

TO: U.S. Eventing Athletes

FROM: Jenni Autry, USEF Managing Director of Eventing

DATE: November 5, 2021

RE: Call for Nominations – USEF Eligible Athletes Working Group

MEMORANDUM

Dear U.S. Eventing Athlete,

The USEF Eligible Athletes Working Group (EAWG) is being re-seated for a three-year term for 2022-2024 through an online election process. Six athletes will be elected to serve on the EAWG.

About: The EAWG meets approximately 12 times per year, including one in-person meeting at the USEA Annual Meeting & Convention. Athletes who serve on the EAWG are expected to attend as many meetings as possible in order to serve as the voice of their peers. The EAWG considers matters of importance to the athletes, such as FEI and USEF rule changes, the U.S. Eventing Calendar, Selection Procedures, program proposals and other issues brought to their attention.

Eligibility – Required Seats: Under the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee Bylaws, a minimum of one-third (two elected athletes on the new EAWG) of the EAWG must be 10-Year Athletes who have represented the U.S. in an Olympic Games, World Equestrian Games, Pan American Games or Nations Cup in the past 10 years. Of this one-third, 50% can be 10-Year or 10-Year+ Athletes who have represented the U.S. in an Olympic Games, World Equestrian Games, Pan American Games or Nations Cup more than 10 years ago. It is the intent of the EAWG that only 10 Year Athletes rather than 10-Year+ fill these two seats in the election.

Eligibility – Remaining Seats: The remaining four elected seats of the EAWG will be made up of athletes who have completed a CCI5*-L in the past 10 years and/or are 10-Year Athletes under the above definition.

Nominations: If you meet the above criteria and are interested in serving on the EAWG, please send an email to <u>jautry@usef.org</u> stating your intent to nominate yourself for the election. Please include a brief statement explaining why you are interested in serving on the EAWG. Nominations open today, November 5, and close Wednesday, November 17. A Nominating Committee formed within the current EAWG will put forth the recommended names for the election.

Election: An online election will open on Friday, November 18 and close Wednesday, December 1 to elect these athletes. All athletes will be required to vote through the Athlete Dashboard under your My USEF account on the USEF website. Detailed instructions on how to vote will be sent to all eligible athletes when voting opens.

Please email jautry@usef.org with any questions regarding the nomination or election process.

Thank you,

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