

VADA/NOVA RELAXED RULES SCHOOLING SHOW DIVISION

VADA/Nova is offering a new division at our August Schooling Show to provide a unique opportunity to riders who want exposure to a competition environment but would like assistance when riding their test or otherwise feel unready to compete in a standard schooling show. This Division is aimed at encouraging participation from riders entering their first show – or first show on a new horse; riders who have been away from showing for some time; riders who need confidence in the show ring; or riders who would like to compete above First Level but want to retain the ability to post the trot.

The “Relaxed Rules” Schooling Show Division will be comprised of three test of choice options:

- 1) **COACHING OPTION.** Riders entered in the Coaching Option can ride any test and receive coaching throughout the test from their Coaches. Coaching can be done via headset (preferred) or at the rail outside the arena.
- 2) **POSTING OPTION.** In the Posting Option, riders enter a test at Second Level or above (through FEI) and may do all or some of the trot work in the posting trot. No coaching allowed.
- 3) **COMBINATION OPTION.** In the Combination Option, riders may both receive coaching and post any or all of the trot work.

NOTE: The option chosen must be entered on the entry form. Relaxed Rules entries require separate entry form from Regular Rules entries.

Rules:

- Riders entered any class in the Relaxed Rules Division would not be able to cross enter into any Regular Rules schooling show classes at this show. This rule applies ONLY to the same horse/rider combination.
- Relaxed Rules Division tests will be marked HC, and scores will not be posted.
- Relaxed Rules Division tests do not receive ribbons or prizes.
- Scores earned in this division are not eligible for qualification for the VN Schooling Show Championship or Year End Awards for VADA or VADA/Nova.
- Riders may enter multiple times in a single or any of the 3 options and may ride the same test more than once. NOTE: the horse is limited to a maximum of 3 rides total.
- All tack and other VN schooling show rules apply.
- If a rider wants someone else to show their horse and they want that ride to be scheduled 1st, they must specify on their entry form their request. Additionally, the other rider must specify the same request on their entry form.