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| GR 902.3   | 309-15   | 2     | Standard      | 4/1/2016       | USHJA     | Referred |
| Description: outreach competitions hunter/jumper |          |       |               |                |           |          |
| GR 915.0   | 302-15   | 1     | Standard      | 4/1/2016       | USHJA     | Referred |
| Description: limiting entries - Hunter/Jumper    |          |       |               |                |           |          |
| HJ 208.0   | 316-15   | 1     | Standard      | 4/1/2016       | USHJA     | Referred |
| Description: horse entry numbers                 |          |       |               |                |           |          |
| HJ 300.0   | 313-15   | 1     | Standard      | 4/1/2016       | USHJA     | Referred |
| Description: limiting entries                    |          |       |               |                |           |          |
| GR 305.1   | 299-15   | 2     | Standard      | 12/1/2016      | USHJA     | Referred |
| Description: Outreach competitions               |          |       |               |                |           |          |
| GR 1058.1  | 303-15   | 1     | Standard      | 12/1/2016      | USHJA     | Referred |
| Description: hunter breeding judges              |          |       |               |                |           |          |
| GR 1131.0  | 377-15   | 1     | Standard      | 12/1/2016      | USHJA     | Referred |
| Description: USHJA Zone points                   |          |       |               |                |           |          |
| EQ 103.3   | 294-15   | 2     | Standard      | 12/1/2016      | USHJA     | Referred |
| Description: eligibility to compete              |          |       |               |                |           |          |
| HU 110.6   | 357-15   | 2     | Standard      | 12/1/2016      | USHJA     | Referred |
| Description: pony hunter                         |          |       |               |                |           |          |

## RULE CHANGE TYPE

Standard

## EFFECTIVE

4/1/2016

## BOARD ACTION

## PROPOSED CHANGE

**GR902 CLASS SPECIFICATIONS** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER 9-A PRIZE LISTS]

1. All classes offered at Licensed Competitions for which specifications appear in the Rule Book must be governed by current specifications, to the end that uniformity will prevail in the competition and in the adjudication. To cover any omission it is recommended that the prize list contain the following statement in a prominent position: "EVERY CLASS OFFERED HEREIN WHICH IS COVERED BY THE RULES AND SPECIFICATIONS OF THE CURRENT FEDERATION RULE BOOK WILL BE CONDUCTED AND JUDGED IN ACCORDANCE THEREWITH."

2. A Licensed Competition is not limited to classes listed in the Rule Book. If a special class is offered which is not included in the Rule Book, the prize list or competition web site must furnish detailed specifications.

3. All classes (rated or unrated) to be held on a Federation licensed date are governed by all applicable Federation rules. No unrecognized classes can be held on any Federation licensed date, except

a. Horse Trials at Eventing Competitions below the Preliminary Level,

b. Eventing Tests at all levels

c. Combined Driving below the Advanced Level

d. Classes at Regular or Local Competitions restricted to breeds or disciplines whose rules are not included in the USEF rulebook

e. Non-affiliated National Breed or discipline association classes

f. Vaulting levels/classes below A-Team, Gold, Silver and Pas de Deux

g. Academy classes

h. Qualifying classes for Youth Reining classes or Reining classes at USA Reining and NRHA approved competitions.

i. Exhibitions for which there are no breed or division rules

***j. Hunter/Jumper competitions designated "Outreach" competitions by USHJA are limited to either one competition day or multiple competition days with a maximum of two competition rings (one hunter ring and one jumper ring) per day.***

***j k.*** These above named classes/levels can be held as unrecognized only provided a separate entry blank is used and the prize list and/or Omnibus clearly states that the classes are not recognized by the Federation. See GR305.

***k l.*** Exception: FEI rules take precedence as to international classes and events over Federation rules at all FEI Sanctioned Competitions. Federation rules take precedence as to national classes and events which are not FEI Sanctioned at FEI Sanctioned Competitions. In connection with Endurance Riding Events, the Federation shall nationally enforce the prohibition of the gastric ulcer medications ranitidine and meprazole, in accordance with GR410. See GR305.

## PROPONENT

**USHJA**

Executive Committee

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## INTENT

To clarify and enhance the definition of a USHJA "Outreach" competition in order to broaden the potential for sport growth and create consistency with GR 305.

