

## 2024 ENCORE AWARD APPLICATION

The Encore Award is awarded annually at the MDA Year End Award Banquet to the rider of an OTTB (Off-track Thoroughbred) with the highest average percentage from dressage tests ridden between October 1 and September 30. Riders must be a current MDA member and submit the Encore Award Application to be considered for the Award. A rider cannot win the award twice on the same horse. A rider can win the award multiple times on different horses. For the purpose of this award, the OTTB horse must have:

- The horse's Jockey Club registered name and/or registration number,
- A lip tattoo or microchip confirming the horse's identity,
- Raced at least once. (This will be verified with the Jockey Club prior to the banquet.)

The qualifying scores can be achieved at either MDA Participating Schooling Dressage Shows, or USDF Recognized Dressage Shows. Three scores from the same level will be averaged to determine the final rankings, and scores from Schooling and Recognized shows cannot be combined. Scores from each type of show will be weighted equally. Scores from all levels from Intro to Grand Prix can be used to qualify. All scores, regardless of level, must be at least 58% or higher. Scores from Equitation, Western Dressage, Freestyle and Hors Concur rides/classes will not be used.

The qualifying average will be tabulated with three (3) scores:

- For Introductory to Fourth Level, one score must be from the highest test of the level. For FEI levels, all scores will qualify,
- From three (3) shows held on three (3) different dates,
- The three (3) scores used must have been achieved before three (3) different judges.

**MDA MEMBER NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**MDA NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_

**HORSE SHOW NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**HORSE JOCKEY CLUB NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**HORSE JOCKEY CLUB TATTOO / MICROCHIP NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_

**LEVEL/S YOU COMPETED IN 2023:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SHOWS & DATES OF YOUR QUALIFYING RESULTS:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**PLEASE TELL US A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THIS HORSE AND YOUR EXPERIENCE WITH HIM/HER:**

*Email this application to [Holly@midwestdressage.org](mailto:Holly@midwestdressage.org)*

*Application must be received by COB October 14, 2024.*