

TSDS POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Approved as of 7/13/13

Competitions

- A. The association may conduct either schooling shows or recognized shows as the Board approves.
- B. The schooling shows will be conducted in keeping with the rules & regulations of USDF and USEF, with the exception of the requirements for a technical delegate, veterinarian and emergency medical personnel.
- C. Classes will be scored according to the rider's division: amateur, junior and open in USDF and as a Junior and Senior in USEA tests.
- D. USEF dressage, quadrille and freestyle tests as and USEA tests will be offered as interest dictates.
- E. Show management officials, such as show manager, secretary, scorer and scribe are volunteer positions for schooling shows. The Board may hire a show secretary or show manager for recognized shows if necessary to maintain compliance with USEF and USDF regulations.
- F. Judges must be USEF licensed as either an "S", "R", "r" or "L", with no lower than an "L" graduate with distinction.
- G. A late entry at a show cannot bring about the re-pinning of a class or the refiguring of the Championship / Reserve Championship for a division or the high point award. The score does count for yearend awards.
- H. A test ridden while a rider is not a member in good standing with TSDS (has an outstanding debt to the club) will not be counted when tabulating scores for year end awards.

Clinics

- A. Notification of clinics will be placed on the website.
- B. TSDS members are given preference to non-members.
- C. A \$100 deposit & clinic form are due at the time of application and are to be sent to the club president with balance to be paid before the clinic lesson. If a rider cannot ride in the clinic for any reason (except death), that rider must find a replacement in order for clinic fees to be refunded. Riders on waitlist with management get preference.
- D. If a club member wants to organize a clinic and have it insured under the TSDS insurance policy they must first obtain approval of the board of directors and are responsible for paying the daily insurance in full for days to be covered.

End of Year Championship Awards

- A. Qualifications:
 - 1. In order to be eligible to a TSDS year end award the rider must ride in at least TWO TSDS CLUB SHOWS on any horse.
 - 2. The recipient must be a member in good standing at the time the score is earned.

2. There must be at least 5 scores earned by the same horse-rider combination, all from within the same division of competition. Placings will be determined by averaging the highest five scores from each qualified horse-rider combination.
 3. Qualifying scores may be earned at TSDS club sponsored shows, TSDS recognized shows, USDF rated shows, or USEF Events.
 4. The scores from each TSDS schooling show will be recorded by a designee appointed by the President and tabulated at the end of the year for Year End Awards. Additional scores from shows other than TSDS schooling shows must be submitted to the designated score keeper by December **1st** to be counted towards Year End Awards. Use the score reporting form on the Forms page of the web site.
- B. Award categories
1. Dressage levels (Intro, Training, First, Second, etc.)
 - a. Junior (until Jan 1 of the year in which they reach 18 yrs old)
 - b. Amateur
 - c. Open
 2. Eventing levels (Beginner Novice, Novice, Training, etc.)
 - a. Junior (until Jan 1 of the year in which they reach 18 yrs old)
 - b. Senior

The TSDS Volunteer Award System

A. Each member of the club has the opportunity to earn TSDS Bucks. These “Bucks” will be awarded at \$10 for each 4 hours worked. These bucks can be redeemable for entries into TSDS schooling shows and clinics.

B. Volunteer credit may be applied for using the Volunteer Credit Request Form posted on the TSDS website and shall be submitted to the Volunteer Coordinator. (Examples of such “non-standard” volunteer services include coordinating a dressage-oriented clinic or other educational event, hosting a TSDS holiday or awards party, representing the club at approved regional or national organization meetings, etc.) The form may be used in any one of three ways:

1. Self-submission by an individual member to request volunteer bucks for service he/she has performed.
2. Submission by a TSDS Officer or Board Member on behalf of a member whose service the Officer or Board Member wishes to recognize.
3. Request for transfer of volunteer bucks (for example, from a friend or relative who performs volunteer service to a specified TSDS member).

C. Volunteer Bucks will not be awarded for any activity for which the member receives financial or other consideration.

Designation of a representative to the USDF convention:

The Board will select a representative to a national USDF convention.

Classified Ads

Any member in good standing may post an appropriate horse-related ad on the TSDS website. Email ad copy to the club webmaster.