

## South Wind Dressage & Eventing Association 2018 Year End Awards Qualification Rules

### DEFINITIONS OF SHOW TYPES

**SWDEA Show:** A horse show organized and hosted by SWDEA members, at any chosen facility. Scores are automatically recorded by SWDEA Score Keeper for year-end awards.

**Local Show:** A local horse show must be pre-approved by the SWDEA Board. Scores are automatically submitted by the show organizers to SWDEA's Score Keeper and may count towards SWDEA year-end awards. There is no cost for these scores to be submitted.

**Other Shows:** Only applies to **DRESSAGE, WESTERN DRESSAGE, EVENT & COMBINED TEST**. Shows that are not hosted, or affiliated with SWDEA for direct score submission by the show organizer. Riders must submit scores from these shows directly to the SWDEA Score Keeper via email or through the SWDEA website (see score submission at [www.swdea.com](http://www.swdea.com)). Scores must be submitted within 30 days of competition date.

### ANTICIPATED 2018 SHOW CALENDAR

The 2018 SWDEA show year runs from November 1, 2017 – October 31, 2018 and includes the November 2018 SWDEA show. All other shows held in November 2017 will count toward 2018 show year.

#### 2018 SWDEA and Local Show Dates:

November 11, 2017 – SWDEA Show at Mahan Farm  
February 3, 2018 – SWDEA CT, Dressage, and Jumper Show Moccasin Stables  
April 7, 2018 - SWDEA Jumper Show at Terra Chula Farm  
May 12, 2018 - Gray Lily Farm  
June 2, 2018 - Mahan Farm  
September 8, 2018 - SWDEA Jumper Show at Moccasin Stables  
September 29, 2018 - Mahan Farm  
October 27, 2018 - Gray Lily Farm  
November 10, 2018 - SWDEA Show Mahan Farm

### DEFINITIONS OF RIDER CLASSIFICATIONS

**Junior Rider:** Any rider under the age of 18, as of December 1<sup>st</sup> of the show year. JR riders may NOT earn any money by teaching lessons or clinics, training, or exercising horses. If a rider under the age of 18 earning any money to teach or train/exercise, he or she will be classified as an Open Rider (see below).

**Adult Amateur Rider:** Any rider 18 years or older, as of December 1<sup>st</sup> of the show year. AA Riders may NOT earn any money by teaching lessons or clinics, training, or exercising horses. If a rider age 18 or over is earning any money to teach or train/exercise, he or she will be classified as an Open Rider (see below).

**Open Rider:** Any rider, who earns any money by teaching lessons or clinics, training, or exercising horses at any point during the show year.

## SWDEA 2018 Year End Awards Qualification Rules

### GENERAL CRITERIA FOR ALL DISCIPLINES

Only current SWDEA members are eligible to qualify for year-end awards.

All scores for Dressage, Western Dressage, Combined Test, and Eventing must be earned under an "L" judge or higher.

There is no limit on the number of horses on which a rider may qualify.

Riders may not take a lesson or clinic with the Dressage Judge or house the Dressage Judge, within 30 days prior to the show.

If a horse's name is changed at any time during the show year, the rider must submit the change to the SWDEA Score Keeper within 30 days of the show. Any horse being shown by multiple riders must be shown under the same name by all riders.

### GENERAL SCORING CRITERIA FOR ALL DISCIPLINES

Any rider must be a member of or join SWDEA during the month of which the score is earned and submitted.

All scores from Other Shows must be submitted within 30 days of the show date. See score submission criteria online.

No incomplete, retired during ride, eliminated (for any reason), disqualified, or scores which do not qualify, will count or be recorded.

Scores count for each horse and rider combination in each discipline, class, division, or level.

A horse/rider combination winning an award at any given level will not be eligible to compete for awards at a lower level the following year.

The same horse/rider combination will only be eligible for awards in the two (2) highest levels or divisions they have competed in one (1) year.

### YEAR END RIDER QUALIFICATIONS

To be eligible for SWDEA Year End awards, members must have qualifying scores in any division or class per discipline or level between Nov 1, 2017 and October 31, 2018 AND satisfy the following requirements:

**Option A:** Participate in 2 SWDEA Shows; OR

**Option B:** Participate in 1 SWDEA Show and pay a \$50 fee per member by November 10, 2018; OR

**Option C:** Attend 1 SWDEA Show and volunteer for a total of eight (8) hours at approved SWDEA events or shows; OR

**Option D (*Board Members Only*):** Participate 1 SWDEA Show and be in good standing with the Board.

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### SCORE SUBMISSION

THE PROCEDURE IS LISTED ON WEBSITE AT WWW.SWDEA.COM

Complete the form on the SWDEA website or send a direct email to the scorekeeper. This must include the rider's name, horse's name, date of show, name of show, judge's name, and include a picture or hyperlink, of the final scores.

