



2024 APPENDIX 2 TABLE
 Refer to the [USEF Eventing Rules](#) for the complete rules

Introduction

Definition: Minimum Eligibility Requirements (MERs)

Maximum Penalty Points	Dressage	XC (at obstacles)	XC (time penalties)	Jumping (at obstacles)
National Horse Trials	45	0 (unless specified otherwise)	30	16
FEI 1*/2*/3*/4*	45	0*	30	16
FEI 5*	45	0*	40	16

*For FEI Competitions, where there is more than one FEI requirement, one may include 20 Cross-Country Jump Penalties. A clear round at obstacles (activating a maximum of one frangible device will maintain the MER result on Cross Country)

NOTE: All MERs obtained in previous years will be counted according to the rules in place at that time.

QUALIFYING DEADLINES

- Qualifications must have been achieved at least 10 days prior to Cross-Country day at the competition if the MER is achieved at a Horse Trial or CCI-S or at least 24 days if the MER is achieved at a CCI-L.
- At least one MER must be achieved in the 12-month period prior to the competition.

An MER pertains to both USEF and FEI Requirements in the table below.

CCI1*

	RIDER CATEGORY	FEI REQUIREMENTS	USEF REQUIREMENTS
CCI1*	Uncategorized		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 Modified or higher

	RIDER CATEGORY	FEI REQUIREMENTS	USEF REQUIREMENTS
CCI1*	A-B-C-D FEI Riders		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are no requirements for Categorized riders at a CCI1*

CCI2*-S

	RIDER CATEGORY	FEI REQUIREMENTS	USEF REQUIREMENTS
CCI2*-S	Uncategorized		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 Preliminary or higher

	RIDER CATEGORY	FEI REQUIREMENTS	USEF REQUIREMENTS
CCI2*-S	A-B-C-D FEI riders		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are no requirements for Categorized riders at a CCI2*-S



CCI3*-S

	RIDER CATEGORY	FEI REQUIREMENTS	USEF REQUIREMENTS
CCI3*-S	Uncategorized	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 CCI2*S 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 Preliminary or higher + 1 Preliminary or higher with no more than 20 Jumping Penalties at obstacles on the Cross Country test + 1 Intermediate or higher

	RIDER CATEGORY	FEI REQUIREMENTS	USEF REQUIREMENTS
CCI3*-S	A-B-C-D FEI riders		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3 Preliminary or higher + 1 Preliminary or higher with no more than 20 Jumping Penalties at obstacles on the Cross Country test.

CCI4-S*

	RIDER CATEGORY	FEI REQUIREMENTS	USEF REQUIREMENTS
CCI4*-S	Uncategorized C-D FEI riders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3 CCI3*S 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 Intermediate or higher

	RIDER CATEGORY	FEI REQUIREMENTS	USEF REQUIREMENTS
CCI4*-S	A-B FEI Riders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 CCI3*S (horse only) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 Intermediate or higher

CCI2-L*

	RIDER CATEGORY	FEI REQUIREMENTS	USEF REQUIREMENTS
CCI2-L*	Uncategorized		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3 Preliminary or higher + 1 Preliminary or higher with no more than 20 Jumping Penalties at obstacles on the Cross Country test.

	RIDER CATEGORY	FEI REQUIREMENTS	USEF REQUIREMENTS
CCI2-L*	A-B-C-D FEI Riders		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3 Preliminary or higher + 1 Preliminary or higher with no more than 20 Jumping Penalties at obstacles on the Cross Country test.

CCI3-L*

	RIDER CATEGORY	FEI REQUIREMENTS	USEF REQUIREMENTS
CCI3-L*	Uncategorized	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1 CCI2*-L or 1 CCI3*-S) + 2 CCI3*-S 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 Intermediate or higher



	RIDER CATEGORY	FEI REQUIREMENTS	USEF REQUIREMENTS
CCI3-L*	A-B-C-D FEI riders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (1 CCI2*-L or 1 CCI3*-S) (A-B-C-horse only) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 Intermediate or higher

CCI4-L*

	RIDER CATEGORY	FEI REQUIREMENTS	USEF REQUIREMENTS
CCI4-L*	Uncategorized C-D FEI riders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 CCI3*-L + 1 CCI4*-S • or 1 CCI3*-L + 2 CCI4*-S 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 Advanced or higher

	RIDER CATEGORY	FEI REQUIREMENTS	USEF REQUIREMENTS
CCI4-L*	A-B FEI Riders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 CCI3*-L (horse only) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 CCI4*-S or higher with no more than 20 Jumping Penalties at obstacles on the Cross Country test.

CCI5-L*

	RIDER CATEGORY	FEI REQUIREMENTS	USEF REQUIREMENTS
CCI5-L*	Uncategorized C-D FEI riders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 CCI4*-L+ • 3 CCI4* S 	The competitor and horse must have met the minimum eligibility requirements of the FEI

	RIDER CATEGORY	FEI REQUIREMENTS	USEF REQUIREMENTS
CCI5-L*	B FEI riders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 CCI4*-L + • 3 CCI4*S 	The competitor and horse must have met the minimum eligibility requirements of the FEI

	RIDER CATEGORY	FEI REQUIREMENTS	USEF REQUIREMENTS
CCI5-L*	A FEI riders- with Horse which has not achieved an MER at a CCI5*-L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 CCI 4*-L (as a combination) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The competitor and horse must have met the minimum eligibility requirements of the FEI • 1 Advanced or higher

	RIDER CATEGORY	FEI REQUIREMENTS	USEF REQUIREMENTS
CCI5-L*	A FEI riders- with Horse which has achieved an MER at a CCI5*-L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 CCI 4*-S (as a combination) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The competitor and horse must have met the minimum eligibility requirements of the FEI • 1 Advanced or higher