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Introduction

Traditionally Western Ontario has followed the National Dressage Rules for governing dressage in our region. Beginning in 2012, we are supplying additional rules specific to our region to be used as an addendum to the National Dressage Rules.

Regional Dressage Finals

Division Entry

Any combination of horse/rider that has placed in the top 3 places in the overall division in classes Starter, Entry, Pre-Entry or Training at any prior Western Ontario Regional Dressage event and has achieved at least 60%, must enter at least one level/division higher in subsequent Regional finals.

Any combination of horse/rider that has placed in the top 3 places in the overall division in classes 1st Level or higher in the last 2 consecutive years of the Western Ontario Regional Dressage final, and has achieved at least 60% must enter at least one level / division higher should a higher division exist.

This Entry rule applies only if there are at least 3 riders in the level the horse/rider competed at.

Refund Policy

The Regional Dressage chair must receive the Medical/Vet certificate, within 7 days following the competition to receive a refund if cancelling after the cutoff date specified on the Entry form.

Tack Check / Disqualification

Competitors must notify show organizers in advance if they are unable to attend the Regional Dressage Show or any class in that show. Each competitor must attend tack check at the latest 30 minutes before their published test time for each class. If the competitor does not meet their tack check by this time, the competitor will be given three notices (via the announcer at the show) to attend tack check. If after the third notice, they still do not attend tack check they will be considered scratched from that class and unable to compete.

If the competitor is not on time for their test, they will be given three notices and if they still do not attend they will be considered scratched from that class and unable to compete.

Ring Size

Training Level will now be run in a 20 x 60 meter ring as they are at the National Dressage finals.

Turnout

Turnout will be judged at the Regional Dressage Finals and a champion turnout ribbon awarded for each division offered. This ribbon is awarded separately from the Dressage divisions.

Qualifications for Regional Dressage

Entry, Starter and Pre-Training will be using Pony Club Tests and do not require qualification and thus are considered Schooling Divisions.

Training Level and above competitors who do not wish to qualify for National Dressage at this competition, do not require qualification. Please note that if you do not provide qualification information and wish to qualify for National Dressage on or after the event, you may not do so unless there are no other pre-qualified candidates available to represent WOR at those National Dressage Championships and the rider meets all other criteria.

Training Level and above ~~using Equine Canada tests~~ competitors wishing to qualify for National Dressage, require that a horse/rider combination submit an equivalent level test to the test they are competing in at Regional Dressage. The horse/rider combination must have completed the test fully and the name of the test, show attended and mark must be included on the Individual Entry Form and the Branch Summary Form.

Eligible shows are Dressage Shows; schooling level are accepted, Combined Tests, Rally Dressage Tests, Eventing tests.

Note that in Championship divisions, National Rules apply.

Qualifying for National Dressage Finals

Qualifying at Regional Dressage Finals

Qualification for the National Dressage finals occurs at the Regional Dressage Finals in the year prior to the National competition. The Regional Dressage Chair will select the members to qualify using the following criteria;

- Beginning with the overall division champion. Verify they meet all National Dressage Rule criteria around age, test level, pre-qualification, etc.
- If the overall champion does not meet these criteria or they are unable to attend, then proceed to the Reserve Champion.
- Continue this down the list of the overall placing to find a qualified competitor (3rd placing on).

NOTE: In order for a rider to qualify to go to National Dressage, an overall score of 60% must be obtained.

Qualifying at Outside Shows

If there is not a competitor at the Regional Finals for a specific division or not a competitor that qualifies for Nationals (based on the qualification criteria), active or affiliate Pony Club members can apply using results for Dressage Shows for the National Dressage Finals.

Competitors must submit 2 tests that must average over the minimum qualifying percentage outlined in the National Dressage Rules. These tests must be from Bronze, Silver, Gold or CDI shows where EC or FEI judges were the officials.

If more than one competitor submits tests for a specific division, the following sliding scale will be used to apply this factor to the tests to determine the highest percentage and that will determine the selected competitor.

Test %	Bronze	Silver	Gold	CDI
70% +	14	15	16	18
68-69.99%	12	13	14	16
66-67.99%	10	11	12	14
64-65.99%	8	9	10	12
62-63.99%	7	8	9	11
60-61.99%	6	7	8	10
58-59.99%	5	6	7	8
56-57.99%	4	5	6	7
54-55.99%	3	4	5	6
52-53.99%	2	3	4	5
50-51.99%	1	2	3	4

For example – a score of 75.24% would translate to the following percentage depending on the level of show this score was achieved:

- Bronze = 89.24% (75.24% + Factor of 14)
- Silver = 90.24% (75.24% + Factor of 15)
- Gold = 91.24% (75.24% + Factor of 16)
- CDI = 93.24% (75.24% + Factor of 18)

This rule applies only to Training Level division and above.