

Central Ontario Region Pony Club



Information and Registration Package

2017 DRESSAGE REGIONAL FINALS*

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2017

**Edenview Equestrian Centre
777 Cambray Road, Woodville, ON**

Entry Deadline SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 20167

LOYALTY - CHARACTER – SPORTSMANSHIP

**Held in combination with Regional Show Jumping Finals.*

Standards Overview

The requirements of the Entry, Starter and Pre-Training levels are geared away from the attention of the athletic ability of the horse/pony, to the ability of the rider to influence the horse. These are CPC Guidelines.

- 1. ENTRY (CPC).** To demonstrate that the horse/pony is obedient to the rider's aids, moving forward and beginning to develop rhythm. This test is intended for inexperienced riders who may not have previously ridden dressage tests. Riders are not required to demonstrate knowledge of posting diagonals. Riders are required to demonstrate evidence of developing balance (not on reins/mouth), positive control, generally staying on the track and exhibiting a positive attitude. All trot should be rising except in downward transitions. Judging remarks should be simple and generous with praise. Open only to D and D1 riders.
- 2. STARTER (CPC).** To demonstrate that the horse/pony is moving forward, establishing rhythm and beginning to develop suppleness. Riders should be focused more on accurate riding, with a balanced, steady seat and sympathetic, independent hands, beginning to develop appropriate contact; and are expected to know their posting diagonals.
- 3. PRE-TRAINING (CPC).** To demonstrate the horse/pony is moving forward in a steady rhythm, with increased evidence of suppleness, beginning to accept contact. Riders at this level should be able to deliver an accurate ride, while demonstrating a more effective seat and increased connection from leg to an independent hand.
- 4. TRAINING LEVEL (Equine Canada).** Objective – to confirm that the horse's muscles are supple and loose, and that it moves freely forward to clear and steady rhythm, accepting contact with the bit.
- 5. FIRST LEVEL (Equine Canada).** Objective – to confirm that the horse, in addition to the requirements of Training Level, has developed thrust (pushing power) and achieved a degree of balance and “thoroughness”.

General Rules:

- 1. Central Ontario Regional Final competition is governed by the current Canadian Pony Club National Dressage Rules and the Central Ontario Region Dressage Rules. It is the rider's responsibility to be familiar with these rules. The organizing committee governs all conditions of the show.**
- All riders must have a current OEF membership.
- Dressage tests may **NOT** be called during this FINAL; they must be ridden from memory.
- Whips** are **now** permitted at Finals.
- All riders must wear an approved ASTM-SEI helmet or BSI standard helmet at all times when mounted. Random spot checks may be done.
- All riders must report to the official tack check **prior** to their test and may not leave the area before the start of their test. This is a mandatory check that is conducted immediately prior to the start of each test. Failure to appear at both checks will be cause for elimination. There may also be a tack check *after* the rider has completed each test. (CPC National Dressage Rules Sec 4.1 (b), 4.7, 4.8, 4.9)
- Competitors must supply their own gate person.
- The decision of the judge and/or ground jury is final in all matters.
- Should a tie occur, the competitor achieving the highest marks in the General Impression is declared the winner. If the tie still exists, it shall remain unbroken.
- Ribbons will be awarded to 6th place in each class, provided numbers sufficient. Champion and Reserve will be awarded in all technical divisions (i.e., NOT freestyle divisions).
- Scoring area is off limits to competitors, parents and coaches. Penalty is a warning and then elimination of the competitor.
- No dogs allowed on the show grounds.
- Tests will be available to be picked up after the class is complete and scores have been posted.
- The Central Ontario Region Pony Club shall not be held responsible for any accident, injury to, or for loss or damage to property belonging to the entrants or spectators.
- Food and refreshments will be available.
- Competitor numbers must be attached to horses when outside the trailer/stable area at all times including the warm-up areas. Failure to comply is grounds for elimination.

19. **Medical armbands must be worn ON THE ARM at all times when mounted. Failure to do so will result in elimination.**
20. Questions concerning the rules, scoring or entries may be made to the show organizer for discussion with the Organizing Committee. Protests must be made in writing prior to the completion of the show and accompanied by a deposit of \$50.00 cash.