All scores must be submitted within 30 days of the horse show; October scores must be submitted by October 31, 2018 to count toward year-end awards.

All scores submitted must match the appropriate SWDEA division in order to be eligible to count for a year end award.

**Other Shows:** There will be a \$5.00 submission fee for each score submitted from Other Shows. **Submitted scores which do not qualify will NOT be recorded nor will a submission fee refund be issued.** The \$5.00 submission fee must be paid in full at the time of the score submission or it will NOT be recorded or counted towards year end awards.

Incomplete score submissions will not be counted toward year end awards. It is the responsibility of the member to follow up with the Score Keeper to make sure all documents were received and recorded correctly.

### NOMINATED AWARDS

The criteria for submitting nominations for these awards will be determined by the SWDEA Board each year.

#### **NOMINATED AWARDS:**

*SWDEA MVP (Most Valuable Person) Award* – This award is presented to the nominated individual (spouse, significant other, sibling, parent, etc.) who has shown support for a SWDEA member's personal riding activities as well as for SWDEA.

*Adult Volunteer of the Year Award* – This award will be presented to the adult member who has demonstrated outstanding volunteer effort throughout the year.

*Junior Volunteer of the Year Award* - This award will be presented to the JR member who has demonstrated outstanding volunteer effort throughout the year.

*Susan Wager Adult Sportsmanship Award*- This award is in memory of Susan Wager and will be presented to the SWDEA adult member who has shown exceptional spirit and determination when met with difficult times and exhibits exceptional sportsmanship.

*Debbie Lillibridge Junior Sportsmanship Award* - presented to the SWDEA JR member who has shown exceptional spirit and determination when met with difficult times and exhibits exceptional sportsmanship.

The SWDEA President and SWDEA Board may also present special awards and recognitions each year.

# SWDEA 2018 Year End Awards Qualification Rules

## DRESSAGE SPECIFIC AWARDS CRITERIA

The following information applies to classical Dressage tests, Intro through Grand Prix. Equitation, Rider Tests, Freestyle, and Musical Freestyle scores may not be submitted for High Average Dressage or High Point Dressage year-end awards. See separate Musical Freestyle criteria.

Only USEF or USDF test scores will be considered. Dressage scores from Eventing or Combined Test may not be used towards year end awards.

All dressage scores must be above 58.9% to be considered qualifying.

Awards MAY be divided by rider classification (JR/AA/Open) for all Levels.

Note: If the same horse/rider wins the high average and high score, the member may receive one nice award and two ribbons.

### **DRESSAGE – HIGH AVERAGE:**

All levels will be awarded Champion through sixth place.

The HIGH AVERAGE SCORE will be based on the average of the top highest scores earned or submitted.

The Rider's average will be calculated by the

- Top 4 scores for Intro, Training, and First Level; and
- Top 3 scores for Second Level and Above.

To be eligible for awards at least one (1) score counting toward the average must be earned at the highest test for that level (Training Level and above), except for Introductory level which will use Test B as the highest test.

Scores must be earned from a minimum of two different Dressage judges.

Note: The Prix St. George High Average Champion will receive the Patti O'Sullivan Menard Award.

### **DRESSAGE – HIGH POINT:**

All levels will be awarded a High Point award; all general criteria must be met for eligibility.

### **MUSICAL FREESTYLE, PAS DE DEUX, QUADRILLE:**

All musical rides will be combined into one category/level for year-end awards.

## SWDEA 2018 Year End Awards Qualification Rules

### WESTERN DRESSAGE SPECIFIC AWARDS CRITERIA

The following information applies to Western Dressage tests, Intro through Level 3 only. Equitation, Rider Tests, and/or Musical Ride scores may not be submitted for High Average Western Dressage or High Point Western Dressage year-end awards. See separate Musical ride criteria.

Awards MAY be divided by rider classification (JR/AA/Open) for all Levels.

All dressage scores must be above 56% to be considered qualifying.

Note: If the same horse/rider wins the high average and high score, the member may receive one nice award and two ribbons.

#### **WESTERN DRESSAGE - HIGH AVERAGE:**

All levels will be awarded Champion through sixth place.

The HIGH AVERAGE SCORE will be based on the average of the top highest scores earned or submitted.

