

2009 Zone Specifications DRAFT

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In accordance with GR. 1111.4: For AL Contiguous state is zone locked LA, for FL - Zone locked NC, for GA - NC, for MS - AR, LA, for SC - NC, for TN - NC, VA, KY, AR, MO are contiguous states.

Adult Amateur Hunter:

Adult Amateur classes are for amateurs 18 years of age or older showing horses and/or ponies. To be judged on performance, soundness, manners, way of going, and suitability. The Adult Amateur section may be divided by age of rider and/or height of fences. Adult Amateur classes to be shown over fences at either 3' or 3'3". Riders in this section may enter any Equitation class. Riders who compete in the Amateur Owner Hunter or Jumper classes may show one horse that they own in Adult Amateur Hunter classes. Horses and ponies exhibiting in the Adult Amateur Hunter division may cross enter into any class where otherwise eligible. Points for Zone Awards earned in a hunter classic will be awarded points as follows: 35, 30, 25, 20, 15, 10, 6, 5. Horses are not required to be jogged for soundness, but may be jogged at management's discretion. Zone awards will be offered annually to the Adult Amateur 18-35 section and to the Adult Amateur 36 and over section. **Classic horse and rider must be declared prior to start of division.**

Children's Hunter:

Children's classes are for exhibitors under the age of 18 showing horses. To be judged on performance, soundness, manners, way of going, and suitability. The section may be divided by age of rider, and/or height of fences. The Children's Hunter section may be combined with the Children's Pony section when there are less than three entries in either section. Children's horses to show over fences at either 3' or 3'3". Riders in this section may enter any Equitation class, but may not show in the Junior Hunter section at the same show. Horses exhibiting in Children's Hunter may cross enter into any class where otherwise eligible. Points for Zone Awards earned in a hunter classic will be awarded points as follows: 35, 30, 25, 20, 15, 10, 6, 5. Horses are not required to be jogged for soundness, but may be jogged at management's discretion. Zone awards will be offered annually as two sections, Children's Hunter 14 & Under, Children's Hunter 15-17. **Classic horse and rider must be declared prior to start of division.**

Children's Hunter Pony:

Children's Hunter Pony classes are for exhibitors under the age of 18 showing ponies. To be judged on performance, soundness, manners, way of going, and suitability. Suitability (size) of pony to rider is of particular importance. The Small/Medium Children's ponies to show over fences at 2' and Large Children's ponies to show over fences at 2'6". The section may be divided at managements' discretion. The Children's Hunter section may be combined with the Children's Pony section when there are less than three entries in either section. Rider age restrictions as found in "Regular Pony" sections do not apply. Riders may ride one pony at 2' and/or one pony at 2'6" of the Children's Pony section when also competing in the Regular Small, Medium or Large Pony sections. Riders may cross enter into the Green Pony division. Riders cannot cross enter into any class where fences exceed 3'3". Ponies exhibiting in Children's Pony may cross enter into any class where otherwise eligible. Points for Zone Awards earned in a hunter classic will be awarded points as follows: 35, 30, 25, 20, 15, 10, 6, 5. Ponies are not required to be jogged for soundness, but may be jogged at management's discretion. Zone awards will be offered annually as two sections, Children's Pony Sm/Med, Children's Pony Lg.

Pre-green Hunter:

A Pre-Green Hunter is a horse that has not shown in any class that requires horses to jump 3'3" or higher at Regular Competitions or Eventing Competitions of the Federation or Equine Canada or any national or international competition. A Pre-Green Hunter is eligible for two **competition** years from the time it first competes in an USEF Pre-Green Hunter class as a 5 year old or older; a horse competing in the Pre-Green Hunter as a 4 year old or younger is eligible to compete for two years once it competes as a 5 year old or older. A horse competing in a Pre-Green class may not compete in a class with fences over 3'3" at the same show. To be judged on performance, soundness, manners, way of going, and suitability. Fences at either 3' or 3'3". The section may be divided by height of fences and pinned as one section or offered and pinned as two sections. Horses are not required to be jogged for soundness, but may be jogged at management's discretion if so stated in the prize list. Points for Zone Awards earned in a hunter classic will be awarded as follows: 35, 30, 25, 20, 15, 10, 6, 5. Zone awards will be presented annually for each height section, 3' and 3'3".

Children's/Adult Amateur/Pre-Green Hunter Classic:

Any USEF "A" "B" or "C" rated competition which offers a Pre-green, Adult Amateur Hunter, a Children's Hunter or a Children's Hunter Pony division may also offer a corresponding Classic in accordance with HU 136, with the following exceptions;

1.) Bonus points for Zone Horse of the Year Awards will be awarded as follows: 1st - 35, 2nd - 30, 3rd - 25, 4th - 20, 5th - 15, 6th - 10, 7th - 6, 8th - 5;

- 2.) Entries may be jogged at management's discretion;
- 3.) Riders are not required to wear formal attire;
- 4) \$500 in money is required;
- 5.) Entry fee restrictions are inapplicable; and
- 6.) A Classic must be conducted as a two round class. A designated class of the specified Hunter section may be counted as the first round of the Classic. The second round of the Classic must not be a part of a Hunter section. Each round of a Classic is to count 50%. Classics may be combined.

Children's/Adult Amateur Jumper:

Open to horses and ponies. The combination horse/rider and rider are not eligible to compete in any jumper class above Level 4 at the same show. Once a horse/rider combination has competed over Level 4, the same horse/rider combination cannot show in a Children/Adult Jumper Classic offering \$2,500 or more for 30 days. A rider may show only one additional horse in the Children's/Adult Amateur Jumper division in addition to those horses owned or USEF leased by the rider. Fences at Level 3 or 4.

Pony Hunter Breeding:

Open to ponies of any breed that are suitable to become pony hunters. Classes for yearlings, two year olds, three year olds, and Best Young Pony will be offered. Management may divide classes as entries warrant. Two sections may be offered. Classes are judged on conformation, way of moving, quality, substance and soundness. Ponies are to be walked and jogged before being put in order of preference. Classes may be adjudicated by either a Registered Hunter or a licensed Hunter Breeding judge. Zone awards will be offered annually for each age. Points will be calculated as per HB105.