

GENERAL INFORMATION, RULES AND REGULATIONS

This show is a regular Member of the USEF. Every class offered herein which is covered by the rules and specifications of the current USEF rule book will be conducted and judged in accordance therewith.

USEF

1. Life, Senior Active, and Junior Active Members shall be eligible to participate in all classes at regular competitions, eventing competitions at the preliminary level or above and combined driving competitions at the advanced level, dressage and vaulting competitions and endurance rides provided the respective breed/discipline dues or breed/discipline category fee has been paid. A non-member may participate as a handler, rider, driver, owner, lessee, agent, coach or trainer at regular competitions, eventing competitions, dressage competitions, reining competitions, and combined breed disciplines upon payment of a \$20 non-member registration fee and a \$5 breed/discipline category fee for each breed/discipline. 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 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. Also exempted from this requirement are citizens of other nations who have proof, in English, of current membership in good standing of their own National Federation. 8) USEF beginner novice division; and 9) assistant handlers in dressage sport horse breeding classes.

Be sure to include your USEF Membership Number and the USEF Membership Number of your trainer on the entry form.

FEDERATION ENTRY AGREEMENT

2. By entering a Federation-licensed Competition and signing this entry blank as the Owner, Lessee, Trainer, Manager, Agent, Coach, Driver, Rider, Handler, Vaultor or Longeur and on behalf of myself and my principals, representatives, employees and agents, I agree that I am subject to the Bylaws and Rules of The United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. (the "Federation") and the local rules of the competition. I agree to be bound by the Bylaws and Rules of the Federation and of the competition. I will accept as final the decision of the Hearing Committee on any question arising under the Rules, and agree to release and hold harmless the competition, the Federation, their officials, directors and employees for any action taken under the Rules. I represent that I am eligible to enter and/or participate under the rules, and every horse I am entering is eligible as entered. I also agree that as a condition of and in consideration of acceptance of entry, the Federation and/or the competition may use or assign photographs, videos, audios, cable-casts, or other likenesses of me and my horse taken during the course of the competition for the promotion, coverage or benefit of the competition, sport, or the Federation. Those likenesses shall not be used to advertise a product and they may not be used in such a way as to jeopardize amateur status. I hereby expressly and irrevocably waive and release any rights in connection with such use, including any claim to compensation, invasion of privacy, right of publicity, or to misappropriation. The construction and application of Federation rules are governed by the laws of the State of New York, and any action instituted against the Federation must be filed in New York State. See GR906

NONMEMBERS OF USEF

3. GR 205 Participation

1. A non-member, who wishes to participate as a rider, driver, handler, vaultor, longeur, owner, lessee, agent, coach, or trainer at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions at the Preliminary Level or above, Dressage Competitions, Endurance Rides, Reining Competitions, Vaulting Competitions, and Combined Driving Competitions at the Advanced level, must pay a non-member registration fee for each competition and pay a Breed/Discipline category fee per Breed/Discipline in which competing. 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 and pay the respective Breed/Discipline Dues or pay a non-member registration fee and Breed/Discipline category fee. Junior non-members and non-US citizens who are members in good standing of their National Federations are exempt from payment of the Breed/Discipline category fee. The competition will be responsible for forwarding a list of the names of individuals who pay the non-membership fees at the competition to the Federation with the post competition report. Payment of nonmember fees for the purposes of competing does not entitle the individual to any other privileges of the USEF membership.

2. Non-members are not entitled to any other privileges of Members.

GR 206 Non-Member Fee

1. The amount of the non-member registration fee will be established annually by the Federation. Unless otherwise established, the fee will be \$20. and must be collected by all appropriate competitions and remitted to the Federation (for exceptions see GR 901.9). Non-US citizens who are members in good standing of their National Federations are exempt from payment of the Non-Member fee.

2. The amount of the Breed/Discipline category fee will be established annually by the Federation. Unless otherwise established the fee will be \$5.00 and must be collected by appropriate competitions and remitted to the Federation. Junior non-members of the Federation and non-US citizens who are members in good standing of their National Federations are exempt from payment of the Breed/Discipline category fee.

