

Cadora-Ontario

Silver Dressage

Handbook

2017



Administered by Cadora-Ontario

For more information:

<http://ontario.cadora.ca/>

Silver Dressage Competitions are recognized member competitions of Equestrian Canada (308 Legget Drive, Suite 100, Ottawa ON K2K 1Y6) and are governed by the rules of the federation.

THE ONTARIO SILVER DRESSAGE CIRCUIT

All competition organizers are encouraged to familiarize themselves with the EC Competition Administration Policy (CAP) which can be found on the EC web site.

The Silver Dressage Circuit is an Equestrian Canada (EC) Provincial (Silver) Circuit and as such is governed by the Rules of Equestrian Canada but is administered within the province. The Silver Dressage Circuit provides a competition level between the Bronze and Gold [levels of competitions](#).

Silver competitions are restricted to a maximum of \$10,000 in prize money or \$15,000 for championships. Please refer to Section A, General Regulations for sanctioning fee prices.

Silver Dressage Competitions must use EC accredited officials. Recorded judges may judge up to and including Second Level. Basic judges may judge up to and including Third Level (without a guest card), and Medium and Senior judges may judge all levels without a guest card.

EC [Gold](#) Championship points are not earned at Silver competitions.

An Ontario Silver Dressage Coordinator (appointed by Cadara-Ontario) is responsible for preparing and distributing an Ontario Silver Dressage Handbook, calculating and presenting awards, and coordinating the Ontario Silver Dressage Championships.

All Dressage Canada Silver competitions are subject to equine medication rules as per Section A, General Regulations.

CORE PROGRAM

The Core Program consists of Walk / Trot Level through Intermediaire 2 and recognizes the categories Open, Amateur and Junior. EC First through Fourth Level Freestyles, and relevant FEI freestyles are also included in the Core Program.

GENERAL SILVER RULES

Current Equestrian Canada rules will apply without exception; competitors are responsible for knowledge of the rules.

Memberships: Owners and riders of horses competing on the Silver Circuit must be members of a PSO.. Contact the OEF (1 West Pearce, Suite 201 Richmond Hill ON, L4B 3K3, Tel: 1-877-441-7112; website: www.horse.on.ca) for application forms. EC membership is automatic with the OEF membership; however, owners and riders must also obtain an **EC Silver Sport License** to compete on the Silver Circuit.

Horse Recordings (formerly Passports):: Horses competing in Silver competitions must have an EC passport and current **Annual Horse License sticker**. A passport must be handed in to the Competition Secretary before a horse will be allowed to compete. Contact EC (308 Legget Drive, Suite 100, Ottawa ON K2K 1K6, Ph 1-613-287-1515; website: www.equestriancanada.ca) for further information and application forms. **Copies of current EC/OEF membership cards and passport page with Annual Horse License sticker MUST be attached to entries.**

Coggins Tests: Current negative Coggins tests are recommended (though not mandatory) for Silver competitions. It is at the discretion of the individual competitions whether they require proof of a current negative Coggins test for horses coming onto the property of a facility whereat a Silver competition will be held. [FYI, the Eastern Divisions of the 2017 Ontario Silver Dressage Championships will require proof of a current negative Coggins test for each horse entered. For the Western Division, Coggins tests are not required, but are strongly recommended.]

Entries: Entries must include all required information, signatures, and fees. Refunds are at the discretion of the individual competition committees.

Levels: A horse/rider combination may compete at two consecutive levels and in the corresponding freestyle class.

The competition season runs from January 1st to December 31st of the current year.

Ribbons will be awarded in accordance with EC Rules. See EC Rules, Section E (Dressage), 3.13.

All competitions must offer Open Classes. Separate Junior and/or Amateur classes **may** be offered at any level at the discretion of the individual competition. Annual Cadora-Ontario Silver Awards are calculated separately for Open, Amateur and Junior, even if separate classes are not held.

It is the responsibility of the competitor to advise the Ontario Silver Dressage Coordinator of eligibility for Amateur status.

