**What’s New in Awards for 2015?**

Following are highlights of the changes to the 2015 OADG Year-End Awards Criteria. For full details, please see the 2015 Awards Criteria document. If you wish further information, please contact the Awards Director.

1. The eligibility requirements remain the same for all awards and circuits. See the 2015 Awards Criteria document for more detail.
2. The Prix St. George (PSG) award at the Gold/CDI level will be split into two awards: one for Adult Amateur and one for Open.
3. A year-end Merit medal for Walk/Trot classes has been added to the Gold and Silver circuits.
4. The Team Challenge will again be offered in 2015, with the same criteria as last year. One clarification: a specific horse or rider is eligible to participate on a different team, but not on the same team (e.g. same rider not allowed to ride two different horses on the same team).
5. In all circuits, scores from “Test of Choice” classes will be counted towards Year End Awards provided they satisfy General Criteria #11 (see 2015 OADG Awards Criteria document) regarding being EC approved Dressage tests, that they are clearly outlined in the prizelist and that, for tracking purposes, the show results indicate the test ridden.  Scores from Special Request classes (defined as classes where the tests or levels are not published in the prizelist) will NOT be counted.
6. October 1, 2015 is the deadline for receipt of all trophy returns and any necessary year-end award forms. (Note: Forms deadline for ESD awards is extended to Oct. 20 to accommodate one last show in the schedule.)

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