NYRA REVOCABLE LICENSE MUST BE SIGNED

4. In compliance with the New York Racing Association's 2008 contract, no horse can come upon the Saratoga Race Course for stabling without a completed and signed REVOCABLE LICENSE TO USE NYRA FACILITIES FOR THE 2007 ST. CLEMENT'S SARATOGA HORSE SHOW AND RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT.

Any horse discovered without the REVOCABLE LICENSE will be removed from the premises.

HEALTH CERTIFICATES

5. New York State law requires that horses from New York have a negative Coggins Test within one year. Horses from out of state are required to have a negative Coggins Test within one year and a health certificate within ten days.

Present these at the Stabling Office before unloading.

ENTRIES

6. All entries must be postmarked April 14, 2008 (except for those classes which specifically state post entries are accepted). Any entries received after April 14, 2008 will be charged a \$50 post entry fee.

Entry blanks will be accepted only when filled out completely and signed by the owner (or his authorized agent) and the trainer, and accompanied by a check for nominations and stall fees. No acknowledgments can be mailed without the receipt of these fees. Separate check must be submitted for each week.

Please fill out the entry blank completely including a phone number. Without a phone number we cannot contact you about errors or questions involving stabling, without a zip code we cannot place you on our mailing list.

Unsigned, incomplete or illegible entry blanks or entry blanks not accompanied by a check will be returned. Under no condition will the show consider itself responsible for entries refused because of failure to comply with these requests.

All barn splits must be in the show office by noon Friday.

Adds and scratches must be made by the evening prior to the class being entered or there will be a \$5 fee per class.

There will be a \$50 scratch fee for special events scratched on the day of that event.

Management may require horses to enter and compete in two classes to be eligible for the stake or largest money class.

A processing fee of \$50.00 plus collection fees will be made for all nonnegotiable checks. Foreign Entrants, please pay in **U.S. FUNDS** to avoid discount charges.

Canadian Exhibitors. The legend "U.S. Funds" must be preprinted on the face of any Canadian check drawn on a Canadian bank and used to pay any fees for the St. Clement's Saratoga Horse Show. Canadian Exhibitors are urged to contact their banking institution prior to sending entries, as entries received that do not adhere to this policy will be returned. There will be NO EXCEPTIONS to this policy.

Cash Customer. If you have presented a non-negotiable check to St. Clement's Saratoga Horse Show in the past, you may be considered a "cash only" customer. Please contact Jan Smith for further information.

Horse Identification Number and Certificate. All horses competing in Federation licensed competitions (except those activities enumerated in GR 1101, items 1-9) must be properly identified and must obtain a Horse ID Number from the Federation. An identification number for each horse must be entered on all entry forms for licensed competitions. Only one Horse ID Number will be issued per horse, and must remain with the horse throughout its career. Anyone knowingly applying for a duplicate Horse ID Number for an individual horse may be subject to disciplinary action. The Federation must be notified of any change of ownership and/or competition name of the horse. Owners are requested to notify the Federation of corrections to previously submitted information e.g. names, addresses, breed registration, pedigree, or markings.

Horse ID numbers can be upgraded to Federation life recording numbers and the number will remain the same throughout the horse's career.

Applications for Horse ID Numbers can be completed online at www.usef.org using the Horse application form. The Horse application form is also available from the Federation office, or it can be downloaded from the Federation website or from competition management. Competition management is responsible for notifying exhibitors of the requirement in their prize list.

There will be no charge for Horse ID Numbers that are issued via the internet to members of USEF or its affiliates for: 1) horses that are life recorded, registered or otherwise identified or listed with a USEF discipline affiliate, or 2) horses registered with a USEF breed affiliate. Horses not meeting the above criteria must have a completed USEF Horse indication on the application the request for a Horse ID before a number will be issued. This horse form can be completed on the internet, free of charge, at www.usef.org or via mail for a fee. Horse ID numbers using the paper format of the Horse application will be charged a \$10 non-refundable fee.

IHP Rules

7. The USEF rule regarding IHP dues states as follows: GR207.3

- a. In order for an individual to be eligible to participate as a rider, driver, vaulter, or longeur, in international competition as defined herein, said individual must be a member of the Federation and must pay a International High Performance "IHP" discipline Due established annually by the Federation as noted below by discipline, in addition to other Breed/Discipline Dues.
- b. Junior and Young Rider International High Performance Member \$100.
- c. Senior International High Performance Member \$200.

