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Attention Horse Lovers: <u>Don't Forget to</u> <u>Tune In to the Rio Olympics Equestrian</u> <u>Events....Why?</u>

Be aware that the very existence of any equestrian events in future Olympics may depend on this summer's viewer ratings and online equestrian chatter on social media. There will be some TV coverage, but after the mediocre viewership for the London Games, equestrian events were cut down to only three disciplines: eventing, dressage and jumping.

Cable coverage is available on MSNBC and USA thanks to NBC, but very little live coverage will be offered on primetime so set your DVR's is the advice accompanying the Olympic Equestrian TV schedule compiled by USEF Network.com

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Time (ET)</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Network</u>
Sat Aug 6	3-4pm	Eventing-Dressag	ge USA
Sun Aug 7	4:15-4:45pr	n""	MSNBC
Mon Aug 8	9am-2pm	Eventing-XCoun	try USA (live)
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- Tue Aug 9 9-11:30am Eventing-Stadium USA (live 1-1:55pm Jumping
- Thurs Aug 11 3:45-4:30pm Team Dressage MSNBC

Grand Prix

Sun Aug 14 1-1:45pm Individual Jumping NBC

Mon Aug 15 10:30am-12:30pm Individual USA (live)

Dressage Final Freestyle

Tues Aug 16 12:30-1pm	Team Jumping	NBC
Wed Aug 17 11-11:30am	Team Jumping Fina	I NBC

Friday Aug 19 10-10:40am Individual Jumping NBC

3:45-4:30pm (live 10-10:40am)

The one final horse sort of this year's Summer Olympics is the <u>Modern Pentathlon</u>. This event tests athletes in five very different sports: fencing, swimming, riding (show jumping), running and shooting. Athletes will ride borrowed horses! This should make for interesting viewing. The competition is scheduled for August 19 and 20 starting at 1PM ET both days.

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