



# NEWS



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The US Equestrian Endurance newsletter will include regular updates from the Endurance Sport Committee and the USEF Endurance programs. Visit the USEF Endurance website [here](#).

## Upcoming 2025 Events

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January 19, 2025

### **Fire Up**

Ridgecrest, Calif.

January 23-26, 2025

### **Broxton Bridge Ride in the Low Country**

Ehrhardt, S.C.

February 26 - March 1, 2025

### **Fun in the Sun**

Williston, Fla.

April 12, 2025

### **Scenic Spruce Creek Spring Fling**

New Smyrna Beach, Fla.

May 2-4, 2025

### **Biltmore Challenge FEI**

Asheville, N.C.

November 6-8, 2025

### **Broxton Bridge: Fall Rides**

Ehrhardt, SC..

## 2024 Year End Award Winners

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USEF congratulates all our endurance athletes and horses on a wonderful 2024 competition year and commends them for their hard work and success at the Endurance rides this year!

A special congratulations to our winners!

- USEF Endurance Athlete of the Year Award: **Alex Champoe**
- USEF Top Ten National-Ranked Senior Athletes (Maggie Price Endurance Excellence Award): **Alex Champoe**
- USEF Top Ten National-Ranked Junior/Young Rider Athletes (Brunjes Junior/Young Rider Endurance Trophy): **Annamaria Clarke**
- USEF Endurance Horse of the Year Award: **Juno Im Gold** (Owner: Valerie Kanavy)
- USEF Endurance Best Condition Season Award: **Promissin Gold** (Owner: Valerie Kanavy)

[Click here to read more about the winners of the 2024 USEF Endurance Year-End Awards.](#)

[The ranking lists for the 2024 USEF Endurance Year-End Awards can be found here.](#)

Interested in participating in the 2025 USEF Endurance Year-End Awards? [Click here for more information.](#)

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## Endurance Championship News

### 2025 U.S. Endurance Team Selection Procedures

US Equestrian has published selection procedures for the 2025 FEI Endurance Junior/Young Rider World and Pan-American Championships. Click below to view the selection procedures.

- [2025 FEI Pan American Championship - Senior Rider Division](#)

- [2025 FEI Pan American Championship - Junior/Young Rider Division](#)
- [2025 FEI Endurance World Championship for Young Riders & Juniors](#)

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### FEI Announces Location and Date for the 2026 FEI Endurance World Championship

The FEI has announced the following information for the 2026 FEI Endurance World Championship. More information will be posted on [the USEF Endurance page](#) as received.

**Location:** Al Ula, KSA

**Date:** October 17, 2026

[Read the USEF 2026 FEI Endurance World Championship Memorandum here.](#)

The Application of Intent is now open and can be found on your athlete dashboard at [athletes.usef.org](#).

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### FEI 2025 Approved Rule Changes

[Click here for an overview of the 2025 changes to the FEI Rules and Regulations](#) that went into effect on January 1, 2025.

*This document is not an exhaustive list of changes. [Please click here for the 2025 FEI Rules & Regulations](#), including both clean and marked versions.*

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### USEF 2024 Approved Rule Changes

At the USEF Mid-Year Board Meeting numerous Rule Change Proposals were voted on. Below is a collection of approved rule changes that are applicable to Endurance and/or all USEF Breeds/Disciplines. The rule changes went into effect on December 1st, 2024. [Click here to view all of the rule changes approved at the Mid-Year Board Meeting.](#)

