

New! WDCTA Western Dressage Championship Awards Program

- A. A champion, reserve champion and 3rd – 6th places will be awarded for each level.
- B. One freestyle champion, reserve champion and 3rd – 6th place will be awarded for all WDAA Freestyle test levels combined (Intro – Level 4).
- C. Open, Adult Amateur and JR/YR will be combined into one Division, defined as “Open.”
- D. Levels are defined as Intro through Level 4, using the current Western Dressage Association of America tests found at <http://westerndressageassociation.org>.
- E. The horse rider combination must have three qualifying scores from three different judges from two different shows. WDCTA will accept scores from WDAA or USEF Recognized shows and from WDCTA-recognized Schooling shows, but Judges must be USDF "L" Graduates, or WDAA Licensed, or USEF 'r' or higher.
- F. Scores must be a minimum of 60% at Intro through Level Four.
- G. Scores must be from WDAA tests only. The scores will be averaged.
- H. Scores must be earned at WDCTA and/or USEF/WDAA recognized shows, open to all breeds. WDCTA does not recognize virtual shows for this awards program.
- I. One test score must be from the highest test for the level.
- J. When a clinic is run in conjunction with a schooling show, using the show's judge as the clinician, the show must be held BEFORE the clinic in order for the rider's scores to qualify for year-end awards.
- K. The rider must send to the Awards Chair a “GOOD QUALITY” photocopy of the original test for each qualifying score. Photocopy must clearly state the show name, horse and rider, class, date, judge, score and judges signature. Photocopy does not have to include individual movement scores and comments.
- L. **Scores must be postmarked on or before November 30. Email will be accepted. No exceptions.**
- M. If receipt confirmation of scores is desired, send self-addressed stamped postcard with score sheets; Awards Committee will return postcard when results are received. This will be the only notification that results were received.

Registration and Eligibility:

1. The rider and owner of the horse must be members in good standing of WDCTA at the time scores are obtained.
2. Championship registration for each horse and rider combination must be postmarked at least 7 days prior to the first show from which they plan to submit scores.
3. A fee of \$25.00 for each level must be paid for **each horse and rider combination** to be eligible for championships.
4. The recorder/Awards chair must be notified in writing and fees paid if adding a level or division later in the year.
5. All registrations are for the show year December 1 through November 30.

6. A champion and reserve champion will be named for each division at each level of competition