

QUALIFYING INFORMATION

ALL CLASS DESCRIPTIONS REFER TO THE GUIDELINES SPECIFIED IN RULE R36.

EVERY YEAR, A NEW PLACEMENT/MEMBERSHIP FORM MUST BE FILLED OUT COMPLETELY. RETURNING MEMBERS, PLEASE INDICATE WHAT DIVISION YOU SHOWED IN LAST SEASON

RETURNING MEMBERS LIST 2025 - 2026 DIVISION _____

ALL ALUMNI SAPPHIRE RIDERS WILL REMAIN ALUMNI SAPPHIRE RIDERS.

OPAL RIDERS ARE WALK-JOG STUDENTS WHO ARE BEGINNING RIDERS WHO HAVE NOT COMPETED IN MOUNTED COMPETITION WHICH REQUIRE THEM TO CANTER OR LOPE.

IS THIS STATEMENT TRUE? I HAVE NEVER COMPETED IN A CLASS THAT REQUIRES ME TO LOPE OR CANTER. YES NO

IS THIS STATEMENT TRUE?
I HAVE NOT EARNED 25 NATIONAL POINTS FROM ANY NATIONAL ASSOCIATION INCLUDING NOVICE BUT EXCLUDING ROPING, GAMES, HALTER, SHOWMANSHIP 10 & UNDER CLASSES, AND/OR NON-LOPING CLASSES.

YES (ALUMNI EMERALD) NO (ALUMNI SAPPHIRE)

RETURNING RIDERS WHO WERE IN THE ALUMNI EMERALD DIVISION DID YOU FINISH 1ST OR 2ND IN THE ALUMNI EMERALD PATTERN OR RAIL 2025 NATIONAL INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIP CLASS?

YES (ALUMNI SAPPHIRE) NO (ALUMNI EMERALD)

IF YOU WERE ALUMNI EMERALD IN THE 2024-2025 SEASON, DID YOU FINISH RANKED IN THE TOP 3 FOR THE 2025-2026 SHOW SEASON?

WHERE YOU ALUMNI SAPPHIRE LAST YEAR?

YES (ALUMNI SAPPHIRE) NO (ALUMNI EMERALD)

RETURNING RIDERS WHO WERE IN THE ALUMNI EMERALD DIVISION HAVE YOU COMPLETED TWO SEASONS COMPETING AS AN ALUMNI EMERALD RIDER?

YES (ALUMNI SAPPHIRE) NO (ALUMNI EMERALD)

If you have competed in “recognized shows” you may be asked to submit a printed copy of your competition/points records along with this form. For YEDA purposes, “recognized shows” includes AQHA, NRHA, NSBA, APHA, PtHA, ApHC, IBHA, ABRA & POA. USEF and any other association that keeps national records.

Please Mark all professional affiliations

- USEF USHJA USPC YEDA APHA
- CHA 4H PtHA NSBA NRHA
- Other _____

****The Youth Equestrian Development Association (YEDA) highly recommends that all riders be actively enrolled in a weekly lesson program.****

Photo Release:

May your likeness in photos taken in photos by our official photographers be used in promotional literature for YEDA. YES NO

If no, please enclose a current photo of the rider so that we can ensure their likeness is not used.

NOTICE: YEDA DOES NOT ASSUME ANY RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE SAFETY OF PARTICIPANTS AND/OR ATTENDEES AT ALL EQUINE EVENTS. EQUINE EVENTS ARE INHERENTLY RISKY. "INHERENT RISK OF AN EQUINE ACTIVITY" MEANS A DANGER OR CONDITION THAT IS AN INTEGRAL PART OF AN EQUINE ACTIVITY, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:(A) THE PROPENSITY OF AN EQUINE TO BEHAVE IN WAYS THAT MAY RESULT IN INJURY, DEATH, OR LOSS TO PERSONS ON OR AROUND THE EQUINE; (B) THE UNPREDICTABILITY OF AN EQUINE'S REACTION TO SOUNDS, SUDDEN MOVEMENT, UNFAMILIAR OBJECTS, PERSONS, OR OTHER ANIMALS; (C) HAZARDS, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, SURFACE OR SUBSURFACE CONDITIONS; (D) A COLLISION WITH ANOTHER EQUINE, ANOTHER ANIMAL, A PERSON, OR AN OBJECT; OR (E) THE POTENTIAL OF AN EQUINE ACTIVITY PARTICIPANT TO ACT IN A NEGLIGENT MANNER THAT MAY CONTRIBUTE TO INJURY, DEATH, OR LOSS TO THE PERSON OF THE PARTICIPANT OR TO OTHER PERSONS, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, FAILING TO MAINTAIN CONTROL OVER AN EQUINE OR FAILING TO ACT WITHIN THE ABILITY OF THE PARTICIPANT. THE PARENT OR GUARDIAN, ON BEHALF OF THEIR PARTICIPATING MINOR, ASSUMES ALL RISK OF PERSONAL INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE OCCURRING AS A RESULT OF THE PARTICIPATION AND DOES HEREBY RELEASE AND DISCHARGE YEDA AND SHOW MANAGEMENT, THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, REPRESENTATIVES, AND EMPLOYEES FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITY, WHENEVER OR HOWEVER ARISING FROM SUCH PARTICIPATION.

- COACH GUARANTEES THEY ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALUMNI AND ASKING FOR RE-RIDES
- COACH AND TEAM WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING HORSES TO COVER ALUMNI RIDES
- COACH GUARANTEES THE ALUMNI IS QUALIFIED IN THEIR ABILITY TO RIDE UNFAMILIAR HORSES IN A GROUP
 - RIDING INSTRUCTION IN REGULAR LESSONS
 - OR -
 - RIDING THEIR OWN HORSES OFF PREMISES, BOTH ON OWNED AND NON-OWNED HORSES

YOUR SIGNATURE BELOW ACKNOWLEDGES THAT COACH, GUARDIAN, AND RIDER HAVE FULLY REVIEWED THE YEDA RULE BOOK 2026-2027 AND UNDERSTAND THE CONDUCT, COMPETITION REQUIREMENTS, AND POSSIBLE SANCTIONS OUTLINED THEREIN. YOU ARE HEREBY GUARANTEEING THAT COACH, GUARDIAN, AND RIDER WILL ADHERE TO YEDA SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY AND RULES OF THE ORGANIZATION. YOUR SIGNATURE ADDITIONALLY ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THE RIDER IS A FULLTIME STUDENT IN GOOD ACADEMIC STANDING. COACH, GUARDIAN, AND RIDER ARE SUBJECT TO ALL RULES, FINES AND DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE YEDA RULES.

COACH'S SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

RIDER SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

IF RIDER IS UNDER 18

Make Checks out to: YEDA

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