

2011 Proposed Zone 4 Specifications

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In accordance with GR 1111.4: Contiguous states are: AR, KY, LA, MO, NC, VA

Adult Amateur Hunter:

Adult Amateur Hunter 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 Hunter section may be divided by age of rider and/or height of fences. Adult Amateur Hunters are 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 and/or Jumper classes may show other horses that they own in the Adult Amateur Hunters. Horses and ponies exhibiting in this section may cross enter multiple sections of Adult Amateur Hunter and any classes where eligible. Note: The horse may only be shown by one rider in the Adult Amateur Hunter Classic and that rider must be declared prior to the first round of the Classic. Points for Zone Awards earned in a hunter classic will be awarded 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 presented annually to the Adult Amateur Hunter 18-35 section and to the Adult Amateur Hunter 36 and over section.

Children's Hunter:

Children's Hunter classes are for exhibitors under the age of 18 showing horses. To be judged on performance, soundness, manners, way of going, and suitability. The Children's Hunters 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 Hunter Pony section when there are less than three entries in either section. Children's Hunters are to be shown over fences at either 3' or 3'3". Riders in this section may enter any Equitation class, but may not cross-enter into any Junior Hunter or Jumper class at the same show. Horses and ponies exhibiting in this section may cross enter multiple sections of Children's Hunter and any classes where eligible. Note: The horse may only be shown by one rider in the Children's Hunter Classic and that rider must be declared prior to the first round of the Classic. Points for Zone Awards earned in a hunter classic will be awarded 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 presented annually to the Children's Hunter 14 & Under section and to the Children's Hunter 15-17 section.

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 Hunter Ponies are to show over fences at 2' and Large Children's Hunter Ponies are 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 Hunter 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 show only one pony in either the 2' or the 2'6" height of the Children's Hunter Pony section when also competing in the "Regular" Small, Medium or Large Pony and/or Green Pony Hunter sections. Riders cannot cross enter into any class where fences exceed 3'3". Exception: Riders may show in Pony Jumpers. Ponies exhibiting in Children's Hunter Pony may cross enter into any class where otherwise eligible **but may not show the same pony the regular pony section**. Note: The pony may only be shown by one rider in the Children's Hunter Pony Classic and that rider must be declared prior to the first round of the Classic. Points for Zone Awards earned in a hunter classic will be awarded 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 presented annually to the Children's Hunter Pony Small/Medium section and to the Children's Hunter Pony Large section.

Pre-Green Hunter:

A Pre-Green Hunter is a horse of any age ~~in its first or second year of showing over fences 3' or 3'3" or higher at Regular Member Competitions or Eventing Competitions of the Federation or Equine Canada or any National Competition.~~ **that has not competed in classes with fences of 3' or higher, and is in it's first two years of showing in USEF rated divisions at Regular Member Competitions. Pre-Green Hunters are to be shown over fences at either 3' or 3'3" in height.**

~~A horse's Pre-Green status is not affected by showing as a 4 year old or younger.~~

~~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 Pre-Green Hunter 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. 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 to the Pre-Green Hunter 3' section and the Pre-Green Hunter 3'3" section.

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

Any USEF "A" "B" or "C" rated competition which offers an Adult Amateur Hunter, Children's Hunter, Children's Hunter Pony or Pre-Green Hunter division may also offer a corresponding Classic in accordance with HU146, 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. **Exception Children's Hunter Pony.**
- 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 1.15m (3'9") at the same show. Once a horse/rider combination has competed over 1.15m (3'9"), the same horse/rider combination cannot show in a Children's/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 1.10m or 3'6" to 1.15m (3'9").

Low Children's Jumper:

Open to junior riders. Riders in Low Children's Jumper may not cross enter into any classes held above 1.15m (3'9") at the same show. Horse/rider combinations may cross enter into the High Children's Jumpers at the same show, but not on the same day as showing in Low Children's Jumpers. Horse/rider combinations may enter only one classic, if both Low and High are offered. Fence height 1.00m (3'3").

Junior Jumper Championship:

For complete criteria go to <http://www.ushja.org/content/committees/zones/zone4specs.aspx>

Criteria: Junior and Open Jumper classes held at 1.40m or 4'6" and above (including Open Jumper classes offering \$25,000 or more in prize money) between September 1, 2010 and August 31, 2011.

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Pony Jumper Championship:

For complete criteria go to <http://www.ushja.org/content/committees/zones/zone4specs.aspx>

Classes to count: Pony Jumper classes held at 1.00m (3'3") or higher and Children's Jumper* classes

Qualifying period: June 2, 2010 through June 1, 2011

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North American Junior Young Rider Championship:

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Standings for the Young Rider Team

The Young Rider (CH-N.AM-YR-S) standings will be based on money won in USEF Junior, Young Rider, Amateur Owner, and Open Jumper classes held at 1.40m or 4'6" and above, as well as Grand Prix classes offering at least \$25,000 in prize money. The qualifying time period will be June 16, 2010 through June 15, 2011.

Standings for the Junior Team

The Junior (CH-N.AM-J-S) standings will be based on money won in USEF Junior and Open Jumper classes held at 1.40m or 4'6" and above as well as Grand Prix classes offering at least \$25,000 in prize money. The qualifying time period will be June 16, 2010 through June 15, 2011.

Ties

Any ties will be decided by determining which horse/rider combination won the most money won in the Grand Prix classes.

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