

2021 **Rider** Eventing Year-End Award Rules for
“ GDCTA-RECOGNIZED ” SCHOOLING SHOWS

1. All awards will be based on a Rider only meeting these eligibility requirements that does not own or lease a horse or pony.
 - A) To be eligible a Rider must have at least three scores from GDCTA Recognized shows. ONE dressage score must be 45 or fewer penalty points. TWO clear jumping rounds must be submitted. These jump rounds can be in either XC or stadium, or both. You can earn BOTH clear rounds at one three phase with no XC or Stadium jump penalties. **Rider must complete with a score NOT a letter.**
 - B) Scores will be based on the official show results posted by each show. However, you must be a GDCTA member and have indicated that you wish to participate in the awards program **AT THE TIME THE SCORES ARE EARNED**. You may register your intent to participate by checking the appropriate box on the membership form when you join or by contacting the Membership Chairperson.
 - C) A list of members participating in the awards program will be kept on the website. It is the **competitor's responsibility** to check frequently to make sure that their name is on the list and to contact the Schooling Awards Chairperson if it is not.
 - D) A Rider qualifying at any given level in the USEA Recognized Program is not eligible.
 - E) A Rider that has WON a Year-End Championship for a particular level will no longer be eligible for awards at that level or below.
2. Awards will be presented to Juniors only.
3. Awards will be offered at Amoeba and Tadpole only.
4. Scores from all GDCTA Recognized events conducted in the continental United States will be eligible for inclusion in this Awards program. **If a Rider competes more than once in any class (CT and/or 3 Phase) during any given show, only the best score will count.**
5. **Restricted classes which are not open to all competitors, such as breed, pony and championship, are not eligible to count toward year-end awards.**
6. Eventing awards are based on total penalty points and not placing in a class. Award results will be tabulated by taking the average of the 3 lowest total penalty points.
7. The awards year will run from October 1st of the previous year to September 30th of the current competition year. Since the GDCTA membership year runs December 1st through November 30th, members are encouraged to rejoin early to avoid problems with eligibility.
8. **No Changes to the awards standings can be made after Oct. 31st of the current competition year.**
9. The GDCTA Board of Directors reserves the right to divide or combine divisions or categories as it sees fit during the competition year.