**Web:** outreach competitions hunter/jumper

**COMMITTEE ACTIONS****USHJA Affiliates**

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**USHJA Competition Management**

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**USHJA Hunter Working Group**

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**USHJA Hunter Zone Council**

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**USHJA Jumper Working Group**

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**USHJA Jumper Zone Council**

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## EFFECTIVE

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## BOARD ACTION

## PROPOSED CHANGE

**GR 915 LIMITING ENTRIES** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER 9-C SUBMISSION, ACCEPTANCE, AND REFUSAL OF ENTRIES]GR 915 Limiting Entries (*For Hunter/Jumper competitions see Chapter HJ Subchapter 4*)

## PROPONENT

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## INTENT

To move the requirements for limiting entries at Hunter/Jumper competitions into the HJ Chapter on Competition Standards and make the applicable heading amendments.

## LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

**Web:** limiting entries - Hunter/Jumper

## COMMITTEE ACTIONS

**USHJA Competition Management****Draft 1:** Recommends Approval 11/12/2015**Draft 1:** No Comments**USHJA Competition Standards****Draft 1:** Recommends Approval 11/02/2015**Draft 1:****USHJA Hunter Working Group****Draft 1:** Recommends Approval 12/09/2015**Draft 1:** No Comments**USHJA Hunter Zone Council****Draft 1:** Recommends Approval 11/12/2015**Draft 1:** No Comments

### USHJA Jumper Working Group

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**Draft 1:** No Comments

### USHJA Jumper Zone Council

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**Draft 1:** No Comments

## RULE CHANGE TYPE

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## PROPOSED CHANGE

**HJ208 HORSE ENTRY NUMBERS EXCEED FIVE HUNDRED AND/OR DURATION OF COMPETITION OR SERIES OF COMPETITIONS EXCEEDS TWENTY-ONE DAYS WITHOUT A BREAK [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HJ-2 RATINGS & HORSE ENTRY NUMBER STANDARDS]**

When minimum Horse Entry Numbers exceed five hundred (500) and/or licensed series of competitions are scheduled for a period of twenty-one (21) days or more without a break of at least five (5) consecutive calendar days, additional HJS must be met for exercise and lunge requirements. These HJS apply to all rated or combinations of rated competitions without regard to the fact that the rating may be different. When the number of horse entries and days of competition are as described herein, the following HJS requirements are in lieu of existing exercise and lunge requirements set forth as HJS for rating: Premier, National, Regional I or Regional II.

1. For outdoor competitions, when the above conditions set forth in HJ208 exist, an exercise area of at least 24,000 square feet must be available for at least eight (8) contiguous hours within each calendar day between the hours of sunrise and sunset and feet must be available for at least eight (8) contiguous hours within each calendar day between the hours of sunrise and sunset. This area is required to be available on both days when competitions are scheduled and during non-competition days when there are less than five (5) consecutive calendar days of break without scheduled competitions.

2. For indoor competitions, when the above conditions set forth in HJ208 exist, an exercise area of at least 18,000 square feet must be available for at least two (2) periods of four (4) contiguous hours between 5:00 am and 12 midnight, and lighted as specified in HJ101.6. This exercise area period is required to be available on days when competitions are scheduled and during non-competition days at least eight (8) contiguous hours between 5:00 am and 12:00 midnight when there are less than five (5) consecutive calendar days without scheduled competitions. Exercise areas must be lighted as specified in HJ101.6.

3. For outdoor or indoor competitions, when the above conditions set forth in HJ208 exist, a minimum of one (1) lunge area of at least 15,000 square feet not being used at the time as competition rings, schooling areas and/or exercise areas must be available for at least eight (8) contiguous hours within each calendar day between the hours of 6:00 am and 10 pm within each calendar day and lighted as specified in HJ101.6 when there are less than five (5) consecutive calendar days without scheduled competitions.

4. Currently there are no Rated competitions (held only in indoor rings) consisting of at least five hundred (500) entries and being held over twenty-one (21) consecutive days. Therefore, no additional requirements have been considered for such an event.

