

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### Bylaw203 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** Bylaw203

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

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#### ***Proposed Change:***

**Bylaw 203-Competition Eligibility** [CHAPTER Part II--Memberships and Affiliations Subpart A-General] **change to read:**

To be eligible to participate as a rider, driver, handler, vaulter, longeur, owner, lessee, agent or trainer, riding coach or driving coach, at Federation Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions at the Preliminary Level or above, Dressage Competitions, Combined Driving Competitions at the Advanced Level, Vaulting Competitions, or International Competitions, Classes or Programs, persons must be Senior Active Members or Junior Active Members of the Federation as provided in Bylaw 212, or if non-members must pay a registration fee as provided in the Rules. Lessees are considered owners in connection with this requirement. In the event of an entry under multiple ownership, only one owner need be a Senior Active Member or pay a registration fee. Participants in the following classes are exempted from the requirements of this rule: (1) leadline; (2) exhibitions; (3) games and races; (4) classes for 4H members; (5) Walk trot and Academy classes (Academy Classes are classes limited to horses regularly used in a lesson program); (6) USDF Introductory Level tests, Pas de Deux and Quadrille classes; (7) Assistant Handlers in Dressage Sport Horse Breeding Classes; ~~and~~ (8) citizens of other nations who have proof, in English, of current membership in good standing in their own National Federation; **and (9) Non-affiliated national breed or discipline association classes for which there are no breed or discipline division rules.**

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**USEF# Staff**

**Date Received:** 9/3/2013

#### ***Intent of Proposal:***

This change is being submitted to make it more clear how to determine unrecognized status for non-affiliated classes by stating these are classes where there are no USEF division rules.

**Proposed Effective Date:** Immediately Upon Notification

#### ***Linked Rule Changes:***

#### **Committee/Organization**

Jumper

#### **Draft: Action-Date**

1:No Action

#### ***Other Comments:***

10.21.13 BOD special meeting - this Bylaw change referred to Annual Meeting

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### GR121.2 - GR121.3 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** GR121.2 - GR121.3

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

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**Proposed Change:**

**GR121.2 catch rider** [CHAPTER subchapter 1 A Definitions] **add and renumber as necessary:**

GR121Exhibitor, **Catch Rider, Independent Service Provider**

**2. Catch Rider: An individual who is engaged, for remuneration or as a volunteer, to compete on a horse(s) owned by another with whom they have no current business relationship regarding the ongoing training, care, custody or control of the horse.**

**3. Independent Service Provider: An individual who performs a service(s) for another and the payer has the right to control or direct only the result of the work and what will be done and how it will be done. The Independent service provider controls the details as to how the service is performed.**

**Proponent:** USHJA

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**Date Received:** 8/30/2013

**Intent of Proposal:**

To define catch rider and independent service provider

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

**Linked Rule Changes:**

GR1304.22d (451-13)

**Committee/Organization**

**Draft: Action-Date**

Jumper	1:No Action
National Hunter	1:Recommend Approval - 10/07/2013
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013
USHJA Jumper Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013
USHJA Officials	1:Tabled - 12/09/2013

- Draft 1 : Would like a clarification on the definitions and how they might conflict with individual state

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GR121.2 - GR121.3 - DRAFT 1**

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USHJA Professionals

1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013

USHJA Young Professionals

1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013

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## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### GR132.1 - GR132.5 - DRAFT 2

**Rule Number:** GR132.1 - GR132.5

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 2

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**Proposed Change:**

**GR132 LICENSEE** [CHAPTER GR 1 Definitions and Governance, GR 1A Definitions] **change to read:**

A Licensee is a person or legal entity who has obtained legal permission from the Federation to conduct a licensed competition. **A Licensee shall be the party who enters into the License agreement with the Federation and is therefore financially and otherwise responsible to the Federation for the licensed competition. The Federation has the right to ask for and obtain proof that the Licensee of record is, in fact, the financially responsible party for that competition. The Licensee is further responsible for ensuring that all the terms and conditions of the License agreement are met. The rights, duties, and obligations of the Licensee may be further defined in the License agreement or in the USEF rule book. The Licensee may be an individual, corporation, partnership, sponsoring organization or other entity. The license application must be signed by the Licensee or an officer, principal, or other individual who is specifically authorized to represent the Licensee.**

**1. When the Licensee is other than an individual, the Licensed entity must designate and register (GR304) with the Federation, an individual who is specifically authorized to represent the Licensee in matters before the Federation with reference to the Federation License Agreement, and also with reference to the actual conduct of the competition. Additionally, the licensed entity must designate an individual, called the "competition manager," who has primary "on site" responsibility to the Federation and to the Licensee for the conduct of the competition. It is permissible, but not necessary, for the two individuals designated above to be the same person.**

**2. When the Licensee is an individual, he/she is the individual who will represent the Licensee in matters before the Federation with reference to the Federation License Agreement, and also with reference to the actual conduct of the competition. Additionally, the licensed entity must designate an individual, called the "competition manager," who has primary "on site" responsibility to the Federation and to the Licensee for the conduct of the competition. It is permissible, but not necessary, for the two individuals designated above to be the same person.**

**3. In addition to the individual designated as the competition manager by the Licensee as referenced in (2) above, the licensee may designate another individual who would substitute for the competition manager if the competition manager would need to be "off-site." This will insure that a responsible competition manager or designee will be on-site during all competition hours.**

**4. It is the sole responsibility of the Licensee to update the registration(s) to reflect any changes. Failure to properly update the licensee registration may result in cancellation, non-renewal of license, fine, or other penalties as delineated under the provisions of GR706 and GR707. -**

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**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Competition Standards Committee

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**Date Received:** 9/3/2013

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**Intent of Proposal:**

To clarify the individuals responsible for the financial conduct and onsite conduct of the competition and process for loss of Licensee or party with primary responsibility for conduct of the competition.

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change  
GR132.1 - GR132.5 - DRAFT 2***Proposed Effective Date:* 12/1/2014**Status:** Referred**Board of Directors:** Referred (1/12/2014)***Linked Rule Changes:***

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**Committee/Organization****Draft: Action-Date**

Jumper

1:No Action, 2:No Action

National Hunter

1:Recommend Approval - 11/11/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013

USHJA Competition Management

1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/04/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013

- Draft 1 : Requesting a meeting with the President or Committee Chair for more information.

