



UNITED STATES *Dressage* FEDERATION
USDF Dressage Sport Horse Youth Breeders Seminar

USDF Seminar Outline

Seminar Dates: July 9-10, 2016

Location: [Hilltop Farm, Inc](#)

This Seminar is an introduction to life on the breeding farm. It is geared to youth and young adults. The seminar will provide an overview of the many aspects involved in breeding and raising top sport horses. This educational program will include demonstrations on mare and stallion management, training the horse in hand, evaluating gaits and the progression of training from starting young horse to FEI level.

Eligibility:

- Applications will be approved on a first come basis
- Applicants must be between the ages of 14-27
- Applicants under 18 will be required to be accompanied by a guardian
- Each applicant (regardless of age) will be allowed one guardian or guest
- Guardians/guests will be charged a fee to cover meals and refreshments
- The application must be accompanied by payments and all signed releases to be considered.

Seminar Content:

- Learn about life on a breeding farm
- Discussions on conformation and movement
- Mare management session - watching an ultrasound and seeing new foals
- Stallion Management - including semen collection and processing
- Training the horse in hand - demonstrations with different young horses
- Evaluating gaits - demonstrations with live horses
- Development of the foal
- Training the young horse - 3-yr-old to FEI level
- Lunch and Saturday evening meal provided

Application Information:

- Seminar starts at 8:00am on Saturday and will end at 3:00pm on Sunday.
- Registration Fee is \$120 (deadline June 1, 2016)
- Guardian Guest fee is \$50.00
- A block of rooms has been reserved at Comfort Inn & Suites North East, MD.
- Rooms must be reserved by June 17th to receive the discounted rate of \$95.00 per night
- Mail completed application to USDF C/O Sharon Vander Ziel 4051 Iron Works Parkway, Lexington, KY 40511 or email to sporthorse@usdf.org