



HCS, USA Saddlery/ MDHT Starter Horse Trials Series

CASH & PRIZES FOR STARTER SERIES CHAMPIONSHIP!!

Championship: For the Starter Series, there will be a Championship on the final Starter weekend. There will be a Championship division and regular divisions for each level. In order to qualify for a Championship division, the same horse/rider combination must place 1st - 6th in at least 2 of the Starters, at the same level. The level the rider qualifies at will be their Championship level. Combined Tests do not count towards qualifying placings.

Team Competition: Form your own teams of 3 or 4 horse and rider combinations to compete for prizes and medals to be awarded following the final Starter competition. Points from the three highest scoring team members will be added together to determine the total number of points at each event. Teams can be made up of horse and rider combinations from various levels. Points awarded for top 8 placings as follows:

1st place = 10 points; 2nd place = 8 points; 3rd place = 6 points; 4th place = 5 points; 5th place = 4 points; 6th place = 3 points; 7th place = 2 points; 8th place = 1 point

Starter Trials: The Starter Horse Trials consists of all three phases (dressage, show jumping, cross country) in an unrecognized/starter format. The trials have opening and closing Dates, just like the USEF/USEA Recognized Horse Trials. The table below lists the necessary dates for the Starter Horse Trials. Please complete and mail the attached form or enter electronically via evententries.com (9:00 pm closing time).

Starter Horse Trial Dates:	Opening Date:	Closing Date:
March 21-22	Now	March 6
April 11-12	Now	March 27
May 23-24	Now	May 8
September 12-13	Now	August 28
October 17-18	Now	October 2
*Oct 31-Nov 1	Now	October 16

* Final Starter (10/31-11/1) Competition will run championship divisions along with regular divisions for each level. Championship division schedule will be announced closer to the event.

Horse Trials & Combined Tests Saturday: Prelim (3'7" CT Only) Modified (3'5"), Training (3'3"), N (2'11"), BN (2'7")
Horse Trials & Combined Tests Sunday: BN (2'7"), Elem (2' - 2'3"), Intro (18" - 2'), Lead line (xrails/logs)**

** Lead Line Division only held on April and September starters.

Horse Trials & CT Dressage Tests:

Intro: [USDF 2019 Introductory Test A](#) - small arena (20m x 40m) (Walk, Trot)

Elementary: [USDF 2019 Introductory Test C](#) - small arena (20m x 40m) (Walk, Trot, and Canter)

Beginner Novice: [USEF 2018 BN Eventing Test A](#) - small arena (20m x 40m)

Novice: [USEF 2018 Novice Eventing Test A](#) - small arena (20m x 40m)

Training: [USEF 2018 Training Eventing Test A](#) - small arena (20m x 40m)

Modified: [USEF 2018 Modified Eventing Test A](#) - small arena (20m x 40m)

Preliminary: [USEF 2018 Preliminary Eventing Test A](#) - small arena (20m x 40m) – Combined Test Only

Dressage Test Only: Please indicate test(s) you would like to do on your entry (Any USEF/USDF/USEA test ridden in a small arena)

Stadium Rounds: Intro (18"-2'), Elementary (2'-2'3"), Beginner Novice (2'7"), Novice (2'11"), Training (3'3"), Modified (3'5"), Preliminary (3'7")

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FEE SCHEDULE:

Horse Trial: \$150 (early bird \$125); **CT** \$75; **Dressage Test** \$50; **Cross Country Round** \$65; **Stadium Round** \$40
Stabling: \$50/night. Initial bag of shavings included. Additional \$10/bag. Muck deposit of \$25 per stall (SEPARATE CHECK) shredded if stall is stripped and swept clean. Please check out at secretary's stand.

Included with Stabling: Come early the day before the event and hack along the river, or school the schooling course for no additional fee when stabling. Applies only to horses entered in the event.

Shavings: \$10/bag

Refunds: Scratches received prior to the closing date will be refunded, less \$25 office fee. No refunds after the closing date. If for any reason the show is cancelled – no refund.

Change Fee: \$25/entry

Non-Compete Horse Fee: \$50

Returned Check Fee: \$50

Payment: Entries must be accompanied by payment to be processed. Entries received without payment will not be processed.

All Horse Trials fees must be paid in full by closing date to receive Early Bird rate. Unpaid CTs, dressage, stadium and cross-country rounds subject to \$25 Missing Items Fee if not paid by the Monday before the show. Entries with missing paperwork subject to \$25 Missing Items fee if not complete by the Monday before the show.

