renew online please mark that you are at or going to a competition, select the competition name and USEF will send a copy of your membership info to the Show Secretary.
23. **Indemnity and Non-responsibility clause:** All entries are acceptable with the understanding that neither the Alabama & Louisiana Arabian Horse Association's, nor its officers, nor any of the sponsors of the show will be held responsible for any accidents, personal injury or damages done to any owner, horse, groom, attendant or their equipment that may be lost, destroyed or in any way damaged at this show.
24. **Professional Services:** Consultations performed by Show Veterinarian, Dan Justis or Farrier outside the show ring shall be on a private fee basis.
25. **Refunds:** All fees except office fee for entries canceled before 03/15/23 will be refunded, exception Dressage Tests will not be refunded. Refunds of class entry fees only will be made after this date upon presentation of a DVM Certificate made on Veterinarians letterhead or a MD certificate made on a professional letterhead to the show secretary before the end of the show. Once a horse is vetted out of a class it will be considered vetted out of the entire show. There will be no stall refunds at the show.
26. **Refusal of Entries:** The Show Committee reserves the right to refuse, accept conditionally or cancel any entries of any exhibitor at their discretion as stated in current USEF Rule Book.
27. **Returned Checks or Declined Credit Cards:** If you are notified by your bank that your check has bounced due to insufficient funds, call **Molly McGraw 205-616-2242** within 24 hours stating that you are covering the check. If you fail to respond within 24 hours you will be contacted by certified mail, return receipt and your show account will be debited an additional \$150.00. If you do not respond within 2 weeks with a cashier's check or money order for the amount of the show account plus \$150.00, the services of USEF and AHA will be required, and another \$50.00 charge will be assessed. Refer to USEF Rule Book.
28. **Scratches:** Entry fees for scratched classes are nonrefundable. If horses are scratched from one class and simultaneously added to another class, there will be no charge for the added class. Notify the show office and the paddock manager when you scratch a class, or you could be charged a Failure to Scratch Fee of \$20.
29. **Show Account:** Prize money will be mailed or paid at the show office at the discretion of Show Management. Prize money will be awarded within 30 days of the close of the competition Article 706.c / Article 1401.13. **Prize checks not cashed by 05/31/23 will be void.** Show account will close 60 days after the show.
30. **Show Office Hours:** The show office will open on Tuesday, March 21, 1 PM CST to 6 PM CST, Wednesday, March 22, 8 AM CST to 8 PM CST. During show, show office will open 7 AM CST and close 30 minutes after last class of the day. All entries in the Thursday, March 23rd morning classes must register and pick up packets Wednesday, March 22nd. Any Changes to show office hours during the show will be posted at the show office.
31. **Show Officials:** In the event that an official fails to attend this show or perform his/her duties, the show committee reserves the right to substitute an official for the one designated in accordance with USEF rules.
32. **Stallions:** May be shown by ladies and juniors in any class permitting stallions.
33. **Stalls:** 12 x 12 wooden box stalls with metal bar front or metal bar on four sides, one swinging door and concrete flooring. **ALL STALLS HAVE RUBBER MATS.** Exhibitors will be required to rent one stall per horse. Horses must be assigned a separate stall (except for broodmares with suckling foals). Horses must be placed in stalls assigned and no changes will be permitted except with the express consent of the Barn Manager. **Any exhibitor using an unassigned stall will be charged \$250 per stall.** This is strictly enforced. Shavings will be available. **We encourage you to please pre order shavings. Shavings will be available from 8 a.m .until 8 p.m. each day of the show. NO SHAVINGS AVAILABLE AFTER 8 PM FACILITY RULE: ONLY SHAVING BOUGHT AT FACILITY MAY BE USED – NO OFF SITE SHAVINGS ALLOWED TO BE BROUGHT IN.**
34. **.Footing:** Footing in all arenas on the grounds is base clay with sand mix. The Main ring size is 183 ft x 295 ft. with a dirt, clay and sand floor. Outdoor Covered arena for Sport Horse in Hand and Dressage classes 195 ft by 75 ft. Warm up arenas - ALL covered warmup: one ring 85 ft x 170 ft, one 85 ft x 70 ft, one ring 145 ft x 183 ft.
35. **Time Schedule:** Provided the order of events is not changed, the show committee may call any class up to 30 minutes ahead of its scheduled time. Refer to USEF General Rules.
36. **Veterinarian Inspection:** All animals are subject to a physical inspection, free of charge, by the show veterinarian as a safeguard against communicable equine disease. In cases of suspected unsoundness, the Judge may have the animal examined by the show veterinarian and that decision shall be final. **VACCINATION REQUIREMENT: MUST SHOW PROOF OF RHINO- PNEUMONITIS VACCINATION. SEE USEF GR845**