Entry Rules:

1. **PRE-REGISTRATION ONLY. ABSOLUTELY NO POST ENTRIES.**
2. Regional is open only to Pony Club members. All of the competitors must be members in good standing of Canadian Pony Club.
3. **A horse rider combination must have attended at least one (1) Pony Club qualifying show and have attained a score of a minimum of 55% in at least two (2) qualifying tests in order to qualify for COR Dressage Regional Finals. List of eligible riders is on COR's website.**
4. Riders canceling their entries after the closing date will be refunded 50% of entry fees with the presentation of a signed veterinarian or doctor's certificate on or before the show date.
5. A horse/pony may be shared by a maximum of 2 riders in each class of the Entry and Starter Divisions only (i.e., one rider may ride Entry Test #1, and Test #2. A second rider may also ride the Entry Test #1 and Test #2 with the same horse/pony). **This rule is only for the entry and the starter divisions.**
6. At levels above Entry and Starter (Pre-training and above), a horse/pony may be ridden by two riders but may not cross over levels/divisions with one rider (i.e., Rider A rides at the lower level, rider B rides one level higher). The horse/pony may enter a maximum of 4 technical tests and a freestyle. Therefore, only one rider may ride the freestyle at the technical level of that rider. A rider may ride both tests in two divisions, but may only ride the freestyle at the higher level
7. Horse and rider combinations from Entry through Training level are only eligible for the Champion honour once at any given level, (i.e., A horse/rider combination that has achieved Champion from Entry through Training level is no longer eligible for this year-end award). Horse/rider combinations from First level onward are eligible for the Champion honour twice at any given level above First level for year-end purposes.
8. No horse/pony may compete in more than 4 technical tests and a freestyle or Prix Caprilli test (5 classes in total).
9. A separate entry form is required for each horse.
10. Riders entering more than one horse in a class, must state which horse is to go first.
11. Entry, Starter and Pre-training tests, Drill Team tests and Starter and Pre-Training Freestyle tests are Pony Club tests and are available at the Central Ontario Pony Club website. Training level and above in technical tests and First Level Freestyle tests are available on the Equine Canada website. Training Level Freestyle is available on the CADORA website.
12. CDs/music for the Freestyles must be clearly marked with the name of the rider and horse. CDs/music must be handed in to the Secretary (or as directed) when your number is picked up. The competitor must be prepared to supply someone to start their music in the event that a show does not have a volunteer for this function. When burning your CD, remember to use the "music disc" or "mastered" format as it is accepted in most devices and players. Be sure to test your CD before the show. If it will play in your car stereo, it will probably play in any CD device. If uncertain, you are welcome to bring your own CD player. Note that other types of players (computers, Ipods, etc.), are unlikely to be available, so again bring your own device to be certain.
13. Dressage times will be available Thursday, September 21st, online or by contacting Laurie Blake, Show Chairperson.
14. **ENTRY DEADLINE: Sunday, September 5, 2017. After that date, entries will be accepted at the organizer's discretion and will be subject to a \$25.00 late fee. ABSOLUTELY NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER September 16, 2017. NEW: There will be \$30 admin fee for each club entry (so \$30/branch NOT per rider). This fee will be refunded by cheque to the branch on the day of the show if COMPLETE entry package and payment are received by the deadline.**
15. Please make cheques payable to Central Ontario Region.

Classes Offered and Ring Sizes will be as follows:

ARENA SIZE 20m X 40m

CPC Entry Tests 1 & 2
CPC Starter Tests 1 & 2
CPC Pre-Training Tests 1 & 2
CPC Pre-Training Freestyle

ARENA SIZE 20m X 60m

Training Level EC Tests 2 & 3
First Level –EC Tests 2 & 3
First Level EC Freestyle

Directions to the Edenvue Equestrian Centre can be found here:

<https://www.google.ca/maps/place/Edenvue+Equestrian+Center/@44.4067161,-78.8965455,14.14z/data=!4m5!3m4!1s0x89d563123de934d5:0xcf42f2f66b11daf1!8m2!3d44.4040974!4d-78.8719868>

Note: All Competitors are Responsible for Removal of all Garbage and Manure

ACCEPTANCE OF RISK FORM

**THIS DOCUMENT WILL AFFECT YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS AND LIABILITIES.
PLEASE READ CAREFULLY.**

Every entry at the Central Ontario Region Dressage Finals competition shall constitute an agreement that the person making it, owner, lessee, trainer, manager, agent, coach, driver, rider, and the horse shall be subject to the Constitution and the Rules of the Canadian Pony Club, OEF, Equine Canada, and the local rules of the Competition, and that every horse, rider, and/or driver is eligible as entered and that the owner and any of his representatives are bound by the Constitution and Rules of the Canadian Pony Club, Equine Canada and the Competition, accept as final the decision of the hearing committee/ground jury on any questions arising under said rules and agree to hold the Competition, Canadian Pony Club, OEF, Equine Canada, their officials, directors and employees harmless for any action taken.