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013

USHJA Jumper Working Group

1:Tabled - 11/18/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/09/2013

- Draft 1 : The Group would like more clarification and a better understanding of this rule change proposal.
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***Other Comments:***

1.12.14 BOD mtg - referred to Mid-Year

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### GR301.2 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** GR301.2

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

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#### **Proposed Change:**

**GR301 Classifications** [CHAPTER Subchapter 3A Competition Classifications and Privileges] **change to read:**

2. After written application to the **Federation Executive Committee** at least six months prior to an event, a competition may be approved for Special Competition status upon majority vote of the **Board of Directors Executive Committee**. To be considered, a competition must list on the application all information requested including the names of competition management if not already registered with the Federation. A \$750 non-refundable processing fee must be submitted with the application. A Special Competition is an event which does not meet fully the requirements for obtaining Federation licensing, however, it has been deemed in the best interest of the exhibitors, the breed/ discipline and the Federation that the event be granted Licensed status. Special Competition status includes but is not limited to Olympic Games or Trials, PanAm Games or Trials, World Equestrian Games or Trials, World Cup Finals, Federation National Finals and National Championships and other events created for the benefit of the exhibitor and breed/discipline approved by the majority vote of the breed/discipline Affiliated Association, the Federation breed/discipline committee and by the **Board of Directors Executive Committee**. In acting upon the application, the **Board of Directors Executive Committee** may or may not take into consideration the Event's possible effect upon other applications. The application must specify which Federation rules **and/or HJ Competition Standards** cannot be met. Competition dues are to be assessed based on prize money offered. Approval, if granted, is for one year only. Management is required to re-apply for future competitions. The **Board of Directors Executive Committee** may place additional conditions upon an approval in any matter it deems appropriate. All Federation rules **and/or HJ Competition Standards** other than those for which an exception has been made must be enforced.

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Competition Standards

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**Date Received:** 8/29/2013

#### **Intent of Proposal:**

Defines and clarifies process for approval of special competition status and includes HJ Competition Standards as applicable.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

#### **Linked Rule Changes:**

#### **Committee/Organization**

#### **Draft: Action-Date**

USHJA Competition Management

1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013

USHJA Competition Standards

1:Recommend Approval - 10/15/2013

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**Status:** Approved

**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

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## GR313.6 - DRAFT 1

**Status:** Approved  
**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

**Rule Number:** GR313.6  
**Rule Change Type:** Standard  
**Draft:** 1

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### **Proposed Change:**

**GR313 Determining Ratings** [CHAPTER Subchapter 3-C Licensed Competitions Standards] **change to read:**

6. The following are rated "C" regardless of the number of classes or amount of prize money offered: Small Hunter, Hunter Breeding, Ladies Side Saddle Hunter, Adult Amateur, Children's Hunter, ~~and~~ Pre-Green Hunters **and Thoroughbred Hunter**.

**Proponent:** USHJA

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**Date Received:** 8/23/2013

### **Intent of Proposal:**

To integrate Thoroughbreds back into the show ring and provide an avenue for them to do so.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

### **Linked Rule Changes:**

GR1131.9 (240-13), GR1133.5 (241-13), HU121.19 (242-13), HU166 (243-13), JP133.3 (244-13), HU106.8 (257-13), JP120.1-JP120.2 (323-13)

### **Committee/Organization**

### **Draft: Action-Date**

Jumper	1:No Action
National Hunter	1:Recommend Approval - 11/11/2013
USHJA Competition Management	1:Recommend Approval - 01/01/1900
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013
USHJA Hunter Zone Council	1:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013



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## GR313.6 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** GR313.6

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

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### Proposed Change:

**GR313 Determining Rating [CHAPTER GR 3-D Licensed Competitions Standards] change to read:**

GR313.6. The following are rated "C" regardless of the number of classes or amount of prize money offered: Small Hunter, Hunter Breeding, Ladies Side Saddle Hunter, Adult Amateur, Children's Hunter, and Pre-Green Hunters.

HUNTER SECTIONS	"A"	"A"	"B" and "C"	"B"		
Required	Min	Required	Min	Min	Classes	Money
Classes	Money					
Amateur Owner 3'6"	4-6*	500	3-4	100		
Amateur Owner 3'3"	4-5	500	3-4	100		
Green Conformation	4-6*	500	3-4	50		
Reg. Conformation	4-6*	500	3-4	50		
Green Working	4-6*	500	3-4	100		
High Performance Working	3-5	750**	3-4	200		
Hunter Pony	4-5*	400	3-4	100		
Green Hunter Pony	4-5*	250	3-4	50		
Junior Hunter	4-5*	500	3-4	100		
Junior Hunter 3'3"	4-5*	500	3-4	100		
Performance Hunters 3'3"	3-5	400	3-4	50		
Performance Hunters 3'6"	3-5	500	3-4	100		

(Performance Hunter 3'3" and Performance Hunter 3'6" sections may not be used to determine ratings of a licensed competition.)

(\*See HU158.3 regarding Model Classes).

(\*\*At "AA" competitions, minimum prize money for High Performance Working must be \$1500)

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Competition Management

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**Date Received:** 8/29/2013

### Intent of Proposal:

To allow the Performance Hunter 3'3" and 3'6" to determine the ratings of a licensed competition.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

### Linked Rule Changes:

### Committee/Organization

### Draft: Action-Date

National Hunter

1:Recommend Approval - 11/11/2013

USHJA Competition Management

1:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013

USHJA

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**GR313.6 - DRAFT 1**

**Status:** Approved

**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Recommend Disapproval - 12/11/2013

USHJA Jumper Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013

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### GR317 - DRAFT 1

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#### **Proposed Change:**

**GR317 Sale or Transfer of License** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER 3-D REVIEW AND RENEWAL OF COMPETITION LICENSES]  
**change to read:**

#### **GR317 Sale or Transfer of License**

The Sale or Transfer of a License is subject to the approval of the Federation, following consultation with the applicable Recognized National or FEI Affiliate. The final decision to approve or deny the sale or transfer of a license is at the sole discretion of the Federation. **Approval of a license sale or transfer shall not be unreasonably withheld.** Competition licenses may be sold or transferred during the term of the License to another Licensee acceptable to USEF, subject to the following conditions:

1. The Licensee that acquires the License must comply with rules, requirements and Standards which are in effect or established for the Competition Rating and/or Level at the time the acquisition occurs, even if the rule requirements and standards were different or did not exist when the license was initially granted to the original licensee.
2. Both the Seller and the Purchaser of the License must disclose all relevant terms of the transfer of License and must obtain USEF approval before the transaction can be completed. Prior to any such approval or denial by USEF, the Recognized National or FEI Affiliate, if any, shall be consulted in regard to the request for sale or transfer. The Recognized National or FEI Affiliate will be provided, on request, with all terms and conditions relating to the proposed transaction. USEF shall advise the Recognized National or FEI Affiliate of any terms or conditions relevant to the terms of the transfer, and any special conditions or other considerations that USEF feels may be appropriate. Such approval or denial by USEF shall not subject USEF to any liability or obligate it to any third party. Both Seller and Purchaser of the License must agree to indemnify and hold harmless both USEF and the Recognized National or FEI Affiliate from any liability or legal expense arising from approval or denial of the agreement. Failure to completely disclose terms and conditions of a License transfer may result in termination of the License by USEF and any sanctions, penalties or other remedies available to USEF.
3. The Selling Licensee shall remain financially responsible until the following conditions are met.
  - a. USEF issues written approval of the Sale/Transfer
  - b. Payment of the applicable USEF Sale/Transfer fee
  - c. Seller has met all other financial obligations to USEF
4. Only the remaining years in the term of an existing License may be sold or transferred ~~and no rights to future dates beyond the term of the existing License agreement will be given to the purchaser of the license.~~ **Purchasing licensee will have the same rights to apply for approval of comparable dates as the Selling Licensee.**
5. USEF may consider concentration of dates in the control of a single License holder or group of related Licensees when determining the appropriateness of a sale or transfer of a License.

