



***DRESSAGE NIAGARA
SHOW SERIES 2018***

***BRONZE AND SILVER
DRESSAGE COMPETITIONS***

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Welcome to the 2018 Dressage Niagara Bronze and Silver Show Series



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Every class offered herein is covered by the rules and specifications of the current rules of Equestrian Canada and will be held and judged in accordance with the EC rule book

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CLASSES, TESTS & DIVISIONS

Divisions Offered: *Bronze and Silver Divisions*

Junior: open to riders until the end of the calendar year in which they turn 18.

Adult Amateur: Any athlete, over the age of 18 years, and who has not earned remuneration from teaching or training in the horse industry (Article E3.4.2)

- Any athlete, 18 years and over, who has represented Canada as a Young Rider and who has not competed for period of two years may apply to EC to have their amateur status reinstated.
- Amateur status is issued by EC on EC sport license cards. All persons wishing EC amateur status must pay the appropriate fees, complete and sign the amateur declaration, which is on the sport license application/renewal form affirming eligibility.

Open: open to all riders.

Para-Equestrian: References Sec. A – Article 214

- Para athletes competing in able-bodied tests must conform to the dress code for their level (E 4.1.6.1).
- If compensatory aids are required, the athlete must submit copies of his or her classification card and/or Para Equestrian Medical Form to Dressage Niagara when the entry is made. Copies shall be submitted as follows: One for the steward and one for each test to be ridden (E 4.1.6.2).

Classes Offered: EC Walk/Trot through Fourth level & FEI levels up to Intermediate I.

*All tests will be ridden in a 20x60m ring with the exception of Para-Equestrian Classes

*A horse may compete at two consecutive levels to a maximum of four tests per day (including a Freestyle test). See the 2018 Competition Schedule (page 5) for the specific tests to be offered at each show.

For all EC competitions, riders wishing to compete in two categories of a division (e.g. Junior/Open or Amateur/Open) will pay two entry fees and will ride one test; their score will count for both categories.

Note: Junior and Amateur categories may not be combined

Eligibility for Freestyles at Silver Shows: to enter a Freestyle at a Silver competition, a horse/rider combination must achieve a score of 55% or better in a technical test at the same competition level or higher prior to competing in the Freestyle class (E10.6.1). No minimum technical score required for Bronze

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Miscellaneous Classes: *Bronze Division offered only at August show*

Materiale Classes: Reference Article E. Chapter 12,

1. Limited to three year old horses
2. Limited to four year old horses and ponies

Routine:

- Horses/ponies enter the ring at a walk in clockwise direction at the discretion of the ringmaster and officiating judge(s).
- Entries are to be shown in both directions in the ring at a walk, trot and canter.
- Horses/ponies will not be asked to gallop but may be asked to lengthen the stride at trot.

Judging:

- 60% paces; 30% conformation; 10% General Impression (including impulsion, balance, rideability, presence and suitability to dressage).
- Horses/ponies may be stripped for conformation.
- Available ribbons and prizes may not necessarily be awarded if the entries do not warrant them in the opinion of the judge(s).

**Duration of each class will not exceed 20 minutes*

***Year End Awards will not apply for Materiale classes*

All EC tests may be called. All FEI tests and all freestyle tests must be ridden from memory. It is the responsibility of the rider to provide his/her own reader.

Walk/Trot through 4th Level tests may be downloaded from
www.equestrian.ca/sport/dressage/tests

FEI Level tests may be downloaded from <http://inside.fei.org/fei/your-role/organisers/dressage/tests>

A Freestyle test is open to horses competing at the same technical level or higher as the Freestyle (E 10.6.1).

A horse/rider combination may compete in a maximum of 2 consecutive EC Freestyle levels per day (E 10.6.3)

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COMPETITION SCHEDULE

Bronze/Silver Competition #1: Sunday, May 20, 2018

Closing Date: Friday May 11, 2018

Location: Effingham Stables, 2366 Effingham Street, Ridgeville, ON, L0S 1M0

Judge: Vivian Hemsley **Steward:** Marilyn Elkin

Tests: All Levels (tests 1-3)

Classes: All levels to Intermediare I, Walk/Trot A & B

Misc: Para-Classes if required

Bronze/Silver Competition #2: Sunday, July 22, 2018

Closing Date: Friday July 13, 2018

Location: Effingham Stables; 2366 Effingham Street, Ridgeville, ON, L0S 1M0

Judge: Peta Christen **Steward:** Marilyn Elkin

Tests: All Levels (tests 1-3)

Classes: All levels to Intermediare I, Walk/Trot C & D

Misc: : Para-Classes if required

Bronze/Silver Competition #3: Sunday, August 19, 2018

Closing Date: Friday August 10, 2018

Location: Effingham Stables; 2366 Effingham Street, Ridgeville, ON, L0S 1M0

Judge: Dorita Peer **Steward:** Marilyn Elkin

Tests: All Levels (tests 1-3)

Classes: All levels to Intermediare I, Walk/Trot Choice

Misc: : Materiale and Para-Classes if required

STABLING: Must be reserved at the time the entry form is received with **DRESSAGE NIAGARA**

Cost: \$35 for the day and \$45 for overnight stabling.

