

## US Equestrian Board of Directors Seat - Athlete Representative

## **Summary of Job Duties**

All Board members are responsible for the development and continuation of the mission of US Equestrian.

The responsibilities include:

- Development of policy and strategic direction for US Equestrian;
- Assistance and review of the plans and determine whether the Federation is achieving the desired outcome of the policies and mission of US Equestrian;
- Approval of annual budget, financial statements, annual reports, audit, financial control policies, and selection of independent auditors;
- Participation in fund raising and oversight of financial activities throughout the fiscal year;
- Approval of the rules governing membership;
- Approval of FEI competition calendar and selection procedures; and
- Assurance that athlete safety rules, policies, and procedures comply with the requirements of the USOPC and the U.S. Center for SafeSport.

## **Requirements**

The Board of Directors meets six times per year. Two of these meetings are in-person. One is the Annual Meeting in January and the other is the Mid-Year meeting. The remaining four meetings are conducted telephonically throughout the year.

#### **Attendance**

Attendance is critical. USEF Bylaws mandate that any Athlete Director who misses an Annual Meeting and Mid-Year Meeting in the same year vacate the seat.

### **Term Limits**

Any member of the Board of Directors may serve a maximum of two consecutive four-year terms, or eleven years in total if the Director has been elected to fill a partial term, and may not be reelected to the Board of the Federation for 350 days following the expiration of the second term.

# <u>Term</u>

4 years

#### Eligibility

Athlete Representatives must either qualify as either a:

- 10-Year Athlete Representative: An athlete who has represented the United States in one of the following within the 10 years preceding election or appointment: a. a Delegation Event (Olympic, Paralympic, Pan Am, ParaPan); or b. an Elite Protected Competition as defined by the Federation AAC and approved by the USOPC NGB Athlete Representative Review Working Group from time to time. See Federation website for the list of approved Elite Protected Competitions; or
- 10-Year+ Athlete Representative: Same as 10-Year Athlete Representative, but representation was not within the previous 10 years.

No member of the Board of Directors can serve as an officer of any other amateur sports organization that is recognized as a national governing body by the USOPC.