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**USEF# Staff**

**Date Received:** 8/27/2013

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#### **Intent of Proposal:**

To ensure a purchasing license has the same rights to comparable dates as per applicable rules and procedures.

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change  
GR317 - DRAFT 1****Proposed Effective Date:** Immediately Upon Notification**Linked Rule Changes:**

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<b><u>Committee/Organization</u></b>	<b><u>Draft: Action-Date</u></b>
USHJA Competition Management	1:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013
USHJA Competition Standards	1:Recommend Approval - 10/15/2013
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013
USHJA Jumper Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013

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## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### GR610 - DRAFT 2

**Rule Number:** GR610  
**Rule Change Type:** Standard  
**Draft:** 2

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#### *Proposed Change:*

**GR610 Proceedings before a Show Committee [CHAPTER Sub-Chapter 6-C Hearings] change to read:**

~~1. A Show Committee receiving a protest or charge must promptly hold a hearing and all accused and accusing persons and other persons directly concerned must be given advance notice in writing and be given the opportunity to appear at the hearing and the pre-hearing procedures of Subchapter 6-B, GR606-609 shall also apply.~~  
~~2. Before holding the hearing, the Show Committee must obtain all relevant evidence and information from the documents (such as entry blanks) and witnesses (such as Competition Officials) under its control. The Show Committee must then adjudicate the issues impartially and make effective its decision upon the parties.~~  
~~3. If a protest is sustained, the deposit must be returned to the protester; if not sustained, the deposit must be forfeited to the competition. A Show Committee may disqualify a person and/or his or her entries at that competition after holding a hearing of which the person had actual advance notice and the opportunity to appear.~~  
~~4. If a Show Committee cannot reach a decision in regard to a protest or charge, the matter must be referred to the Hearing Committee. If the matter in question is a protest, it must be accompanied by the protest deposit. If the protest is sustained by the Hearing Committee, the deposit must be returned to the protester; if it is not sustained by the Hearing Committee, the deposit will accrue to the Federation.~~  
~~In all cases, after either reaching a decision in a hearing or failing to reach a decision on a protest or charge, the Show Committee must promptly report in writing its findings of fact and conclusions regarding alleged rule violations and recommended penalties, if any, to the Hearing Committee. A party to a protest or charge desiring to appeal a decision of the Show Committee to the Hearing Committee must file an appeal in writing with the Hearing Committee at the Federation's office within fifteen (15) days of the initial decision. The Hearing Committee will not review the findings but will determine whether the rules were properly interpreted and applied.~~

#### **GR 610 Proceedings Before a Show Committee**

- 1. Receipt of Protest (GR603) or Charge (GR604):**
  - a. The Show Committee shall receive the protest or charge within 48 hours of the alleged violation;**
  - b. Protests shall comply with the requirements of GR 603;**
  - c. Charges shall comply with the requirements of GR 604;**
  - d. Unless the protest or charge involves a time sensitive issue that must be resolved at the competition the protest or charge must be forwarded to the USEF Hearing Committee;**
  - e. If the Show Committee holds a hearing, it shall give the accused and person bringing the protest or charge 24 hours written notice of the hearing pursuant to GR 606 unless the accused waives the 24 hour requirement in writing.;**
  - f. The hearing must be held prior to the end of the competition..**
- 2. Procedure:**
  - a. The pre-hearing procedures of Subchapter 6-B, GR 602, 603, 604 and 606 shall apply;**
  - b. Before the hearing, based on the content of the protest or charge as required by GR 602.1, the Show Committee shall obtain all relevant evidence and information from the documents (such as entry blanks) and witnesses (such as Competition Officials) under its control.**
  - c. The proponent of the protest or charge has the burden of proof by a preponderance of the evidence.**
  - d. If the accused attends the hearing, the accused may bring counsel, witnesses, and submit sworn statements and other evidence on the accused's behalf.**
  - e. The show Committee shall then decide the issues impartially.**
- 3. Determination:**

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- a. If a protest is sustained, the deposit shall be returned to the protester; if not sustained, the deposit shall be forfeited to the competition.
- b. A Show Committee may disqualify a person and/or his or her entries at that competition after holding a hearing and finding proof of the protest or charge by a preponderance of the evidence.
- c. If a Show Committee cannot reach a decision in regard to a protest or charge, it shall be referred to the Hearing Committee. If it is a protest, it shall be accompanied by the protest deposit. If the protest is sustained by the Hearing Committee, the deposit shall be returned to the protester; if it is not sustained by the Hearing Committee, the deposit will accrue to the Federation.
- d. At the close of the hearing the Show Committee shall report its findings of fact and conclusions setting out whether a rule(s) violation occurred, the specific rule(s) involved and any penalty imposed.
- e. The Show Committee shall make a written report of its findings and conclusions within 24 hours of the close of the hearing.
- f. A party to a protest or charge desiring to appeal a decision of the Show Committee to the Hearing Committee shall file an appeal in writing with the Hearing Committee at the Federation's office within thirty (30) days of the initial decision. The Hearing Committee will not review findings of fact; but will determine whether the rules were properly interpreted and applied.

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**USEF# Staff**

**Date Received:** 8/27/2013

#### **Intent of Proposal:**

To facilitate the handling of protests lodged during a competition.

**Proposed Effective Date:** Immediately Upon Notification

#### **Linked Rule Changes:**

GR612.2 (540-13)

#### **Committee/Organization**

#### **Draft: Action-Date**

Jumper	1:No Action, 2:No Action
National Hunter	1:No Action, 2:Recommend Approval - 11/11/2013
USHJA Competition Management	1:No Action, 2:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 2 : Will approve with additional language to include the result of the hearing being forwarded to USEF in 1d.</li> </ul>	
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:No Action, 2:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013
USHJA Jumper Working Group	1:No Action, 2:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013
USHJA Stewards	1:No Action, 2:Recommend Approval - 10/30/2013

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**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change  
GR610 - DRAFT 2**

**Status:** Approved

**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### GR915.4 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** GR915.4

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

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**Proposed Change:**

**GR915.4 Leagues, Series, and Finals** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER 9-C SUBMISSION, ACCEPTANCE, AND REFUSAL OF ENTRIES] **change to read:**

**4. a. Definitions:**

1. "Finals" means any championship, trophy or other award final, league final or other final class or final event with entries based upon the outcomes of earlier contests.
2. "System" means classes or events which are part of a league, series, ranking/ tracking lists or championship, final trophy or other award system, whether or not generated or tracked by a computer program or otherwise.
- b. ~~If qualifiers and/or finals of a league, series or other ranking system are held at recognized competitions, the system used to rank the exhibitors who qualify in the league or series must be approved initially by the Executive Committee at least 120 days prior to the beginning of the league or series. This is a one-time requirement, and further Executive Committee approval is not required provided the system of qualifying does not change. The Executive Committee may approve of any such application in its discretion and may condition such approval in its discretion. Furthermore, all~~ **All** of the following requirements must also be met:
  1. The league or series must be run under the auspices of either a Recognized Affiliate or an Alliance Partner of the Federation.
  2. All the qualifying classes must be held at licensed competitions or at competitions recognized by a Recognized Affiliate or an Alliance Partner of the Federation.
  3. The league or series must award the qualifying classes to licensed competitions on an equal basis. If a licensed competition meets the requirements to hold a qualifying class and wishes to do so, it must be given the opportunity.
  4. The organization or individuals financially responsible for the system must be USEF Members, Federation Recognized Affiliates, or Federation Alliance Partners and must agree to be bound by and comply with all applicable Federation rules in the conduct of the system and its application in the league or series.
  5. If there is an award category for classes in the league or series and the above requirements are met, HOTY points will be awarded for the qualifying classes and for the finals held at licensed competitions.
  6. If the finals of a league, series or other ranking system are not held at a licensed competition, HOTY points for the finals will not be awarded.