37. **USEF/Drugs and Medications (D & M):** The drugs and medication rules contained in the USEF Rule Book will be enforced. Horses in competition will be subject to examination by a licensed veterinarian appointed by USEF. The veterinarian, with approval of the USEF, may appoint a technician to perform certain duties under USEF Rules. The examination may include physical, saliva, urine, blood tests or any other test or procedure at the discretion of said licensed veterinarian necessary to effectuate the purposes of this rule. These representatives must be treated with respect. All horses, Halter, Performance and Equitation will be charged \$23.00 per horse to defray the expenses of testing. CAUTION: Refusal to submit a horse for examination, whether in competition or not, or to cooperate with the veterinarian and technicians until the samples have been taken, constitutes a violation and subjects the responsible person to the penalties under the rules.
38. **Sharps Containers:** Sharps containers will be placed in convenient locations on Competition grounds and management will replace them when full. Sharps containers must be used for any disposal of needles or other disposable sharp instruments. Do not dispose of these items in the manure bins or garbage cans. Violations will be fined \$250 per incident. Any individual, including trainers, owners, exhibitors, or their agents are subject to a barn violation. Please, for the safety of the clean-up staff, use the sharps containers for these items. We thank you for your cooperation & consideration of others, in this matter. .
39. **Motorized Vehicle Rule:** Minors who do not have a valid driver's license which allows them to operate a motorized vehicle in the state in which they reside will not be permitted to operate a motorized vehicle of any kind, including, but not limited to, golf carts, motorcycles, scooters, or farm utility vehicles, on the competition grounds of licensed competitions. Minors who have a valid temporary license may operate the above described motorized vehicles as long as they are accompanied by an adult with a valid driver's license. The parent/legal guardian or individual who signs the entry blank as a parent or guardian of a minor operating a motorized vehicle in violation of this rule are solely responsible for any damages, claims, losses or actions resulting from that operation. Violations of this rule will be cause for penalties against those responsible for the child committing the offense. Wheelchairs and other mobility assistance devices for individuals with disabilities are exempt from this rule. The unsafe use of personal electronic transport devices, as determined by the competition officials and management in their sole discretion, that do not require a driver's license to operate, including but not limited to segways, hover boards, and single wheeled scooters is prohibited on competition grounds. Operating such devices in areas where people gather may be deemed "unsafe use" if there is a risk of harm to others. If the operator of the device is a minor, the parent/legal guardian or individual who signs the entry blank as a parent or guardian of a minor operating the device in violation of this rule is accountable and may be subject to penalties. Wheelchairs and other mobility assistance devices for individuals with disabilities are exempt from this rule.
40. **Back Numbers:** The assigned number shall be prominently displayed by the rider, driver or handler when the entry is exhibited.