**1. Outdoor Competitions. When the above conditions set forth in HJ 208 exist, the following minimum requirements must be met for exercise and lunge areas on each competition day determined by the number of competition rings in use on each competition day. The minimum requirement must be met on non-competition days.**

| <u>Competition Rings In Use</u> | <u>Exercise Area Size</u> | <u>Lunge Area Size</u> |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| 0-2                             | 24,000 square feet        | 15,000 square feet     |
| 3-5                             | 48,000 square feet        | 30,000 square feet     |
| 6-8                             | 62,000 square feet        | 45,000 square feet     |
| 9-11                            | 86,000 square feet        | 60,000 square feet     |
| 12 or more                      | 110,000 square feet       | 80,000 square feet     |

1. For outdoor competitions, when the above conditions set forth in HJ208 exist, an exercise area of at least 24,000 square feet **The exercise area** must be available for at least eight (8) contiguous hours within each calendar day between the hours of sunrise and sunset and feet must be available for at least eight (8) contiguous hours within each calendar day between the hours of sunrise and sunset. This area is required to be available on both days when competitions are scheduled and during non-competition days when there are less than five (5) consecutive calendar days of break without scheduled competitions. **The lunge area not being used at the time as competition rings, schooling areas and/or exercise areas must be available for at least eight (8) contiguous hours within each calendar day between the hours of 6:00 am and 6:00 pm within each calendar day and lighted as specified in HJ101.6. This area is required to be available on both days when competitions are scheduled and during non-competition days when there are less than five (5) consecutive calendar days without scheduled competitions.**

**2. Indoor Competitions.** When the above conditions set forth in HJ 208 exist, the following minimum requirements must be met for exercise and lunge areas on each competition day determined by the number of competition rings in use on each competition day. The minimum requirement must be met on non-competition days.

| <u>Competition Rings In Use</u> | <u>Exercise Area Size</u> | <u>Lunge Area Size</u> |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| 0-2                             | 18,000 square feet        | 12,000 square feet     |
| 3-5                             | 36,000 square feet        | 24,000 square feet     |
| 6-8                             | 54,000 square feet        | 36,000 square feet     |
| 9-11                            | 72,000 square feet        | 48,000 square feet     |
| 12 or more                      | 90,000 square feet        | 60,000 square feet     |

*The exercise area and lunge area must be available for at least two (2) periods of four (4) contiguous hours between 5:00 am and 12 midnight, and lighted as specified in HJ101.6. This exercise area period is required to be available on days when competitions are scheduled and during non-competition days at least eight (8) contiguous hours between 5:00 am and 12:00 midnight when there are less than five (5) consecutive calendar days without scheduled competitions. Exercise areas must be lighted as specified in HJ101.6.*

## PROPONENT

### USHJA

Competition Standards

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## INTENT

To increase the requirements for exercise and lunge area competition standards based on number of rings in use at a competition.

## LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

**Web:** horse entry numbers

## COMMITTEE ACTIONS

### USHJA Competition Management

**Draft 1:** Recommends Disapproval 11/12/2015

**Draft 1:** Rule as written does not solve issue. Will create undue requests for exemptions. The size requirements for areas are too large and unrealistic.

### USHJA Competition Standards

**Draft 1:** Referred 12/08/2015

**Draft 1:** No Comments

### **USHJA Horse & Rider Advocate**

**Draft 1:** Recommends Disapproval 10/27/2015

**Draft 1:** Intent is good as there are certain shows with a lack of exercise areas. Rule is convoluted and is an unworkable formula for many shows.

### **USHJA Hunter Working Group**

**Draft 1:** Tabled 12/09/2015

**Draft 1:** No Comments

### **USHJA Hunter Zone Council**

**Draft 1:** Recommends Approval 11/12/2015

**Draft 1:** No Comments

### **USHJA Jumper Working Group**

**Draft 1:** Recommends Disapproval 12/07/2015

**Draft 1:** In principle great concept, unrealistic specification. Numbers are not good.

### **USHJA Jumper Zone Council**

**Draft 1:** No Action 10/27/2015

**Draft 1:** No Comments



## RULE CHANGE TYPE

Standard

## EFFECTIVE

4/1/2016

## BOARD ACTION

## PROPOSED CHANGE

HJ300 Federation Hunter/Jumper or Hunter/Jumper - Local Competition and new HJ400 Limiting Entries at Hunter/Jumper Competitions [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HJ-3 AND HJ-4]

**SUBCHAPTER HJ-3 FEDERATION HUNTER/JUMPER OR HUNTER/JUMPER – LOCAL COMPETITION**

HJ300 Federation Hunter/Jumper or Hunter/Jumper - Local Competition

All "Local" and Jumper Level 1 competitions must meet the Standards forth in HJ100 through HJ104. No additional option selections are required.

