

**Northern Arizona Chapter of the Arizona Dressage Association**  
**2025 Schooling Show Rules**

***This page and the attached additional waivers must be signed by the Rider, Parent/Guardian if Applicable, and must be submitted with this entry.***

All USEF, USDF, and WDAA rules apply except riding attire. However, tall boots or half-chaps with a heeled shoe, an ASTM/SEI (American Society for Testing and Materials/Safety Equipment Institute) certified helmet at all times while mounted, a shirt with sleeves or a sleeveless shirt under a riding coat, must be worn. Equipment including whip length and bits may be checked for compliance to USEF/USDF rules.

These Schooling Shows are sponsored and arranged by NAC of ADA for the benefit of its members and the community. All show policies, procedures and rules are established by the NAC of ADA. They can only be changed by the Show Management. The Show Management has the right to call for removal from a show ground any horse, rider, groom, trainer, show worker, any other attending party, deemed unmanageable or dangerous to self or others.

GRANTS to NAC of ADA and its authorized representatives' permission to record film or digital photography and/or video, pictures of my participation and any Minor(s) under my name. I further agree that any or all the material photographed or digitally produced may be used, in any form, as part of any future publications, brochures, or other printed materials used to promote NAC of ADA, and its property, and further that such use shall be without payment of fees, royalties, special credit, or any other compensation. Further, I understand that no photograph or video of any minor children NOT wearing a helmet will be used by NAC of ADA. It is my responsibility to tell the photographer if I decline.

Championship Year End Award Information: Junior/Young Riders, Adult Amateur Riders, Open Riders in all levels qualify for the Year End Championship Awards. Riders must ride a minimum of two (2) NAC of ADA Schooling Shows at the same level with the same horse. NAC of ADA will average the Rider's two (2) highest scores to qualify for the Year End Championship Awards. Only scores of 55% or higher are considered. Awards are distributed at the Awards Ceremony announced prior to the end of the year.

As stated in this entry no fees are refunded unless cancellations are received by midnight of the closing date for each show. At Show Management's discretion, the entry fees may be held and applied to the next show entered in the case where a horse/rider combination is scratched due to lameness, illness or other serious reason after the closing date. If the fees are not used at the next available show then they will be considered expired and not refunded.

**\*\*SHOW RIBBONS – Show ribbons are distributed on the date of the show. In the event you are unable to pick up your ribbon and would like them mailed to you, there is a \$10.00 charge for postage. Please contact Sue Crampton directly to coordinate at (928) 925-6043.**

PLEASE NO Dogs at any of our programs.

Release documents are available at [nacofada.com](http://nacofada.com). They must be signed and accompany each entry for the appropriate show location.

Signatures, acknowledgement and agreement:

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Rider Printed Name

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Signature/Date

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Signature/Date

For Riders under 18 years of age, the parent or guardian must sign above.

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

### **NAC of ADA Release, Wavier, and Hold Harmless Agreement**

All participants of every entry (which include without limitation, the owner, lessee, trainer, manager, agent, coach, driver, rider, handler and the horse): 1. Shall be subject to the constitution and rules of NAC of ADA 2. Represent that every horse, rider, and handlers is eligible as entered 3. Agree to be bound by the rules of NAC of ADA and of the competition and hold the officials, directors, employees, and volunteers harmless for any action taken 4. Agree that as a condition of and in consideration of acceptance of entry, they authorize NAC of ADA and/or the competition management to market, transfer, assign or otherwise make any use of any photographs, likenesses, films, broadcast, cablecasts, audio or videotapes taken of the horses(s) and participants(s) without compensation 5. Agree that they participate voluntarily in the competition fully aware that horse sports and the competition involve inherent dangerous risk, serious injury or death, and by participating they expressly assume any and all risks fo injury or loss, and they agree to hold NAC of ADA, the competition and their officials, directors, employees, and volunteers harmless from and against all claims including claims based on negligence, breach of contract, strict liability and/or otherwise for any injury or loss suffered during or in connection with the competition, officials, directors, employees, or volunteers of the NAC of ADA competition.