Please remember that USEF Life members are exempt from payment of the IHP dues. The IHP requirements can vary depending on the discipline on which the rider and owner are competing. For example:

IHP dues must be collected for most selection trials and training sessions organized by the high performance division of USEF. **For Jumping, at a USEF recognized Grand Prix that is included on the USEF Computer List (National and International levels), IHP dues must be paid or the Rider is ineligible to participate in the class.**

PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR

8. It is compulsory for riders in all Hunter, Jumper, and Hunt Seat Equitation classes where jumping is required and when jumping anywhere on the competition grounds to wear properly fastened protective headgear, which meets or exceeds ASTM/SEI standards for equestrian use and carries the SEI tag. It must be properly fitted with harness secured.

NYRA requires that ANYONE on horseback MUST have on a hard hat. NO EXCEPTIONS.

A Show Committee must bar riders without protective headgear from entering the ring for classes in which protective headgear is required and may bar any entry or person from entering the ring if not suitable presented to appear before an audience.

REFUNDS

9. Once a horse is entered and accepted by the show, it may not be withdrawn from competition without the permission of Management. Exhibitors shall be held responsible for entry, stabling and nomination fees of all horses entered by them or their agents on the entry closing date. Horses entered may not be scratched without a veterinarian's certificate or physician's certificate for equitation riders or amateur owner riders. When valid notification is received, the entry fee will be refunded or dropped less a \$50 office processing fee. Nomination fees will not be refunded under any circumstances. Horses which are not shown in classes in which they are entered will forfeit their fees except if a horse

becomes ill or is injured prior to the class or classes entered. In this case, a scratch sheet must be filled out and must be presented to the Show Office prior to the class or classes being scratched. Exhibitors who fail to scratch an entry following the aforementioned procedure will be fined \$25 per class in addition to the entry fee. In order to qualify for a refund, an official refund request form must be filled out and signed by the official horse show veterinarian and presented to the Show Office prior to the conclusion of the show. Once the class has started, all horses will be charged the entry fee as stated in the Prize List, whether shown or not. Stabling fees will not be refunded. **There will be a \$50 scratch fee for special events scratched on the day of that event.**

JUMP ORDER

10. A rotating jumping order will be established for all classes over fences. All horses must be ridden in the posted order. Riders, trainers who have conflicts due to classes in more than one ring at the same time should see the Starter in order that necessary adjustments can be made. At no time will any ring be held up more than three (3) minutes due to conflicts.

SCHOOLING

11. No schooling over fences will be permitted at any time in any of the show rings, except in Hunter Rings I and II as scheduled at a cost of \$20 per round.

Schooling tickets may be purchased in the Show Office. Schooling in the show rings is prohibited at all times except during the scheduled ticketed Warm-Up. This includes lunging. **No poling or off sets allowed. All schooling closes at 5:00 p.m. Horses cannot cross Union Avenue without guards on duty.** All schooling and show rings will be closed on Monday, May 12.

LONGEING AND RIDING

12. All longeing and riding will be restricted to designated areas. Longeing will not be permitted AT ANY TIME in ANY area unless designated. **Violators will pay a \$100 fine.** Schooling areas are open for longeing each morning until 45 minutes before the start of the first class.

DISPUTES AND PROTESTS

13. **GR 603.** Protests. Any rider, driver, handler, vaulter, longeur, exhibitor, owner, agent, trainer or the parent of a junior exhibitor or any life, Senior, or Junior member present at the competition may file a protest with the Show Committee of a Licensed Competition or the Federation Hearing Committee alleging violation of any Federation rule(s). The protest must contain all information as specified in GR602.1 and must be:

- a) in writing,
- b) signed by the protestor,
- c) addressed to the Show Committee of the competition at which the alleged violation occurred, or to the Hearing Committee,
- d) accompanied by a deposit of \$200 if made by a Federation member or the parent of a junior exhibitor member or \$300 if made by a non-member (if check, payable to the competition or to the Federation); said deposit will be refunded in the event the protest is upheld, and
- e) received by the steward, technical delegate, a member of the Show Committee, the competition manager or the competition secretary within 48 hours of the alleged violation, or if made directly to the Hearing Committee, must be received at the Federation office by the tenth business day following the last recognized day of the competition, or by the tenth business day following the date on which the alleged violation occurred if it occurred other than at a licensed competition.