**SUBCHAPTER HJ-4 LIMITING ENTRIES*****HJ 400 Limiting Entries at Hunter/Jumper Competitions***

*1. A hunter/jumper Federation member in good standing has the right to enter any Federation competition and any division, section, or class for which he and his horse meet the eligibility requirements, with exceptions as noted and expressly enumerated herein.*

*2. Management can limit the number of horses entered by an owner and the number of horses ridden by a rider.*

*3. Management can limit the number of entrants that a hunter/jumper competition will accept due to facility or stabling constraints.*

*4. If management wishes to refuse an entry that otherwise meets prize list conditions, refer to GR914.*

*5. In general, hunter/jumper competitions must accept entries based strictly on a first-come, first-served basis (See GR907.1). Under this method, the prize list must be distributed by at least one of the following delivery methods at least two weeks prior to the close of entries:*

*a. By U.S. Mail or other similar hard copy distribution method to at least three times as many potential competitors as there will be entrants accepted.*

*b. Posting on a publicly accessible website and readily available to all potential competitors.*

*6. Entries may be limited and other restrictive criteria may be applied to Federation National Championships, qualifying events for Federation National Championships, and other similar events with selection or other criteria that are under the direct aegis of the Federation and approved by the Federation Board of Directors.*

*7. Entries may be limited and other restrictive criteria may be applied to USHJA National or Regional Championships, qualifying events for USHJA National or Regional championships, and any other similar events with selection or other criteria that are under the direct aegis of the USHJA (As the Official Recognized Hunter/Jumper Affiliate of the Federation) and approved by the USHJA Board of Directors.*

*8. Entries may be limited and other restrictive criteria may be applied to regional or local championships, qualifying events for regional or local championships, and any other similar events with selection or other criteria that is under the direct aegis of an official affiliate group or organization of the USHJA (As the Official Recognized Hunter/Jumper Affiliate of the Federation) and approved by the USHJA Board of Directors.*

*9. Classes or events that meet the conditions of 7 or 8 above will NOT be awarded Zone or National Horse of the Year points (or money won) automatically and, should they desire such points (or money won) to be counted, must apply to the USHJA and receive specific approval.*

*10. Certified affiliate organizations of the USHJA that approve, register, or sanction competitions may not arbitrarily discriminate between competitions that wish to offer qualifying classes. If a USHJA sanctioned competition meets the requirements to hold a qualifying class and wishes to do so, it must be given the opportunity.*

*11. Federation competitions wishing to limit entries in its rated Hunter Division must also comply with the specifics of Article HU191 titled "Limiting Entries."*

*12. Other Hunter/Jumper Competitions, Events, Championships, and Finals That Restrict Entries. Any Hunter/Jumper competition or event wishing to set restrictive criteria for accepting entries other than as specified above must make written application to the USHJA with the required fee at*

least 180 days prior to the event (see [www.usnja.org](http://www.usnja.org)). The USHJA will:

- a. Approve or disapprove any such applications or provide conditions of any such approval.
- b. Notify the applicant of the specifics of their decision in writing.
- c. Publish any approved criteria and conditions on a part of the USHJA website reserved for such approvals, along with the details and specifications which were approved.
- d. Such approvals are contingent upon the competition or event remitting an annual fee and will continue in effect as long as the competition or event does not alter the approved criteria.
- e. Changing the approved criteria may only be done with approval in writing from the USHJA and may require a new application at the USHJA's discretion.
- f. Until an applicant competition or event has received approval from the USHJA, it is expressly prohibited from advertising the restricted competition or event by any method or in any form whatsoever.

## PROPONENT

### USHJA

Executive Committee

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## INTENT

To move the requirements for limiting entries at Hunter/Jumper competitions into the HJ Chapter on Competition Standards and make the applicable heading amendments.

## LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

**Staff:** IT - Approximately 1 hour of IT work to implement this rule.

**Web:** limiting entries

## COMMITTEE ACTIONS

### USHJA Competition Management

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**Draft 1:** No Comments

### USHJA Competition Standards

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**Draft 1:**

### USHJA Hunter Working Group

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### USHJA Hunter Zone Council

**Draft 1:** Recommends Disapproval 11/12/2015

**Draft 1:** Limiting entries in this way is not clear and needs more description.

### USHJA Jumper Working Group

**Draft 1:** Recommends Approval 12/07/2015

**Draft 1:** No Comments

## USHJA Jumper Zone Council

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## RULE CHANGE TYPE

Standard

## EFFECTIVE

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## BOARD ACTION

## PROPOSED CHANGE

**GR 305 AGREEMENT** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER 3-B COMPETITION LICENSES]

## GR 305

1. All applications for a Federation license are accepted with the explicit agreement of competition officials that all classes (rated or unrated) to be held on a Federation licensed date must be recognized by the Federation and are governed by all applicable Federation rules, and that no unrecognized classes will be held on any date for which Federation recognition is requested, except that:

- a. Horse Trials at Eventing Competitions below the Preliminary Level,
- b. Eventing Tests at all levels
- c. Combined Driving below the Advanced Level
- d. Classes at Regular or Local Competitions restricted to breeds or disciplines whose rules are not included in the USEF Rulebook
- e. Non-affiliated National Breed or discipline association classes
- f. Vaulting levels/classes below A-Team, Gold, Silver and Pas de Deux
- g. Academy classes
- h. Qualifying classes for Youth Reining classes or Reining classes at USA Reining and NRHA approved competitions.
- i. Exhibitions for which there are no breed or discipline division rules
- j. Hunter/Jumper competitions designated "Outreach" competitions by USHJA and limited to **either** one competition day or ~~one competition ring~~ **multiple competition days with a maximum of two competition rings (one hunter ring and one jumper ring) per day.**
- k. These above named classes/levels can be held as unrecognized only provided a separate entry blank is used and the prize list and/or Omnibus clearly states that the classes are not recognized by the Federation.
- l. Exception: FEI rules take precedence as to international classes and events over Federation rules at all FEI Sanctioned Competitions. Federation rules take precedence as to national classes and events which are not FEI Sanctioned at FEI Sanctioned Competitions. In connection with Endurance Riding Events, the Federation shall nationally enforce the prohibition of the gastric ulcer medications ranitidine and meprazole, in accordance with GR410.

## PROPONENT

**USHJA**

Executive Committee

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## INTENT

To clarify and enhance the definition of a USHJA "Outreach" competition in order to broaden the potential for sport growth.

**Web:** Outreach competitions

## COMMITTEE ACTIONS

## USHJA Affiliates

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## USHJA Competition Management

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## USHJA Hunter Working Group

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## USHJA Hunter Zone Council

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## USHJA Jumper Working Group

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## USHJA Jumper Zone Council

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## EFFECTIVE

## BOARD ACTION

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## PROPOSED CHANGE

**GR 1058 HUNTER BREEDING JUDGES** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER 10-I LICENSE APPLICATIONS, ENROLLEMNT, PROMOTION, AND MAINTENANCE]

## GR1058 Hunter Breeding Judges

1. Learner Permit. Applicants for the Hunter Breeding license must apply for a learner judge's permit. ~~through the Federation Licensed Officials Committee, following the requirements of GR 1060.1.~~ (Exception: individuals currently licensed in at least one of these divisions: Hunter, Hunter/Jumping Seat Equitation, or Jumper.)

a. Hunter Breeding learner permit applicants must be a minimum of 21 years old at the time of application.

b. Learner Permit applicants must have been an active competitor as either a rider, trainer, handler, breeder or coach in these divisions at USEF licensed competitions within the last four years.

c. The completed application form along with the fee must be returned to the Federation Licensed Officials Department.

~~d. No application will be considered unless and until 10 forms which actually evaluate the applicant are returned from USEF members, three (3) of which must be from relevant licensed judges, stewards, course designers, or committee members.~~

***d. Learner Permit applicants must attend a Federation Hunter Breeding clinic within three years preceding application. If a Learner Permit is not required due to the applicant already holding a license in at least one of these divisions (Hunter, Hunter/Jumping Seat Equitation, Jumper), the applicant must attend a Federation Hunter Breeding clinic within three years preceding his first Learner Judge experience in the Hunter Breeding division.***

~~e. If the learner judges permit application is approved by a sub-committee composed of a minimum of three members of the Licensed Officials Committee, the applicant may enter the learner judges training program.~~

~~f. e.~~ The learner judge's permit is valid for and will expire three years from the date of issuance.

~~g. f.~~ The Learner judge must still apply for individual competitions through the Federation Licensed Officials Department.

~~h. If a permit application is denied, the applicant may reapply after one year.~~

2. Specific requirements are as follows:

a. Learner judge evaluations must be received from all judges with whom applicant officiates.

