

**Dressage New Brunswick Competitions 2026  
Princess Louise Show Park  
Sussex, NB**



**DNB Bronze/Gold #1 May 16-17, 2026**

Judge: Beth Murray  
Steward: Dawn Brown

**DNB Bronze/Gold #2 July 24-26, 2026**

Judge: Ellen King  
Steward: Dawn Brown

**DNB Bronze/Gold #3 September 19-20, 2026**

Judge: Joanne Bouwhuis  
Steward: Dawn Brown

Secretary/Competition Contact: Julie Leger ([dressagenb@gmail.com](mailto:dressagenb@gmail.com)/506-233-1625)

Show Manager: Julie Leger

Veterinarian (on call): Lauren Brooks (506-566-1583)

Farrier (on call)-May & July shows: Martin Poirier (506-962-2831)

Farrier (on call)-September: Rebecca Denommee (506-435-2570)

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

Competition Committee:

Julie Leger – Chair

Jodi Milligan – Member

Janelle Sullivan – Member

The DNB Bronze/Gold Competitions #1, #2, #3 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. An administration fee of \$60 per entry form is required. 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**
- **DNB 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 2026)**
- **Signatures on all waivers**
- **Payment in full**

### **Refunds:**

Before the close of entries, refunds of 100% minus processing fee and administration fee (\$60) will be refunded.

After the close of entries, refunds of 50% of class fees and 100% of stabling and other fees (less the \$60 administration fee) will be awarded with veterinarian's or medical doctor's certificate.

There are no refunds after final ride times are sent out (2 days before start of 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 permitted to school in the show rings outside of show hours after the start of competition, we just ask that a maximum of 4 horses are in the ring at the same time to ensure safety for all riders and horses. The tractor will condition the competition arenas 1 hour 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. For safety and transparency, all coaches must be present in person while providing instruction during the competition.

**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, #3:**

The following divisions and tests will be offered for all days of the competition in the **GOLD** competition (\$35/test) ; 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 (Training through Advanced Level)

The following classes will be offered for all days of the competition in the **BRONZE** competition (\$30/test) ; 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 (Training through Advanced Level)
- Western Dressage – all levels and tests
- Eventing tests –EV 85 – EV 110

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 – Fourth level will be divided into 3 divisions – Junior, Adult Amateur and Open. 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 (E7.10.8).

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”. (dressage EC rules Chapter 14)

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

The Leadline Class 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, WSDAC (Western Style Dressage Association of Canada). All information on the WSDAC can be found through this link: [Western Style Dressage Association of Canada](#). 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. DNB will be sanctioning these classes with WSDAC and riders that are member of the WSDAC association will be able to qualify to the national championship that is held annually as well as other awards.

### **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. EV 85 – EV 110 ridden in a 20 x 40 arena except EV 110 test 2 ridden in a 20x60 arena.

### **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 Training Level to FEI Grand Prix including FEI Para Equestrian & WSDAC.

### **Awards for DNB #1, #2, #3 – 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 or combine divisions for this award (example: Third/Fourth Level or AA/Open). 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.

If high point awards of the day and/or weekend are awarded, freestyles & young horses scores will not be counted towards these awards.

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. “Any athlete entered in any class at an EC sanctioned competition may be selected for human anti-doping as outlined in the Canadian Anti-Doping Program (CADP) and administered by Sport Integrity Canada. Please see EC General Regulations Section A – Appendix A1, Policy on Human Medications for details.”

### **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.** 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.

**Horse Recordings:**

To compete at the Gold level, all Canadian competing horses must have a current horse recording for 2026 A602.4). Foreign entries must sign an affidavit. Results achieved while competing with a Single Event Sport Licence Upgrade may not be used to qualify for year-end awards, championship competitions, finals or subsequent competitions requiring qualification. 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 for the current year. 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](mailto:dressagenb@gmail.com)).

May show only, receiving proof of vaccinations by email after entering will be accepted following these rules:

A rider can register to the show without proof of vaccination at time of entering if they send their proof by email afterwards. Proof must be sent in before closing of entries or be subject to late fees. No emails will be sent as a reminder. It is the responsibility of the entrant to send their information on time.

If proof is not received before closing date a late fee of \$20 will be applied to the entry and a first reminder email will be sent.

If proof is not received before our extended closing date a \$50 late fee will be applied and a 2nd email reminder will be sent.

If proof has still not been received before final ride times are sent out (2 days before start of show) the entry will not be allowed to compete, the entry will be cancelled and will not be refunded.

