Rider Performance Award Program

There are four (4) levels of the Rider performance Award Program. Awards will be a lapel pin, a certificate and a patch appropriate for sewing on a saddle pad.

General Rules:

- Riders may earn an award only once at each level.
- Scores may be earned on one or more horses.
- Awards may be earned in any order.
- Scores may be used multiple times for successive levels if applicable.
- Scores may be earned at any test of the level unless otherwise specified.
- Scores must be earned at a DHD & CT Schooling Show
- Scores may be used beginning with the 2023 competition year.
- There is no time limit as to when the scores have to be earned.
- You must be a DHD & CT member when the scores were earned.
- Application Form and \$15 fee must be submitted using the Rider Performance Awards Application.
- Awards are distributed at the conclusion of the show season in which they were earned.
- For the purpose of the Rider Performance Awards, the following equivalencies apply:

Level	USDF/USEF Level	WDAA Level	USEA Level
Introductory	Introductory	Introductory	Starter
Training	Training	Basic	Beginner Novice & Novice
First	First Level	Level 1	Training, Modified & Preliminary
Second	Second Level	Level 2	Intermediate
	Third Level	Level 3	Advanced
Third & Above	Fourth Level	Level 4	
	FEI	Level 5	

Ruby Level: Ten scores of 63% or higher

a) Six scores from Introductory Level from three different judges with a minimum of two scores from the highest test of the level.

AND

b) Four scores from Training Level from two different judges with a minimum of one score from the highest test of the level.

OR

c) Ten scores from Training Level from four different judges with a minimum of one score from the highest test of the level.

Sapphire Level: Eight scores of 60% or higher

a) Five scores from First Level from two different judges with a minimum of two scores from the highest test of the level.

AND

b) Three scores from Second Level with a minimum of one score from the highest test of the level.

OR

c) Eight scores from Second Level from three different judges with a minimum of one score from the highest test of the level.

Diamond Level: Six scores of 60% or higher

a) Four scores from Second Level from two different judges with a minimum of 2 scores from the highest test of the level.

AND

b) Two scores from Third Level or above from two different judges with a minimum of 1 score from the highest test of the highest level shown.

OR

c) Six scores from Third Level or above from three different judges with a minimum of one score from the highest test of the highest level shown.

Freestyle Level: Six scores of 65% or higher

a) Two scores from Training Level Freestyle.

AND

b) Two scores from First Level Freestyle.

AND

c) Two scores from Second Level or above Freestyle.

OR

d) Six scores from Second Level or above Freestyle.