***b. Learner judge will receive one point for every horse that he/she judges at Federation Licensed Competitions. Once the learner judge earns a total of ten (10) points at a minimum of two (2) separate competitions with at least two (2) different judges, he/she may apply for 'R' Hunter Breeding Judge status.***

~~b. c.~~ A Recorded "r" Hunter judge with five or more years of judging experience, may apply for a Hunter Breeding license after learner judging two complete Hunter Breeding sections at two Federation licensed Competitions under two different Federation Hunter Breeding judges within a three-year period preceding application.

~~c. d.~~ A Registered "R" Hunter judge with a minimum of five years judging experience ***is eligible to receive "R" Hunter Breeding Judge status. These applicants must attend a Hunter Breeding clinic before their license will become effective.***

3. All persons applying for enrollment or re-enrollment must have attended a Federation judges' clinic within two years preceding application.

4. No application will be considered unless and until 15 forms which actually evaluate the applicant per division are returned from USEF members, eight of which must be from relevant licensed judges, stewards, course designers, or committee members.

5. Applicants approved in the Hunter Breeding Division shall automatically receive Registered status.

6. The Committee will require judges who do not officiate at one licensed Competition within five years in the Hunter Breeding, Pony Hunter Breeding, or Arabian Sport Horse Divisions after obtaining a license to attend a Hunter Breeding Clinic within the current or previous year before their license can be renewed.

7. Hunter Breeding Judges must attend a Federation Hunter Breeding judges' clinic at least once every ~~five~~ **eight** years.

## PROPONENT

### USHJA

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## INTENT

To modify licensed officials' requirements associated with obtaining and maintaining a Hunter Breeding permit and/or license.

## LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

**Web:** hunter breeding judges

## COMMITTEE ACTIONS

### USHJA Hunter Breeding Taskforce

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### USHJA Hunter Working Group

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### USHJA Hunter Zone Council

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## RULE CHANGE TYPE

## EFFECTIVE

## BOARD ACTION

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## PROPOSED CHANGE

**GR 1131 Hunter Divisions, GR 1132 Pony Hunter Breeding and Hunter Breeding & GR 1133 Jumpers [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER 11-F AWARD SECTIONS]**

## GR 1131 Hunter Divisions

## 1. Eligibility

a. Points toward any **Federation National** Horse of the Year Award for the Hunter Division will not be credited until the applications and fees for the horse's recording, exhibitor's registration, transfer of ownership, name change or addition of owner(s) and owner's Senior Active, Junior Active or Life membership are received by the Federation office. Furthermore, points toward **Federation National** Horse of the Year Awards for the Hunter Division will not be credited until the applications and fees for the horse's USHJA Horse Registration, the owner's USHJA Active or USHJA Life membership are received by the Federation or USHJA offices. Exception: Applications for Federation and USHJA Individual Membership and Horse Recordings submitted at Licensed Competitions.

b. USHJA Zone points toward any **USHJA Zone Horse of the Year Award for the Hunter Division or any Hunter Seat or Jumper Seat** Equitation Division Rider of the Year Awards will not be credited until the applications and fees for the horse's USHJA registration, and rider's USEF and USHJA's active membership are received by the Federation or USHJA offices. Exception: Applications for Federation and USHJA Individual Membership and USHJA Horse Registration submitted at licensed competitions.

[...]

11. Hunter Division Section awards are offered for the following at the Zone **level** from USHJA and National levels from the Federation:

a. Green Conformation Hunter, Green Working Hunter - First and Second Year, Regular Conformation Hunter, High Performance Working Hunter, Performance Working Hunters 3'3", Performance Working Hunters 3'6", Small Green Pony Working Hunter, Medium Green Pony Working Hunter, Large Green Pony Working Hunter, Small Pony Working Hunter, Medium Pony Working Hunter, Large Pony Working Hunter, Small Junior Working Hunter 15 yrs. & under, Small Junior Hunter 16-17 yrs., Large Junior Working Hunter 15 yrs. & under, Large Junior Working Hunter 16-17 yrs., Amateur Owner Hunter - 18-35 Years Old and Over 35 Years Old, Ladies Side Saddle, Amateur Owner 3'3" 18-35 Years Old and Over 35 Years Old, Small Hunter, and Junior Hunter 3'3".

[...]

