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ADA Dressage Medal Award Program

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General Reference for ALL levels: Eligible shows must be held in Alberta commencing no earlier than January 1, 2021. No time limit or horse restrictions (scores can be achieved on different horses over any number of years).

Freestyle tests ridden at eligible shows dated no earlier than January 1, 2023 are eligible for any Award or Medal as outlined below.

Applicant must be a member of an ADA area group and a resident of Alberta.

FEI Equivalencies: are noted in each category as published in the most current EC Dressage Rulebook. In the event of changes to these equivalences, the most current EC Dressage Rulebook will be used.

Rider Performance and a specific Medal can only be received once in a life time.

General Directives for Rider 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 so that test score is accepted.

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 Rider Performance Award or Medal Awards, the Submission Form and copies of applicable tests will be sent to the ADA Awards Committee upon completion of the Award requirements.

The date of deadline for submission, and the date and location of presentations will be determined annually.

Send the Submission Form and Copies of Tests to the ADA Awards Committee at:
ada@albertadressage.com

For specific details and submission form go to: <http://www.albertadressage.com/>

Rider Performance Award:

- 4 scores of 60.000% or higher from 4 different tests at Training and/or First Level from at least 2 different competitions and 2 different judges ("different tests" means Test #1, #2, #3)
- If all tests are from the same level, submit Test #1, #2, and #3 plus one repeated test of your choice from a different judge or show.
- One Freestyle test with a score of 60.000% or higher from either Training or First Level may be used in place of the Test #1 or Test #2.
- The Freestyle Test must be from the Eligible Shows commencing in January 1, 2023.
- Your choice of tests **must** include Test #3 of either Training or First Level
- FEI 4-Year-Old Tests are equivalent to Training Level so could be used for Training Level Requirement
- Eligible shows: AEF Wild Rose; EC Bronze; EC Silver; EC Gold

Bronze Medal:

- 4 scores of 60.000% or higher
- 2 scores from First Level and 2 scores from Second Level including 2 different tests at each level
- One Freestyle test with a score of 60.000% or higher from either First Level or Second Level may be used in place of a technical test.
- The Freestyle Test must be from the Eligible Shows commencing in January 1, 2023.
- Scores from at least 2 different judges or judging panels
- FEI Pony Tests; FEI Children Tests are equivalent to Second Level so could be used as the Second Level requirement
- FEI 4-Year-Old Tests are equivalent to Training Level so could be used for Training Level Requirement
- FEI 5-Year-Old Tests are equivalent to Second Level so could be used for Second Level Requirement
- Eligible shows: AEF Wild Rose; EC Bronze; EC Silver; EC Gold; FEI sanctioned

Silver Medal:

- 4 scores of 60.000% or higher
- 2 scores from Third Level and 2 scores from Fourth Level including 2 different tests at each level
- One Freestyle test with a score of 60.000% or higher from either Third Level or Fourth Level may be used in place of a technical test.
- The Freestyle Test must be from the Eligible Shows commencing in January 1, 2023.
- Scores from 2 different judges or judging panels
- FEI Junior tests are equivalent to Third Level so could be used as the Third Level requirement
- FEI 6-Year-Old Tests are equivalent to Third Level so could be used for Third Level Requirement
- FEI 7-Year-Old Tests are equivalent to Developing Prix St. Georges, FEI Prix St. Georges or Fourth Level, so could be used for Fourth Level Requirement
- Eligible shows: EC Gold; FEI sanctioned



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Definition of “different tests” for Gold Medal and Platinum Medal: there is only one FEI test published in any given “year” so the scores would be the same “test” but a different “ride” with different judges or judging panel.

Gold Medal:

- 4 scores of 60.000% or higher
- 2 scores from PSG and 2 scores from Intermediate I with 2 different judges or judging panels
- One Intermediate I Freestyle test with a score of 60.000% or higher may be used in place of a technical test.
- The Freestyle Test must be from the Eligible Shows commencing in January 1, 2023.
- FEI Young Rider tests are equivalent to PSG so may be used as the PSG requirement
- FEI 7-Year-Old Tests are equivalent to Developing Prix St. Georges, FEI Prix St. Georges or Fourth Level, so may be used for Prix St. Georges Level Requirement
- Eligible shows: EC Gold; FEI sanctioned

Platinum Medal:

- 4 scores of 60.000% or higher
- 2 scores from Intermediate A, B, or II and 2 scores from Grand Prix OR 4 scores from Grand Prix with 2 different judges or judging panels
- One Intermediate A/B or Grand Prix Freestyle test with a score of 60.000% or higher may be used in place of a technical test.
- The Freestyle Test must be from the Eligible Shows commencing in January 1, 2023.
- FEI Intermediate A and B tests are equivalent to Intermediate II so may be used as the Intermediate II requirement
- FEI U25 test may be used as the Grand Prix requirement
- Grand Prix Special may be used as the Grand Prix requirement
- Eligible shows: EC Gold; FEI sanctioned

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