Safety Headgear: All riders must wear properly fitted, approved protective headgear, with the safety harness correctly secured, at all times when mounted on competition grounds. Please see EC Dressage Rule 4.0 for more information.

Fees: A \$7.00 drug-testing fee is assessed on each entry. Any horse entered in any class at a competition subject to the requirement to pay drug testing fees may, while on the competition grounds and on the recommendation of the chair of the provincial Equine Medications Control Committee or appointee, be selected for equine medication control testing. Competitions are responsible for remitting these fees to the Ontario Equestrian Federation.

Also, a \$10.00 Dressage Canada levy will be collected per entry at all Silver competitions. Funds acquired by this levy will be used for domestic development within the province.

Ring Size: All classes, including freestyles, will use the 60m ring only. **[N.B. W/T and Training tests may be ridden in either the 40m or 60m ring.]**

CLASS CATEGORIES (OPEN/AMATEUR/JUNIOR)

The Open category is open to all riders.

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

The Amateur category is open to riders who are no longer Juniors and who do not accept remuneration for training a horse and/or coaching any person to ride a horse, including clinics and seminars in the dressage discipline, and who are not current or former CET short/long listed riders or have represented Canada internationally. For additional restrictions, please refer to EC rule E 3.4.2

Categories will be tracked separately for Cadora-Ontario year-end awards. It is the responsibility of competition organizers to report Junior competitors.

Riders who enter Amateur classes will be tracked as Amateurs. Riders who wish to be tracked as Amateurs, but who do not have such classes available to them, are responsible for reporting their eligibility to the Ontario Silver Coordinator.

FREESTYLES

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 that competition level prior to competing in the freestyle class. (EC Rules, E 7.9.4)

The freestyle tests used are the EC First through Fourth Level freestyles as well as FEI freestyles. Time allowed for all freestyles is five (5) minutes.

All freestyles are to be ridden in the 60m ring. First and Second Level freestyles are to be ridden in an ordinary snaffle bridle. Third and Fourth Level freestyles are to be ridden in an ordinary snaffle bridle or a simple double bridle.

Freestyle tests must be ridden to music. The music must be on a cassette tape or CD (check with individual competitions on acceptability of CDs), and be handed in to the Competition Secretary at least 30 minutes before the start of the class. Movements of a higher level are not allowed and if performed will incur elimination. Freestyle tests may not be called.

CADORA-ONTARIO AWARDS

Competitors MUST be Cadora-Ontario members no later than July 1st of the current year to qualify for these awards.

CADORA-ONTARIO SILVER & BRONZE YEAR-END AWARDS

To be eligible for Cadora-Ontario Silver and/or Bronze year-end awards, a competitor must be a Cadora-Ontario member no later than July 1st of the current year. Each horse/rider combination is tracked separately and must compete in the same class level (i.e. either Bronze or Silver) in a minimum of three competitions in one season to be eligible.

1st and 2nd placings are awarded in each class level and category (Open/Amateur/Junior) in the Core Program. Additional placings, up to a maximum of eight, are awarded based on the number of eligible competitors at each level. Five eligible competitors are required for each additional award. An eligible competitor is a Cadora-Ontario member who has competed in a minimum of three competitions.

Award winners are decided by totalling the three highest scores received by each horse/rider combination from three different Silver (or Bronze) dressage competitions during the calendar year (January 1st to December 31st), excluding the Silver Championships.

A minimum score of 55% of the possible total must be achieved for a competitor to be eligible to receive an award.

Silver and Bronze competitions are required to forward their results to the relevant Cadora-Ontario score coordinator immediately after the competitions.

CADORA-ONTARIO CHALLENGE

Horse/rider combinations qualify for this program by competing in three Silver dressage competitions at Training through Fourth levels (freestyles not included), in one season as well as the Silver Dressage Championships. Winners are determined by totaling their top three competition scores (during the season) and their two technical scores at the Silver Dressage Championships; each score must be 60% or higher. Scores are tracked by Cadora-Ontario. All Challenge winners must be Cadora-Ontario members. Cash awards are won.