All dates are TWO-DAY shows. Only Beginner Novice runs both days. Be sure you know which day you ride. Saturday – P CT, M, T, N, BN. Sunday – BN, Elm, Intro, LL. (Leadline runs only in April and September.)

- Entry by closing date **DOES NOT** guarantee acceptance. We fill early.
- Scheduling requests must be submitted AT LEAST one week before event. Not all requests can be fulfilled.
- Paper pinny numbers will be used. Bring your own pinny holders!
- **NO REFUNDS after closing date. Before closing date, refund less \$25 office fee. NO EXCEPTIONS**
- **Competition Cancellation:** No refund. SJ rounds may replace Cross Country phase in case of unsafe footing on cross country course. Schedule will be adjusted accordingly.
- **Extra Show Jumping Rounds, or SJ only** are \$40/round. (HC - no ribbons)
- **Extra Cross Country Jumping Rounds** are \$65/round. (HC - no ribbons)
- **Combined Tests** are \$75. CTs will be pinned if there are three or more starters, otherwise HC. **Must ride listed test.**
- **Extra Dressage Only:** indicate test on entry - \$50/test. (HC - no ribbons)
- No unauthorized motor vehicles of any kind allowed on course or near dressage area.
- **\$50 returned check fee.**
- **NO unleashed dogs. Unleashed dogs will incur \$100 fine and competitor elimination.**
- Ride times will be posted on the THURSDAY before the show at themarylandhorsetrials.com
- Vet will be on call.
- Farrier will be on call.
- **Current Negative Coggins and Loch Moy Farm waiver required with entry form. WE DO NOT KEEP PAPERWORK ONFILE unless it is uploaded to our website.**
- **Non-competing horse grounds fees:** \$50 per horse. Include Coggins of non-compete horse with entry. Bridle number will be issued and must be worn while horse is on grounds.
- **Wait List:** If the event is full, complete entries are given priority. Incomplete and unpaid entries will be bumped to the wait list and re-accepted if space allows, and pending completion.
- Entries are not allowed to be sold if there is a wait list. If you need to scratch, you need to contact us via mdhorsetrials@gmail.com.

Mail all items to:

Loch Moy Farm

1235 Park Mills Road, Adamstown, MD 21710

Phone (301) 514-0111 Fax 866-533-2125 www.themarylandhorsetrials.com

HCS, USA SADDLERY/MDHT Starter Horse Trials Series Entry Form

DATE/DIVISION: _____ Prelim CT (Saturday) Modified (Saturday) Training (Saturday)
 Novice (Saturday) Beginner Novice (Saturday)
 Beginner Novice (Sunday) Elementary (Sunday) Introductory (Sunday)
 Lead Line (Sunday-April/September ONLY)

HORSE: _____

TIP NUMBER (if applicable) _____ MDTE Series Member? Yes No

RIDER NAME: _____ DOB: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

NOTES*: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT: _____ PHONE: _____

ENTRY INFO	FEE	QTY	NOTES	TOTAL
Horse Trials – Early Bird Rate	\$125		All three phases - If paid in full by closing date	\$
Horse Trials	\$150		All three phases - If paid after closing date	\$
Combined Test (HC if <3 starters)	\$75		Two phases (Dressage/SJ). Level: _____	\$
Dressage (HC-no ribbon)	\$50		Per Test. Test: _____	\$
Stadium Round (HC-no ribbon)	\$40		Per Round. Level: _____	\$
Cross-Country Round (HC-no ribbon)	\$65		Per Round. Level: _____	\$
Stabling (incl. xc schooling course)	\$50		Per Night. Stable With: _____	\$
Muck Deposit Fee	\$25		Per Stall – Separate Check	\$
Extra Shavings	\$10		Per Bag; one bag included with stall	\$
Change Fee	\$25		Per Entry	\$
Non-Compete Horse	\$50		Per Horse. Bridle number will be issued for each horse.	\$
Missing Item Fee	\$25		For entries still incomplete four days before the show	\$
Online Payment Fee	\$5		If paying online please add this	\$
Paying Online <input type="checkbox"/> Check Enclosed <input type="checkbox"/> TOTAL FEES DUE				\$

* trailering with, coach conflicts, other scheduling requests, etc.

One Entry Form per Horse.