## GR 1132 Pony Hunter Breeding and Hunter Breeding

## 1. Eligibility

a. Points toward any **Federation National** Horse of the Year Award will not be credited until the applications and fees for the horse's recording, exhibitor's registration, transfer of ownership, name change or addition of owner(s) and owner's Senior Active, Junior Active or Life membership are received by the Federation office. Furthermore, points toward Horse of the Year Awards will not be credit until the applications and fees for the horse's USHJA Horse Registration, the owner's USHJA Active or USHJA Life membership are received by the Federation or USHJA offices. Exception: Applications for Federation and USHJA Individual Membership and Horse Recordings submitted at Licensed Competitions.

**b. USHJA Zone points toward any USHJA Zone Horse of the Year Award will not be credited until the applications and fees for the horse's USHJA registration, and rider's Federation and USHJA's active membership are received by the Federation or USHJA offices. Exception: Applications for Federation and USHJA Individual Membership and USHJA Horse Registration submitted at licensed competitions.**

2. Hunter Breeding Awards are offered for the following at the Zone **level** from USHJA and National level from the Federation: Hunter Breeding Yearling, Hunter Breeding TwoYear-Old, Hunter Breeding Three-Year-Old. Point Tabulation, see HU186.4.

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## GR 1133 Jumpers

## 1. Eligibility.

a. Points toward any Horse of the Year Award will not be credited until the applications and fees for the horse's recording, exhibitor's registration, transfer of ownership, name change or addition of owner(s) and owner's Senior Active, Junior Active or Life membership are received by the Federation office. Furthermore, points toward Horse of the Year Awards will not be credit until the applications and fees for the horse's USHJA Horse Registration, the owner's USHJA Active or USHJA Life membership are received by the Federation or USHJA offices. Exception: Applications for Federation and USHJA Individual



**b.** USHJA Zone points toward any **USHJA Zone Horse of the Year Award** will not be credited until the applications and fees for the horse's USHJA registration, and rider's USEF **Federation** and USHJA's active membership are received by the Federation or USHJA offices. Exception: Applications for Federation and USHJA Individual Membership and USHJA Horse Registration submitted at licensed competitions.

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4. The Open Jumper Horse of the Year Award will be based on money won in classes which comply with JP150, classes of \$25,000 or more. One point for every dollar won will be awarded. 5. Award Categories. National awards will be given in the following categories: Low Junior, Junior, Low Amateur Owner, Amateur Owner, Open, Pony, YOUNG RIDERS. **USHJA** Zone Horse of the Year Awards will be given by USHJA in the following categories (see JP118 for Zone specifications): LOW JUNIOR, JUNIOR, CHILDREN'S, ADULT, LOW AMATEUR OWNER, AMATEUR OWNER, PONY, YOUNG RIDERS and Thoroughbred Jumper.

## PROPONENT

### USHJA

Executive Committee

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## INTENT

To promote sport growth by providing a more economically attainable entry into Federation competitions for those competitors only interested in USHJA Zone HOTY Awards.

## LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

**Staff:** IT - Approximately 100+ hours of IT work to implement this rule as it will be a massive overhaul of all standings and report programs.

**Web:** USHJA Zone points

## COMMITTEE ACTIONS

### USHJA Competition Management

**Draft 1:** Recommends Disapproval 11/02/2015

**Draft 1:** Not clear what this rule is for; more clarification of intent is needed.

### USHJA Hunter Working Group

**Draft 1:** Recommends Approval 12/07/2015

**Draft 1:** No Comments

### USHJA Hunter Zone Council

**Draft 1:** Recommends Approval 11/12/2015

**Draft 1:** No Comments

### USHJA Jumper Working Group

**Draft 1:** Recommends Disapproval 12/07/2015

**Draft 1:** Financial burden to the USEF

### USHJA Jumper Zone Council

**Draft 1:** Recommends Approval 10/27/2015

**Draft 1:** No Comments

## RULE CHANGE TYPE

Standard

## EFFECTIVE

12/1/2016

## BOARD ACTION

## PROPOSED CHANGE

**EQ 103 ELIGIBILITY TO COMPETE** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER EQ-2 HUNTER/JUMPING SEAT EQUITATION SECTION]

EQ103 Eligibility to Compete

3. Adults can ride ponies in Adult Hunter Seat Equitation classes, suitability to count. ***Ponies shown by an adult at a Licensed Competition cannot compete in any sections or classes at the same competition with a junior rider. (Exception: Breed restricted classes at multi-breed/discipline competitions.);*** however, these ponies cannot cross enter into the rated Regular and Green Pony Hunter sections at the same competition.

