

The 2012 Colonel Bengt Ljungquist Memorial Championships Rules

Method:

Horse/rider teams qualify by riding in designated BLM qualifying classes at participating competitions. Qualified horse/rider teams will then compete at the Finals.

Awards:

Prize money for places 1-3. At Training and First Levels (excluding Musical Freestyles), ribbons for places 1-10. All other levels, ribbons for places 1-8. Separate Finals classes will be held for Junior/Young riders at the USEF levels (excluding freestyles). If there are 3 or more Junior/Young riders at any FEI levels (excluding Freestyles), a separate Finals class will be held for the corresponding level(s).

Qualifying rules:

1. A horse/rider team qualifies as a team, and only the same team may compete at the Finals.
2. The rider must be a member of a participating USDF GMO dressage association at the time of qualification.
3. To be eligible to compete in the Finals in a given level, the *horse* must not have been shown before Oct. 18, 2012 in any test two levels above that level in shows licensed by the USEF, the FEI or any other National Federation. Exception: Riders who have never shown two levels above their Finals level may ride experienced horses.
4. The rider is responsible for submitting a form as proof of qualification to the Championships Secretary as soon as possible after the qualifying ride. (Qualification Form available on www.CBLM.org and from Bettina Longaker, email address on following page). **Please include your email address. No rider will qualify until the Secretary receives a properly filled-out qualification form.** The Secretary will confirm qualification by a qualification list on the official CBLM website. Only riders who have **NOT** qualified will be individually notified.
5. Competitions may **not** charge extra fees for qualifying rides.
6. ANY class offered that is a CBLM test will be designated as a qualifying class.
7. Only those competitions listed will be used as qualifying competitions. Over a period of four days or less, no more than two qualifying competitions may be held at the same location.
8. Winning horse/rider teams at the Finals will be ineligible to compete at the same level in succeeding years, except for Intermediate II, Grand Prix, Grand Prix Freestyle, and Pas de Deux.
9. The 2012 Finals classes may be used to qualify for 2013 and the MFS and FEI Finals may be used to qualify for the USDF/GAIG Finals in 2013.
10. The last date to qualify for the 2012 Finals is September 23, 2012.

Qualification Requirements:

USEF levels:

1. The horse/rider team must achieve the following minimum percentages (qualifying tests to be used are indicated):

Training Level Test 2	65% (Seniors)	63% (Juniors/YR)
First Level Test 2	62% (Seniors)	60% (Juniors/YR)
Second Level Test 2*	62% (Seniors)	60% (Juniors/YR)
Third Level Test 2**	62% (Seniors)	60% (Juniors/YR)
Fourth Level Test 2	62% (Seniors)	60% (Juniors/YR)

2. **FEI levels:** A horse/rider team must achieve the following minimum score in any FEI class at a qualifying show (National and CDI); FEI TOC classes may be used.

Prix St. Georges***	60% (Seniors)	58% (Juniors/YR)
Intermediate I	60%	58% (Juniors/YR)
Intermediate II	60%	
Grand Prix	60%	

Musical Freestyles: The Qualifying score is **63%**. At the Finals, there will be six freestyles. 1) First Level; 2) Second Level*; 3) Third Level**; 4) Fourth Level****; 5) Intermediate I; 6) Grand Prix. Any type of freestyle class will be accepted, including GAIG/USDF qualifying classes, USDF or FEI musical freestyles, or CDI freestyles.

Pas de Deux: The Qualifying score is **65%**. *This level will be discontinued in 2013 if more pairs do not qualify & compete in the 2012 Finals competition.*

* - FEI Pony Test may be ridden by Juniors to qualify at 2nd level; they will ride 2nd Level Test 2 in the Finals & 2nd MFS

** - FEI Young Tests may be ridden by Juniors to qualify at 3rd level; they will ride 3rd Level Test 2 in the Finals & 3rd MFS

*** - FEI Young Rider Team tests may be ridden by eligible Young riders respectively to qualify at PSG; they will ride PSG in the Finals

**** - FEI Young Rider Freestyle may be ridden by eligible Young Riders to qualify for 4th Level MFS; they will ride 4th MFS in the Finals

(Age is determined by the age of the rider as of December 1: Junior = 18 & under; Young Rider = 16 – 21 yr.)

Rules Governing the Finals

1. The same tests used to qualify will be used in the Finals, except the FEI Pony, Junior & Young Rider tests listed above.
2. The tests must be ridden from memory and without whips.
3. No horse/rider team may ride Hors de Concours in a Finals class.
4. Entries for the Finals classes must be sent on the current Official Entry Blank to the current year's Finals Entry Secretary, **Bettina Longaker**.
5. A horse/rider team may qualify at more than one level and all qualified horse/rider teams are permitted to compete in the Finals in consecutive qualified levels; this includes the corresponding Musical Freestyle finals.
6. Only ONE horse/rider combination may show in the Finals. If two riders qualify the same horse at different levels, the choice must be made and only one Finals horse/rider combination will be accepted by the Finals Show Secretary.
7. During the Finals competition, no horse entered in a Ljungquist Final may be ridden by anyone other than the rider entered in the Final on that horse until that combination has finished their Finals class(es); this includes the awards ceremony. (At this point, the horse/rider combination may compete in open classes with new entry form and bridle number.)
8. Training Level and the First Level Finals for senior riders will consist of two divisions: a) riders who **have not** competed at or above Third Level at an USEF licensed show, and b) riders who **have** competed at or above Third Level at an USEF licensed show.
9. Second through Third Levels for senior riders will consist of two divisions: a) riders who **have not** competed at or above the FEI Prix St. Georges level or in any of the FEI Young Rider levels at an USEF licensed show, and b) riders who **have** competed at or above the FEI Prix St. Georges level or in any of the FEI Young Rider levels at an USEF licensed show.
10. Fourth Level for senior riders will consist of two divisions: a) riders who **have not** competed at or above the FEI Intermediaire I at an USEF licensed show, and b) riders who **have** competed at or above the FEI Intermediaire I at an USEF licensed show.
11. Prix St Georges for senior riders will consist of two divisions: a) riders who **have not** competed at or above the FEI Intermediaire II at an USEF licensed show, and b) riders who **have** competed at or above the FEI Intermediaire II at an USEF licensed show.
12. The Championship competition is to be held within USDF Region 1 only.

CBLM Website: <http://www.cblm.org>

To get a qualification form, check the website or send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to:

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30TH ANNIVERSARY

30th Annual Col. Bengt Ljungquist Memorial Championship Finals

Presented by *Trilogy Saddlery*

Virginia Horse Center

October 18 - 21, 2012

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