

USDAA Policies & Procedures

Statement of Policy Addressing Scheduling of Classes

Effective for clubs scheduling their first regular trial after July 1, 2013

This policy, released February 1, 2013, outlines the options clubs may exercise when selecting and scheduling classes.

NEW CLUBS

A newly sanctioned club must first host an Intro Only Event or Sanctioned Match pursuant to the licensing agreement. Regular titling, Masters Challenge and/or tournament classes may not be offered at either event.

Once the IPO or Match is held and the club's procedure for handling the paperwork is reviewed and approved, the club's next show may include:

All titling classes offered multiple days of the event¹

All titling classes offered multiple days of the event¹ and Grand Prix/Performance GP²

Limited levels of titling¹ (Starters/P1/Advanced/P2 classes must be offered at the first event with limited levels.)

Subsequent shows the first year may include:

All titling classes offered multiple days of the event¹

All titling classes offered multiple days of the event¹ and GP/PGP/Steeplechase/Speed Jumping²

Team/PVP may be offered at an event once the club has offered the other tournaments at least once.

Limited levels of titling¹ (Adv/P2/Masters/P3/Vets classes may be offered if St/P1/Adv/P2 classes were offered previously.)

ALL CLUBS

Protected Dates

In accordance with the licensing agreement, a fully affiliated club is required to host two regular shows each calendar year after their initial year as a licensed affiliate. A regular show consists of all titling classes offered at all levels in both programs a minimum of once during the event. Veterans Program and Masters Challenge Program classes are excluded from this requirement.

Additional Dates

A club may offer additional events without meeting the criteria for a protected date, i.e., a club may offer:

All titling classes multiple days of the event¹

All titling classes multiple days of the event¹ and tournaments²

Tournaments² combined with limited levels of titling¹

Tournaments only²

Limited levels¹

Non-standard classes only¹

Contiguous Club Dates

Two clubs hosting shows on consecutive days may not offer the same tournaments at their events. The two clubs must reach an agreement as to which club will offer which tournament. There is no such requirement with regard to titling or Masters Challenge classes.

¹In no case shall a class be offered more than once on any day of the event.

²Clubs outside the contiguous 48 US states and Canada may offer a tournament more than once during an event, but not on the same day.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, this policy statement does not purport to take into account all circumstances.