



CHECKERBOARD CHALLENGE SERIES – EVERYBODY IS A WINNER!

SATURDAY APRIL 21, JUNE 9 AND NOVEMBER 3

STARTER HORSE TRIALS Dressage and Combined Test Only Classes

Level	Dressage Test	Cross-Country	Jumping
Elementary (E)	2015 USDF Intro Level Test C	6-10 fences approximately 18"-24", untimed	18" - 24"
Beginner Novice (BN)	2018 USEF Beginner Novice Test A	9-12 fences, 2'3"-2'7", untimed	2'3" - 2'7"
Novice (N)	2018 USEF Novice Test A	10-14 fences 2'9"-2'11", untimed	2'9" - 2'11"
Novice/Training (N/T)	2018 USEF Training Test A	10-14 fences 2'9"-2'11", untimed	3'0" - 3'3"
Training (T)	2018 USEF Training Test A	10-14 fences 3'0"-3'33; untimed	3'0" - 3'3"

DIVISION DESCRIPTIONS: E-For the beginning horse trials enthusiast or beginning horse; BN- Introduction to eventing for horses and riders with some experience in all three phases; N and T - For horses and riders with some experience at this level; N/T - For horses and riders who wish an introductory experience at the higher Level; the Dressage and Jumping Phase will be at the higher level; the XC will be at the lower level.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Checkerboard Challenge Schooling Days are open to those entered in the following day Starter event and are scheduled before each of the three Challenge Starters. Certain fences on each of the xc courses will be open for practice schooling. 4 fences on the Jumping course will also be open for practice; heights to be adjusted by each riders ground person. Schooling will be offered from 3 PM until 7 each Friday before the Challenge competition. Approved headgear, medical armband, vest and grounds person is required. Parking will be in the corner parking field, check in at office to register, show coggins, pay \$50, receive a pinney number and then proceed.

- **AWARDS:** Six ribbons per Horse Trial divisions. In case of ties, final scores will be broken by fewest jumping penalties first and collective marks second. If these are still equal, duplicate ribbons will be awarded.
 - Divisions: **OPEN** = experienced pair; **HORSE**= less experienced horse; **RIDER**: less experienced rider
 - Competition will be held and run in accordance with USEA guidelines and USEF rules.
 - All eliminated riders will NOT go forward to the next phase unless a Technical Elimination (i.e., forgetting a fence) has occurred. Then permission from the officials must be requested for consideration to continue. This can be arranged through the Secretary.
 - For the 'hybrid' divisions a minimum of 6 riders must have entered for the division to be scheduled; those entered will be placed into the lower level division, ie N/T will be placed on Open Novice if not enough enter for the hybrid division to run.
 - **Refunds:** Before Closing Date - refund in full; After Closing Date - no refund; If Event Cancelled - no refund
 - **Start Times:** Start times will be available at www.Waredaca.com home page NEWS TO USE section the Thursday prior to the competition
 - **ALL ENTRY paperwork must be COMPLETED and received by the Closing Date of or the \$50 late fee will be incurred.** If your Entry arrives incomplete **It WILL NOT be CONSIDERED 'COMPLETE' and scheduled UNTIL PAID IN FULL AND ALL PAPERWORK IS RECEIVED, IF SPACE IS AVAILABLE**
 - Online Entry: EVENTCLINICS.COM
 - **Dogs** welcome, but must be leashed at all times Only entered horses permitted on show grounds
 - **EMT ON SITE FARRIER on CALL** Food and vendors will be present Bring your own water
- Questions/Issues: Email: sarahgonzalezquestrian@gmail.com

PRINTED LAST NAME: _____

PRINTED EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

SELECT ONE AND CIRCLE

⊖ **Boarder** ⊖ **Camp Participant** ⊖ **Schooling Participant** ⊖ **Spectator / Auditor** ⊖ **Competition Participant** ⊖ **Clinic Participant**

Waredaca PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT

Assumption of Risk, Waiver of Liability, and Indemnification Agreement

Assumption of Inherent Risks: I understand and assume the inherent risks involved in equine activities, which risks include, but are not limited to, bodily injury, physical harm and even death to horses, riders, and spectators from using, riding or being in close proximity to horses may occur in normal use. I acknowledge that the behavior of any animal is contingent to some extent upon the ability of the handler or rider. Further, I understand that “inherent risks of equine activities” shall mean those dangers or conditions which are an integral part of equine activities, including, but not limited to:

- the propensity of any equine to behave in ways that may result in injury, harm, or death to persons on or around them and/or damage to property in their vicinity;
- the unpredictability of an equine’s reaction to such things as sounds, sudden movements and unfamiliar objects, persons or other animals;
- certain hazards such as surface and subsurface objects;
- collisions with other equines, animals, people and objects (fixed or otherwise);
- limited availability of emergency medical care; and
- the potential of a participant or spectator to act in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury to the participant or others, such as failing to maintain control over the equine or to act within his/her ability.

