



Jochen Schleese
Certified Master Saddler, Schleese Saddlery Service Ltd.

From his experience as an international 3- day event rider and German trained Certified Master Saddler, Jochen Schleese knows not only how a saddle should feel from a rider's point view, but also how it should be made. In 1986 Schleese was asked to come over from Germany to be the Official Saddler for the World Dressage Championships. Together with the Canadian government, in 1990 Schleese developed the first ever authorized school for saddle makers and saddle fitters. Schleese Saddlery Service manufactures quality, affordable saddles for riders in all disciplines, from recreational to Olympians. They specialize in saddle fit for horse and rider by providing ongoing fitting and adjustment services to clients. The company has been the first English saddle manufacturer to export product back to Europe, and enjoys the endorsement of top international riders and trainers.

In 1996 Schleese received an international patent for his innovative *AdapTree*® saddle tree design which allows the saddle to be adjusted to fit the horse's ever changing confirmation. This has revolutionized the manufacture of saddles worldwide.

Recognized as an authority in his field, Jochen confers with industry professionals on an ongoing basis to retain his state-of-the-art knowledge. He is a regular guest speaker at veterinary associations, equine veterinary schools, riding instructor conferences, and equine trade fairs, and has been profiled in the Wall Street Journal and the Discovery Channel.

As the author of the "36 point checklist to evaluate saddle fit", Jochen Schleese has trained a team of Certified Saddle Fitting Technicians and service representatives who visit clients at their barns throughout the US and Canada. In a saddle fit session they provide measuring and analysis of horse, rider and saddle, on site adjustments and service, to enable rider and horse to experience Saddlefit 4 Life ®.

Schleese Saddlery Service is the Official Saddler for the 2005 World Cup Finals in Las Vegas, NV.