UNDER ARIZONA LAW, AN EQUINE PROFESSIONAL, AN EQUINE ACTIVITY SPONSOR OR EQUINE PROFESSIONAL IS NOT LIABLE INJURY TO OR DEATH OF A PARTICIPANT IN EQUINE ACTIVITIES RESULTING IN INHERENT RISKS OF EQUINE ACTIVITIES CODE OF ARIZONA 12-553

**BY SIGNING BELOW, I AGREE** to be bound by all applicable rules, waivers, releases, terms, and provisions of this entry blank and provisions of this Prize List. If I am signing and submitting this Agreement electronically, I acknowledge that my electronic signature shall have the same validity, force and effect as if I affixed my signature by my own hand.

#### **RIDER:**

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Parent/Guardian name (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian signature: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **OWNER/LESSEE**

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: : \_\_\_\_\_



## **2025 Pony Division & Small Horse Division Awards**

Do you have a pony (height of 147 cm or less with shoes/14.2 hands) or small horse (height of 163 cm or less with shoes/16 hands) that you compete in classical or western dressage? Would you like an opportunity to showcase your pony or small horse's abilities?

### **The What**

NAC of ADA has partnered with NDPC (National Dressage Pony Cup) to offer a champion and reserve champion award in each the Pony Division and the Small Horse Division at each of our 2025 schooling shows.

### **The How**

Enter any of our three schooling shows designating which tests you wish to ride. Next step is to make sure to **check the box** indicating that you wish to be considered for the Pony Division or the Small Horses Division. Consideration does require an additional fee of **\$10 per pony/small horse.** **(You may waive this fee if you commit 4 hours of volunteer time to one of our schooling shows or clinics).**

While at the show you will need to have your small horse or pony measured by one of our show officials. Your small horse/pony's measurement will be kept on file for the remainder of the show season. At the completion of each show (day), the show office will review all tests from all classes/divisions and announce the high point PONY and reserve as well as the high point SMALL HORSE and reserve. Ribbons for each of these awards will be provided.

At the end of the year/show season, the highest scoring PONY (average of high scores based on a minimum of scores from 2 shows) and highest scoring SMALL HORSE (average of high scores based on a minimum of scores from 2 shows) will be announced at our awards banquet.

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I, being under no restraint and of my own free will, do agree to indemnify and save and hold harmless Freeman Farms AND Elemental Farms LLC; AS WELL AS Norm Freeman, Lynne Trener, and the Owners, Officers, Directors, Agents, Personnel, Volunteers, and Employees of FREEMAN FARMS and ELEMENTAL FARMS LLC (hereinafter "FREEMAN") from and against any and all losses, claims, actions, or proceedings of every kind, nature or description which may be presented or initiated at any time hereafter to recover money, property, or damages for any injuries or death to persons or animals, or any damage to property arising directly or indirectly from my participation in any of the horse or farm related activities at FREEMAN or my presence at FREEMAN. This includes, but is not limited to, use of or training of any horses/equines whether on or off the property and whether or not owned by or under the supervision of FREEMAN.

1. Acknowledgement of Inherent Risks of Equine Activities; Assumption of Risk. I AM FULLY AWARE AND ACKNOWLEDGE THAT ACTIVITIES WITH HORSES AND ON A WORKING FARM INVOLVE INHERENT DANGEROUS RISKS OF ACCIDENT, LOSS, AND SERIOUS BODILY INJURY INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, BROKEN BONES, HEAD INJURIES, SPINAL INJURIES, TRAUMA, PAIN, SUFFERING, OR DEATH (hereinafter "HARM") TO MYSELF OR MY ANIMAL.

