



ADA Para-Dressage (EC Tests) Performance Award Program

(Program approved February 2024 with tests accepted commencing January 1, 2023)

General Reference for ALL levels: Eligible shows must be held in Alberta commencing no earlier than January 1, 2023. No Performance time limit or horse restrictions (scores can be achieved on different horses over any number of years).

Applicant must be a member of an ADA area group and be a resident of Alberta. Applicants must have registered with the EC Para-Dressage Dispensation Master List and include their EC Para-Dressage Dispensation number on the application form. Eligible shows include AEF Wild Rose Shows, EC Bronze/Silver/Gold Shows, and FEI Shows held in Alberta commencing January 1, 2023.

A copy of the submitted tests must accompany the Submission Form in order to validate scores. Scans of the tests should include: **name of test; name of rider; name of show; date of show; percentage achieved; name of judge(s).**

Eligible tests will be the EC National Para-Equestrian Dressage Tests as listed on the EC Para-Dressage website <https://www.equestrian.ca/sport/para-dressage/tests>

Summary of EC Grades & Levels: There are 3 EC Grades and 3 Levels (Tests) in each Grade.

Summary of options: the rider will make 3 choices – Grade; Level; Options

1. GRADES

- a. #1 – Walk only
- b. #2 – Walk/Trot
- c. #3 – Walk/Trot/Canter

2. LEVELS (Bronze, Silver, Gold)

- a. Level #1 – Test #1 (Bronze)
- b. Level #2 – Test #2 (Silver)
- c. Level #3 – Test #3 (Gold)

3. OPTIONS (note eligible scores are 60.000% or better)

- a. **Option A:** 4 test scores from the same Level (preferred test)
- b. **Option B:** the “option” is limited to the tests that have the paces/gaits required in the movements of the Level (Tests) you have chosen (eg. Walk only, or Walk/Trot)
 - i. 3 test scores from your preferred Level (Tests)
 - ii. PLUS one score from the following
 1. Test from the next highest Level (test)
 2. FEI Freestyle test
 3. Equivalent EC National regular dressage test
 4. Equivalent FEI Para test
- c. **Option C:** same as OPTION B but:
 - i. 2 test scores from your preferred Level (Test)
 - ii. 2 test scores from the PLUS options #1-4

(Example: **Grade** (#2 walk/trot); **Level** (Level #1 - Test #1 – Bronze); **Option A** (submit 4 tests sheets of 60.000%+ for EC Para-Dressage Test #1 ridden at 2 or 3 different shows with Judge A (J. Doe) and Judge B (M. Smart).



Specific Directives

Riders will choose: GRADE; LEVEL (TEST); OPTION. Bronze, Silver, or Gold Stable plaques will be awarded to riders who have fulfilled the outlined requirements. It is possible for a rider to receive all 3 awards in a specific GRADE as they move through the 3 Levels (Tests).

More than one horse may be used to achieve the required scores. Scores can be achieved over any number of years commencing January 1, 2023.

A specific rider could achieve a Bronze, Silver, and Gold in their life time at the Grade for their Para Classification.

- Eligible scores must be 60.000% or higher
- Note: 4 eligible scores must be submitted as per the Option chosen
- Scores must be from at least 2 different judges or judging panels
- Eligible Alberta shows: AEF Wild Rose; EC Bronze; EC Silver; EC Gold; or FEI sanctioned

General Directives for Individual Performance and Medal Awards

If the test scores are an average of 2 or more judges, the average score must be considered a single score to be used as a requirement.

If a judge was a member of a judging panel on a submitted average score, that judge's score could be used on a different submitted score on a different test if that judge was adjudicating alone. If two scores are submitted from two judging panels, Panel #1 could be Judge A and B, and Panel #2 could be Judge A and C. Note Judge A is the same person but judging with a different partner.

Copies of Tests must accompany the Submission Form in order to validate scores. Scans of tests should include: **name of test; name of rider; name of show; date of show; percentage achieved; name of judge(s)**. To apply for the ADA Para-Dressage Performance Awards, the Application Form and copies of applicable tests will be sent to the ADA Awards Committee upon completion of the Award requirements.

Awards will be presented once a year (probably at a year-end Championship Show). Deadline for submissions TBA (likely mid-summer).

Submit this application to the ADA Awards Committee at ada@albertadressage.com

For specific details and application form go to "Para-Dressage" at:
<http://www.albertadressage.com/>

If you have any questions about the ADA Para-Dressage Performance Award Program, please contact the ADA Awards Committee at ada@albertadressage.com