MEMORANDUM

Date: March 22, 2017

To: Dressage Competition Management, Licensed Officials, and Competitors

From: Hannah Niebielski, Director of Dressage National Programs

Re: **DR121.9 Nose Nets used in National Competition**

Effective April 1, 2017, USEF Dressage Rules will allow an approved brand of nose net to be worn in dressage competition in compliance with DR121.9, which states:

DR121.9. A nose net may be used in warmup and in competition provided the entry is accompanied by a signed letter from the horse's veterinarian. A copy of this letter must be attached to each test or class sheet. The letter must:

a. Be written on the veterinarian's stationary and clearly state that the horse has been diagnosed with head shaking syndrome and the syndrome is improved with the use of a nose net.

b. State the brand of nose net to be used. A list of Federation approved Dressage nose net brands may be found on the Federation's website.

The following nose net brands are approved for Dressage Competition:

- Cashel Quiet Ride Nose Net
- Equilibrium Net Relief Muzzle Net

Please contact the Dressage Department if you have any questions.

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