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**Intent of Proposal:**

To remove outdated language.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

**Linked Rule Changes:**

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**Committee/Organization**

**Draft: Action-Date**



**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change****GR915.4 - DRAFT 1**

Jumper	1:Recommend Approval - 12/02/2013
National Hunter	1:Recommend Approval - 11/11/2013
USHJA Competition Management	1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013
USHJA Competition Standards	1:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013
USHJA Jumper Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013

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## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### GR1011.10 - DRAFT 2

**Rule Number:** GR1011.10

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 2

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#### **Proposed Change:**

**GR1011 Guest Judge** [CHAPTER Chapter 10 Licensed Officials; Subchapter 10-C Classifications – Judges; GR1011 Guest Judge.]  
**change to read:**

10. Authority to act as a Guest judge will not be granted to any person more than twice in a lifetime, in a particular division without the approval of the Executive Committee. The following are exceptions:

a. Individuals asked to judge the USEF Show Jumping Talent Search Finals, **US Hunter Seat Medal Finals, ASPCA Maclay Finals, and/or WIHS Finals;**

b. ...

11. A Guest Judge may not officiate in any "A" or "B" rated divisions or sections, Jumper Division offering over \$2,500, or at any national or regional Equitation Finals. A Guest Judge may not officiate alone in any Federation Medal Class. The following are exceptions:

e. USEF Show Jumping Talent Search Class/Finals, see EQ113.14.

~~g.~~ **f. US Hunter Seat Medal Finals, see EQ112.9.**

~~h.~~ **g. WIHS Equitation Finals, see EQ112.14.**

~~i.~~ **h. ASPCA Maclay Finals, see EQ112.12**

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter and Jumper Working Groups

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

**Email:** wmoroney@ushja.org

**USEF#**

**Date Received:** 8/30/2013

#### **Intent of Proposal:**

To allow the USHJA Joint Equitation Task Force the same latitude in selecting the judges for the USEF Pessoa Medal Finals each year that the WIHS Equitation Championship and the USEF Talent Search Finals East & West has to use judges that do not hold a "R" judging card. These classes are prestigious and we can utilize the depth of the HP riders that may not have an interest in the whole process of obtaining a judging license but have a lot to offer the young riders of our sport.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 4/1/2014

#### **Linked Rule Changes:**

#### **Committee/Organization**

#### **Draft: Action-Date**

USHJA Competition Management

1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013, 2:No Action

USHJA Equitation Task Force

1:Recommend Disapproval - 12/11/2013, 2:No Action

- Draft 1 : Want to add Maclay to list

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013, 2:Recommend

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change  
GR1011.10 - DRAFT 2**

**Status:** Approved

**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

Approval - 12/11/2013

USHJA Judges Taskforce

1:Recommend Approval - 11/25/2013, 2:No Action

USHJA Jumper Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013, 2:No Action

USHJA Officials

1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013, 2:No Action

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## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### GR1037.1 - GR1037.6 - DRAFT 3

**Rule Number:** GR1037.1 - GR1037.6

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 3

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

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**Proposed Change:**

**Yellow card** [CHAPTER GR1037 Warning Card - Stewards and Technical Delegates] **change to read:**

GR1037 **Yellow** Warning Card - Stewards and Technical Delegates

1. A **Yellow** Warning Card may be issued by a Steward, Technical Delegate, or Competition Official working in any of these capacities at the competition to any competitor, spectator or participant for improper conduct, or for noncompliance with the rules, provided the issuer considers the conduct not severe enough to cause the issuer to file formal Charges pursuant to GR604.
2. To issue a **Yellow** Warning Card, a Steward, Technical Delegate, or Competition Official must complete and sign the **Yellow** Warning Card.
3. A copy of the signed **Yellow** Warning Card must be given **provided** to the alleged offender at the competition either **in person or by any other suitable means**. ~~The~~ **A copy of the Yellow** warning card must then be sent to the Federation with the Steward's/Technical Delegate's Report Form and noted therein.
4. Upon receipt of the **Yellow Warning Card Form**, The Federation will send an acknowledgment of its receipt of the ~~Form~~ **Yellow Warning Card** to the alleged offender advising of the provisions of this Rule.
5. The issuance of a **Yellow** Warning Card is not meant to replace the filing of charges for a willful and serious violation of Federation rules, and in no case may a **Yellow** Warning Card be issued for abuse of a horse in any form. It is for lesser offenses only.
6. ~~Within 60 days~~ Immediately following the receipt by the Federation of a ~~third Report Form~~ **third Yellow Warning Card** indicating that a competitor, spectator, or participant has been issued **three (3) Yellow** Warning Cards within a ~~twelve (12)~~ **sixteen (16)** month period the Executive Director ~~has the option of~~ **shall either levy** ing a fine of **franging from \$500 to \$1000** or **issue** ing a formal Charge pursuant to this Rule and GR604 alleging that the rules have been violated on all or any one of said three occasions pursuant to Chapter 6 of the Rules. If the alleged offender is found in violation of any or all of said violations they may be subject to the penalties set forth in Chapter 7 of the Rules.

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**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Stewards

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

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**USEF#**

**Date Received:** 9/1/2013

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**Intent of Proposal:**

create a more fair and enforceable warning card system

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

**Linked Rule Changes:**

GR1301.6 (518-13)

# **Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change** **GR1037.1 - GR1037.6 - DRAFT 3**

**Status:** Approved  
**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

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<u><b>Committee/Organization</b></u>	<u><b>Draft: Action-Date</b></u>
National Hunter	3:Recommend Approval - 01/09/2014
USHJA Competition Management	1:No Action, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 11/18/2013, 3:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 2 : Should put 3 back in and would approve.</li> </ul>	
USHJA Horse & Rider Advocate	1:Recommend Approval - 11/05/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013, 2:No Action, 3:Recommend Disapproval - 12/11/2013
USHJA Hunter Zone Council	1:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/09/2013, 3:No Action
USHJA Jumper Working Group	1:No Action, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 11/18/2013, 3:No Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 2 : This rule change proposal goes too far.</li> </ul>	
USHJA Jumper Zone Council	1:No Action, 2:Tabled - 12/10/2013, 3:No Action
USHJA Owners	1:Recommend Approval - 10/14/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action
USHJA Professionals	1:No Action, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/09/2013, 3:No Action
USHJA Stewards	1:No Action, 2:No Action, 3:No Action
USHJA Young Professionals	1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013, 2:No Action - 01/01/1900, 3:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013