Bedding: Can be purchased for \$8 – or you can supply your own

Stalls must be cleaned prior to leaving the show grounds or a charge of \$5 will be added upon receipt of entry number.

First come first served – limited # of stalls available.

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WHAT YOU NEED TO SHOW

Requirements	Bronze	Silver	Non-competing
Mandatory:			
Ontario Equestrian Membership (formerly OEF)	X	X	X
Equestrian Canada Sport License (Bronze required to show Bronze Level; Silver to show Silver Level)	X	X	
Equestrian Canada Sport License for Person Responsible for Horse*	X	X	
Equestrian Canada Sport License for Owner of Horse	X	X	
Equestrian Canada Horse Recording with paid Annual Activation Fee		X	
Dressage Affiliate Membership		X	
Optional:			
Dressage Niagara Membership Reduced entry fees & eligibility for Dressage Niagara Year End Awards	X	X	
CADORA Membership	X	X	

Proof of negative Coggins test is recommended, however DN will not be enforcing this test. We will be checking with Equestrian Canada regarding any potential outbreaks of Equine Infectious Anemia.

*The Person Responsible for a horse is the individual responsible and accountable for the care, training, custody and performance of the horse. The Person Responsible may be the trainer or may be an owner, rider, agent or coach. EC Rules (see EC Rules A203.4 and A1011). This person must possess a valid sport license.

**Bronze license holders may purchase a Single Event Upgrade to compete in Silver show (EC A.211). Horse Recording requirements are still applicable to the level of competition.

***In competitions that require Horse Recordings numbers - All Canadian entries are required to hold an EC Horse Recording and have paid the EC annual Horse Recording Activation fee in order to compete, or if owned by a temporary sport license holder, a Temporary Horse Registration form must be purchased (A602.4).

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ENTRY FEES & FORMS

Entry Fees BRONZE Shows

\$25 per class Dressage Niagara members \$40 per class non-members

Miscellaneous Classes:

Materiale Classes

\$30 per class Dressage Niagara member \$45 per class non-members

TEAM Challenge – Dressage Niagara members only

NO additional fee

Entry Fees SILVER Shows:

\$35 per class Dressage Niagara members \$50 per class non-members

Hors Concours:

Entries will be accepted at the discretion of the Competition Committee. Regular entry fees apply and must be received by the show closing date.

Non-Competing (Schooling) Fee:

\$25 for members & non-members

*Must have current OEF membership, register in advance by submitting an entry form & check-in upon arrival to obtain an entry number.

Additional Fees for Bronze & Silver Shows assessed on each ENTRY:

\$15 Administration Fee – *Bronze and Silver Entries*

\$10 for Dressage Canada Levy (domestic development fee) - *Bronze and Silver Entries*

\$3.50 Drug Testing Fee - *Bronze Entries only*

\$7 Drug Test Fee - *Silver Entries only*

\$3 Administration Fee Score Submission - *Silver Entries only*

\$10 Late Fee for Late Entries*

*Late entries only accepted if space permits and at the discretion of the Competition Committee. A late entry is that which is postmarked after the competition closing date.

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Entry Forms:

Use **only** the **2018 Dressage Niagara Entry Forms** (available at www.dressageniagara.com). Please ensure that all required information, copies of memberships, liability waiver and signatures are included.

Payment:

Full payment must be included with entries. Cheques made payable to *Dressage Niagara*. E-Transfer is available via info@dressageniagara.com please use only your OE# as password

Refunds:

Test entry fees only will be refunded for illness or lameness upon receipt of a personal medical or equine veterinary certificate, which must be submitted to the Show Coordinator *within five days after* the show.

Administration and stabling fees are not refundable.

Closing Dates for Entries: entries must be postmarked on or before the closing date listed prior to each show, otherwise subject to \$10 late fee.

