MEMORANDUM

Date: November 17, 2026

To: US Dressage Athletes

From: Laura Roberts, Managing Director, Dressage

Re: 2027 European CDIO Schedule for U.S. Senior Teams

2027 CDIO Calendar: Below is the list of FEI Nations Cup Series Events where USA Dressage intends to compete in 2027, pending invitations from the OCs, as well as the application deadlines and the selection dates that will be used to select the teams. Athletes interested in competing in any of the CDIOs should submit an application through their USEF athlete dashboard by the respective deadlines listed below.

We encourage Athletes to apply for more than one CDIO in order to maximize their time in Europe. Athletes should indicate their preferred CDIO(s) within the application, including rationale for how selection to their preferred CDIO(s) will help prepare them and the USA Dressage program for future Championship(s) and/or Games success. USEF will work with selected athlete/horse combinations and their personal trainers to ensure preparation competitions are planned as needed.

Targeted CDIOs			
Event	**Date of Event**	**Application Deadline**	**8-month Ranking Scores Considered Through**
Fontainebleau CDIO5*	April 14-18, 2027	February 26, 2027	March 3, 2027
Lier CDIO4*	May 19-23, 2027	April 2, 2027	April 7, 2027
Rotterdam CDIO5*	June 16-30, 2027	April 30, 2027	May 5, 2027
Aachen CDIO5*	June 30-July 4, 2027	May 14, 2027	May 19, 2027

Untargeted CDIOs			
Event	**Date of Event**	**Application Deadline**	**8-month Ranking Scores Considered Through**
Hickstead CDIO3*	May 10-16, 2027	N/A	N/A
Falsterbo CDIO4*	July 15-18, 2027	N/A	N/A

Application: The applications for the CDIOs listed above are available here.

Selection Method: The US CDIO Selection Procedures (available here) will be used to select the teams that compete at the above CDIOs. All CDIO Teams are subject to approval by the USEF Board of Directors, Executive Committee or an Ad Hoc Selection Group approved by the USEF Board of Directors at the recommendation of the USEF Dressage Selectors and Chef d'Equipe.

Logistics & Funding Support: Resources / Support will be prioritized for the targeted CDIOs and is subject to confirmation within the final team logistics memo.

Below is an overview of anticipated costs for planning purposes:

Horse & Athlete Transportation & Accommodation:

USEF will provide a travel stipend (Approximately $30,000 per combination. If selected with multiple horses, this does not necessarily mean $30,000 per horse) to assist with the costs of human and horse transport to/from Europe. In some cases, this may be paid directly to the transport company (i.e.. Dutta Corp). Athletes will be responsible for booking their own transport and housing arrangements outside of the time of the CDIO, including board.

CDIO Transportation, Accommodation & Expenses:

USEF will cover reasonable transportation costs for horses to/from their European base to the CDIO. USEF will provide a Team Vet and Chef d'Equipe for each of the targeted CDIOs. USEF will cover entry fees and stabling fees for all targeted CDIO competitions. USEF will cover the additional hotel nights not already covered by the organizer for the athlete, one groom and one personal trainer. Payment of owner and friend's/family hotels booked by USEF will be the responsibility of the individual

Horse Owners:

USEF can assist with hotel accommodation and logistics for Horse Owners during CDIOs. USEF will not cover the costs of accommodation or transportation for Horse Owners.

The 2027 Funding Principles memo will be posted here. Funding is not a right; it is a privilege. Failure to follow the direction of the Chef d'Equipe, Coaching Staff or Team Veterinarian may result in loss of funding privileges.

Veterinary: At any time during the selection process through the conclusion of the Event, USEF has jurisdiction over Athletes. If an Athlete and/or Horse owner refuses to have the Horse examined by the Team Veterinarian and/or Veterinary Panel, the injury or illness will be assumed to be disabling, and the horse may be removed.

Questions: Please do not hesitate to contact Laura Roberts at lroberts@usef.org or 859.225.6986 or Lauren Moore at lmoore@usef.org or 859.225.6922 with any questions regarding the CDIO plans for 2027.