Waiver of Liability: For the privilege of riding and/or working around equines today and on all future dates, I, on behalf of myself, my family members, my heirs, personal representatives, or assigns, do hereby agree to release, waive, and discharge Camp Waredaca, Inc. and Waredaca, LLC (property owner) (hereinafter collectively referred to as “Waredaca”), and its directors, members, managers, employees, volunteers, and agents from any liability or responsibility for accident, damage, injury, or illness to myself or any horse owned by me or any horse not owned by Waredaca but used by me, or to any family member or spectator accompanying me while on the premises of Waredaca resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities or from the ordinary negligence (active or passive) of Waredaca.

AND that except in the event of Waredaca’s wanton and willful and/or reckless conduct and/or gross negligence, I agree not to bring any claims, demands, actions and causes of action, and/or litigation, against Waredaca for any economic and/or non-economic losses due to bodily injury, death, and/or property damage sustained by me in relation to the premises and operations of Waredaca, including while riding, handling, or otherwise being near horses owned by or in the care, custody and control of Waredaca,

Indemnification: I also agree to hold harmless, defend, and indemnify Waredaca (including, but not limited to, costs associated with defending a suit, judgment, courts costs, investigation costs, and reasonable attorney fees) from any and all claims of mine, my family members, or others arising from my injury or loss due to my participation as a rider, handler, or spectator. I further agree to hold harmless, defend, and indemnify Waredaca against any and all claims of co-participants, rescuers, and others arising from my conduct in the course of my participation as a rider, handler, or spectator.

Acknowledgements, Assertions, and Agreements: I warrant that a full and fair disclosure of my equestrian handling and riding abilities have been made to Waredaca, its directors, members, managers, employees, and agents. Further:

Health Status – I assert that I:

- Have fully disclosed to Waredaca any chronic conditions that could impair my ability to participate as a rider, handler, or spectator and have provided a doctor’s release permitting my participation (if applicable).
- Do not have any undisclosed chronic physical or mental conditions that would contra-indicate participation in equine activities.
- Possess sufficient physical fitness and skill to enable safe participation with, on, and around equines.

Emergency Care – I authorize or agree that Waredaca:

- May administer emergency first aid, CPR, and use an AED when deemed necessary by Waredaca.
- May secure emergency medical care or transportation (i.e., EMS) when deemed necessary by Waredaca.
- May share my medical history with emergency medical personnel.
- And I shall assume all costs of emergency medical care and transportation provided on my behalf.

Rules & Safety Equipment – I agree:

- To abide by the rules and regulations established by Waredaca now and in the future.
- To wear an SEI/ASTM approved riding helmet at all times while mounted on the horse, and, if required, a safety vest.
- To wear appropriate attire and footwear at all times while on the premises of Waredaca.
- To wear and utilize any additional safety equipment for my particular equine activity.
- To inform Waredaca immediately if I become aware of rider conduct or equipment condition that presents a danger to my own person or others.
- That Waredaca will conduct all activities in good faith and may find it necessary to terminate my participation if it is determined that I am incapable of safely meeting the rigors of the activity. I accept Waredaca's right to take such actions for the safety of myself, other riders, and/or the horses.

Covenant not to Sue; Mediation; Venue; and Severability Clauses: I covenant not to sue Waredaca for any present or future claim arising directly or indirectly from my participation with equines at the Waredaca. This includes claims resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities and the active or passive negligence of Waredaca.

This Agreement shall be construed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Maryland. Any action brought under this Agreement shall be brought within one (1) year of the incident or dispute giving rise to said claim. I further agree that *prior to litigation*, such incident or dispute shall first be mediated by a trained Mediator knowledgeable in equines and equine activities from a list acceptable to Waredaca (whichever party is in dispute). Costs of mediation shall be shared equally by the parties. In the event of litigation, the prevailing party shall be entitled to costs and fees associated with the litigation, including reasonable attorney fees.

I also expressly agree that this Participant Agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by the laws of the State of Maryland and that if any portion thereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full force and effect.

Acknowledgement of Understanding: I understand this is a legal document and that I am signing this agreement freely and voluntarily. I understand I have the choice *not to participate* as a boarder or spectator at Waredaca, or as a rider, handler, participant, or spectator in the clinic, camp, lesson program, training, or special event provided by or at the facilities of Waredaca, and, therefore, not sign this agreement. I understand there is no public policy in Maryland prohibiting the use of this waiver and I may sign on behalf of my minor child or ward.

I have read this 2-page Participation Agreement and fully understand its terms. I understand that I am giving up substantial rights, including my right to sue Waredaca, its clinicians, directors, members, managers, employees, volunteers, and agents for injuries or death resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities or the active or passive negligence of Waredaca. I further acknowledge that I intend my signature to be a complete and unconditional release of all liability, including that due to ordinary negligence by Waredaca, to the greatest extent allowed by the laws of Maryland.

Date

Signature (must be at least 18yrs of age to sign) *

If participant is a minor, print name here

Printed Name of Signatory

Date of Birth of Minor Participant

Address

Name of Emergency Contact Person

Telephone number of Emergency Contact