

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Standard

EFFECTIVE

12/1/2015

BOARD ACTION

PROPOSED CHANGE

EQ103 CONDUCT [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER EQ-1 REGULATIONS FOR ALL SEATS] **add and renumber as necessary:**

EQ103 Conduct

3. DIVISION OF CLASSES.

a. In Hunter and Western Seat, all classes with 50 or more entries at the beginning of the class must be divided and run as two separate sections with separate trophies and ribbons; for Hunter Seat, a "California split" method, as defined in HU112.7, must be used if the class requires numerical scores. ***In Hunter Seat or Jumping Seat Equitation flat classes or phases, judges must work competitors in groups of twenty (20) or less.*** (Exception: Regional and National Equitation Finals and all Equitation Classics)

b. If there are 50 or more entries remaining in a class after a class has been divided, the class must be re-divided by every other number and separate trophies and ribbons must be awarded. Once a class has been re-divided it cannot be divided further. (Exception: Hunter Seat classes).

PROPONENT

USHJA

Hunter/Jumper Working Group

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INTENT

To keep the number of competitors working at the same time in Equitation flat classes to a safe, manageable number.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: Flat Classes Work 20 or Less

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

USHJA Competition Management**Draft 1:** Recommends Disapproval 11/10/2014**Draft 1:** Would recommend groups of 30 rather than groups of 20**USHJA Equitation Task Force****Draft 1:** Recommends Approval 11/11/2014**Draft 1:** No Comments

USHJA Hunter Working Group

Draft 1: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Judges Taskforce

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/18/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Jumper Working Group

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 12/08/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Officials

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/18/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Professionals

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/28/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Stewards

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/06/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

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BOARD ACTION

PROPOSED CHANGE

EQ110 CLASS ROUTINE [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER EQ-2 HUNTER SEAT EQUITATION SECTION] **change to read:**

EQ110 Class Routine

2. ~~Not to Jump~~ **Flat Classes and Flat Phases.** Competitors shall enter ring and proceed at least once around ring at each gait and, on command, reverse and repeat. ~~Riders may be asked to work collectively without stirrups in Intermediate, 14 and over and Open classes.~~ The order to reverse can be executed by turning either toward or away from the rail. Light contact with horse's mouth is required. Entries then line up on command. Any or all riders may be required to execute any appropriate tests included in class requirements (EQ112 and EQ113). All tests used must be on the flat. Judges are encouraged to call for at least two tests of the top contestants.

a. In addition to the class requirements of EQ112 and EQ113, in Intermediate, Open Equitation classes for riders 12 years of age and older, ASPCA Maclay classes, and all U.S. Medal classes, riders may be asked to work collectively without stirrups.

b. In addition to the class requirements of EQ112 and EQ113, in Open Equitation classes for riders 12 years of age and older, ASPCA Maclay classes and all USEF Medal classes, judges may call for more advanced flatwork such as shoulder in, shoulder out, haunches in, haunches out, and changing direction collectively.

PROPONENT

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INTENT

To allow for more advanced flatwork in open equitation classes.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: class routine

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

USHJA Equitation Task Force**Draft 1:** No Action**Draft 1:** No Comments**USHJA Hunter Working Group****Draft 1:** No Action**Draft 1:** No Comments

USHJA Judges Taskforce

Draft 1: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Jumper Working Group

Draft 1: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Stewards

Draft 1: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments

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BOARD ACTION

PROPOSED CHANGE

EQ111 COURSE REQUIREMENTS [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER EQ-2 HUNTER SEAT EQUITATION SECTION] **change to read:**

EQ111 Course Requirements

Classes must be held over at least six obstacles.

1. All obstacles must be at least ~~5'6"~~ **6'** wide across the jumpable portion.

PROPONENT

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INTENT

To correct a conflicting rule. In EQ111.11b narrow jumps may be a minimum of 6'.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: Narrow Jumps

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

USHJA Course Designer Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/18/2014

Draft 1: The minimum should be 8 feet to standarize with the jumpers and for safety concerns

USHJA Equitation Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/11/2014

Draft 1: Rule needs to match 5'6" wide across the jumpable portion in all rules.

USHJA Hunter Working Group

Draft 1: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Judges Taskforce

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/18/2014

Draft 1: Should be able to jump a half wall (5'6")

USHJA Officials

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/18/2014

Draft 1: The minimum should be 8 feet to standarize with the jumpers and for safety concerns

USHJA Stewards

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/06/2014

Draft 1: Leave the rule as is

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BOARD ACTION

PROPOSED CHANGE

HU104 GREEN STATUS - PONY HUNTER [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-1 DEFINITIONS AND ELIGIBILITY] **add and renumber as necessary:**

Developing Pony Section (Pre-Green Ponies)