41. **Owner Classes:** Amateur Owner Classes a. Horses entered in amateur owner and junior owner classes must be registered in the name of the competitor or a member of the competitor's family, as defined by AR110.4.d.e.f. Horses registered in a farm/ranch/syndicate/partnership/corporation name may be shown in Amateur Owner classes provided the family is the sole owner of the farm or entity as defined by AR110.4.d.e.f. The sale of a horse does not eliminate this registration requirement. (Contracts of Sale or Bill of Sale will not be accepted in Owner classes.) b. Every competitor must be an amateur and the owner, or an amateur member of the owner's family (exception: substitute rider in AAOTR/AOTR/JOTR Working Hunter classes, refer to AR165.3). c. Owners' classes may be restricted to riders, drivers or handlers who are no longer eligible to compete as a junior exhibitor. d. For ownership by the same family, the term family includes the following: spouse, parent, step-parent, child, step-child, brother, sister, half brother and sister, aunt, uncle, niece, nephew, step-brother and sister, grandparents and grandchildren, and in-laws of the same relation as stated above. e. Combined ownership is permitted in Owner's or Amateur Owner's classes. As per GR142.4 combined ownership is permitted in Junior Owner's or Amateur Owner's classes under the following conditions: 1. Two distinct non family owners may co-own a horse and show that horse in Junior Owner or Amateur Owner classes except that no family member of a professional may enter into this relationship. 'Non family owners' are defined as two distinct individuals who are not related as family as defined by the Federation or Equestrian Canada. 2. A Horse that is co-owned by the two distinct non family owners must be registered with Arabian Horse Registry of America, Half Arabian Horse Registry, Anglo Arabian Horse Registry, Canadian Arabian Horse Registry or Canadian Partbred Arabian Registry, or other registry approved by the Arabian Horse Association as an "and" ownership relationship. An "or" ownership relationship does not enable two distinct non family owners to show in Junior Owner's or Amateur Owner's classes. 3. The right to show horses in Junior Owner or Amateur Owner classes when there are two distinct non family owners registered as the owners of said horse, does not extend to the family of these distinct non family owners. 4. In order to show in Junior Owner or Amateur Owner classes both distinct non family owners must be members of the Federation or Equestrian Canada and hold valid amateur cards or be juniors or a combination of amateur and junior. 5. Both distinct non family owners must be individuals, no Farm or Corporation co-owned horses are eligible. 6. No family member of a distinct non family owner may receive any remuneration in relation to the coowned horse as defined in SUBCHAPTER 13-B AMATEURS AND PROFESSIONALS (or Equestrian Canada equivalent). 7. Horses co-owned by more than two distinct non family owners cannot be shown in Junior Owner or Amateur Owner classes. 8. If the co-ownership relationship is terminated, that horse is not eligible to be co-owned by another distinct non family person for the remainder of that show year as defined by the Federation. The remaining owner and their family members are eligible to show in Junior Owner or Amateur Owner classes. 9. A horse that is co-owned by the two distinct non family members cannot be shown in a Maturity and Jackpot classes at any AHA National Championship show. © USEF 2023 AR - 19 10. An individual AHA Affiliate Association/club may elect to not allow horses that are co-owned by two distinct non family member to compete in classes designated for Amateur Owner and Junior Owner for which they offer prize money, Futurity, or other restricted classes with payouts greater than \$2,500. 11. An individual member may only enter into two distinct co-owner relationships and compete with these arrangements in Junior Owner and Amateur Owner classes at Federation/EC approved shows. Arrangements with other individuals, same or otherwise, for purposes other than competing in Federation/EC approved show in Junior Owner and Amateur Owner classes, are not impacted. f. Leased horses are not eligible. (Contracts of Sale or Bill of Sale will not be accepted in Owner Classes.)

