

**Dressage New Brunswick Competitions 2023**  
**Princess Louise Show Park**  
**Sussex, NB**



**DNB Bronze/Gold #1 July 8-9, 2023**

Judge: Leslie Ann Kennedy

Steward: Dawn Brown

**DNB Bronze/Gold #2 September 16-17, 2023**

Judge: Brenda Minor

Steward: Dawn Brown

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Show Manager: Alexis Kinley

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Farrier (on call): **TBD**

First aid will be onsite during the competition – for details see the show office.

The DNB Bronze/Gold Competitions #1, #2 are sanctioned Bronze and Gold competition of Equestrian Canada, c/o House of Sport 2451 Riverside Drive Ottawa, ON Canada K1H 7X7 and is governed by the rules of EC, Dressage Rules are used in conjunction with the General Regulations of Equestrian Canada. [www.equestrian.ca/sport/dressage](http://www.equestrian.ca/sport/dressage)

Per Article A801, every entry at an EC-sanctioned competition shall constitute an agreement by the person(s) 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**

## **Show Rules and Regulations**

### **Entries:**

All Entries will be submitted through CompeteEasy and must be received no later than the deadline indicated on the entry form. The show committee reserves the right to refuse any entry in accordance to Article A805. Payment can be made through paypal, credit card or etransfer.

### **Late Entries:**

Should the show committee accept any entry after the closing date, it will be subjected to a late fee of \$50.00. No post entries will be accepted.

### **Incomplete Entries:**

Any submitted entry that does not include any of the following will be subjected to an incomplete entry fee of \$20.00:

- **Rider EC sport licence**
- **Rider PTSO membership**
- **Rider Dressage New Brunswick membership**
- **Proof of Amateur status (where applicable)**
- **Owner EC sport licence (Gold for Gold and Championships, Bronze or higher for Bronze shows)**
- **Owner PTSO membership**
- **Person Responsible EC sport licence**
- **Person Responsible PTSO membership**
- **Horse Recording documentation from EC (Gold or Championships only; not required for Bronze)**
- **Proof of immunization for equine influenza, rhinopneumonitis (flu/rhino), and Strangles**
- **Proof of Negative Coggins (dated within 2023)**
- **Signatures on all waivers** (blank waivers will be available in the show office prior to the start of competition)
- **Payment in full**

### **Refunds:**

After the close of entries, refunds of 50% of class fees and 100% of stabling and other fees (less the \$50 administration fee) will be awarded with veterinarian's or medical doctor's certificate. There are no refunds after the start of the competition.

### **Substitutions:**

A horse/pony may compete with a substitute athlete providing the athlete is eligible to enter the class and pays any substitution fee required by the show organizer. An athlete may compete with a substitute horse/pony providing the horse/pony is eligible to enter the class and the athlete pays any substitution fee required by the show organizer. The substitution fee required to substitute horse/pony or athlete is \$25 after the closing date. If the substitution is requested after the start of the competition the show committee reserves the right to refuse.

### **Ring Size:**

All Introductory tests will be ridden in a 20m x 40m sand ring or in a 20m x 60m sand ring. All Training to FEI tests will be ridden in a 20m x 60m sand ring. All PE tests will be ridden in a 20x40m sand ring.

### **Ring Numbers:**

It is compulsory for the horse's competition number to be worn by the horse or rider/handler anywhere outside the stall from the time that the number is issued until the end of the competition so that officials can identify the horse (E7.11.2).

### **Lungeing:**

Lungeing is not permitted in an area where horses are being ridden. Lungeing (unmounted) and work in hand may only be done by the athlete, owner, coach, groom or Person Responsible. It is not permitted to lunge a mounted horse at any competition site whether or not the horse is entered in the competition (E7.16.3/4)

### **Schooling:**

Riders are not permitted to school while unsupervised during the competition, the show rings will be closed outside of show hours after the start of competition. The tractor will condition the competition arenas prior to the competition after which no horses may enter until the first ride. During the competition schooling of horses will take place in the outdoor arena unless otherwise announced by the show committee. The outdoor arena will be open for schooling one hour prior to the first test each day. Schooling of horses at non-championship competitions may only be done by EC Sport License holders (E7.11.12)

**Coaching:**

When registering for EC sanctioned competitions, athletes must indicate the name of their coach on the entry form or specify that they are self-coached. Coaches from other countries, must be in good standing with their home federation and must declare/have proof of insurance. See Rules of Equestrian Canada, Section A, General Regulations, Article 102, Safe Sport Environments.

**Non-competing Horse**

An entry form must be completed for any non-competing horse, complete with signed waivers and PTSO numbers for the rider/owner/person responsible. The following fees will apply: stabling, administration fee, drug fee, and onsite emergency medical responder fee. A ring number will be assigned and must be worn by the horse at all times whenever outside the stall. The show committee reserves the right to refuse non-competing horses.

**Equestrian Canada Divisions and Tests for DNB #1, #2:**

The following divisions and tests will be offered for all days of the competition in the **GOLD** competition; a maximum of two tests per horse/rider combination can be completed each day of competition.

