



MODA Recognized Championships Rules

The Mid-Ohio Dressage Association, hereinafter referred to as MODA, is pleased to announce that we are holding an Annual Championship Series for all active MODA members. Be sure to read all of the following rules and regulations to be a part of this Annual Championship Series.

Rules for Qualifying:

1. The MODA qualifying year is from **August 26th 2011-August 6th 2012**.
2. A horse and rider combination may qualify for the MODA Championship by earning one qualifying score in each level at a MODA approved show during the MODA qualifying year. Qualifying classes are the highest test at each level, or freestyle at that level. For example, Introductory B and C, Training Level Test 3, etc. Winning or placing in the class is not necessary as long as the score is earned. A horse and rider combination only needs one score to qualify for their level. ***Please see chart below for qualifying scores and levels.***
3. All qualifying scores for the MODA Championship classes must be submitted to the MODA Qualifying Secretary. A copy of the test will be required for proof of qualified scores. Riders and/or Owners are responsible to submit all scores prior to the closing date of the MODA Championship.
4. The MODA Qualifying Secretary will notify all qualified horse and rider combinations by posting the list of qualified riders on the MODA website (www.midohiodressage.org) as the competitors send in their score reports. If the rider does not find their name before the MODA Championship closing date, they should contact and confirm their scores with the MODA Qualifying Secretary.
5. A horse and rider combination may move up a level during the competition year, but at the MODA Championship competition they may only compete in two consecutive levels, including both the Open Show classes and the MODA Championship classes.
6. Each rider must declare the division in which they wish to compete, prior to each qualifying ride in a MODA approved show or for their scores submitted. Adult Amateur and JR/YR may choose to qualify in the Open division. In the MODA Championship classes, the rider must declare only one division they wish to compete in. Cross-entering classes are forbidden.
7. In classes with more than one judge, scores among the judges of the ride will be averaged.
8. Qualifying rides must be ridden in an unmodified standard 20m x 60m arena.

Rules for Rider, Horse and Owner:

1. A rider and owner must be a MODA member in good standing prior to earning their qualifying scores.
2. A horse must be registered with MODA prior to earning qualifying scores.
3. A rider and owner must be a USDF/USEF member in good standing prior to earning their qualifying scores.
4. A horse must be registered with USEF/USDF, or have an HID number prior to earning qualifying scores.

Rules for Competing in MODA Championship Classes:

1. For purposes of MODA only, riders do not have to be U.S. citizens. All horses and riders should comply with any and all applicable rules for competing at a recognized show. (USEF Rules)
2. A rider and owner must be a USDF/USEF member in good standing to participate in the MODA Championship classes.
3. A horse must be registered with USEF/USDF, or have an HID number to participate in the MODA Championship classes.
4. A rider and owner must be in good standing with MODA to participate in the MODA Championship classes.
5. Horses must be registered with MODA to participate in the MODA Championship classes.
6. Only two consecutive levels may be ridden at MODA Championships. **If entered in the Intro level class, that horse and rider combination may not compete in any other level for the Championship.**
7. All riders must ride their test by memory in the Championship classes.
8. No whip is allowed in the Championship classes.
9. The top six riders are encouraged to return mounted or in hand and in proper attire for the awards ceremonies in order to receive their awards. If there is a conflict, a horse and rider are not able to be present at the awards ceremony; it is the riders' responsibility to contact a MODA representative to be excused from the presentation so they can still obtain their placing in the class.

MODA Championship Awards:

1. Ribbons will be awarded for first through sixth places.
2. All Championship classes will be awarded and divided as; JR/YR, Adult Amateur, and Open. If there is fewer than two JR/YR or Adult Amateurs in a class, those divisions will be combined.

Rules for Qualifying Competitions:

1. Shows must be recognized by the USEF, USDF and approved by MODA to receive qualifying scores.
2. The horse and rider combination does NOT have to enter the GAIG/USDF Qualifying class to get a qualifying score. Therefore, the rider will not have to pay the extra \$10 fee to obtain a qualifying score for the MODA Championships.
3. A list of MODA approved shows will always be available on the website at www.midohiodressage.org

Rules for Hosting MODA Championship:

1. The Championships must be held in Region 2.
2. The MODA Championship class entry fees should not be less than \$45 or more than \$65.
3. Prize lists must be available to all MODA Championship qualifiers. The list of qualifiers will be made available by the Qualifying Secretary. All Qualifying entries must be accepted as long as they are postmarked by closing date.
4. Scheduling:
 - a. A MODA Championship classes will be offered on either Saturday or Sunday of the competition.
 - b. Time should be allocated for formal mounted or in hand awards ceremonies. It does not have to be at the end of each class but can be with all divisions being awarded at one time.
5. The MODA Qualifying secretary must verify that all entrants in the MODA Championships have qualified. A list of all riders on record that have qualified will be provided by closing date of the MODA Championship. A rider may not compete that has not qualified according to the MODA Qualifying Secretary.

MODA Championship Qualifying Percentages

Each rider must declare the division in which they wish to compete. Adult Amateur and JR/YR may choose to qualify in the Open division. **ONLY 1 SCORE NEEDED IN EACH LEVEL TO QUALIFY!**

Qualifying MODA Classes	Adult Amateur	Junior/Young Rider	Open
Introductory Level Test B Or C	60%	60%	60%
Training Level Test 3	60%	60%	60%
First Level Test 3	60%	60%	60%
Second Level Test 3	59%	59%	59%
Third Level Test 3	58%	58%	58%
Fourth Level Test 3	57%	57%	57%
Prix St Georges	57%	57%	57%
Intermediare I	57%	57%	57%
Intermediare II	57%	57%	57%
Grand Prix	57%	57%	57%
Musical Freestyle 1 st Level			60%
Musical Freestyle 2 nd Level			60%
Musical Freestyle 3 rd Level			60%
Musical Freestyle 4 th Level			60%
Musical Freestyle Intermediare Level			60%
Musical Freestyle Grand Prix Level			60%

Competitors may check their scores by checking the www.midohiodressage.org website or by sending an email to Jackie Sharp, MODA Qualifying Secretary, Jackie@heartfeltfarms.com. For more information call Jackie Sharp at 614-551-3099 or email at Jackie@heartfeltfarms.com.