42. **Admission to the Arena:** No person will be permitted to enter the arena except participants in the class, judges and their assistants, show photographer and assistant, show officials and staff. Attendants will not be permitted in the arena until summoned by judge.
43. **Veterinarian, Farrier and First Aid:** A Veterinarian will be on call to the grounds. The phone numbers will be posted at the show office. In the event of an acute and serious injury to or illness of a horse on competition grounds when the owner or trainer of the horse or agent of the owner is not present, after reasonable effort to contact that individual has been made, competition management, in consultation with a licensed equine veterinarian, may authorize the provision of emergency veterinary treatment of the horse. If competition management so authorizes treatment under the provisions of this rule, competition management and veterinarian are not liable for any resulting costs, damages, losses, claims or actions arising directly or indirectly from the treatment of the horse. A farrier will be available for exhibitors. We ask that you use the services of the show farrier. All other farriers must check in with the show manager prior to seeing any customers. They must get permission to work on the show grounds and pay a vendor fee. First aid treatment will be available at all times during the performance and an ambulance will be on call.
44. **Judges:** All classes will be judged by two judges as a concurrent show, with one judge qualifying an exhibitor for Region (9) and the other judge qualifying the exhibitor for Region (12). This show will be judged according to the single judge system. (When adjudicated concurrently in a single arena utilizing two judges with placings for each judge, it is still judged according to the single judge system.) In the event of illness or failure of a judge or any other official to attend this show or to perform his duties, the show committee reserves the right to substitute an official for the one officially designated in the prize list, according to USEF rules.
45. **LEVELING PROGRAM** – When Leveling classes are offered a rider may enter their appropriate level or opt to enter a higher level instead. This show will allow exhibitors to enter their appropriate achievement level OR any higher level, all appropriate qualifications would be required, if applicable. Riders who are deemed Choice by their leveling points may not level down to Select. In addition, Elite riders may not level down to Choice or Select. In Working Western Classes where levels are run concurrently, a show may elect to allow riders to enter up (not down) in all levels in which appropriate qualifications and entry fees are applied in any circumstance. It is the rider's responsibility to enter the correct level and must submit their AHA leveling records with their entry form. For more information on the leveling program see the AHA Handbook. If you have questions about your level see the AHA website: https://www.arabianhorses.org/export/content.export/aha-docs/Achievement_Leveling_101.pdf
46. **USDF Statement on Animal Welfare** The United States Dressage Federation, Inc. (USDF), a federation of over 100 independent organizations throughout the United States with a membership of nearly 30,000 members, supports the concept of ethical treatment of animals. Dressage is a classical method of training horses, based upon the horse's natural responses, as carried out in a gradual, planned program during which the horse's athletic abilities are improved in a systematic manner. As a result, the horse becomes capable, comfortable, and responsive in partnership with the rider without the use of force. Dressage competition at various levels of achievement is the ultimate test of the training program to determine whether the desired harmony between horse and rider has been achieved. The rules pertaining to dressage competition prohibit the use of artificial appliances, training aids, and drugs, which would force the horse to submit. Instead, the emphasis is upon training and a cooperative partnership with the rider. Major competitions are carefully monitored to assure that there is no unnecessary force or harshness displayed. Unlike other horse sports in which horses enter training at a relatively immature state, dressage training is usually not seriously begun until the horse is three or four. The top levels of achievement require five or more years of progressive training and it is not unusual to see horses in international competition in their late teens. This, in itself, places a premium on good care and soundness throughout the horse's life. While supporting the concept of animal welfare in its broadest form, the United States Dressage Federation, Inc., also recognizes that it is unrealistic to ascribe human emotions and responses to the horse which in its wild state is a creature of flight, living a hard and precarious existence. Under domestication, the horse is assured of ample food, water, and shelter, as well as protection against infectious diseases and damaging parasites, thus leading a longer and healthier life with a high rate of survival. As an educational organization, USDF has numerous programs, which teach people how to pursue the accepted, humane training methods. A program of certifying instructors also emphasizes protecting the horse's welfare in pursuit of dressage training. United States Dressage Federation 4051 Iron Works Parkway, Lexington, KY 40511 Phone: 859-971-2277, Fax: 859-971-7722, usdressage@usdf.org, www.usdf.org
47. **Attention Dressage Competitors:** Each competitor is responsible for supplying to management with correct association numbers (USDF & USEF) for the horse, owner rider, and trainer before the day(s) of the Competition. (*Trainers not required to have USDF numbers*) The scores of the competitors who fail to supply correct numbers may not be counted toward national awards.
Dressage fees are nonrefundable once ride times have been posted.
48. **HAY & FEED** – Not available for purchase on facility site. Tractor Supply within ONE MILE of facility.
49. **SUPPLIES:** There are: many local Drug & Grocery stores, Malls, fast food & sit down restaurants, Feed Mills, Tractor Supply and Hardware stores, all within a short distance from facility.
50. **FACEMASKS** - Masks or face coverings are recommended but not required throughout the facility, please bring your own mask, masks will not be provided to all individuals.