- Introductory A, B, C
- Training to Fourth Level - Tests 1, 2 and 3
- FEI – Children, Pony, JR, YR, PSG, I1, I2, Grand Prix and all PE classes
- Masters Division (Test of Choice – National to FEI)
- Freestyle (First through Advanced Level)

The following classes will be offered for all days of the competition in the **BRONZE** competition.

- Introductory A, B, C
- Training to Second Level Test 1, 2 and 3
- Masters Division (Test of Choice Training to Second)
- Western Dressage – all levels and tests
- Eventing tests – entry to prelim

Every class offered herein is governed by the rules and specifications of the current rules of EC and will be held and judged in accordance with the EC Rule Book. Any situation requiring a ruling which cannot be referenced according to the Equestrian Canada and Dressage New Brunswick rules will be rendered by the Show Committee.

National tests Introductory – First Level (both levels inclusive) will be divided into 3 divisions – Junior, Adult Amateur and Open. National tests Second through Fourth will have the open division. Riders wishing to compete in two categories of a division (e.g. both Junior/Open or AA/Open) will pay two entry fees but ride only one test; their score will count for both categories. The entry fee for the second category will be \$10 (E7.10.7).

An athlete may enter classes run under different licenses at one competition E7.11.8 5

**Masters Division: Miscellaneous Class – not rated for EC Awards**

To be eligible to enter the Masters division: riders to be 60 years of age or older, rising trot is optional in all trot work, callers/riders may use headsets (someone must stand beside the caller to ensure no coaching takes place), Entry bell/whistle can have a secondary indicator (i.e., someone can raise an arm once the bell rings), Equipment accommodations may include any or all of the following: Looped reins, Converters on double bridle to create single rein, Two whips. Scores from Masters classes not to count for championships or “regular awards”. (E7.1.4)

**Leadline Class: Miscellaneous Class – not rated for EC Awards**

The Leadline Class on Saturdays is open to riders between the ages of 4 and 10 with a PTSO membership. These riders will be required to walk and trot with the help of a handler as indicated by the announcer. The handler must be dressed properly for the competition ring and be an adult who has a PTSO membership.

**Western Dressage: Miscellaneous Class – not rated for EC Awards**

For a complete list of dressage tests and information about Western dressage, visit the Western Style Dressage Association of Canada at [www.westernstyledressage.ca](http://www.westernstyledressage.ca). All riders, regardless of age or level of competition, must wear properly fitted and fastened approved headgear at all times while riding or driving at the event location.

**Eventing Tests: Miscellaneous Class – not rated for EC Awards**

For a complete list of eventing tests and information, visit the EC website at <https://www.equestrian.ca/sport/eventing>. All riders, regardless of age or level of competition, must wear properly fitted and fastened approved headgear at all times while riding at the event location. All tests will be ridden in a 20m x 60m ring.

**Hors Concours:**

Riders may ride their horse Hors concours. Hors concours entries are not eligible for prizes, placings or awards. Such entries must pay the full entry fee and are subject to all EC rules. (E7.11.11).

**Freestyle:**

To be eligible to enter the freestyle, a horse/rider combination must have obtained a minimum score of 60% in a dressage test at the same technical level prior to competing in the freestyle. An hors concours entry must have qualified to ride the freestyle. Freestyles ridden in the Bronze competition do not require a minimum technical score. The Freestyle tests offered are First Level to FEI Grand Prix including FEI Para Equestrian.

**Awards for DNB #1, #2 – Bronze and Gold competitions:**

Ribbons for all classes will be awarded from 1st place to 6th place.

In both the Bronze and Gold competitions, a high point award will be presented to each level and division (example: Training Level Junior) to the horse and rider combination that receives the highest average of their best two scores. A reserve high point award will be presented to each level and division to the horse and rider combination that receives the second highest average of scores. If a division has only one horse and rider combination, the show committee can choose to combine consecutive levels for this award (example: Third/Fourth Level). Freestyle scores cannot count towards the above awards. For horse rider combinations riding in consecutive levels (ie First and Second Level) prizes will be awarded based for the highest level competed.

Ribbons and prizes for Bronze and Gold shows will be available at the show office.

**Ride Times and Competition Office Hours:**

Available 2 days before the start of the competition at: [www.dressagenb.com](http://www.dressagenb.com). The office will be open:

- Saturday & Sunday – 1 hour prior to the start of show and Saturday 30 min after the last ride of the day

**Drug Testing:**

“Any horse entered in any class at a competition may be selected for equine medication control while at the event location.” The testing fee is \$8 per entry for Gold competition and \$4 for Bronze competition.

**Person(s) Responsible:**

The Person(s) Responsible (PR) for a horse must be an adult who has, or shares responsibility for the care, training, custody, and performance of the horse and who has official responsibility for that horse under EC Rules. The PR is liable under the penalty provisions of the applicable EC Rules for any rule violations.

