

Intercollegiate Dressage
Association
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ANY COACH THAT FEELS THAT A RIDER IS UNSAFE IN THE DIVISION THAT THIS QUESTIONNAIRE PLACES THEM IN MAY SUBMIT A VIDEO TO THE RIDER CLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE FOR REVIEW

Are you an international student who has competed in a country other than the United States?

Yes No

*If yes, please explain below your competitive experience, then continue the questionnaire:

*This information will be forwarded to the Rules/Rider Classification committee by the regional rep. The committee may request a rider video.

Introductory Level: The idea of the Introductory Division is to encourage exposure to the riders new to the sport of dressage. Coaches and Riders are requested to abide by this philosophy

Minimum: The introductory division is designed for beginning dressage riders that have had a minimum of 12 hours of riding instruction within 1 year prior to competing in the IDA.

Maximum: Introductory riders shall have a maximum 2 year calendar limit to compete at this level dating from their joining IDA, unless they do not qualify for the Introductory Level in their second year when they reclassify. This is **ONLY** required at the Introductory Level.

Question: Do you have a USEF Competing record for any discipline? (Coaches, please see instructions in the RULES for printing and submitting proof of no USEF competition record Article 4.1 G2ii)

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you competed in 6 or more training level dressage tests (or equivalent tests) or competed at a level higher than training level dressage, in any recognized or schooling competition?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Do you have a C2 or higher pony club rating?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you competed in an Eventing competition at a USEA recognized or schooling event at beginner novice level (2'7") or higher

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you competed in any schooling competition that required you to jump 2'7" or higher?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you competed in the IHSA limit division?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you competed in Western Dressage Basic Level or higher?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you competed in a "recognized" USEF/USHJA and/or USEF/USEA competition?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you competed in mounted classes in recognized competitions to include any western class and who have not earned more than 25 points from any breed association in western classes, excluding roping, games, halter, showmanship, non-roping classes, or "novice" division classes.

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you competed in mounted classes in a "recognized" AQHA, NRHA or APHA competition? (Excluding AQHA/APHA Novice Classes and NRHA Green Reiner classes)

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you placed 1st or 2nd at the IDA National Championships on individual or team day in Introductory Level?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you been registered and or competed as an IDA Introductory level rider for more than 2 years or earned 35 points at IDA Introductory level?

Answer: Yes No

If you have answered no to all of the questions above and you meet the philosophy of the Introductory level rider you are classified as an introductory level rider. Please see the rules regarding eligibility and restrictions to this level.

If you have answered yes to any introductory level question or do not meet the philosophy of the Introductory level rider please continue to the questions in the lower training level section below.

Lower Training Level:

Question: Have you competed in 3 or more First Level Dressage Tests (or equivalent tests, see Appendix B) or competed at a level higher than first level at any recognized or schooling dressage competition?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you competed in the FEI 4 year old test or above?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Do you have a C+, C3, or higher pony club rating?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you competed at a USEA recognized or schooling Eventing competition at novice level (2'11") or higher?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you won more than 5 hunter seat equitation on the flat classes in recognized competitions?

Answer: Yes No

Question: have you competed in more than 6 classes in any over fences class at 3' or higher in recognized or schooling competitions?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you competed in Intermediate level flat or over fences or above IHSA Hunter Seat Competition?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you won more than 5 blue western horsemanship ribbons in recognized competitions in classes of five or more riders?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you earned 26 or more points from any breed association in western classes excluding roping, games, halter, showmanship or novice classes?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you competed in an AQHA/APHA/NRHA World Championship in a western division excluding roping, games, halter, showmanship or novice classes?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you finished in the Year End Top Three in state or affiliate AQHA/APHA/NRHA association in a western division excluding roping, games, halter, showmanship or novice classes?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you competed in Western Dressage at Level one or above?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you placed 1st or 2nd at the IDA National Championships individual or team day in Lower Training?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you earned 35 or more points at IDA Lower Training Level?

Answer: Yes No

If you have answered no to all of the questions above you are classified as a Lower Training Level rider. Please see the rules regarding eligibility and restrictions to this level. If you have answered yes to any Lower Training Level questions please continue to the questions in the Upper Training level section below

Upper Training Level:

Question: Have you competed at Second Level (or equivalent tests, see Appendix B) or competed at a level higher than second level at any recognized or schooling dressage competition?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you competed in the FEI 5 year old test or above?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Do you have a B pony club rating or higher?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you competed at a USEA recognized eventing competition at the modified level (3'5") or higher?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you competed in a recognized Medal, Maclay or USET Talent Search Equitation Class?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you won more than 10 Hunter Seat Equitation classes in recognized competition?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you won more than 6 classes in any over fences class 3'6" or higher in recognized competitions?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you competed Open level flat or over fences in IHSA Hunter Seat competitions?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you ever finished in the Top Five in ANY non-gaited breed National/World Championship in a western class excluding roping, games, halter, showmanship or novice classes?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you ever finished in the Top Ten of the AQHA/APHA/NRHA World/Congress Championship in a western class excluding roping, games, halter, showmanship or novice classes?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you competed in an NCEA Competition?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you competed in Western Dressage at Level 2 or above?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you placed 1st or 2nd at the IDA National Championships individual or team day in Upper Training?

Answer: Yes No

Question: Have you earned 35 or more points at IDA Upper Training level?

Answer: Yes No

If you have answered no to all of the questions above you are classified as an Upper Training level rider. Please see the rules regarding eligibility and restrictions to this level.

If you have answered yes to any Upper Training Level question you are classified as a First Level rider, First level is open to all riders.