Tracking Number	Rule Reference	Description
67-23	GR201.2	Removal of all references in the rulebook to paper application for horse and membership forms and the post competition report.
72-23	GR870	Requirement for competitors to comply with disease prevention bio-security measures and equine health requirements imposed by the Federation, competition management, and state or federal animal health officials.
73-23	GR871	Requirement for competition management to comply with applicable state and federal animal health requirements.
76-23	GR845.1	Creation of a separate rule for the requirements of the Isolation Plan.
77-23	GR302.1	Membership requirements for individuals conducting business with the Federation, either as a licensee or as a <u>signatories of Farms</u> .
80-23	GR111	Clean-up of Chapter 3 language for consistency.
82-23	GR702.1	Strengthening of the cruelty and abuse rules.
84-23	GR411.1	Removal of all references to paper applications for drug and medication administration. The forms are available electronically.
109-23	GR838	Expansion of rules on the unethical treatment of horses and expansion of the scope of USEF's jurisdiction to include horse abuse that occurs outside of competition.
140-23	EN106.1	Re-alignment of the FEI Novice Qualification rules within the USEF Endurance Chapter with the FEI Endurance rules.
209-23	EN107.1	Allowance of the Endurance Treatment Veterinarian to assist with veterinary inspections on the vet lanes under certain circumstances.
217-23	EN109.2	Additional language for Endurance Prize List requirements.

## USEF Reminders

### New Free Voluntary Training Courses Offered by the U.S. Center for SafeSport

US Equestrian encourages all parents/guardians and our minor athletes to take the free training courses that are offered by the U.S. Center for SafeSport. These courses are tailored for each group. The Parent's Guide to Misconduct in Sport is a 30-minute training video that educates parents on recognizing, responding to, and preventing abuse and misconduct in your child's sport setting. You will come away equipped with information and tactics to minimize risks of harm. You will also learn what helps create a safe sport environment for your children and what resources are available for reporting.

In addition to the training module for parents/guardians, we encourage viewing [The Center's webpage for Parents and Guardians](#). This webpage includes important topics and resources, including the Parent and Guardian's Handbook for SafeSport. This handbook provides information and resources to help parents understand the different types of abuse and misconduct, as well as provides tools and tips for talking to their child about sexual and emotional abuse.

The U.S. Center for SafeSport also provides training modules for minor athletes.

If you are between the ages of 13-17, the Center provides a 15-minute course that is focused on bullying prevention, supporting friends who have experienced abuse or misconduct, and resources for reporting.

For those athletes between the ages of 5-12, the Center provides a 15-minute course that helps minors know the difference between discipline and abuse and encourages them to reach out to a trusted adult when something is not right. It also stresses the importance of positive sportsmanship and having a healthy sport environment focused on fun and safety.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Parental consent is required for junior competitors to register for the course.

[Click here to view the available training courses.](#)

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### **FEI Novice Qualifications Reminder**

For an athlete and horse seeking to compete at their first FEI CEI1\*, you are highly encouraged to submit your FEI Novice Qualification information to Nicole Zerbee, Director of Endurance, **prior** to submitting your entry. For questions regarding the FEI Novice Qualification process, please [contact Nicole Zerbee](#).

[Click here for a FEI Endurance Novice Qualification Quick Guide.](#)

### **Special Request**

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We are looking to increase our [USA Endurance Facebook page](#) with more content on FEI Rides. To do so, we are asking that anyone interested please send in pictures you or your crew/family/friends take while at a FEI Endurance event. This can be from U.S.-based or international rides. We are hoping to put up a gallery of each U.S. ride and hopefully some of the international rides.

Our hope is we can highlight the excitement of endurance, the camaraderie of an event's environment, and the opportunities it lends to ride all around the world. Most cell phone pictures will work since standard smart phones have good cameras included, but if anyone has pictures from photographers you have the rights to and would like to share, please send those along too. All we need is a written allowance to use the picture from whoever took the photo and photo credit information.

To make this work, we need your help! Send in scenery, send in friendship, send in teamwork, send in celebration, send in the joy of Endurance and we will utilize the USA Endurance platform to share the love of this sport with the world.

If you are interested in sending in pictures, [please contact the Director of Endurance](#).

### **Did You Know?**

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USEF has numerous quick guides and resources to aid members, exhibitors, competition managers, licensed officials, and more. Every newsletter will feature one

resource.

This month's feature: [How to Read a Passport](#)

**Description:** This guide provides information on how to navigate the different types of passports, highlights specific sections on a Passport that are important to pay close attention to, and much more!

**Location:** The guide is located on the [Horse Services page](#) of the USEF website under the Passport Resource Center.

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Questions? Contact [Nicole Zerbee](#), Director of Endurance.

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