I acknowledge that any activity involving horses is high risk including but not limited to:

- a) the propensity of any equine to behave in ways that may result in injury, harm or death to persons on or around them and to potentially collide with, bit or kick other animals, people or objects;
- b) the unpredictability of an equine's reaction to such things as sounds, sudden movement, tremors, vibrations, unfamiliar objects, persons or other animals and hazards such as subsurface objects;
- c) the potential for other participants to behave in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury to themselves or others, including failing to act within their abilities to maintain control over an equine.

The laws of Ontario and the rules of Equine Canada require that Junior competitors wear proper fitting, approved protective headgear, with the safety harness correctly secured, at all times while mounted on competition or event grounds. Approved headgear meets the ASTM (American Society for Testing Materials) standards and displays the SEI (Safety Equipment Institute) seal. The British standard, BSI, is also acceptable. It is understood that if the competitor does not meeting this requirement that s/he will not be allowed to compete at these competitions.

I, _____ (competitor's name), do hereby certify that I, the undersigned, have read and understand the rules governing this show/competition and hereby agree to abide by them. I recognize that all equestrian sports involve inherent risk and that no helmet or protective equipment can protect against all foreseeable injury. I hereby accept this risk and hold harmless the Canadian Pony Club, OEF, Equine Canada, the facility, competition, officials, organizers, agents, employees and their representatives. Neither the Canadian Pony Club, host Pony Club(s), Staff, Organizers, Property Owners nor any person acting on their behalf, shall be held liable for any loss, damage, injury, or illness to horses, riders, spectators or any other persons or property whatsoever.

I hereby release the Central Ontario Region Pony Club, OEF, Equine Canada, the property owner, and their servants and agents from any liability arising out of my participation in this competition; and any liability to competitors, trainers, grooms, volunteers, spectators, animals or vehicles.

Name of Rider: _____ OEF #: _____

*Rider Signature: _____ Date: _____

*If a competitor/participant is under the age of 18 years, the parent/guardian must also sign below.

I acknowledge as parent/guardian of _____ that I have read and fully understand and agree to the terms and conditions stated herein on behalf of _____ and myself.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

NOTE: A signed copy of this waiver must accompany each entry.

Central Ontario Pony Club Dressage – Regional Finals



OEF SCHOOLING LEVEL COMPETITION

Host Pony Club Central Ontario Region
 Show Date Sunday, September 24, 2017
 Show Location Edenvue Equestrian Centre (combined with SJ)

Rider's Name _____ OEF# _____
 Branch _____ Tested Level _____
 Address _____
 Phone # _____ E-mail: _____
 Horse's Name _____ Horse Owner (if different from rider): _____

A separate entry is required for each horse/rider

Please check off classes being entered. Higher test levels may be added upon prior request.

TECHNICAL TESTS

CPC Starter 1. ___ 2. ___ EC Training 2. ___ 3. ___
 CPC Pre-training 1. ___ 2. ___ EC First Level 2. ___ 3. ___

FREESTYLES

CPC Pre-Training Freestyle _____
 First Level EC Freestyle _____

TOTALS

Entry fee technical tests \$ 30.00 per class X _____ (# of classes) = \$ _____
 Entry fee – Freestyles \$ 25.00 per class X _____ (# of classes) = \$ _____
 Entry fee for **MYSTERY TEST** \$ 25.00/RIDER = \$ _____
 (Required at Training & First Level)
 ADMIN FEE (refunded at show) = \$ _____ (per branch)
 LATE ENTRIES ADD \$25.00 \$ _____
Total Fee Enclosed \$ _____

 SIGNATURE OF DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

 Date

Make cheques payable to *Central Ontario Region*.

All entries must come from Branch. Only BRANCH CHEQUES will be accepted by Organizers. Only entries received with payment in full enclosed will be processed. The Agreement For Release and Waiver of Liability must be signed BY EACH RIDER and returned with the entry form.

MAIL ENTRIES TO: Laurie Blake, COR Dressage Chair, 1025 Line 5 N, Oro-Medonte, ON L0L 2E0