HU104 ***Pre-Green and*** Green Status – Pony Hunter

1. A green pony is a pony not exceeding 14.2 hands of any age, ***which is eligible to compete in the Green Pony section. A pony's Green Hunter eligibility, regardless of age, begins the first time the pony competes in any over fences class with jumps set at 2'3" or higher for small ponies, 2'6" or higher for medium ponies and 2'9" or higher for large ponies in Hunter, Hunter Seat Equitation or Jumping Seat Equitation classes or sections held at a Federation Licensed competition in North America.*** ~~in its first year of showing in any hunter, jumper, hunter seat equitation or jumping seat equitation classes held at Federation Licensed competitions, Equine Canada competitions and/or FEI competitions that require ponies to jump the regulation height or higher for its respective section. The green status of a pony is the responsibility of the owner.~~

a. Showing in Canada over fences at or higher than the regulation height for the pony's section under Equine Canada rules breaks the pony's green status for the purpose of this Rule and Federation rules whether or not the regulation height for the pony's section under Equine Canada rules is less than, equal to, or greater than the regulation height for the pony's section under Federation rules.

b. Once a pony has broken its green status in one Pony Hunter section (i.e., small, medium, large) it will not regain its green status by moving into another Pony Hunter section.

2. If a competition starts prior to or on November 30, Green Pony status at the start of the competition is maintained throughout the competition.

3. Ponies who have not broken their Green Status must jump less than their regulation height in open classes or their Green Status will be broken.

4. In its first year of showing at regulation height or higher, a green pony may also compete in the Regular Pony Hunter section at its respective height.

5. Pre-Green Status

a. A pre-green pony is a pony not exceeding 14.2 hands of any age, which is eligible to compete in the Pre-Green Pony section. A pony's Pre-Green Hunter eligibility, regardless of age, begins the first time the pony competes in any over fences class with jumps set at 2'0" or higher for small ponies, 2'3" or higher for medium ponies and 2'6" or higher for large ponies in Hunter, Hunter Seat Equitation or Jumping Seat Equitation classes or sections held at a Federation Licensed competition in North America. The Pre-Green status of a pony is the responsibility of the owner.

b. Once a pony has broken its Pre-Green status in one Pre-Green Pony Hunter section (i.e., small, medium, large), if due to re-measurement the pony becomes eligible for another pony height section, it will not be eligible to move into another Pre-Green Pony Hunter section.

c. If a competition starts prior to or on November 30, Pre-Green Pony status at the start of the competition is maintained throughout the competition.

d. Ponies who have not broken their Pre-Green Status must jump less than 2' for small ponies, 2'3" for medium ponies, and 2'6" for large ponies in open classes or their Pre-Green Status will be broken.

e. Riders must be juniors but the age restrictions as seen in the Regular Hunter Pony sections do not apply.

PROPONENT

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Hunter Working Group

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INTENT

To provide the owners and breeders of young ponies a competition section to start inexperienced ponies.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

COMMITTEE ACTIONS	
USHJA Breeders	
Draft 1: No Action	Draft 1: No Comments
USHJA Hunter Working Group	
Draft 1: No Action	Draft 1: No Comments
USHJA Hunter Zone Council	
Draft 1: No Action	Draft 1: No Comments
USHJA Pony Hunter Task Force	
Draft 1: No Action	Draft 1: No Comments

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BOARD ACTION

PROPOSED CHANGE

HU111 JUNIOR & CHILDREN'S HUNTERS [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU- 1 DEFINITIONS AND ELIGIBILITY] **change to read:**

HU111 Junior & Children's Hunters

4. If there are six (6) or more entries in each divided section, the divided sections must be held separately. If there are fewer than six (6) entries in any sections divided by age and/or height, those sections must be combined with other sections. If there are a minimum of ~~twelve (12)~~ **sixteen (16)** entries once any sections have been combined, the newly combined section must be re-divided using one of the options listed in HU117. Management may determine a cutoff time for entering before re-dividing any section(s).

PROPONENT

USHJA

Hunter Working Group

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INTENT

To create a more competitive environment.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: Junior Hunter sections 16 or more

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

USHJA Competition Management

Draft 1: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Working Group

Draft 1: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Zone Council

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/17/2014

Draft 1: Should remain at 12

USHJA Junior Hunter Taskforce

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 10/28/2014

Draft 1: Ahead of its time, there are not 16 in most areas.

USHJA Officials

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/18/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Professionals

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 10/28/2014

Draft 1: Recommend leaving at 12 for another year.

USHJA Stewards

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/06/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

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BOARD ACTION

PROPOSED CHANGE

HU115 AMATEUR OWNER SECTIONS [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU- 2 DIVISION OF SECTIONS OR CLASSES] **change to read:**

HU115 Amateur Owner Sections

1. Amateur Owner 3'6"

a. When a section is divided, one section must be offered for amateurs 18-35 and one section for amateurs over 35 years of age. If there are six or more entries in each divided section, the divided sections must be held separately. If there are fewer than six entries in either divided section, they must be combined. If there are a minimum of 42 **sixteen (16)** entries once the sections are combined, the newly combined section must be re-divided using either a Floating or California Split. (See HU112 for definition of a Floating and California Split.) Management may determine a cutoff time for entering before re-dividing any section(s). When using a floating split the age groups must be posted at the competition office. Rider age must be given on the entry blank. When divided as to age of rider no horse may compete in more than one section. These sections may be further divided by age of rider or by every other number.

b. [...]