Make checks payable to Loch Moy Farm. \$50 Returned check fee.

Can also be paid online at <https://www.themarylandhorsetrials.com/pay> – include \$5 fee.

Scan and email all items to mdhorsetrials@gmail.com

or mail to Loch Moy Farm, 1235 Park Mills Road Adamstown, MD 21710

Current Negative Coggins and Loch Moy Farm waiver must accompany entry form unless uploaded to our website.

**** Entry must be PAID in full by closing date to receive Early Bird rate! ****



MDHT Starter Horse Trials Series TEAM ENTRY FORM

Form your own teams of 3 or 4 horse and rider combinations to compete for prizes and medals to be awarded following the October 31-November 1 Championship competition. Points from the three highest scoring team members will be added together to determine the total number of points at each event. Teams can be made up of horse and rider combinations from various levels. Points awarded for top 8 placings as follows:

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Additional Rules:

- Each rider must keep the same horse for the whole season.
- Elimination of one rider at an event does not eliminate the team.
- A rider/horse combination is eligible for points at a given event even if the rest of the team does not participate in that event.
- Combined Tests do not count toward team points.

Send us a picture of your team! Email to mdhorsetrials@gmail.com

TEAM NAME: _____

TEAM MEMBER NAME: _____

HORSE'S NAME: _____

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TEAM MEMBER NAME: _____

HORSE'S NAME: _____

The Maryland Horse Trials, LLC

At Loch Moy Farm, LLC

PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT: Assumption of Risk, Waiver of Liability, and Indemnification Agreement

Assumption of Inherent Risks: I understand and assume the inherent risks involved in equine activities, which risks include, but are not limited to, bodily injury, physical harm and even death to horses, riders, and spectators from using, riding or being in close proximity to horses may occur in normal use. I acknowledge that the behavior of any animal is contingent to some extent upon the ability of the handler or rider. Further, I understand that "inherent risks of equine activities" shall mean those dangers or conditions which are an integral part of equine activities, including, but not limited to:

- the propensity of any equine to behave in ways that may result in injury, harm, or death to persons on or around them and/or damage to property in their vicinity;
- the unpredictability of an equine's reaction to such things as sounds, sudden movements and unfamiliar objects, persons or other animals;
- certain hazards such as surface and subsurface objects;
- collisions with other equines, animals, people and objects (fixed or otherwise);
- limited availability of emergency medical care; and
- the potential of a participant or spectator to act in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury to the participant or others, such as failing to maintain control over the equine or to act within his/her ability.

Waiver of Liability: For the privilege of riding, handling, auditing, observing, and/or working around equines at the Maryland Horse Trials, LLC at Loch Moy Farm (hereinafter "MDHT") on the property of Carolyn Mackintosh and Loch Moy Farm, LLC (hereinafter "Loch Moy") today and on all future dates, I, on behalf of myself, my family members, my heirs, personal representatives, or assigns, do hereby agree to release, waive, and discharge MDHT and Loch Moy, and its members, managers, employees, volunteers, and agents from any liability or responsibility for accident, damage, injury, or illness to myself or any horse owned or leased by me, or to any family member or spectator accompanying me while on the premises of Loch Moy resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities or from the ordinary negligence (active or passive) of MDHT or Loch Moy.

AND that except in the event of MDHT, Carolyn Mackintosh or Loch Moy's gross and willful negligence, I agree not to bring any claims, demands, actions and causes of action, and/or litigation, against MDHT or Loch Moy for any economic and non-economic losses due to bodily injury, death, and/or property damage sustained by me in relation to the premises and operations of Loch Moy, including while riding, handling, or otherwise being near horses owned by or in the care, custody and control of MDHT, Carolyn Mackintosh, or Loch Moy.

Indemnification: I also agree to hold harmless, defend, and indemnify Carolyn Mackintosh, MDHT and Loch Moy (including, but not limited to, costs associated with defending a suit, judgment, courts costs, investigation costs, and reasonable attorney fees) from any and all claims of mine, my family members, or others arising from my injury or loss due to my participation as a rider, handler, or spectator.

I further agree to hold harmless, defend, and indemnify Carolyn Mackintosh, MDHT and Loch Moy against any and all claims of co-participants, rescuers, and others arising from my conduct in the course of my participation as a rider, handler, or spectator.

