

REGIONAL CDS CHAPTER ADULT AMATEUR COMPETITION RULES & GUIDELINES

Mission:

The mission of these competitions is to provide an opportunity for all CDS Adult Amateur riders to qualify and compete against others of similar skills and experience. The regional nature of these shows will help provide our membership with a developmental path to gain competitive experience, to promote excellence and increase awareness of and support for CDS Chapters.

Goals:

#1 – For the riders: These competitions will provide a positive show experience at the Regional level, AND for some, a stepping stone to bigger things. They will offer the more experienced amateur riders a warm-up for the Championships Show.

#2– For the Chapters: These regional or “mid” level adult amateur competitions are designed to promote and enhance awareness and participation in CDS Chapters, provide State level support in funding and advertisement and offer a chance to generate funds at the Chapter level.

#3 – For the whole organization, these competitions will bridge the gap between the local Chapter shows with individual year end awards programs and the top caliber competition found at the Annual CDS Championship Show.

1. Three Regional CDS Chapter Adult Amateur Competitions will be held each year. There will be one in the North, Central and South regions as defined in the CDS Standing Rules.

NORTH ~ June 6-8, 2008 Sonoma Chapter Shelly Siegel Show

Location: 3184 Guerneville Rd, Santa Rosa, CA Manager: Connie Davenport 530-265-0950

Last day to qualify: May 25, 2008

CENTRAL ~ June 7-8, 2008 San Luis Obispo Chapter Central Coast Summer

Location: 8455 Creston Rd, Paso Robles, CA Manager: Ellen Corob 805-544-7151

Last day to qualify: May 25, 2008

SOUTH ~ July 12-13, 2008 Santa Clarita/Los Angeles Chapters Summer Show

Location: LAEC, 480 Riverside Dr, Burbank, CA Manager: Regina Antonioli 805-306-1885

Last day to qualify: June 29, 2008

Two divisions offered:

1) Elite Adult Amateurs for riders that have competed in a CDS Championship Show.

2) Novice Adult Amateurs for riders who have never competed in a CDS Championship Show.

All competitors will ride once at the highest test of the level. This competition will feature Training Level through Fourth Level classes. A total of 10 classes will be held in each of the 3 regions, north, central and south. A **ROSES** Award will be given for high point at each division for riders 50 years of age or older, please designate on your entry or at the show office.

Eligibility:

a. Amateur Riders must be current members of CDS and must have a USEF Amateur Card.

(USEF Amateurs cards are available to anyone without being required to join).

b. The horse owner must be a current member of CDS.

c. Qualification is for an amateur rider and horse combination.

d. Qualification period: will be cut-off date to cut-off date. In 2008, because of the start-up of this new program, all scores received on or after September 3, 2007 will be qualifying. Final date to qualify will be close of business 30 calendar days prior to the show date. The last day to qualify MUST be prominently advertised by the HOSTING Chapter.

e. Amateurs that qualify MAY compete in ONLY ONE Regional Competition, either North-Central-South.

f. Qualification scores must be earned at CDS recognized or *** recognized shows and are as follows:

3 scores from 2 different judges at Training Level test 3 or 4 of 62% or higher

3 scores from 2 different judges at 1st Level of 60% or higher

3 scores from 2 different judges at 2nd Level of 60% or higher

3 scores from 2 different judges at 3rd Level of 60% or higher

3 scores from 2 different judges at 4th Level of 60% or higher

4. Fees: Adult Amateurs who wish to participate in the Regional Chapter Adult Amateur Competition will pay to the Central Office a \$25.00 registration fee.

a. This fee will be used to purchase awards for the shows, pay for advertising, etc.

b. The registration fee can be paid at any time during the show year up to close of business on the last qualifying day for the Regions' show in which the amateur will compete.

c. Scores earned before paying the fee will count provided the payment is received prior to close of business on the last qualifying date for the Region in which the competitor will participate.

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