DISPENSATION CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

The dispensation certificates are used only for <u>permanent, measurable</u> disabilities, not those that are temporary. The aids are to be compensatory in nature, not providing any advantage to any exhibitor. The dispensation certificate shall list all aids and equipment permitted for use by the particular athlete applying. Four copies of the dispensation certificate are required to be sent with the entry form to the event organizer or competition secretary. Copies are needed for the organizer/secretary, the technical delegate/steward and one copy of the certificate is to be attached to each of the exhibitor's tests.

Please fill out the application fully and be sure to check the current USEF Equestrian rules as to whether the aids or equipment you are asking for is permitted by the USEF and also whether the aids or equipment is already permitted without need of a dispensation certificate. Once received by the USEF, the application will be submitted and reviewed by the USEF Adaptive Sports Committee.

The Adaptive Sports Committee will review each applicant's individual needs and aids requested and prepare a dispensation certificate permitting such aids and equipment if deemed necessary and safe.

If there are any questions about the dispensation program, about opportunities for riders or drivers with disabilities, please contact me Laureen Johnson, Director of Para-Equestrian at 859-225-7693 or email lkjohnson@usef.org.