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Application for the 2025 USEF Dressage Training Series U25 Clinic

Wellington, FL

USEF invites dressage athletes between the ages 16 and 25 to apply for the USEF Dressage Training Series U25 Clinic. This clinic is a new educational opportunity for U25 athlete/horse combinations who are targeting the 2025 Wellington CDIO-U25, the USEF European U25 Tour, and/or the FEI North American Youth Championships (NAYC). This clinic will take place in Wellington, FL on January 3-5, 2025.

The clinic is designed to assist in the development of the next generation of top U.S. dressage athletes through comprehensive educational opportunities and experiences. Throughout the week, athletes will participate in intensive training sessions taught by a top U.S. coach as well as education workshops from top industry experts and leaders. A minimum of five (5) combinations will be selected for this clinic.

Athletes wishing to be considered for the clinic must submit an online application along with a video by the deadline noted below. The video must show the athlete riding a complete dressage test in the FEI Intermediate II Test, FEI Grand Prix 16-25, or FEI Grand Prix Test and on the specific horse listed on their application.

All applications will be reviewed by the USEF Dressage Coaching staff and base their evaluations on the following criteria:

- Video submitted.
- A combination's historical results from USEF/NAYC Qualifying Competitions and/or CDIs earned in 2024.
- An athlete's perceived potential to successfully represent the U.S. on the 2025 Wellington CDIO-U25 Team, the USEF European U25 Tour and/or at the FEI NAYC.

It is important to note there is no guarantee that a combination will receive membership to the USEF/USDF Emerging Athlete Dressage Program by participating in this clinic.

<u>Application Requirements for Athletes and Horses</u>: Athletes must be between 16 and 25 years old by December 31, 2025. Combinations must be schooling or already competing in the FEI Grand Prix 16-25, FEI Grand Prix, or FEI Intermediate II Test movements. Horses must be 8 years old or older as of January 1, 2025.

To access the application:

- 1. Sign into your USEF account at www.usef.org
- 2. In your Member Dashboard, select the blue tile labeled 'Athlete Dashboard.'
- 3. Select the blue tile labeled 'Online Applications'
- 4. Leave the Date Range boxes blank.
- 5. In the Title box blank type clinic
- 6. Select the red Search button.
- 7. Scroll down the page until you find the clinic you are applying for.
- 8. Very Important: Leave the 'Submit App For' box blank unless you are submitting the application on behalf of another athlete and NOT signed into his/her USEF Member Dashboard
- 9. Select the 'Apply' button.
- 10. Follow the steps from here.

Upon submission of your application, an automatic email will be sent confirming the date your application was received. Therefore, please ensure the email listed on the application is current. If you do not receive an acknowledgment of your application, it is your obligation to contact USEF (kbrett@usef.org) to determine if it has been received.

If you were unable submit your video through the online application portal, the video link must be received by kbrett@usef.org no later than 11:59pm, ET on November 19, 2024.

Applicants will be notified if they have been selected on or around December 2, 2024. Preference may be given to USEF/USDF Emerging Athlete Program Members.

DON'T FORGET! YOUR APPLICATION AND VIDEO MUST BE RECEIVED BY 11:59PM ET ON NOVEMBER 19, 2024 TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THE CLINIC!

Please feel free to contact Kristen Brett, Director of Dressage Programs at US Equestrian with any questions: kbrett@usef.org or at (859) 225-6919.