CADORA-ONTARIO RIDING SCHOLARSHIP

Cash awards will be presented to the highest scoring champion (one of A, Jr or O) at each level, Training through Fourth (freestyles not included) as determined at the Silver Dressage Championships. A minimum score of 60% must be achieved. If there is more than one judge officiating at the same test/class, the average of the judges' scores will be used. All winners must be Cadora-Ontario members.

CADORA-ONTARIO SILVER DRESSAGE CHAMPIONSHIPS TEAM COMPETITION

At both divisions of the Silver Dressage Championships, riders are invited to form teams and compete as such for awards and prize money. Each team consists of three riders all of whom MUST be Cadora-Ontario members (as of July 1st) in order to be declared winners. Please see the Silver Dressage Championships prize list for additional rules and regulations.

CADORA-ONTARIO ROSTER OF RIDERS

You cannot apply to this exclusive, results-oriented club - you have to earn your way in! Each year the list is compiled and published to honour our top Ontario riders. Included on the list are: the winners of the Cadora-Ontario Riding Scholarship, the winners of the Cadora-Ontario Challenge, the Champions at

the Silver Dressage Championships and the members of the winning teams (East & West) at the Silver Dressage Championships. .

DRESSAGE CANADA AWARDS

Dressage Canada is responsible for administering the following awards at the Silver Level:

Provincial Awards

National Dressage Canada Achievement Awards

Lauren Dilanni Award for Freestyles

Dressage Canada EIGHT

Directory of Useful Contacts

**Cadora Inc
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Website: www.horse.on.ca

**Dressage Canada
Website**

www.equestriancanada.ca/dressage

ONTARIO SILVER DRESSAGE CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 2017 Ontario Silver Dressage Championships will be held as two Divisions:

SDC-Eastern Division

Sunday, September 10, 2017: Starlit Farm (2938 Goodstown Road, Richmond, ON, K0A 2Z0)

[go to www.oakhurstfarm.com for site map and location]

Show Secretary: Lise Clark

Phone: (613) 836-6586 Email: starlitfarm@gmail.com

SDC-Western Division

Sunday, August 20, 2017: Orangeville Event Centre (247090-5 Sideroad Mono RR # 1, Led Main, Orangeville, ON)

[go to <http://www.caledondressage.com/orangeville.html> for site map and location]

Contact: Kristy Nahirniak, knahirniak@bell.net

Show Organizer: Kristy Nahirniak; Show Secretary: Andrew Woodley (519) 807-0851

The same judges will officiate at both competitions, and the results will be combined to decide the 2017 champions. Competitors may enter the Division of their choice but not both

To qualify for the Ontario Silver Dressage Championships, a horse/rider combination must compete in a minimum of two shows and earn two scores of 55% or higher at different competitions (from the same or different judges) at each level to be entered (including FEI). In addition, competitors showing at a Silver competition AFTER the Ontario Silver Dressage Championships of the current year may use scores obtained at that Silver competition as qualifiers into the Silver Dressage Championships of the following year.

In the event that entries for the Championships must be limited due to time considerations, all entries will be accepted up to the closing date. Classes will then be filled in descending order by the average of the qualifying scores submitted.

A separate prize list will be published for the Championships and posted on the Cadora-Ontario website <http://ontario.cadora.ca/>

USEFUL EMAIL ADDRESSES FOR SILVER COMPETITIONS IN YOUR AREA:

Orangeville area: www.caledondressage.ca

Centaur Riding School: www.centaurridingschool.com

Hamilton/Burlington area: www.glanbrookcadora.ca

Kawartha Lakes: www.geocities.com/kawartha_lakes_dressage

London: www.londondressage.ca

Niagara region: www.dressageniagara.com

Ottawa: www.ottawadressage.ca

Belleville/Kingston/Trenton area: www.qslb.ca

Windsor: www.wecadora.ca

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