## PROPONENT

**USHJA**

Executive Committee

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## INTENT

To define the restrictions regarding adults riding ponies at hunter/jumper competitions.

## LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

**Web:** eligibility to compete

## COMMITTEE ACTIONS

**USHJA Childrens/Adult Hunter Task Force**

**Draft 1:** Recommends Approval 11/02/2015  
**Draft 2:** No Action

**Draft 1:** No Comments  
**Draft 2:** No Comments

**USHJA Equitation Task Force**

**Draft 1:** Recommends Approval 10/26/2015  
**Draft 2:** No Action

**Draft 1:** No Comments  
**Draft 2:** No Comments

**USHJA Hunter Working Group**

**Draft 1:** No Action  
**Draft 2:** Recommends Approval 12/09/2015

**Draft 1:** No Comments  
**Draft 2:** No Comments

### USHJA Hunter Zone Council

**Draft 1:** Recommends Disapproval 11/12/2015  
**Draft 2:** No Action

**Draft 1:** Unnecessarily restrictive.  
**Draft 2:** No Comments

### USHJA Pony Hunter Task Force

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**Draft 2:** No Action

**Draft 1:**  
**Draft 2:** No Comments

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Standard

EFFECTIVE

12/1/2016

BOARD ACTION

PROPOSED CHANGE

**HU 110 PONY HUNTER (NEW HU108)** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-1 DEFINITIONS AND ELIGIBILITY]

**HU 110 PONY HUNTER (New HU108)**

1. No junior over 12 years of age may ride in a Regular Small Pony Hunter Section.
2. No junior over 14 years of age may ride in a Regular Medium Pony Hunter Section.
3. Riders under the age of 18 years may ride in any Green Hunter Pony section. The rider age restrictions for the Regular Hunter Pony sections do not apply to the Green Hunter Pony section.
4. Riders under 18 years of age may ride for other exhibitors who have more than one entry in the Under Saddle class and/or exhibit the pony in the model class.
5. Ponies must be handled by junior exhibitors in all phases of a class, except in breeding classes in-hand.
6. Ponies shown by a junior cannot be shown by an adult at the same competition, except in breeding classes in-hand and in accordance with HU108.  
***Ponies shown by an adult at a Licensed Competition cannot compete in any sections or classes at the same competition with a junior rider*** Ponies shown by an adults at a Licensed Competition cannot compete in any rated Pony Hunter sections at the same competition with a junior rider.  
***(Exception: Breed restricted classes at multi-breed/discipline competitions.)***
7. No animal may be shown in a performance class in this division unless the owner possesses a current measurement card or valid measurement form issued by the Federation (see HU170).
  - a. Small ponies are not to exceed 12.2 hands;
  - b. Medium ponies are over 12.2 and do not exceed 13.2 hands;
  - c. Large ponies are over 13.2 and do not exceed 14.2 hands.
8. Regular classes are open to all ponies not exceeding 14.2 hands. Qualifications must follow as nearly as possible those outlined for Hunters.
9. No rider may show more than three ponies in any green pony hunter height section. In the regular pony hunter sections, a rider may ride three ponies in one height section and a maximum of two ponies in each remaining height section at Premier rated competitions. At National, Regional I or Regional II rated competitions, a rider may ride a maximum of 3 ponies in each height section.
10. Junior riders showing ponies cannot compete in any class where fences may be set higher than 3'6" at the same competition (Exception Children's Jumpers, USHJA International Hunter Derby, Junior Hunter Classics, Pony Jumpers and WIHS Equitation Jumper Phase.) Additionally, junior riders competing Green Ponies but not Regular Ponies are exempt from this fence height restriction.
11. ~~Ponies shown by adults at a Licensed Competition cannot compete in any rated Pony Hunter sections at the same competition with a junior rider.~~  
~~(Exception: when competing at a multi-breed/discipline competition, a pony may be shown in the breed restricted hunter section by an adult and then also shown by a junior rider in the open Pony Hunter section).~~

PROPONENT

**USHJA**

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INTENT

To define who may ride a pony at a competition

## LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

**Web:** pony hunter

### COMMITTEE ACTIONS

#### USHJA Childrens/Adult Hunter Task Force

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#### USHJA Competition Management

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#### USHJA Hunter Working Group

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