CLASS SPECIFICATIONS

“EVERY CLASS OFFERED HEREIN WHICH IS COVERED BY THE RULES AND SPECIFICATIONS OF THE CURRENT FEDERATION RULE BOOK WILL BE CONDUCTED AND JUDGED IN ACCORDANCE THEREWITH.” Exhibitors are encouraged to read the USEF rule book, and particularly Chapter AR, for the complete Arabian, Half-Arabian and Anglo-Arabian competition rules, class descriptions and judging specifications.

Halter – will be judged using the Comparative judging method.

PERFORMANCE HALTER (Res. 10-15) 2. Shows may use either “In the Ring” or “Exit the Ring” procedure as identified in the Halter section of the Arabian Division in USEF/EC. 3. For Purebred Performance Halter for Colt/Stallion, Filly/Mare, and Gelding classes, emphasis is placed in the following order: Athletic Structure; Breed type; Quality, Balance and Substance; Neck and Shoulder; Back, Loin and Hip; Legs and Feet; Movement. 4. For Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Performance Halter for Filly/Mare, and Gelding classes, emphasis is placed in the following order: Athletic Structure; Quality, Balance and Substance; Neck and Shoulder; Back, Loin and Hip; Legs and Feet; Movement. 5. See the Subchapter for Performance Halter Classes in the Arabian Division of USEF/EC for additional requirements. 6. Ties in Performance Halter classes will be broken using the method described in COMP 507.1 for Arabians and Half-Arabians/Anglo-Arabians.

WALK-TROT CLASSES: Open to riders 10 years of age and under. STALLIONS ARE NOT ALLOWED. One header per horse is allowed during the lineup, a plain unmarked smock is required. Refer to USEF Rule AR245

LEAD LINE: Open to Arabians and Half Arabians. Riders to be 2 - 6 years of age never to have shown alone in a show. A rider may not enter any other class in this show. STALLIONS ARE NOT ALLOWED. Leaders must be at least 14 years of age. One rider per horse. USEF AR 33 Leadline.

SHOWMANSHIP: Refer to USEF Rule AR30

CLASS SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE AAHA HA/AA SUPREME HALTER SPECTACULAR CLASS: *This class does not count towards qualification at the Region 12 or the U.S. National Show since we are deviating from the AHA/USEF approved scoring system.* This class is open to the 1st place winner in all HA/AA halter classes whether it be mare or gelding regardless of age. Class will be **judged using the comparative judging system**. All horses will enter the ring at a trot and line up head to tail around the ring. They will each be judged one at a time in center ring and then be asked to trot away. The Judge will do a final walk around the ring and handlers will be asked to stand their horses for the last time. Once the judging is complete, one winner will be chosen and receive a special rose garland. **THIS CLASS WILL BE HELD DURING THE FRIDAY MORNING SESSION.**

CLASS SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE AAHA SUPREME ARABIAN HALTER SPECTACULAR CLASS: *This class does not count towards qualification at the Region 12 or the U.S. National Show since we are deviating from the AHA/USEF approved scoring system.* This class is open to the 1st place winner in Purebred Arabian classes whether it be mare, gelding or stallion regardless of age. Class will be **judged using the comparative judging system**. All horses will enter the ring at a trot and line up head to tail around the ring. They will each be judged one at a time in center ring and then be asked to trot away. The Judge will do a final walk around the ring and handlers will be asked to stand their horses for the last time. Once the judging is complete, one winner will be chosen and receive a special rose garland. **THIS CLASS WILL BE HELD DURING THE FRIDAY MORNING SESSION.**

STRAIGHT EGYPTIAN CLASSES:

To qualify as a **Straight Egyptian**, as defined by The Pyramid Society, a horse must:

Be registered or eligible by pedigree for registration by the *Arabian Horse Registry of America* AND Trace in every line of its pedigree to horses born in the Arabia Desert; AND Trace in every line of its pedigree to a horse which falls within one or more of the following categories:

(a) owned or bred by Abbas Pasha I or Ali Pasha Sherif

(b) used to create and maintain the *Royal Agricultural Society (RAS) / Egyptian Agricultural Organization (EAO)* breeding programs, with the exclusion of Registan and Sharkasi and their lineal descendants

(c) a horse which was a lineal ancestor of a horse described in (a) or (b) above

(d) other than those excluded above, a horse conceived and born in a private stud program in Egypt and imported directly to the United States and registered by the *Arabian Horse Registry of America* prior to the extension of the EAO's supervision to private Egyptian stud programs as reflected in Volume 4 of the EAO's Stud Book.

EGYPTIAN HERITAGE CLASSES:

The **Egyptian Heritage** classes are open to any horse whose pedigree is verifiable at least 25% - at least one of the four grandparents must be categorized as Straight Egyptian. It is the responsibility of the owner and/or trainer submitting the entry to validate eligibility. If you are unsure, please submit an inquiry and a verification of your horses' eligibility will be reviewed by the Show Committee. Horses not eligible will be disqualified from the class.