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## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### GR1038.1 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** GR1038.1

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

#### **Proposed Change:**

**GR1038.1** [CHAPTER subchapter conflicts of interest and restrictions- judges] **change to read:**

GR1038.1

A judge may not be an owner of any interest in a horse (including but not limited to syndicate and partnership shares), nor may he/she be an exhibitor, trainer, coach, lessor, lessee, rider, driver, halter handler, steward, technical delegate, or manager, nor may he/she be a family member of a competition licensee, steward, technical delegate or manager at any Federation Licensed Competition at which he/she is officiating, including unrated classes. Exceptions: In the Eventing division and in the Dressage division, except for Dressage Sport Horse Breeding classes, horses may be shown Hors de Concours in classes where the owner is not officiating. See also GR1304.17-.20. ***In the Hunter and Hunter Seat Equitation divisions a judge may not be an owner of any interest in a horse (including but not limited to syndicate and partnership shares) that competes before him/her at any Federation Licensed Competition at which he/she is officiating, including unrated classes.***

**Proponent:** USHJA

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

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**USEF#**

**Date Received:** 8/30/2013

#### **Intent of Proposal:**

This will change the rule to reflect not only what is happening in the field now, but also what is accepted and necessary in today's horse show world.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

#### **Linked Rule Changes:**

#### **Committee/Organization**

#### **Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter

1:Recommend Approval - 10/07/2013

- Draft 1 : Should the new language be placed before the list of exceptions?

USHJA Competition Management

1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013

USHJA Judges Taskforce

1:Recommend Approval - 11/25/2013

USHJA Officials

1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013

USHJA Professionals

1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013

USHJA

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change  
GR1038.1 - DRAFT 1**

**Status:** Approved

**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

USHJA Young Professionals

1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013

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## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### GR1038.4 - DRAFT 4

**Rule Number:** GR1038.4

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 4

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

#### **Proposed Change:**

**GR1038.4** [CHAPTER subchapter 10 H Regulations] **change to read:**

GR1038.4.

A judge may not officiate more than once in **any one of the following classes: ASPCA Horsemanship, Washington International Horse Show Equitation, USEF Show Jumping Talent Search, or the US Hunter Seat Medal at Premier or National rated competitions or in the same "A" rated division or section, same "A" rated division, or section ~~or equitation class~~; or** in the Andalusian/Lusitano, Arabian, Friesian, Hackney, Morgan, National Show Horse, Roadster, American Saddlebred, or Shetland division or section with-in 125 radial miles during any 20-day period.

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Judges Task Force

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

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**USEF#**

**Date Received:** 8/30/2013

#### **Intent of Proposal:**

To remedy the same judge officiating week after week at circuit shows and competitions having several weeks back to back where the same jumper/eq judge does not rotate.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

#### **Linked Rule Changes:**

#### **Committee/Organization**

#### **Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter

1:Recommend Approval - 11/11/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:Recommend Approval - 01/09/2014

USHJA Competition Management

1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/18/2013, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 12/11/2013, 3:No Action, 4:No Action

- Draft 1 : There are unintended consequences, will make it more difficult to find qualified judges, causing classes to shift location and not exhibitor-friendly.
- Draft 2 : Very difficult to track and enforce

USHJA Equitation Task Force

1:Recommend Approval - 10/15/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013, 3:No Action, 4:No Action

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013, 3:No Action, 4:No Action



**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change**  
**GR1038.4 - DRAFT 4**

**Status:** Approved  
**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

- Draft 1 : approved with typos fixed "...division, section or equitation class; or in....

USHJA Judges Taskforce

1:Recommend Approval - 11/25/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:No Action

USHJA Jumper Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:No Action

USHJA Officials

1:Recommend Disapproval - 12/09/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:No Action

- Draft 1 : The rule places an extraordinary burden on competition managers and judges
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## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### GR1039.3 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** GR1039.3

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

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**Proposed Change:**

**GR1039 Conflicts of Interest and Restrictions Stewards and Technical Delegates** [CHAPTER Sub-Chapter 10-H Regulations Governing Officials] **add and renumber as necessary:**

3. No steward or technical delegate may officiate at a competition if he or any member of his family has any relationship with the competition which constitutes a conflict of interest with the steward's or technical delegate's duties under these rules. No member of the steward's or technical delegate's family (as defined in GR123) may serve as a Federation Licensed Official, Competition Licensee, Competition Manager or Competition Secretary at the competition where the steward or technical delegate is officiating **(Exception: A member of the steward's or technical delegate's family may serve as a steward or technical delegate at the competition).**

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**Proponent:** Licensed Officials

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**USEF#** Staff

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**Date Received:** 8/29/2013

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**Intent of Proposal:**

To allow more flexibility with officials.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

**Linked Rule Changes:**

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<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>
USHJA Competition Management	1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013
USHJA Jumper Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013
USHJA Officials	1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013
USHJA Stewards	1:Recommend Approval - 10/30/2013

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**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change  
GR1039.3 - DRAFT 1**

***Other Comments:***

1.12.14 BOD mtg - referred to Mid-Year

**Status:** Referred

***Board of Directors:*** Referred (1/12/2014)

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### GR1041.12a - GR1041.12c - DRAFT 2

**Rule Number:** GR1041.12a - GR1041.12c

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 2

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**Proposed Change:**

**GR1041 General** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER 10-I LICENSE APPLICATIONS, ENROLLMENT, PROMOTION, AND MAINTENANCE]  
**add and renumber as necessary:**

***Renewal, Reinstatement, Re-enrollment, and Re-application of Licenses***

***a. An official who is eligible to renew (up to date on clinic, exam and officiating requirements) his/her license will have one full competition year after the lapse of their license(s) to renew by the standard procedure; i.e. hard copy renewal or the online renewal.***

***b. If two competition years have passed since an official has renewed his/her their license(s), they must request a reinstatement of licensing. A request for reinstatement must be submitted to the Licensed Officials Department for presentation to the Licensed Officials Committee.***

***c. If three but less than five competition years have lapsed since an official has renewed his/her their license(s) they must then apply for re-enrollment of those licenses, following the specific requirements outlined for each license.***

***d. If five or more competitions years have lapsed since an official has renewed his/her their license(s) they must then re-apply for licensing, following the full license requirements specified for each license.***

~~12. When five years or more have passed since the expiration of a license, every applicant for re-enrollment must complete:~~

~~a. Judges: the learner judging requirements outlined herein. (Exception: American Saddlebred and Saddle Seat Equitation Division).~~

~~b. Stewards and Technical delegates: the requirements outlined under GR1075 (stewards), or the current apprentice program (technical delegates).~~

~~c. Course Designers: the requirements outlined under GR1047, GR1057, GR1063 and GR1065.~~

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**Proponent:** Licensed Officials

**Contact:** Samantha Kline

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**USEF# Staff**

**Date Received:** 5/6/2013

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**Intent of Proposal:**

Clarify procedure for regaining license if lapsed more than one year, but less than 5 years.