2. Amateur Owner 3'3"

a. When a section is divided, one section must be offered for amateurs 18-35 and one section for amateurs over 35 years of age. If there are six or more entries in each divided section, the divided sections must be held separately. If there are fewer than six entries in either divided section, they must be combined. If there are a minimum of 42 **sixteen (16)** entries once the sections are combined, the newly combined section must be re-divided using either a Floating or California Split. (See HU112 for definition of a Floating and California Split.) When using a floating split the age groups must be posted at the competition office. Rider age must be given on entry blank. When divided as to age of rider no horse may compete in more than one section. These sections may be further divided by age of rider or by every other number.

PROPONENT

USHJA

Hunter Working Group

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INTENT

To create a more competitive environment.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: A/O sections 16 or more

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

USHJA Amateurs

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 10/27/2014

Draft 1: Unnecessary change

USHJA Competition Management

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/24/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Working Group

Draft 1: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Zone Council

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/17/2014

Draft 1: Should remain at 12

USHJA Officials

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/18/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Professionals

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 10/28/2014

Draft 1: Recommend leaving at 12 for another year.

USHJA Stewards

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/06/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

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BOARD ACTION

PROPOSED CHANGE

HU132 DEFINITION OF COMPETED [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-5 JUDGING] **change to read:**

HU132 Definition of Competed **and Completed**

A horse has competed in an over fences class when the horse's entry number and a score for at least the first jump are recorded on the judges card. **A horse has officially completed the course when all of the obstacles have been jumped and the horse has not been eliminated.** A horse failing to complete the entire course is not eligible to receive points, awards, or prize money **and will not be used in the increment number for point calculation.** A horse has competed in an under saddle class when the horse has entered the ring. When three or fewer horses compete in an under saddle class, all horses' numbers must be listed on the judges card regardless of whether they receive an award.

PROPONENT

USHJA

USHJA Executive Committee

Received: 8/27/2014

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INTENT

There has been some confusion regarding the terms compete and complete. This rule addresses the use of both terms. In addition, it defines only horses which have completed a course as eligible for increment calculation.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

EQ 112 (350-14)

Web: Definition of Competed & Completed

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

USHJA Amateurs

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/27/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Childrens/Adult Hunter Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 10/20/2014

Draft 1: Needs further discussion. Need to investigate the implications this RCP would have on other aspects of the sport.

USHJA Hunter Working Group

Draft 1: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Zone Council

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/17/2014

Draft 1: The concept is ok, but would like to know how it would be tracked

USHJA Junior Hunter Taskforce

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 10/28/2014

Draft 1: It needs to be clarified more.

USHJA Pony Hunter Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/10/2014

Draft 1: Like the idea of the rule but would like further clarification

USHJA Professionals

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 10/28/2014

Draft 1: Unenforceable as proposed and needs more discussion.

RULE CHANGE TYPE

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EFFECTIVE

12/1/2015

BOARD ACTION

Referred 12/11/2014

PROPOSED CHANGE

HU160 SCHEDULING [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-8 CONDUCT] **change to read:**

HU160.1 Scheduling

c. Premier rated competitions must be held and judged over a minimum of ~~five (5)~~ **four (4)** days on the same competition grounds. A minimum of five "A" rated Hunter sections must be offered **and judged** and a minimum of two performance classes from two different "A" rated Hunter sections must be scheduled and judged on ~~four of the five days~~ **each day**.

PROPONENT

USHJA

Competition Standards Committee

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INTENT

Some competitions have enough rings to run a Premier competition in four days, and the fifth day only adds expense. In some cases, competitions will end by noon on the first two competition days and the professional divisions are not strong enough year round.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: Premier Shows Scheduled Over 4 Days

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

USHJA Competition Management

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/24/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: Would approve if it had an effective date of 4/1/2015. Would also approve if the word "judged" were moved in the second sentence. The second sentence would read, "A minimum of the five "A" rated Hunter sections must be offered and judged and a minimum of two performance classes from two different "A" rated Hunter sections must be scheduled on each day."
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Competition Standards

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/21/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: The Committee recommends an effective date of 4/1/2015
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Working Group

Draft 1: No Action

Draft 2: Recommends Disapproval 12/10/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

Draft 2: Do not feel that this matches the standards of a premier competition

USHJA Professionals

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 10/28/2014

Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: Lowers the standards for premier competitions.

Draft 2: No Comments

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Standard

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BOARD ACTION

PROPOSED CHANGE

JP108 PRIZE MONEY [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER JP-1 GENERAL] **change to read:**

JP108 Prize Money

1. In all classes offering more than \$500 in prize money:

a. the last place must at least equal the start fee.

b. money places must be awarded on the basis of one place for every ~~five~~ **four** commenced starters. The original prize moneys must be distributed as printed in the prize list. If additional prize money is necessary, the money awarded to each place must at least equal the starting fee.

PROPONENT

USHJA

Jumper Working Group

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INTENT

Increases the number of placings and distributes prize money more fairly in larger classes.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: prize money

COMMITTEE ACTIONS