



Beverly Wellington Program

Initial Checklist for Clients Showing in Wellington

Winter 2025

We are thrilled to have you join us for the Winter Equestrian Festival (WEF) in Florida! Competing at WEF is a significant milestone for any rider—it's challenging, exhilarating, and incredibly rewarding.

Our team is here to help make your WEF experience seamless and successful. From preparing your horse to navigating the busy schedules, we'll ensure you have the support you need to perform your best!

We will be sending you information over the next several weeks to help you prepare. Here is our initial schedule and checklist.

How Competing at WEF Works

WEF is one of the most prestigious equestrian competitions in the world, held over 12 weeks in Wellington, Florida. It is organized week-by-week, with each week operating as its own show, featuring a unique schedule of classes, divisions, and championships.

Beverly's WEF Schedule

We plan to compete during:

- Week 5 (February 5–9)
- Week 6 (February 12–16)

We also offer optional add-ons for:

- Week 4 (January 29–February 2)
- Week 7 (February 19–23)

These are among the busiest weeks at WEF, drawing top riders from around the world. It's essential to plan early to ensure smooth participation.

How to Get Started

1. Make Your Commitment & Deposit to Beverly

- Commitment Deadline: December 1, 2024.
- Deposit: \$1,000 due by January 1, 2025, to finalize shipping, staffing, and stabling arrangements. This deposit is needed to help finalize your rates as they will change based on the number of commitments we receive.

2. Secure Housing in Wellington, Florida

- Options include:

- Vacation Rentals: Look on VRBO, Airbnb, or local real estate agencies specializing in seasonal rentals in Wellington.

- Hotels:

- Hampton Inn & Suites Wellington
- Fairfield Inn & Suites Wellington-West Palm Beach
- Hilton Garden Inn West Palm Beach

- Short-Term Apartments: Check Furnished Finder or extended-stay options nearby.

3. Plan Transportation

- To the Barn & Showgrounds:

- Parking is available at the barn.
- No guaranteed parking at the showgrounds (25-minute walk from the barn).
- Tip: Consider renting a bike or golf cart for easy commuting.

- Flight Arrangements:

- Closest airport: Palm Beach International (PBI) (~20 min).
- Other options:
 - Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International (FLL) (~1 hr).
 - Miami International (MIA) (~1.5 hrs).

4. Rider & Horse Memberships (Most are annual and start on December 1)

- Rider Memberships:

- Join or renew memberships with USEF (United States Equestrian Federation) and USHJA (United States Hunter Jumper Association).

- Horse Requirements:

- Your horse must be microchipped, have a negative coggins, and valid health certificate. We can help you with this paperwork.

- Register your horse with USEF and USHJA and any other applicable associations for points (Thoroughbred, specialty shows, etc.). Again, we can help you with this.

A Big Step Forward

No matter the results, this experience is an opportunity to grow, learn, and immerse yourself in the heart of equestrian sport. WEF brings together riders from all over the world, offering an unmatched atmosphere of excitement, camaraderie, and competition.

This is more than just a show; it's a chance to test your skills, showcase your preparation, and create memories that will last a lifetime. Whether it's tackling a new course, watching Olympic-level riders in action, or simply enjoying the buzz of Wellington, the journey itself is a huge accomplishment.

We're so proud of the effort and dedication it takes to get here, and we can't wait to share this experience with you. Let's make it a season to remember!

We will follow up with important next steps in the weeks ahead.