*Dressage Niagara reserves the right to refuse entries due to scheduling capacity and for incomplete or incorrect documentation

**As per EC protocol for 2018, First Aid will be on site.
Concussion Protocol is in effect (see entry form).
Veterinarian and Blacksmith will be on call.**

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COMPETITION RULES

1. The Dressage Niagara Bronze and Silver competition is a sanctioned competition of Equestrian Canada 308 Legget Drive, Suite 100, Ottawa, Ontario, K2K 1Y6 and is governed by the rules of EC. (A602.1)
2. Every class offered herein is covered by the rules and specifications of the current rules of EC and will be held and judged in accordance with the EC Rule Book. (A602.2)
3. Any horse entered in any class at a competition may be selected for equine medication control testing while at the event location(A602.5)
4. Per Article A801, every entry at an EC-sanctioned competition shall constitute an agreement by the person responsible that the owner, lessee, trainer, manager, agent, coach, driver or rider and horse shall be subject to the EC constitution and all rules of EC and any additional rules set by the competition. It is the responsibility of all individuals participating in any capacity in EC-sanctioned competitions to be knowledgeable regarding the EC constitution and the applicable rules of EC and the additional rules, if any, imposed by the competition. Do not participate in this EC-sanctioned competition in any capacity if you do not consent to be bound by the constitution and rules of EC and any additional rules imposed by the competition. (A602.7)
5. All horses on the show grounds, whether showing or schooling, must wear competition numbers at all times
6. Per Article E9.5, Elimination from a class, an entry shall be eliminated under the following circumstances:
 - a. evidence of blood on the horse (environmental causes such as insect bites shall not normally be cause for elimination)
 - b. use of illegal equipment (see Chapter 4)
 - c. failure to submit to a tack check as required (see 4.16)
 - d. contravention of dress rules (Chapter 4)
 - e. unauthorized assistance (see 9.3.15, 9.1.2, 4.15)
 - f. three errors of course (see 9.3.2)
 - g. resistance of more than 20 seconds in a test (see 9.3.12)
 - h. fall of horse or athlete during the test. (see 9.3. 10)
 - i. dangerous/unruly behaviour of horse (see 7.11.7, 9.3.12)
 - j. all four feet of the horse leave the arena (see 9.3.11)
 - k. exceeding 20 seconds to enter the arena after the start of the music in the freestyle test (see 9.3.16)
 - l. any athlete removing their safety approved headgear at the salute (see E 4.0)
 - m. dismounting during a dressage test (see 9.4)
 - n. scoring less than 40% of the total marks obtainable in the test (see 9.9.8)
 - o. lameness (see 9.3.6)
 - p. second offence at a given competition for not wearing assigned number in competition or while out of the stall. (see 7.11.2)
 - q. taking more than 90 seconds to enter the arena at A after the start signal (E9.3.7)
7. Safety Headgear (See EC Rulebook, E 4.0):

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- a. All athletes, regardless of age or level of competition, must wear properly fitted and fastened safety approved protective headgear at all times when mounted at any EC-sanctioned Dressage competition at the event location.
 - b. Note: At the tack check which follows the test, the steward may ask the rider to dismount so that the helmet may be inspected for the safety standard labelling.
8. All Canadian entries showing at the SILVER Level must provide electronic or paper horse recording with the entry before competition numbers will be issued and the horse is allowed to compete.
 9. Music for a Freestyle test must be on a CD or MP3 and handed in to the Show Office two hours before the class starts.
 10. Riders are to use only designated areas for warm-up and lunging.
 11. Riders/coaches are to observe proper riding etiquette during warm-up.
 12. No dogs are allowed on the premises.
 13. Miscellaneous classes are not rated for EC awards.
 - 14. *Hand walking is NOT permitted in the competition ring on show days.**

EQUESTRIAN CANADA STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES

Equestrian Canada (EC), the national equestrian federation of Canada, supports adherence to humane treatment of horses in all activities under its jurisdiction.

All persons shall be committed to:

- Upholding the welfare of the horses, regardless of value, as a primary consideration in all activities
- Requiring that horses be treated with kindness, respect and the compassion that they deserve, and that they never be subjected to mistreatment
- Ensuring that owners, trainers and exhibitors or their agents use responsible care in the handling, treatment and transportation of their horses as well as horses placed in their care for any purpose
- Providing for the continuous well-being of horses by encouraging routine inspection and consultation with health care professionals and competition officials to achieve the highest possible standards of nutrition, health, comfort and safety as a matter of standard operating procedure;
- Providing current information on Code of Practice for the Care and Handling of Equines and other equine health and welfare initiatives
- Continuing to support scientific studies on equine health and welfare;
- Requiring owners, trainers and exhibitors to know and follow their sanctioning organization's rules, and to work within industry regulations in all equestrian competition;
- Actively promoting the development and adherence of competition rules and regulations that protect the welfare of the horses.

The standard by which conduct or treatment will be measured is that which a person, informed and experienced in generally accepted equine training and exhibition procedures, would determine to be neither cruel, abusive, nor inhumane (A 602.3(f)).

RIBBONS & STANDINGS

Ribbons may be awarded to 4th place. Placings are decided by total marks and if marks are tied, preference is given to the competitor with the higher Collective Marks. If the Collective Marks are tied, the competitors remain tied and the next placing is omitted.

A minimum score of 50% is required for placings and any competitor receiving a score of less than 40% will be considered eliminated from the class and no score will be posted (E 9.9.7, E 9.9.8).

