Guidelines for SWDEA Online Dressage Shows

All tests must be ridden in arenas with perimeters and letters and both must be visible on the video. All USEF/USDF/WDAA rules apply.

How To Video Your Dressage Test *

*If you can, mount the camera on a tripod to keep the camera steady. Video from behind the judge's position at "C", outside the arena. The judge needs to see the entire horse and rider clearly. If you are using a mobile device, ensure the video is in landscape (hold phone sideways.) Ensure the whole arena including the letters can be seen.

*Start the video before the rider enters at A. Keep the horse and rider in the center of the frame.

*Keep the camera still at C, move to the left or right to ensure all movements at M & H are captured. Avoid zooming in and out dramatically or quickly. Although some zooming may be required when the horse and rider are at the far end of the arena.

*You may stop the recording once the horse and rider have halted at the end of their test.

- *DO NOT EDIT THE VIDEO. Any video which is suspected of having been edited will not be accepted. In these circumstances no refund will be offered.
- * If Coaching is heard on the audio the test will be eliminated. In these circumstances no refund will be offered.
- *A video of a test/ride from another competition that has already been judged, or a video that is suspected of having been videoed during another competition, will not be accepted. In these circumstances no refund will be offered.
 - *The sound for the test must be audible. Videos that are submitted with no sound will be rejected.

*There must be no music incorporated into the video (unless a musical freestyle test is submitted but, this music must be played live during your ride not inserted after.) You must be able to hear the natural sounds of the test, ie wildlife, horse and rider.

What to do After Videoing

Upload your videos to YouTube.com. This can easily be done via smart phone through the YouTube App or through a desktop computer.

Title your video with the rider's full name, horse's name and the test being ridden.

Once all of your tests are uploaded, use the online entry form at swdea.com to submit all of your YouTube links.

Each horse/rider combination may ride the same test up to 3 times per online show. This means that there are 3 separate recordings. You may NOT submit the same video 3 times. You may NOT use the same videos from a prior online show.