The Rider's average will be calculated by using the:

- Top 4 scores for Intro, Basic, and Level 1; and
- Top 3 scores for Level 2 and Above.

To be eligible for awards at least one (1) score counting toward the average must be earned at the highest test for that level (Basic Level and above), except for Intro level which will use Test 2 as the highest test.

Scores must be earned from a minimum of two different Dressage judges.

#### **WESTERN DRESSAGE – HIGH POINT:**

All levels will be awarded a High Point award; all general criteria must be met for eligibility.

#### **WESTERN DRESSAGE – MUSICAL FREESTYLE, PAS DE DEUX, QUADRILLE:**

All musical rides will be combined into one category/level for year-end awards.

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### EVENTING SPECIFIC AWARDS CRITERIA

All Eventing scores must be from a 3-phase show format: Dressage, Show Jumping, and Cross Country. Final SCORES are those tallied after all three Eventing phases are complete. Event riders must accrue SCORES using any SWDEA comparable Eventing divisions:

Intro/Amoeba 18", Starter/Tadpole 2', Beg. Novice 2'6"-2'7", Novice 2'11-3', Training 3'3", Preliminary 3'7".

All final scores must be below 60.00 to be considered qualifying.

Awards MAY be divided by rider classification (JR/AA/Open) for all Levels.

Note: If the same horse/rider wins the Low Average and Low Score, the member may receive one nice award and two ribbons.

#### **EVENTING – LOW AVERAGE:**

All divisions will be awarded Champion through sixth place.

The Low Average Score will be based on the average of the lowest three (3) scores submitted at each level.

Scores must be earned from a minimum of two different Dressage judges.

#### **EVENTING – LOW POINT:**

All levels will be awarded a Low Point award; all general criteria must be met for eligibility.

### COMBINED TEST SPECIFIC AWARDS CRITERIA

All Combined Test (CT) scores must be from a 2-phase show format: Dressage and Show Jumping. CT Riders must accrue qualifying SCORES using any SWDEA comparable CT divisions:

Cross Rails 12", Intro/Amoeba 18", Starter/Tadpole 2', Beg. Novice 2'6"-2'7", Novice 2'11-3', Training 3'3", Preliminary 3'6"-3'7".

All final scores must be below 50.00 penalty points to be considered qualifying.

Awards MAY be divided by rider classification (JR/AA/Open) for all Levels.

Note: If the same horse/rider wins the low average and low score, the member may receive one nice award and two ribbons.

Final SCORES are those tallied after both CT phases are complete.

#### **COMBINED TEST – LOW AVERAGE:**

All levels will be awarded Champion through sixth place.

The Low Average Score will be based on the average of the three (3) lowest scores submitted.

Scores must be earned from a minimum of two different Dressage judges.

#### **COMBINED TEST – LOW POINT:**

All levels will be awarded a Low Point award; all general criteria must be met for eligibility.

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## JUMPER SPECIFIC AWARDS CRITERIA

All Jumper scores must be from a 1-phase show format: Show Jumping only.

Year End Jumper awards are based on the number of points accrued at each of the height divisions:

Ground Poles, 12" (Cross Rails), 18", 2', 2'3", 2'6", 2'9", 3', 3'3", 3'6"

For 12" (Cross Rails) awards MAY be split into walk trot, optimum time, or Table 2(b) / Table 3 divisions.

All divisions will be awarded Champion through sixth place. However, Ground Poles, Walk/Trot or Optimum Time 12" (Cross Rails) may be awarded Champion through tenth place.

Awards MAY be divided by rider classification (JR/AA/Open) for all divisions.

Awards for the Overall High Point Rider and Overall High Point Horse MAY be given.

Points accrue for each horse/rider combination, in each class. Points follow the RIDER for Ground Poles and the 12" Walk Trot Cross Rails divisions.

For the Ground Poles Division, points will be based on a red/blue system.

The following placings shall be provided:

- Course completed in the designated time and rider has no refusals they shall earn a blue ribbon (1<sup>st</sup> place).
- Course completed over the designated time and/or incurs less than 2 refusals they shall earn a red ribbon (2<sup>nd</sup> place).
- Over 2 refusals, and the rider shall be DQ'ed.

Points will be earned from placing in each class, at each height. All Jumper classes at SWDEA shows are worth double points and single point for Local shows. Points earned from Other Shows will not be considered for year end points. The number of points earned per class placing from SWDEA and Local Shows are provided in the table below.

PLACE	SWDEA	LOCAL
1	14	7
2	10	5
3	8	4
4	6	3
5	4	2
6	2	1