EXHIBITORS NOTE

14. Horses shown in classes in which they have not been entered will be required to pay the fee in those classes plus \$25.

Exhibitors are notified that any act of discourtesy or disobedience to the Judges or Officials on the part of the owner, rider, driver or groom, shall disqualify the horse, and the owner shall forfeit his entry and other fees.

The Committee reserves unto itself the right to prohibit any person from attending or showing a horse in the Show Ring and to remove any groom or horse from the Show without being liable for compensation.

STABLING

15. No stall will be reserved without receipt of stall fees with entries. All stalls are of permanent construction with doors and will be \$175 each. Initial bedding will not be provided. There will be a late stall fee of \$200.

All electrical installation and connections must meet all state and county codes. Aisles shall be maintained clear for a minimum of six feet (6') wide by eight feet (8') high. No obstructions or projections shall be allowed in these aisles. No Class I Flammable liquids such as gasoline, are allowed inside the buildings. Cooking is not permitted within any stable area. Anyone found in violation shall be subject to dismissal from further participation in the Horse Show without recourse.

A horse may be entered as "Non-Showing" on the original entry form at the time the entry blank is submitted by writing "Non-Showing" in the area of the entry blank where classes would normally be entered. An Official "Non-showing Horse" who ultimately enters the horse show and competes is considered a post entry.

MEDICAL WASTE

16. Sharps must be placed in the proper receptacles. Anyone found in violation shall be subject to a fine or other penalties deemed necessary by show management.

GROUNDS FEE

17. Any horse not using a stall will be charged a **\$50 per day** grounds fee. Parking **MUST** be in area specified by stabling office.

VETERINARIAN AND FARRIER

18. Report to the stabling office when veterinarian or farrier services are required. The phone number for the veterinarian after show hours will be posted at the Stabling Office.

CAMPERS

19. All campers will check in at the stabling office to receive a sticker and an assigned space in a designated camping area. Under no circumstances will any camper be allowed to park in any other area. Water and electricity will be provided. Pay the \$225 camping fee with entries. A pump-out service will be provided. Fees paid directly to the pump-out service. Sign-up at Stabling Office.

PARKING

20. By order of the Saratoga Springs Fire Department, the fire lanes around all barns must be kept clear at all times. Vehicles may not park in barn aisles or on any service roads. All vans will park in designated areas.

Exhibitor passes will be issued and must be visible in order to gain reentry to the show grounds or stabling area. No horse vans will be allowed in the show grounds parking area.

MOTORIZED VEHICLES/GOLF CARTS

21. Unlicensed drivers are not permitted. 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. **Violations of this rule will be cause for sanctions against the parent(s), guardian(s), and/or trainer(s) who are responsible for the child committing the offense. Penalties may include exclusion of the child, parent(s), guardian(s), and/or trainer(s) from the competition grounds for the remainder of the competition and charges being filed against any of the above individuals in accordance with Chapter 7.** Wheelchairs and other mobility assistance devices for individuals with disabilities are exempt from this rule.

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE

22. Horses may arrive no sooner than **12 Noon, Sunday, May 4** for week one, and **12 Noon, Monday, May 12** for week two, and leave no later than **12 Noon, Monday, May 19**; any exceptions must be cleared with the Horse Show Office. In order to remove any animal or equipment from the show grounds, a release must be obtained from the Show Secretary.

FEED AND BEDDING

23. Nearby feed stores provide convenient hours for exhibitors. Cash payment is required and prompt delivery will be provided. Call Thoroughbred Feed Sales, LLC at (518) 584-4900. **Only straw or shavings may be used in stalls. Sawdust is not permitted.** An order form is included in this prize list.

LIABILITIES AND DECISIONS

24. The Committee will not be responsible for any accident which may occur to any rider, driver, groom or attendants, animal, carriage or equipment at the Show.