Every entry form for an EC sanctioned competition must identify the PR and be signed by the PR.

The Person Responsible is ultimately responsible for the condition, fitness and management of the horse and is alone responsible for any act performed by himself/herself or by any other person with authorized access to the horse in the stables, elsewhere on the grounds, or while the horse is being ridden, driven or exercised.

A: For adult entries into EC sanctioned competitions the PR shall be either the trainer, the owner of the horse or the competitor who rides or drives the horse during the EC sanctioned competition.

B: For Junior entries into EC sanctioned competitions the Junior competitor cannot be the PR. For Junior entries the PR may be either the trainer, the owner of the horse, or a parent/guardian of the Junior competitor. See A1011.

**Memberships:**

All Gold level competitors are required to have the following memberships: PTSO, Equestrian Canada Gold sport license and Dressage Canada Affiliate membership (senior or junior). Owners of a horse competing at the Gold level must have the following memberships: PTSO, Equestrian Canada Gold sport license. All Bronze level competitors are required to have the following memberships: PTSO and Equestrian Canada Bronze sport license or higher. Owners of a horse competing at the Bronze level must have the following memberships: PTSO and Equestrian Canada Bronze sport license or higher. The Person Responsible must hold a valid EC Sport License at the same level or higher in which the horse is competing and a PTSO membership. However, when the competitor is a Junior, the competitor cannot be the Person Responsible and the Person Responsible (PR) must be an EC Sport

License holder in good standing OR in the case of junior/minor owner entries, a parent/guardian is entitled to sign as PR. In the case of USEF member entries PR may also be a USEF member in good standing (see Article A213.2). **Proof of the Rider, Owner and Person Responsible memberships (photocopies) must be included with the entry form; otherwise entry will be subjected to an incomplete entry fee.** Temporary EC Gold memberships may be purchased through the competition office. Also those holding a Bronze EC sport license may purchase an upgrade. Competitors in classes restricted by age and/or amateur status must be able to provide proof of eligibility. Amateur status is issued by Equestrian Canada. An eligible Temporary Sport License holder may compete in amateur classes provided an Amateur Affidavit has been completed and is on file with the competition Secretary.

#### **Horse Recordings:**

To compete at the Gold level, all Canadian competing horses must have a current horse recording for 2023. (A602.4) If the owner is a temporary sport licence holder, a temporary horse recording number must be purchased through the competition office. Foreign entries must sign an affidavit. Results achieved while competing with a temporary sport license will not be used to qualify for Year End Awards or Championship. A valid and current EC *FEI-Recognized National Passport* with current horse recording component is also acceptable.

#### **Ponies:**

Ponies entering FEI Pony division must have official measurement cards prior to entry at a competition. If a pony requires a measurement card, please contact the show manager prior to the competition. See E7.11.5.1

#### **Vaccinations:**

All horses attending Equestrian Canada sanctioned competitions must have met the requirements of Article A519. All horses attending the competition will need to show proof of Equine Influenza and Equine Herpes Virus (1&4) vaccinations within 6 months +21 days grace period and Strangles vaccinations for the current year. Along with proof of negative coggins. It is mandatory to attach photocopies with the entry form; otherwise entry will be subjected to an incomplete entry fee. If the horse is not able to receive the vaccinations listed please contact the show secretary (dressagenb@gmail.com).

#### **Stabling:**

Stabling fees in the old barns will be \$21/night for an 8x8, \$42/night for an 8x16. Stabling in the new barn will be \$35 for a 10x12. Shaving can be purchased for \$9/bag. (Shaving prices are subject to change depending on price set by PLP) Stabling will only be available after 12pm Friday. Competition management must be notified if competitors plan to remove horses from the competition before the end of the competition. Competitors will be asked to provide their own water buckets and hay. Please note that if you have a preference for stabling arrangements, please make a note on your entry form.

#### **Tack Stall:**

Please note that it is PLP Show Centre policy states that aisle ways are to be kept clear of equipment, hay, feed and horses at all times. This will be strictly enforced. Tack stalls in the old barns are available at a cost of \$21/night for an 8x8 and \$42/night for an 8x16. Tack stalls in the new barn are available at a cost of \$35 for an 10x12.

#### **Directions:**

For easiest access to the Princess Louise Show Park, 10 Leonard Road, Sussex NB, E2E 2N7, take Exit 195 on Hwy 1, following Marble Street into town. Cross the railroad tracks at the end of Marble Street and take the next right into Princess Louise Park. The show centre is behind the Eighth Hussars Sports Centre.

**Equestrian Canada**  
**STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLE**

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 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
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- Ensuring that all equestrians including owners, trainers and competitors and their respective 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 professional 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 that owners, trainers and competitors to know and follow their sanctioning organization's rules and to work within industry regulations in all equestrian competitions and
- Actively promoting the development and adherence of competition rules and regulations that protect the welfare of the horse

The standard by which conduct or treatment will be measured is that which a person, informed and experienced in generally accepted equine training and competition procedures, would determine to be neither cruel, abusive nor inhuman.