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change**  
**GR1041.12a - GR1041.12c - DRAFT 2***Proposed Effective Date:* 12/1/2014*Linked Rule Changes:*

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<u><i>Committee/Organization</i></u>	<u><i>Draft: Action-Date</i></u>
USHJA Course Designer Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 11/23/2013, 2:No Action
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013, 2:Tabled - 12/11/2013
USHJA Judges Taskforce	1:Recommend Approval - 11/25/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013
USHJA Jumper Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/09/2013
USHJA Officials	1:Tabled - 11/12/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/09/2013
USHJA Stewards	1:Recommend Approval - 10/30/2013, 2:No Action

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*Other Comments:*

8.14.13 rule review group changed from a standard to a clarification 1/2/14 per LC and SK changed to standard

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### GR1041.13 - DRAFT 2

**Rule Number:** GR1041.13

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 2

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**Proposed Change:**

**GR1041 General** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER 10-I LICENSE APPLICATIONS, ENROLLMENT, PROMOTION, AND MAINTENANCE ]  
**add and renumber as necessary:**

**13. If an application is denied, the applicant may not reapply for the same division until 12 months after the date of denial.**

**Proponent:** Licensed Officials

**Contact:** Diane Shawback

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**USEF#** Staff

**Date Received:** 5/6/2013

**Intent of Proposal:**

Define restrictions for reapplication.

**Proposed Effective Date:** Immediately Upon Notification

**Linked Rule Changes:**

<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>
Jumper	1:No Action, 2:No Action
National Hunter	1:No Action, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 01/09/2014
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 2 : This rule limits qualified individuals from getting through the licensing process in a timely manner and reapplication should be handled on a case by case basis.</li> </ul>	
USHJA Course Designer Task Force	1:No Action, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 11/23/2013
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 2 : Too general and does not allow for exceptions for technical circumstances</li> </ul>	
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Recommend Disapproval - 10/28/2013, 2:Tabled - 12/11/2013
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 1 : Complicates the process</li> </ul>	
USHJA Judges Taskforce	1:No Action, 2:Recommend Approval - 11/25/2013
USHJA Jumper Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 01/01/1900

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change**  
**GR1041.13 - DRAFT 2**

USHJA Officials

1:Tabled - 11/12/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/09/2013

USHJA Stewards

1:Recommend Approval - 10/30/2013, 2:No Action

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***Other Comments:***

1/2/14 changed to standard per SK

# Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

## GR1060.3a - DRAFT 1

**Status:** Approved  
**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/2/2014)

**Rule Number:** GR1060.3a  
**Rule Change Type:** Rule Clarification  
**Draft:** 1

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

### **Proposed Change:**

**GR1060 Hunter Judges** [CHAPTER Subchapter 10-I License Applications, Enrollment, Promotions and Maintenance] **add and renumber as necessary:**

#### 3. Recorded Judge

a. Complete six full days of Learner judging at a minimum of two Federation Licensed Competitions, under a minimum of two different Federation Registered Hunter judges. Applicant must Learner judge at least two complete "A" Rated Conformation Hunter Horse sections **or two Pony Hunter divisions that include a model.** (Horse or Pony Hunter Breeding classes ~~do~~ **will also** count towards meeting this requirement, ~~but not Pony Hunter.~~) Attendance at the Hunter Breeding Clinic or learner judging one Hunter Breeding section may be substituted for one conformation section **or for a Pony Hunter division with a model.** These requirements must be fulfilled within a three-year period preceding application.

**Proponent:** Licensed Officials

**Contact:** Samantha Kline  
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**USEF#** Staff

**Date Received:** 9/2/2013

### **Intent of Proposal:**

To provide more opportunities for "R" Hunter Judge applicants to comply with the requirements of the program.

**Proposed Effective Date:** Immediately Upon Notification

### **Linked Rule Changes:**

#### **Committee/Organization**

#### **Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter	1:Recommend Approval - 11/11/2013
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013
USHJA Judges Taskforce	1:Recommend Approval - 11/25/2013
USHJA Officials	1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013



## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### GR1065.5 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** GR1065.5  
**Rule Change Type:** Rule Clarification  
**Draft:** 1

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#### **Proposed Change:**

**GR1065 Jumper Course Designers** [CHAPTER Subchapter 10-I License Applications, Enrollment, Promotions and Maintenance]  
**add and renumber as necessary:**

5. All licensed Course Designers will be required to attend a Course Design Clinic (Federation or FEI) every three years to maintain their 'r' license and five years to maintain their 'R' license (**Exception – "R" Course Designers who also hold their FEI Jumping Course Designer license**).

**Proponent:** Licensed Officials

**Contact:** Samantha Kline  
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**USEF# Staff**

**Date Received:** 9/2/2013

#### **Intent of Proposal:**

To clarify language that is already in GR1024.3:GR1024.3. Any individual currently licensed by the FEI as a Level 2 or higher Course Designer for Show Jumping or by Equine Canada as a Senior Course Designer for Show Jumping shall automatically be eligible to officiate in the jumper division at Federation competitions without either an application or the fee required for a Special Jumper Course Designer Card. There is no limit on the number of times that such an individual may officiate. In addition, GR1024.4 was omitted from the online Rule Book, but is included as below in the hard copy version: 4. Any individual currently licensed by the FEI as a 3\* or 4\* Course Designer for Show Jumping, with approval of the Federation National Jumper Committee, is eligible to become a "R" USEF Course Designer for Show Jumping without having to apprentice, take a clinic, or exam. BOD1/14/12 Effective 12/1/12

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

#### **Linked Rule Changes:**

#### **Committee/Organization**

#### **Draft: Action-Date**

Jumper	1:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013
USHJA Course Designer Task Force	1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/23/2013
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 1 : Believe that FEI CDs should have Federation licenses and believe that by passing the rule it sets back Course Designers</li> </ul>	
USHJA Jumper Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013
USHJA Officials	1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013



## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### GR1131.4 - DRAFT 5

**Rule Number:** GR1131.4

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 5

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

#### **Proposed Change:**

**GR1131 Hunter Divisions [CHAPTER GR 11F Award Sections] change to read:**

GR 1131.4 All Hunter competitions are required to offer the minimum number of classes and amounts of prize money listed in GR313 for each approved Hunter section. If sections are canceled or entries are insufficient to award all prize money offered then only money offered to the number of places awarded must be distributed. All Hunter competitions must state their Increment rating clearly on the cover of the prize list. A maximum of \$5,000 in rated Hunter Classic, and/or USHJA International Hunter Derby **and/or USHJA National Hunter Derby** prize money can count as part of the required ~~\$25,000~~ **\$24,000** in prize money, **including add back money if any**, that must be offered **paid** in order to maintain a "AA" rating. If an add-back is offered, the minimum required prize money for that section must be guaranteed, and the add-backs must be clearly indicated in the prize list. ~~Exception: "AA" rated competitions guaranteeing a minimum of \$18,001 in prize money and offering add back in "A" rated Hunter sections, prize money offered in Hunter Classics will not count as part the required \$18,001 in prize money that must be awarded.~~ **Premier competitions offering add back must offer a minimum of \$18,001 and must pay a minimum of \$24,000.**  
**Exception: If sections are canceled or entries are insufficient to award all prize money, then additional money not awarded must be pooled and redistributed 60% to the champions, and 40% to the reserve champions of the remaining "A" rated hunter sections.**