Acknowledgements, Assertions, and Agreements: I warrant that a full and fair disclosure of my equestrian handling and riding abilities have been made to MDHT, Loch Moy, and their agents. Further:

Health Status – I assert that I:

- Have fully disclosed any chronic conditions that could impair my ability to participate in equine activities and have provided a doctor's release permitting my participation (if applicable).
- Do not have any undisclosed chronic physical or mental conditions that would contra-indicate participation in equine activities.
- Possess sufficient physical fitness and skill to enable safe participation with, on, and around equines.

Emergency Care – I authorize or agree that MDHT or Loch Moy:

- May administer emergency first aid, CPR, and use an AED when deemed necessary.
- May secure emergency medical care or transportation (i.e., EMS) when deemed necessary.
- May share my medical history (if known) with emergency medical personnel when deemed necessary.
- And I shall assume all costs of emergency medical care and transportation provided on my behalf.

Rules & Safety Equipment – I agree:

- To abide by the rules and regulations established by MDHT and Loch Moy.
- To wear an SEI/ASTM approved riding helmet at all times while mounted on the horse, or warrant I understand the risk and danger of riding without a riding helmet and so choose not to wear a riding helmet.
(NOTE: Riders under 18 yrs of age may not waive the use of a riding helmet.)
- To wear appropriate footwear at all times while on the premises of Loch Moy.
- To inform MDHT or Loch Moy immediately if I become aware of rider conduct or equipment condition that presents a danger to my self or others.
- That MDHT and Loch Moy will conduct all activities in good faith and may find it necessary to terminate my participation if it is determined that I am incapable of safely meeting the rigors of the activity. I accept MDHT and Loch Moy's right to take such actions for the safety of myself, other riders, and/or the horses.

Covenant not to Sue; Mediation; Venue; and Severability Clauses: I covenant not to sue Carolyn Mackintosh, MDHT or Loch Moy for any present or future claim arising directly or indirectly from my participation with equines at Loch Moy Farm. This includes claims resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities and the active or passive negligence of Carolyn Mackintosh, MDHT, or Loch Moy.

This Agreement shall be construed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Maryland. Any action brought under this Agreement shall be brought within one (1) year of the incident or dispute giving rise to said claim. I further agree that *prior to litigation*, such incident or dispute shall first be mediated by a trained Mediator knowledgeable in equines and equine activities from a list acceptable to MDHT, Loch Moy, or Carolyn Mackintosh (whichever party is in dispute). Costs of mediation shall be shared equally by the parties. In the event of litigation, all parties agree to waive trial by jury and agree that the prevailing party shall be entitled to costs and fees associated with the litigation, including reasonable attorney fees.

I also expressly agree that this Participant Agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by the laws of the State of Maryland and that if any portion thereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full force and effect.

Acknowledgement of Understanding: I understand this is a legal document and that I am signing this agreement freely and voluntarily. I understand I have the choice *not to participate* as a rider, handler, judge, assistant, volunteer, or spectator in the activity or event held at the facilities of Loch Moy Farm, and, therefore, not sign this Agreement.

I have read this 2-page Participation Agreement and fully understand its terms. I understand that I am giving up substantial rights, including my right to sue Loch Moy or MDHT, its clinicians, members, managers, employees, volunteers, and agents for injuries or death resulting from the inherent risks of equine activities or the active or passive negligence of Loch Moy Farm or MDHT. I further acknowledge that I intend my signature to be a complete and unconditional release of all liability, including that due to ordinary negligence by Loch Moy Farm or MDHT, to the greatest extent allowed by the laws of Maryland.

Facsimile and Emailed signatures shall be accepted as an original signature.

Date

Signature of Participant / Parent / Guardian
(must be at least 18yrs of age to sign) *

If participant is a minor, print name here

Printed Name of Signatory

Date of Birth of Minor Participant

Address

Name of Emergency Contact Person

City, State, Zip Code

Telephone of Emergency Contact Person

Telephone

Email Address

Email Address

* If Participant is a minor (less than 18 years of age), the parental or guardian signature indicates full understanding of the above terms and, as may be permitted by law, is waiving both the rights of the minor participant and the rights of the parent/guardian pursuant to this Agreement.

OFFICE USE:
Received by: _____

Agent (Print Name)

MDHT, 1235 Park Mills Road, Adamstown, Maryland 21710

Clinic Participant Competition Participant Schooling Participant Spectator or Auditor Volunteer

Name of Clinic, Seminar, Program, etc.