I am aware that there are numerous inherent risks of equine activities, whether preparing for, entering, attending, participating in, leaving, or off the premises of FREEMAN. The inherent risks include those dangers and conditions which are an integral part of equine activities, including, but not limited to: (a) the propensity of an equine or other animal to behave in ways that may result in injury, harm, or death to persons on or around them- including, but not limited to, running, bucking, kicking, biting, shying, bolting, stumbling, rearing, falling, stepping on; (b) the unpredictability of the equine's reaction to such things as sounds, sudden movements and unfamiliar objects, persons or other animals; (c) certain hazards such as surface or subsurface conditions; (d) collisions with other animals or objects; (e) the potential of myself or other participant to act in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury to me or others, such as failing to maintain control over an equine or not acting within ability; (f) the breakage or failure of tack or other equipment; and (g) the potential that an equine or animal may cause injury or harm to itself, its rider, driver or handler, or other persons or animals in the vicinity.

Importantly, I understand that the dangers and conditions listed are an integral part of equine activities even when I am NOT riding or driving the horse- such as when I am leading, grooming/bathing, petting, feeding, applying tack or around vehicles or equipment, loading, unloading, or even in the vicinity of horses. I AM ALSO AWARE THAT FREEMAN IS A WORKING FARM WITH DANGEROUS EQUIPMENT, UNEVEN SURFACES AND IRRIGATION PONDS. I am not relying on FREEMAN to list within this document all possible inherent risks or all risks of participating in or attending its activities.

**HORSES BY THEIR VERY NATURE ARE UNPREDICTABLE AND SUBJECT TO ANIMAL WHIM. I REALIZE THAT NO AMOUNT OF PRE-PLANNING, SAFETY EDUCATION OR PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES CAN COMPLETELY ELIMINATE RISK OF HARM OR DEATH TO MYSELF OR MY ANIMAL. ALSO, I REALIZE THAT EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE MAY BE LIMITED IN THIS RURAL AREA. WITH FULL KNOWLEDGE AND APPRECIATION OF THESE AND OTHER INHERENT RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH EQUINE, SHOW AND/OR FARM ACTIVITIES, I FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY ASSUME THE RISKS OF MY ACTIVITIES AT FREEMAN.**

\_\_\_\_\_ Initials

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2. Waiver and Release of Liability. I also voluntarily agree to waive any and all rights to sue and hereby release FREEMAN from all liability, loss, claims, or actions for injury, death, expenses, or damage to person or property resulting from the inherent risks of equine/farm activities, or resulting from any action or inaction by FREEMAN. This waiver and release is effective even if the injury, death or damage to person or property is caused, or contributed to, by actions or failure(s) to act of FREEMAN and which actions or inactions constitute ordinary negligence or a violation of any applicable law pertaining to equine activity liabilities. Neither MYSELF NOR MY RELATIVES, REPRESENTATIVES, AGENTS or HEIRS shall make any claim against, maintain an action against, or recover from FREEMAN or others acting on their behalf for injury, loss, damage or death of the MYSELF, to the MY HORSE, or to MY PERSONAL PROPERTY (regardless of ordinary negligence by FREEMAN or regardless of an alleged violation of an applicable equine activity liability law). I acknowledge that if I am married, my spouse is aware of my involvement in this horse related activity and that he/she consented to the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

3. Indemnification. I AGREE to indemnify (that is, pay any losses, damages, or costs incurred by) FREEMAN with respect to claims made by others for any HARM or property damage caused by ME, my agents, employees, associates, invitees or my animal(s) at FREEMAN.

4. Attorney's Fees and Costs- The undersigned will pay all attorney's fees and costs incurred by FREEMAN in defending any claims brought. This Agreement will be construed under Arizona law and venue in Arizona is proper.

