

USDF Region 9 Technical Delegate Report – August 2015

At the Annual Meeting in Boston, the TD committee presented a power point clarifying the USEF saddle pad logo rule. It created quite a stir among the judges and several said they were going to submit a proposal requiring the TDs be responsible to enforce the rule. This did not set well with the TDs and so for this year, judges and TDs are asked to give any input they would like, to the TD committee, so a well thought out change could be submitted.

The main project the committee has worked on this winter is a fund in honor of Veronica Holt. Veronica recently passed away this last December, and had been instrumental in training and mentorship for many TDs for over 25 years. She was chair of the USDF TD committee for many years, was an instructor at the USEF TD seminars, and most recently had been the chair for the Regional Championships. The USDF EB has recently approved this project. The fund will allow \$500 grants to TDs wanting to upgrade to an R. The criteria has been set and the Dressage Foundation is managing this fund. Please visit their website for more information. The fund currently needs \$\$\$ to get it established, so any size donation would be appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,
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