AHA MEDAL CLASSES - See USEF Rule Book Arabian, Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Division, Subchapter AR 29 Equitation

WESTERN DRESSAGE – Contact WDAA web-site: www.westerndressageassociation.org

ENGLISH DRESSAGE – Contact USDF for class specifications.

DRESSAGE RIDE TIMES: No post entries will be accepted for Dressage unless there are ride times available. Once Dressage ride times have been scheduled, they will be sent to the exhibitors via Email.

SPORT HORSE IN-HAND Held in the Sport Horse Arena located in front of barns/stalls. Classes will use the Triangle pattern. Refer to USEF Subchapter AR-16.

SPORT HORSE UNDER SADDLE classes will be held in the Sport Horse Arena located in front of barns/stalls.

DRESSAGE SHOW MANAGEMENT reserves the right to limit entries in Dressage and Sport Horse classes. **All Dressage Division Classes and Western Dressage** will be performed in the Sport Horse Covered Arena in front of barns.

ALL HUNTER OVER FENCES (Qualifiers & Regional Championship) Classes will be performed in the **INDOOR MAIN SHOW ARENA**.

“WARNING” Under the LOUISIANA Equine Activity Liability Act, each participant who engages in an equine activity expressly assumes the risks of engaging in and legal responsibility for injury, loss, or damage to person or property resulting from the risk of equine activities

STANDARD ABBREVIATIONS:

AATR – Adult Amateur to Ride	AAOTR –Adult Amateur Owner to Ride
ATR – Amateur to Ride	ATD – Amateur to Drive
JOTR – Junior Owner to Ride	JTR - Junior to Ride
ATH – Amateur to Handle	G/L – Gentlemen/Ladies
Novice Horse – Horse that has not won 5 First Place Ribbons	
Maiden Horse – Horse that has not won a First Place Ribbon	
Limit Horse – Horse that has not won 3 First Place Ribbons	

BUY-A-CLASSES & BUY-A-CLASS LIST

◆TBA SLOTS INCLUDED IN PRIZE LIST FOR EACH ARENA AREA ◆ **NOTE: NO EXTRA TBA CLASSES CAN BE BOUGHT◆
TBA CLASSES WILL BE LISTED ON ALABAMA ARABIAN HORSE ASSOCIATION’S WEBSITE AS
CLASSES ARE BOUGHT WWW.ALABAMAARABIAN.COM**

Buy-A-Classes (BAC) are “To-Be-Announced /TBA class time slots” listed in the prize list. If you would like a class to be offered, you can “buy it”.

- **COST.** Championship: \$50 Buy-A-Class fee. Regular class: \$50 Buy-A-Class fee. These fees are in addition to regular class fee. Other exhibitors may ride in the class for the normal/regular class fee once a class has been “bought.”
- **REQUIREMENTS.** You must pay for your TBA/BAC when you “buy” it. Show Management retains right of approval of class and location in schedule.
- **DEADLINE.** We ask that you purchase your BACs by **MARCH 22, 2023**. However, BACs **can be purchased up until the last day of the show** as long as there is a BAC/TBA slot still available. Extra fees may apply after deadline.
- **TO BUY-A-CLASS.** Contact **SHOW SECRETARY, Patty Liarakos 210-912-8679** or pliarakos9868@gmail.com to discuss with her where in the schedule you would like the class.
- **CHOOSE FROM ANY CLASS ON THE AHA CLASS LIST** or that is recognized by AHA, *with the exception of: Cutting, Cow, Poles, and Barrels.*
- Classes may be designated with (but not limited to):
 - Age or Age Splits (In some cases, both age splits will need to be purchased)
 - Open, AT, AAT, JT, AOT, AAOT, JOT, Junior Horse, Select, Choice, Primetime, Championships
 - Maiden/Novice/Limit Horse or Rider (Open, AT, AAT, JT, AOT, AAOT, JOT, Junior Horse, Select, Choice, Primetime, Championships)
 - Ladies, Gentlemen, Stallions, Mares, Geldings (Open, AT, AAT, JT, AOT, AAOT, JOT, Junior Horse, Select, Choice, Primetime, Championships)
 - AOTS - Amateur Owned, Trained, and Shown (see USEF AR110.3)