**IF I AM A PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF A MINOR PARTICIPANT AT FREEMAN, I CONSENT TO THE MINOR'S PARTICIPATION AND AGREE TO ASSUME ALL OF THE PROVISIONS ON THIS AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE MINOR. I AGREE TO ASSUME THE RISKS, HOLD HARMLESS, INDEMNIFY & DEFEND FREEMAN AGAINST ANY AND ALL CLAIMS, DEMANDS, CAUSES OF ACTION, DAMAGES, JUDGMENTS, ORDERS, COSTS, OR EXPENSES, INCLUDING ATTORNEY'S FEES WHICH IN ANY WAY MAY BE CONNECTED TO MINOR'S PRESENCE AT FREEMAN REGARDLESS OF ANY STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS OR CONTRACTUAL LIMITATION OF ACTIONS. UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY, I STATE THAT I HAVE AUTHORITY AS A PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN TO SIGN ON MINOR'S BEHALF.**

**HELMETS ARE REQUIRED FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS. PARTICIPANTS 18 AND OVER EFFECTIVELY WAIVE THE HELMET REQUIREMENTBY BY NOT WEARING A HELMET.**

I acknowledge that I have had ample opportunity to read the above and have read the above and understand the above. I agree to the provisions of this Agreement. Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Participant Signature

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Legal Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Legal Guardian Signature

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**ARS 12-553. Limited liability of equine owners and owners of equine facilities; exception; definitions**

A. An equine owner or an agent of an equine owner who regardless of consideration allows another person to take control of an equine is not liable for an injury to or the death of the person if:

1. The person has taken control of the equine from the owner or agent when the injury or death occurs.
2. The person or the parent or legal guardian of the person if the person is under eighteen years of age has signed a release before taking control of the equine.
3. The owner or agent has properly installed suitable tack or equipment or the person has personally tacked the equine with tack the person owned, leased or borrowed. If the person has personally tacked the equine, the person assumes full responsibility for the suitability, installation and condition of the tack.
4. The owner or agent assigns the person to a suitable equine based on a reasonable interpretation of the person's representation of his skills, health and experience with and knowledge of equines.

B. Subsection A does not apply to an equine owner or agent of the equine owner who is grossly negligent or commits wilful, wanton or intentional acts or omissions.

C. An owner, lessor or agent of any riding stable, rodeo ground, training or boarding stable or other private property that is used by a rider or handler of an equine with or without the owner's permission is not liable for injury to or death of the equine or the rider or handler.

D. Subsection C does not apply to an owner, lessor or agent of any riding stable, rodeo ground, training or boarding stable or other private property that is used by a rider or handler of an equine if either of the following applies:

1. The owner, lessor or agent knows or should know that a hazardous condition exists and the owner, lessor or agent fails to disclose the hazardous condition to a rider or handler of an equine.
2. The owner, lessor or agent is grossly negligent or commits wilful, wanton or intentional acts or omissions.

E. As used in this section:

1. "Equine" means a horse, pony, mule, donkey or ass.
2. "Release" means a document that a person signs before taking control of an equine from the owner or owner's agent and that acknowledges that the person is aware of the inherent risks associated with equine activities, is willing and able to accept full responsibility for his own safety and welfare and releases the equine owner or agent from liability unless the equine owner or agent is grossly negligent or commits wilful, wanton or intentional acts or omissions.

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**AMERICAN RANCH  
EQUESTRIAN CENTER  
GENERAL RELEASE OF LIABILITY**

For consideration received, and/or in return for the use, and/or for access to the premises today and on all future dates, of the American Ranch Equestrian Center property, facilities and services owned by the American Ranch Community Association, hereinafter referred to as "ARCA", and managed by HOAMCO., hereinafter referred to together as the "Manager", \_\_\_\_\_, hereinafter referred to as "Rider/Visitor", for himself or herself and for his or her heirs, executors, distributees, successors, assigns, and representatives, hereby agrees as follows:

