

California Dressage Society East Bay Chapter Standing Rules:

The following are the Standing Rules to be implemented by the CDS East Bay Chapter starting with the election to be held in November 2007, for the elected directors to take office in January 1, 2008.

I. Elections, Terms and Board Composition:

A. Number of elected board and positions:

1. The number of elected board members shall be maximum of ten (10).
2. Of the ten (10) elected, the following positions may be filled; *Chair, *Vice Chair, Education Chair, Show Chair, Junior Chair, Membership Chair, Volunteer Chair, Sponsorship/Fundraising Chair, Communications Chair, Webmaster, Newsletter Editor and Annual Dinner/Meeting Coordinator. The Secretary and Treasurer positions may also be from the elected board; however this may potentially require that individuals hold more than one responsibility. Alternatively the Treasurer and/or Secretary may be appointed. (*These positions must be filled from the elected officials, other positions may be filled from the elected position, or may be appointed. It is also permissible for the board to decide to have Co-Chairs instead of Chair and Vice-Chair.)
3. Of the 10 elected board members, at the first executive board meeting following election tabulation, the individual positions to be filled will be decided among the newly elected board members.

B. Appointed positions

1. In accordance with the CDS by-laws, the Treasurer and Secretary positions may be appointed, but as such would not have voting rights.
2. The board may appoint other positions as deemed needed to conduct the business of the chapter, but as such would not have voting rights.
3. In accordance with the CDS by-laws, the board may appoint a replacement to fill vacated or unfilled seats with a simple majority vote of the board, not to exceed a total of ten (10) voting directors. The replacement shall have all the rights of an elected director, including voting privileges. The replacement director must run for re-election at the end of the term for which she/he has been appointed.

C. Length of terms

1. The length of the term shall be 2 years, starting with the officers elected to begin January 1, 2008.

D. Term limits

1. Officers may serve no more than three (3) terms consecutively. After an absence of one year from the board, an individual may run again for office or be appointed to a vacated seat.
2. An elected officer may serve as Chapter Chair no more than two (2) consecutive terms.

E. Elected Board members are expected to attend as many board meetings as possible. Meetings are generally once per month for approximately 2 hours.

F. Elected Board members are expected to attend committee meetings as needed to support functions relevant to their assigned positions.

II. Adult Amateur Clinic Participation

A. Chapter member application for participation in the drawing for the CDS Adult Amateur Clinic requires the following provisions be met:

1. Applicant must have recorded a minimum of four (4) hours of volunteer work for the East Bay Chapter within the time frame between the annual dinner of the prior year, to the annual dinner of the current year in which the drawing selection will take place.
2. Applicant must be a CDS and East Bay Chapter member AT THE TIME of the drawing. (Applicant's volunteer hours are reflected in the prior year regardless of membership standing.)
3. Applicant must be present at the time of the drawing, to be held at the chapter's annual awards dinner and meeting.
4. Applicant agrees to write a recount of their clinic experience for publication in the next edition of the chapter newsletter following the clinic.
5. Applicant agrees to write a thank you to CDS immediately upon completion of the clinic.

III. Open Rider Volunteer Incentive

A. Open riders are eligible for a \$150 grant for the CDS Annual Championships based on the following requirements.

1. Must be a member of the East Bay Chapter of CDS.
2. Must have recorded a minimum of four (4) hours of volunteer work with the East Bay Chapter in the year preceding the Championships.
3. Drawing will be held one month in advance of the Championships at a chapter event or meeting. Chapter will select a winner and 2 alternates. If winner is not going to the Championships, grant goes to first alternate. If first alternate is not going, grant goes to second alternate. If needed, subsequent drawing selection may be done.
4. Recipient must provide proof of entry to the CDS Championships to receive grant funds.

IV. Junior Rider Volunteer Incentive (Implemented for 2008)

A. Junior riders are eligible for a \$150 grant for the CDS Northern Junior Championships based on the following requirements.

1. Must be a member of the East Bay Chapter of CDS.
2. Member must have recorded a minimum of four (4) hours of volunteer work with the East Bay Chapter in the year preceding the Junior Championships.
3. Drawing will be held at a junior meeting or event one month prior to the Junior Championships. Chapter will select a winner and 2 alternates. If winner is not going to the Championships, grant goes to first alternate. If first alternate is not going, grant goes to second alternate. If needed, subsequent drawing selection may be done.
4. Recipient must provide proof of entry to the CDS Championships to receive grant funds.