Should any question arise that is not provided for in the rules, the same shall be referred to the Show committee whose decision shall be final.

The Horse Show Management reserves to itself the right to limit entries in any class, section or division, to refuse, accept conditionally, or to cancel any entries; disqualifying any riders or exhibitors, prohibit exhibition of entries, and cancel award prizes, without any claim for damages; to change any course, to add a dotted line, to cancel or combine any unfilled classes, or to reschedule classes, after due notice to exhibitors; to change rings or rotate judges; to change specifications in jumper classes as competition warrants.

All owners and exhibitors shall be held responsible for any damage incurred by them, their agents or employees to stalls, buildings and other properties on the show grounds, and shall be billed accordingly.

Every horse entered herein for competition will be under the control of the Horse Show Management, but the Show Management will in no case be responsible for any loss of damage that may occur, and it shall be a condition of entry that each exhibitor shall hold the horse show and the officials, employees, directors, officers, sponsoring entities of the horse show and the facilities at which the horse show is held blameless for any loss or accident to his horse(s), employee(s), or equipment which may occur from sickness, fire or other cause.

DOGS

25. All dogs must be restrained at all times while on the show grounds. Unrestrained dogs create a serious safety hazard to exhibitors and their horses. Therefore, **NON-COMPLIANCE WITH THE RESTRAINT RULE WILL NOT BE TOLERATED.** Loose dogs will be picked up and detained until the owner has paid a fine of \$150. A second offense may cause the owner to be barred from showing and expelled from the show grounds. Refusal to pay the fine will bar the owner from further participation in the horse show and the owner will not be entitled to any refund of entry or stabling fees paid or due. Management reserves the right to call Animal Control to have an animal removed from the premises No dogs are allowed in the Show Office.

PRIZE MONEY

26. Prize money is issued to the "Recipient of Prize Money" recorded on the entry form. A valid Social Security or Federal ID number must be provided. Checks will be mailed or hand-delivered within 30 days after the show. Guaranteed purses will be paid back according to the following schedule or as listed with the class.

Prize money is awarded through 6th place unless otherwise stated. **The owner of any horse/pony exhibited in classes where prize monies is awarded MUST provide a Social Security number or Federal ID number before prize money will be paid.** IRS form 1099 will be issued to anyone winning over \$600 in prize money. 1099's will be issued to the PRIZE MONEY RECIPIENT recorded on the entry blank.

PURSE	PAYBACK
\$100	30 - 20 - 15 - 13 - 12 - 10
\$150	50 - 30 - 25 - 20 - 15 - 10
\$200	60 - 45 - 30 - 25 - 20 - 20
\$250	70 - 50 - 40 - 35 - 30 - 25
\$300	90 - 60 - 45 - 40 - 35 - 30
\$325	90 - 60 - 50 - 45 - 40 - 40
\$400	120 - 80 - 60 - 40 - 32 - 28 - 20 - 20
\$450	120 - 90 - 70 - 60 - 55 - 55
\$500	150 - 100 - 75 - 65 - 60 - 50
\$1000	300 - 200 - 150 - 100 - 80 - 70 - 50 - 50
\$1500	450 - 300 - 225 - 150 - 120 - 105 - 75 - 75

Prize money won by Foreign Exhibitors: Foreign exhibitors are advised that the U.S. Internal Revenue Service requires sporting events to withhold 30% of prize money won in the United States. Foreign exhibitors should apply for a U.S. Social Security number and will be asked to complete Form 8233 or Form W8BEN (where applicable) prior to the St. Clement's Saratoga Horse Show.

ADD BACK CLASSES: In the Schooling Jumper Section, guaranteed purses and add back monies will be added together and divided as follows:

1st - 30%	2nd - 20%	3rd - 15%	4th - 10%
5th - 8%	6th - 7%	7th - 5%	8th - 5%

ADD BACK PRIZE MONEY: In classes with add backs, prize money is computed from the number of horses that actually show. Horses entered but not shown will forfeit their add back money.

COURTESY CIRCLE

27. Management reserves the right to limit the Courtesy Circle in Hunter and Equitation classes.