

World Championship Hunter Rider West Coast Hunter Spectacular

Leading Hunter Rider Award: A plaque will be awarded to the rider who achieves the single highest numerical score in any one class within any WCHR hunter section during WCHR Spectacular week. *

High Score Awards: A jacket will be awarded to the riders who achieve the single highest numerical score in any one class, within their respective hunter section, in each of the nine WCHR categories: Professional, Developing Professional, Amateur Owner 3'6", Amateur Owner 3'3", Adult Amateur, Junior 3'6", Junior 3'3", Children's and Pony. *

* Should a tie occur between two (2) or more riders for high score within a category or for the Leading Hunter Rider, the rider with the highest cumulative over fences in that category will be awarded the WCHR high score award and WCHR Leading Hunter Rider award. Riders must be 2021 WCHR members to be eligible for a high score award and are only eligible for an award in their declared category.

WCHR West Coast Hunter Spectacular

Open to Professionals, Amateurs, and Juniors who are current members in good standing of the USEF, USHJA and WCHR. Trainers must also be current members in good standing of USEF, USHJA and WCHR. Riders may ride a maximum of three (3) horses for this class.

The Spectacular will count for HOTY points and money won (where applicable) in the section declared at the time of entry, for which the horse must be eligible and that corresponds to the height jumped in the Spectacular. The two-round stand-alone Hunter Classic point scale will be utilized when awarding National HOTY bonus points. See HU173.9(b).

HOTY points and money won will only be awarded towards a declared Hunter section for HOTY points if the horse competes in the declared section a minimum of five (5) times during the competition year.

A horse is not required to have shown in any other class at the Member Event to be eligible to compete. The course will consist of a minimum of ten (10) obstacles of at least six (6) different types. Fence heights of 3'6", 3'9" or 4'0".

Each horse-and-rider combination must declare the height at which they will show when they enter the class.

This class will be conducted under USEF General Rules and drug testing procedures.

This is a two (2) round classic. The first round is scored as a classic hunter round. The second round includes elements that allow the horse and rider to demonstrate brilliance, rideability and handiness. No trot fences will be permitted. Both rounds are to be judged by a minimum of two (2) judging panels consisting of two (2) judges each.

The open numerical scoring system will be utilized with each panels' score announced and then averaged for to determine a final average numerical score for each horse. The top twelve (12) horses will be called back for a second round from low to high score within their respective heights. The height section including the horse with the highest first round average score shall return last. Each round of the Spectacular is to count 50%. The final average score from Round One (1) will be added to the final average score from Round Two (2) to determine the overall total final score.

In case of a tie in either the first or second round: Panel One's score is the tie-breaker. In case of a tie in the overall standings: Panel One's second round score is the tie-breaker.

There will be one (1) course walk, for both rounds, before the start of the first round. There will be no further course walks. All horses entered in the class must jog for soundness before the start of the class to be eligible to compete. The designated jog area, time and order will be determined by management and conducted prior to the course walk. Once the Jog order is posted, no further substitutions may made. All horses must be presented at the Official Jog with their actual competition number and wearing a conventional hunter bridle and noseband. Proper attire is required (riding clothes or proper attire that an exhibitor would wear to compete in a model class.) The jog will be officiated by a minimum of one (1) large R licensed judge, one (1) large R licensed steward and the official veterinarian. Show management may reserve the right to deviate from the appointed jog time if deemed necessary.

An Officials Meeting will be held prior to the Riders Meeting. Judges, Course Designer, Steward, and Competition Manager are required to meet prior to the start of the class to review the specifications and judging system.

A Riders Meeting will be held prior to the start of the class to answer any questions regarding the course and class specifications. The meeting will be conducted by a USHJA/WCHR Representative assisted by management, a large R licensed Steward, one officiating Judge and the Course Designer.

Formal attire is required.

Winner receives:

Cooler and keeper trophy.

Ribbons 1st-12th

1st – 12th - 30%, 22%, 13%, 8%, 6%, 5%, 4%, 3%, 3%, 2%, 2%, 2%

USHJA Contact Information

If questions arise that cannot be answered from the class specifications provided, one of the following USHJA representatives must be contacted to resolve any questions regarding the judging procedures or class specifications:

Eva Van Heeke -USHJA Sport Programs Coordinator- (859) 225-6735

Caroline Weeden- WCHR Task Force Chair

Mary Babick – USHJA President - (732) 239-1235

WCHR West Coast Spectacular Specifications 2020-2021

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, all USHJA programs, properties, events and related specifications are subject to change in accordance with federal, state and local laws and regulations

The USHJA World Championship Hunter Rider Program and specifications are the sole properties of the USHJA and may only be held, conducted or used upon the terms and conditions specified by the USHJA. USHJA reserves the right to change language in documents related to the conduct of the USHJA World Championship Hunter Rider Program as necessary for the purposes of consistency and clarity.

Any deviations from the class specifications for the USHJA World Championship Hunter Rider Program are not permitted without the express written permission from USHJA prior to the printing of the prize list. For any rules not specified above, please refer to the current USEF Rule Book.