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Competition Standards

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

**USEF#** 117676

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**Date Received:** 8/29/2013

#### **Intent of Proposal:**

To increase the prize money standard required of the highest hunter rated competitions.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

#### **Linked Rule Changes:**

#### **Committee/Organization**

#### **Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter

1:No Action, 2:Tabled - 12/10/2013, 3:No Action, 4:No Action, 5:Recommend Approval - 01/09/2014

USHJA Competition Management

1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/04/2013, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 12/11/2013, 3:No Action - 01/01/1900, 4:No Action, 5:No Action

- Draft 1 : This requirement will cause entry fees to rise and will further lower the number of horses at horse shows, without improving the quality of the horse shows.
- Draft 2 : Want it to agree with HU158

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change  
GR1131.4 - DRAFT 5****Status:** Approved**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

USHJA Competition Standards

1:Recommend Approval - 10/15/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:No Action, 5:No Action

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Tabled - 10/28/2013, 2:No Action, 3:Recommend Disapproval - 12/11/2013, 4:No Action, 5:No Action

USHJA Jumper Working Group

1:Tabled - 11/18/2013, 2:Tabled - 12/09/2013, 3:No Action, 4:No Action, 5:No Action

USHJA Owners

1:Recommend Approval - 10/14/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:No Action, 5:No Action

USHJA Professionals

1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:No Action, 5:No Action

USHJA Young Professionals

1:No Action, 2:No Action, 3:Recommend Disapproval - 12/11/2013, 4:No Action, 5:No Action

- Draft 3 : Exhibitors who are there know what they're coming for, as far as prize money. The committee feels that they should not receive more just because someone does not show up.
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# Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

## GR1131.5 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** GR1131.5

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

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### Proposed Change:

**GR1131 Hunter Division [CHAPTER GR 11F Award Sections] change to read:**

GR 1131.5 Hunter Division Increment Chart:

Base points per section rating: EC 12/17/12 Effective Immediately.

Rating	"C"	"B"	"A"	"AA"
1st	10	<del>20</del> <b>15</b>	<del>30</del> <b>20</b>	<del>40</del> <b>25</b>
2nd	6	<del>15</del> <b>10</b>	<del>25</del> <b>15</b>	<del>35</del> <b>20</b>
3rd	4	<del>10</del> <b>8</b>	<del>20</del> <b>12</b>	<del>30</del> <b>16</b>
4th	3	6	<del>15</del> <b>9</b>	<del>25</del> <b>12</b>
5th	2	5	<del>14</del> <b>8</b>	<del>24</del> <b>11</b>
6th	1.5	4	<del>13</del> <b>7</b>	<del>23</del> <b>10</b>
7th	1	3	<del>12</del> <b>6</b>	<del>22</del> <b>9</b>
8th	.5	2	<del>11</del> <b>5</b>	<del>21</del> <b>8</b>

6. Points are calculated according to the Hunter Division Increment System utilizing a combination of the base points for each placing at each level of section rating and adding one point for each entry shown in the first performance class. Points for competitions offering add-backs will be determined in the Federation Office when results and amount of prize money paid are received.

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Competition Standards

**Contact:** William Moroney

**USEF#** 117676

**Email:** wmoroney@ushja.org

**Date Received:** 8/29/2013

### Intent of Proposal:

To create a more positive competition environment for members by reducing the significant disparity in base points awarded per competition rating.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

### Linked Rule Changes:

### Committee/Organization

### Draft: Action-Date

National Hunter	1:Recommend Approval - 01/09/2014
USHJA Affiliates	1:Recommend Approval - 11/25/2013
USHJA Competition Management	1:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013
USHJA Cornerstone Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 11/05/2013

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change**  
**GR1131.5 - DRAFT 1**

USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013
USHJA Hunter Zone Council	1:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013
USHJA Jumper Working Group	1:Tabled - 11/18/2013
USHJA Jumper Zone Council	1:Tabled - 12/10/2013
USHJA Professionals	1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013
USHJA Young Professionals	1:Recommend Disapproval - 12/11/2013
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Draft 1 : Unfair advantage to B shows. Will rob B shows of the true competition</li></ul>	

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## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### GR1131.6 - DRAFT 2

**Rule Number:** GR1131.6

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 2

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#### **Proposed Change:**

**GR1131 Hunter Divisions** [CHAPTER GR 11F Award Sections] **change to read:**

GR 1131.6 Total Prize Money in Rated Hunter Sections

"C" competitions N/A

"B" competitions N/A

"A" competitions \$5000 and over

"AA" competitions Competitions guaranteeing \$18,001 and offering add-backs in "A"-rated Hunter sections, and competitions offering \$25,000 and over. **paying \$24,000 and over including add-back money if any.**

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Competition Standards

**Contact:** William Moroney

**Email:** wmoroney@ushja.org

**USEF#** 117676

**Date Received:** 8/29/2013

#### **Intent of Proposal:**

To increase the prize money standard required of the highest hunter rated competitions.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

#### **Linked Rule Changes:**

#### **Committee/Organization**

#### **Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter	1:Tabled - 12/10/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 01/09/2014
USHJA Competition Management	1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/04/2013, 2:No Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 1 : This requirement will cause entry fees to rise and will further lower the number of horses at horse shows, without improving the quality of the horse shows.</li> </ul>	
USHJA Competition Standards	1:Recommend Approval - 10/15/2013, 2:No Action
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Recommend Disapproval - 10/28/2013, 2:No Action
USHJA Jumper Working Group	1:Tabled - 11/18/2013, 2:No Action
USHJA Owners	1:Recommend Approval - 10/14/2013, 2:No Action
USHJA Professionals	1:No Action - 01/01/1900, 2:No Action

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change**  
**GR1131.6 - DRAFT 2**

**Status:** Approved  
**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

USHJA Young Professionals

1:Recommend Disapproval - 12/11/2013, 2:No Action

- Draft 1 : Unfair advantage to B shows. Will rob B shows of the true competition
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# Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

## GR1131.9 - DRAFT 1

**Status:** Approved  
**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

**Rule Number:** GR1131.9  
**Rule Change Type:** Standard  
**Draft:** 1

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### **Proposed Change:**

**GR1131 Hunter Divisions** [CHAPTER Subchapter 11-E Special Conditions] **add and renumber as necessary:**

9. Hunter Division Section Awards are offered from USHJA for the following at the Zone level:

a. Children's Working Hunter Ponies, Children's Working Hunter Horses, Adult Amateur Working Hunter 18-35 Years Old, Adult Amateur Working Hunter Over 35 Years Old ~~and Pre-Green Hunter~~ **and Thoroughbred Hunter**.