1. **Rider/Visitor** acknowledges there are inherent risks associated with being on the Equestrian Center premises, including risks of bodily injuries from being in close proximity to horses, dogs, cattle and other livestock whether as a rider, spectator or visitor and from equine activities such as described below, and hereby expressly assumes all risks associated with being on such premises and participating in such activities. The inherent risks include, but are not limited to the propensity of equines to behave in ways such as, running, bucking, biting, kicking, shying, stumbling, rearing, falling or stepping on, that may result in an injury, harm or death to persons on or around them; the unpredictability of equine's reaction to such things as sounds, sudden movement and unfamiliar objects, persons or other animals; certain hazards such as surface and subsurface conditions; collisions with other animals; the limited availability of emergency medical care; and the potential of a participant to act in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury to the participant or others, such as failing to maintain control over the animal or not acting within such participant's ability.

Rider/Visitor acknowledges that horses, by their very nature are unpredictable and subject to animal whim. Rider/Visitor assumes all risks in connection therewith, and expressly waives any claims for any injury or loss arising therefrom. Rider/Visitor agrees to abide by and follow ARCA's and the Manager's rules and regulations which shall be posted and/or available from time to time. Rider/Visitor further acknowledges that the behavior of any animal is contingent to some extent upon the ability of Rider/Visitor. Rider/Visitor assumes all risks therefor and warrants a full and fair disclosure of Rider/Visitor's abilities has been made to the manager.

Rider/Visitor expressly releases ARCA and the Manager and their respective members, owners, agents, employees, officers, directors, representatives, assigns, members, premises owners, affiliated organizations, and insurers, and others acting on ARCA's or the Manager's behalf, (hereinafter, collectively referred to as "Indemnitees") from any and all claims for personal injury or property damage, even if caused by negligence (if allowed by the laws of this State) by ARCA, the Manager or their respective representatives, agents or employees.

**WARNING**

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3. The owner or agent has properly installed suitable tack or equipment or the person has personally tacked the equine with tack the person owned, leased or borrowed. If the person has personally tacked the equine, the person assumes full responsibility for the suitability, installation and condition of the tack. Equestrian Center General Release of Liability 2

4. The owner or agent assigns the person to a suitable equine based on a reasonable interpretation of the person's representation of his skills, health and experience with and knowledge of equines.

2. Rider/Visitor agrees to hold harmless, indemnify and defend the Indemnites against, and hold harmless from, any and all claims, demands, causes of action, damages, judgments, orders, costs or expenses, including attorneys' fees, whether actually incurred or not, which may in any way arise from or be in any way connected with Rider/Visitor's use of or presence upon the property of ARCA and the Equestrian Center facilities located thereon and from any and all claims arising from damage or injury to anyone caused by the horse ridden by Rider/Visitor.

3. In the event Rider/Visitor is using Rider/Visitor's own horse, or a horse not owned by ARCA or boarded at the Equestrian Center, Rider/Visitor warrants said horse shall be free from infection, contagious or transmittable diseases. The Manager reserves the right to refuse access or use of any horse upon the Equestrian Center premises that does not appear to the Manager to be in good health, or is deemed dangerous or undesirable.

4. Rider/Visitor agrees to waive the protection of any applicable statutes in this jurisdiction whose purpose, substance and/or effect is to provide that a general release shall not extend to claims, material or otherwise, which the person giving the release does not know or suspect to exist at the time of executing said release.

5. This Release shall be legally binding upon the Rider/Visitor, and upon his or her heirs, executors, distributees, successors, assigns and representatives. This Release is entered into in Yavapai County, Arizona and will be interpreted and enforced under the laws of Arizona. The venue for any disputes by the Rider/Visitor shall be in Yavapai County, Arizona and the Rider/Visitor voluntarily hereby submits to the jurisdiction of the courts of Yavapai County, Arizona. Any action brought under this agreement shall be brought within one (1) year of the incident or accident giving rise to said claim.

RIDER/VISITOR:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent or Guardian if Rider/Visitor is a minor

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

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Signature of Witness

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

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Map of American Ranch