**Stabling:**

Stabling fees in the old barns will be \$30/night for an 8x8, \$40/night for an 8x12. Stabling in the new barn will be \$40 for an 10x12.

Shaving can be purchased for \$11/bag. (shaving prices are subject to change depending on price set by PLP)

Stabling will only be available after 12pm Friday for DNB#1 & DNB#3 and Thursday after 12pm for DNB#2.

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 \$30/night for an 8x8 and \$40/night for an 8x12. Tack stalls in the new barn are available at a cost of \$40 for an 10x12.

**Haul in:**

A haul in fee of \$20/day will be applied per horse. This fee is applied to horses hauling in for the show and not stabling.

**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 Principles – Horse Welfare**

1. EC requires adherence to humane treatment of horses in all activities under its jurisdiction.
2. All participants shall be bound by the Horse Welfare Code of Conduct.
3. Section A Horse Welfare rules apply to all disciplines and all Section Rule Books. Rule exceptions in other Sections that contravene Section A Horse Welfare rules are not permitted and will not be approved.
4. EC is committed to:
  - a. upholding the welfare of the horse, regardless of monetary value, as a primary consideration in all activities;
  - b. requiring that horses be treated with kindness, respect, and the compassion that they deserve, and that they never be subjected to maltreatment;
  - c. ensuring that owners, trainers, and exhibitors and their agents exercise appropriate care and responsibility in the handling, treatment, and transportation of their horses, as well as horses placed in their care for any purpose;
  - d. providing for the continuous wellbeing of the horse by encouraging routine inspection and consultation with health care professionals and competition officials to achieve the highest possible standards of nutrition, health, comfort, and safety;
  - e. continuing to support scientific studies on equine health and welfare;
  - f. requiring owners, trainers, and exhibitors to know and follow their sanctioning organization's rules, and to work within industry regulations in all equestrian competitions; and,
  - g. reviewing, revising, and developing competition rules and regulations that protect the welfare of the horse.

## EC SPORT LICENSING 2025

# SAFETY, INCLUSIVITY, & EXCELLENCE

Your guide to the latest updates for the competition season in Canada

**IMPORTANT CHANGES** have been implemented to enhance the safety and inclusivity of equestrian sport. Whether you're an athlete, parent, coach, official, or competition staff, your role is crucial in upholding these standards. Here's what you need to know:

### SAFE SPORT TRAINING PREREQUISITE:

- The two free EC Safe Sport training modules must be completed before purchasing a Sport Licence. Check your training status on MyEC by clicking on the ECampus button.

### DISCONTINUED TEMPORARY LICENCES AND TEMPORARY HORSE REGISTRATIONS:

- Temporary EC Sport Licences are now discontinued at competitions. All riders, owners, and coaches must possess an EC Sport Licence to participate in events. All horses must have a Horse Recording where level and division require.

### AVAILABLE SHOW LEVEL UPGRADES:

- Explore higher-level competitions with temporary upgrades via your MyEC Portal. Note: National Rankings Points are not tabulated for upgraded results.

### COACH STATUS REQUIREMENTS:

- All coaches at EC-sanctioned events require EC Licensed Coach Status. For upgrading from Registered to Licensed Status, coaches can apply for a Temporary Coach Status (TCS) to fulfill the requirement for each event.
- New for 2025: A TCS may be purchased conveniently online via the MyEC Portal only. Each TCS is valid for a single event.

### EMPOWERING SELF-COACHED ATHLETES:

- Athletes without a coach on-site can declare themselves as self-coached by providing their name and EC Sport Licence number on their entry form. Coaches that are not present at the event with the athlete are not to be listed on the entry form.

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# 2026 NATIONAL DRESSAGE & PARA DRESSAGE CHAMPIONSHIPS

## EAST

October 1–4, 2026  
Complexe Equestre Becancour,  
Becancour, QC

## WEST

October 9–11, 2026  
Thunderbird Show Park,  
Langley, BC



## HOW TO DECLARE

- Through MyEC
- Declaration Fee: \$25
- Late Declaration Fee: \$100 (after July 17)
- Declaration Deadline: August 14, 2026

## HOW TO QUALIFY

- Qualification Period: January 1 to August 31, 2026
- Two scores (from the test with the highest degree of difficulty in the division)
- Scores from two different Platinum or Gold Competitions
- Top 8 combinations (including ties for 8th) will be invited from each division and each category to compete for National titles

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