2024 Area III Championships

Qualifications of the 2024 Area III Championships are:

- Levels: Intermediate, Preliminary, Modified, Training, Novice, Beginner Novice
- Divisions:
 - Open Intermediate (OI-CH)
 - Open Preliminary (OP-CH)
 - Open Modified (OM-CH)
 - Training Rider (TR-CH) and Training Horse (TH-CH)
 - Novice Rider (NR-CH) and Novice Horse (NH-CH)
 - Beginner Novice Rider (BNR-CH) and Beginner Novice Horse (BNH-CH)
 - Starter Rider
- Event: Bouckaert Equestrian Horse Trials (formerly Chattahoochee Hills), Fairburn, Georgia
- Date: June 28-30, 2024
- Qualify From/To: All Divisions Except Starter June 13, 2023 to June 11, 2024. Starter December 1, 2023 to June 11, 2024.
- Placing to Qualify:
 - Starter thru Preliminary: 1st thru 5th at One Event with No Cross Country Jump Penalties.
 - Intermediate: Completion of a minimum of 2 events, Intermediate HT or 3*, with no cross country penalties.
- Qualify In: Any Area.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- 1. It is the competitor's responsibility to ensure that he or she has entered the correct division. Competitors who improperly enter a championship division will forfeit their placing and awards.
- 2. Open to members of other Areas, but non-residents must qualify **within** Area III. To be considered a resident of Area III, the member's USEA record must contain a "3" in either Default or Declared Area.
- 3. Entry must specify qualifying result in the "Experience" section of the entry form.
- 4. AEC qualifying placings count the same for area championships, that includes placings earned through the USEA Amateur Upgrade Policy. For more information on upgraded placings see *Leaderboard Upgrade Placing/Points Explanation*.
- 5. For all "Rider" divisions: 1) Horse and rider must qualify together. 2) Rider cannot have not completed an event above the next highest level in the 5 years preceding the date of the competition, e.g., a Novice Rider may have completed an event at Training level, but not Modified or Preliminary level or higher in the 5 years preceding the date of the competition. 3)

See USEF Rules for Eventing (EV), Appendix 3, paragraph 1.1.5, for further details. **4)** It is the competitor's responsibility to ensure that he or she has entered the correct division. Competitors who improperly enter a championship division will forfeit their placing and awards.

- 6. For all "Horse" divisions: 1) Horse and rider must both be qualified, but do not have to qualify together. 2) Horse may not have completed an event above the next highest level. e.g., a Novice Horse may have completed an event at Training level, but not Modified or Preliminary level or higher. 3) See USEF Rules for Eventing (EV), Appendix 3, paragraph 1.1.6, for further details. 4) It is the competitor's responsibility to ensure that he or she has entered the correct division. Competitors who improperly enter a championship division will forfeit their placing and awards.
- 7. The rider and horse must be qualified for the level at which they are entered, in accordance with EV105, at the time of the competition.
- 8. Organizers who host the Area Championships are encouraged to offer Junior and Senior Rider divisions if warranted by the number of entries. Junior divisions will be open to qualified competitors through the end of the calendar year of their 18th birthday. The Organizer is encouraged to split "Open" divisions should entries exceed 24, e.g., Rider/Horse, or Rider/Open.
- 9. Divisions may be divided or combined as needed. The Organizer retains the right to combine a championship division with a non-championship division if there are 5 or less championship entries for that division. <u>Note to Organizers</u>: This information should be included in your Omnibus page.
- 10. In addition, see the Area Championships Policy for USEA requirements applying to all areas Area Championships USEA, United States Eventing Association.
- 11. Inquiries regarding the Area III Championship Qualifications may be sent to usea.area3@gmail.com.