When there is only one horse in a class, ribbons and prizes shall be awarded in accordance with the following chart of percentages:

1st 60% or higher
2nd 57% or higher
3rd 54% or higher
4th 51% or higher

HIGH POINT OF THE DAY

Bronze and Silver Division High Point Champions will be awarded to both a Junior and Senior rider of their respective Division (i.e. Bronze High Point Junior, Bronze High Point Senior, Silver High Point Junior, Silver High Point Senior)

The High Point Champion of the day will be established by the single highest score from the horse/rider combination, achieved in their designated classes. The Junior and Senior Bronze/Silver competitor with the highest single score will be named High Point Champion.

In the event of a tie, the athlete with the highest collective mark, is declared the winner.

At all EC competitions, any horse receiving less than 50% on a technical test will not be eligible for any class awards, championships or reserve championships (E 9.10)

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NEW: HIGHPOINT DRESSAGE TIP AWARD (RIBBON)

Dressage Niagara shows are now registered with the Thoroughbred Incentive Program (TIP).

Bronze and Silver Division High Point TIP Champion will be awarded to the single highest test score overall, for the top Thoroughbred registered with the Thoroughbred Incentive Program (TIP).

Note: To be eligible to receive this award, Riders/Owners are responsible for registering their Thoroughbred by visiting the Jockey Club TIP Website at <http://tjctip.com/APPLYTIPNUMBER>, and adding their TIP Membership Number to Dressage Niagara Show Entry Forms.

DRESSAGE NIAGARA ANNUAL AWARDS

***Note:** To qualify for Dressage Niagara awards, you must be a member in good standing of Dressage Niagara by June 1, 2018 and either you or your designate have completed four hours of volunteer service with Dressage Niagara by the completion of the last scheduled show date.*

BRONZE & SILVER LEVEL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Champion and Reserve Champion awards may be presented to the top Junior, Adult Amateur and Open riders in each class level at Dressage Niagara Bronze or Silver shows.

The winners will be decided by totalling the three highest scores of EC tests - one must be from the highest test at the level - by the same horse-rider combinations from at least two 2018 Dressage Niagara Bronze or at least two Dressage Niagara Silver competitions. Winners of the FEI level tests will be determined by totaling the two highest tests over 2 or more shows. A minimum average of 50% is required for these awards. In the case of a tie for the Championship, two members will receive the award and no Reserve Championship will be awarded. In the case of a tie for Reserve Champion, two awards will be given.

A horse/rider combination may only win the Champion award once at the Walk-Trot level. Championships at the Training through FEI levels may be won a maximum of two times by the same horse/rider combination.

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THE PERFECT 8 AWARD

This award can be earned by any Dressage Niagara member who achieves an 8 for 'Rider Position' in their Collective Marks. Only scores earned during the 2018 season at Dressage Niagara competitions will be considered. *A copy of the relevant test is to be submitted by the competitor to the Show Coordinator by September 15, 2018 to be eligible for this award.*

DRESSAGE NIAGARA AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE SHOWING AT THE GOLD LEVEL

This distinction may be awarded to a rider who has demonstrated excellence showing at one or more EC-sanctioned Gold Shows during the 2018 season. *Submissions for nominees should be made by the competitor or coach to the Show Coordinator by September 15, 2018 to be eligible for this award.* Juniors, Adult Amateurs and Open riders riding at any level are all eligible for this award.

VOLUNTEER AWARD

Awarded to the volunteer who routinely assists Dressage Niagara ensuring the successful outcome of an event or events. This person willingly undertakes a service for the club without payment and is looked upon as an ambassador of the sport of Dressage and specifically viewed as an honourable ambassador of Dressage Niagara. This person need not be a member of Dressage Niagara but it would be a factor in the overall award process.

DRESSAGE NIAGARA AWARD OF RECOGNITION

This distinction is awarded to the rider who may have overcome obstacles throughout the show season but has always maintained their composure and developed positively throughout the year. This individual must always present themselves with good sportsman like behaviour.

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TEAM CHALLENGE

This award will be presented to the TEAM of comprising three to four Dressage Niagara members who have attended and competed in at least 2 shows, at any level. The top three scores from each show will be subtotalled and the three highest subtotals will be added to determine the winning TEAM at year end.

Complete a Team Registration Form with your team name, & names of your horse and rider combinations.

Submit your Team Registration Form by the close of the first show.

Forms will be provided for teams to update their scores at the end of each show.

In order to be eligible:

1. Riders must be Dressage Niagara members
2. Teams must be registered by the close of the first show.
3. Bronze and Silver competitors are eligible to be part of a team as well as Junior, Adult Amateur and Open riders. However, a team can only have a maximum of 1 Open rider and 2 Walk/Trot riders.

****Team Challenge Winners with the highest scores as above will be announced and prizes awarded at the AGM.***