

MEMBERSHIP AND HORSE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE USEA, US EQUESTRIAN AND THE FEI



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The charts below outline the requirements to compete at the various levels of competition.

	STARTER, BEGINNER NOVICE, NOVICE, TRAINING	MODIFIED, PRELIMINARY, INTERMEDIATE, ADVANCE	CCI1*, CCI2*-L, CCI3*-S, CCI3*-L	CCI4*-S, CCI4*-L, CCI5*
U.S. Riders Need	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> USEA membership required (BN – T) USEF membership/show pass fee not required Starter level, membership optional 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> USEA membership required USEF membership required or present USEF show pass - One show pass allowed per year. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> USEA membership required USEF membership required FEI registration required 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> USEA membership required USEF membership required FEI registration required
U.S. Horses Need	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> USEA Limited or Full Registration required (BN – T) USEF registration not required Starter level, horse registration optional 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> USEA Full Registration required USEF recording not required 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> USEA Full Registration required USEF registration required FEI registration required National Passport if competing in the US/ FEI Passport if competing outside the US 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> USEA Full Registration required USEF registration required FEI registration required USEF IHP Fee (paid on entry form) FEI Passport only required for competing abroad.
Owners Need	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> USEA membership not required USEF membership/show pass not required 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> USEA membership not required. USEF membership required or present USEF show pass – One show pass allowed per year. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> USEA membership not required. USEF individual or syndicate membership required FEI registration not required. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> USEA membership not required USEF individual or syndicate membership required. FEI registration not required
All Foreign Riders, including Canada & Mexico	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> USEA membership required (BN-T) USEF membership/show pass not required Starter level, membership optional 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> USEA membership required USEF: Must provide proof of current membership in good standing with NF or USEF membership required 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> USEA membership not required USEF membership/show pass not required FEI registration required USEF: Letter of permission from NF to compete in specified FEI Level(s) including the name of the horse(s) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> USEA membership not required USEF membership/show pass not required FEI registration required USEF: Letter of permission from NF to compete in specified FEI Level(s) including the name of the horse(s)
All Foreign Horse, including Canada & Mexico	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> USEA Limited or Full registration required USEF registration not required Starter level, registration optional 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> USEA Full registration required USEF registration not required 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> USEA registration not required USEF registration not required FEI registration required FEI Passport required 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> USEA registration not required USEF registration not required FEI registration required FEI Passport required

For questions about USEA membership or horse registration please contact memberservices@useventing.com or 703-779-0440 x 1
Visit www.useventing.com/membership for more information.

For questions about USEF membership, USEF horse registration, or FEI passports please contact the US Equestrian Customer Care at 859-258-2472, email: Customercares@usef.org or use the online live chat feature on the support page of www.usef.org to reach a representative.

Passports take up to 8 weeks to process at the USEF office. If a passport is needed in less than 8 weeks, the [Expedited Passport Service Application](#) needs to be completed.