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter & Jumper Working Groups

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

**Email:** wmoroney@ushja.org

**USEF#**

**Date Received:** 8/23/2013

### **Intent of Proposal:**

To integrate Thoroughbreds back into the show ring and provide an avenue for them to do so.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

### **Linked Rule Changes:**

GR313.6 (239-13), GR1133.5 (241-13), HU121.19 (242-13), HU166 (243-13), JP133.3 (244-13), HU106.8 (257-13), JP120.1-JP120.2 (323-13)

### **Committee/Organization**

### **Draft: Action-Date**

Jumper	1:No Action
National Hunter	1:Recommend Approval - 11/11/2013
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013
USHJA Hunter Zone Council	1:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013

# Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

## GR1131.11 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** GR1131.11

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

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### **Proposed Change:**

**GR1131 Hunter Divisions** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER 11-F AWARD SECTIONS, HUNTER DIVISIONS] **change to read:**

11. USHJA Zone Rider of the Year Hunter Seat Equitation Division Awards. ***Unless USHJA Zone Committees submit their specifications by August 1, the following specifications will apply for the Age Group Equitation Hunter section:***

a. Are offered for the following at the Zone level: Equitation 14 and under, Equitation 15-17, Adult Equitation 18-35 and Adult Equitation 36 and over. ~~and follow EQ112.4 and EQ113.11.~~

b. ~~Points are determined by adding one point for each entry per class to the base points listed on the Hunter Seat Equitation increment chart.~~

c. ***Points will be awarded in accordance with the*** Hunter Seat Equitation Increment Chart ~~Base points per competition rating:~~

Rating	"C"	"B"
1st	40	20
2nd	6	15
3rd	4	10
4th	3	6
5th	2	5
6th	1.5	4
7th	4	3
8th	.5	2

d. Section champions will be awarded 2.0 times the total 1st place point value. ~~plus one point for each entry reported. The first place point value is the number of entries added to the base points on the chart. Section reserve champions will be awarded 1.2 times the total 1st place value. of the first class in that section plus one point for each entry reported.~~

e. Equitation that is offered by age and then combined at the competition will be awarded points and points will be credited to the correct age groups in the appropriate section. Classes restricted in any other way than outlined above will not count for points (i.e. Amateur/Owner Equitation; Equitation classes that are not offered in the prize list split by age; and all medal classes).

***f. Equitation 14 and under and Equitation 15-17 classes to be shown over a course of not less than eight fences and the fence heights cannot exceed 3'6 and wings are optional. g. Adult Equitation 18-15 and Adult Equitation 36+ classes to be shown over a course of not less than eight fences and the fence height cannot exceed 3'3.***

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change  
GR1131.11 - DRAFT 1****Status:** Approved  
**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

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**Proponent:** USHJA**SubProponent:** Hunter Working Group**Contact:** Bill Moroney**Email:** wmoroney@ushja.org**USEF#****Date Received:** 8/26/2013

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**Intent of Proposal:**

The rule reference in .a is not correct and the added language offers a guideline for the height of the fences. In addition, the rule change proposal will clarify the point structure for the classes.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014**Linked Rule Changes:**

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**Committee/Organization****Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter

1:Recommend Approval - 11/11/2013

USHJA Competition Management

1:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013

USHJA Hunter Zone Council

1:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013

# Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

## GR1133.5 - DRAFT 1

**Status:** Approved  
**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

**Rule Number:** GR1133.5

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

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### **Proposed Change:**

**GR1133 Jumpers** [CHAPTER Subchapter 11-F Award Sections] **add and renumber as necessary:**

5. Award Categories. National awards will be given in the following categories: Low Junior, Junior, Low Amateur Owner, Amateur Owner, Open, Pony, Young Riders. 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 **and Thoroughbred Jumper**.

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter & Jumper Working Groups

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

**Email:** wmoroney@ushja.org

**USEF#**

**Date Received:** 8/23/2013

### **Intent of Proposal:**

To integrate Thoroughbreds back into the show ring and provide an avenue for them to do so.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

### **Linked Rule Changes:**

GR313.6 (239-13), GR1131.9 (240-13), HU121.19 (242-13), HU166 (243-13), JP133.3 (244-13), HU106.8 (257-13), JP120.1-JP120.2 (323-13)

### **Committee/Organization**

### **Draft: Action-Date**

Jumper

1:No Action

USHJA Jumper Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013

USHJA Jumper Zone Council

1:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013

# Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

## GR1133.8 - DRAFT 1

**Status:** Approved  
**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/2/2014)

**Rule Number:** GR1133.8  
**Rule Change Type:** Rule Clarification  
**Draft:** 1

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**Proposed Change:**

**GR 1133 JUMPERS** [CHAPTER CHAPTER 11 FEDERATION RECORDS AND AWARDS SUBCHAPTER 11-F JUMPERS] **change to read:**

8. Presentation of the USHJA Zone Horse of the Year Awards will be made at Zone meetings at the discretion **and auspices** of Zone Committees, **only after approval of the USHJA.**

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**Proponent:** USHJA

**Contact:** Bill Moroney  
**Email:** wmoroney@ushja.org

**USEF#**

**Date Received:** 9/4/2013

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**Intent of Proposal:**

To clarify the process for distributing USHJA Zone HOTY Awards. The Young Riders award category is currently in the rules for a National award. The USHJA Executive Committee met and approved the status of this proposal.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2013

**Linked Rule Changes:**

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**Committee/Organization****Draft: Action-Date**

Jumper

1:No Action

# Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

## GR1210.6 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** GR1210.6

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

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### **Proposed Change:**

**GR1210 General** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER 12-C DUTIES OF COMPETITION MANAGEMENT IN GENERAL] **change to read:**

GR1210 General

6. If required by management, premiums of the competition will be paid to all competitors that have provided Social Security numbers, Federal ID numbers or Tax Identification numbers to the competition secretary. It is the sole responsibility of the competitor to provide the competition secretary with accurate payee information, including Social Security number, Federal ID number, or Tax Identification number, payee name and address. The above mentioned premiums must be paid within 30 days of the last day of the competition **to competitors whose accounts with the competition are current.**

**Proponent:** Competition Management

**Contact:** Rachael Zilboorg

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**USEF#** Staff

**Date Received:** 8/27/2013

### **Intent of Proposal:**

So that prize monies are allowed to be withheld until a competitor has paid all other monies due to competition management.

**Proposed Effective Date:** Immediately Upon Notification

### **Linked Rule Changes:**

<u><b>Committee/Organization</b></u>	<u><b>Draft: Action-Date</b></u>
USHJA Competition Management	1:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013
USHJA Competition Standards	1:Recommend Approval - 10/15/2013
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013
USHJA Jumper Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013
USHJA Owners	1:Recommend Approval - 10/14/2013

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### GR1210.13 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** GR1210.13

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

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**Proposed Change:**

**GR1210-General** [CHAPTER GR1210.13 Duties of Competitoin Management] **delete and renumber as necessary:**

~~43. Competition management must post within 12 hours of the completion of the class, in a predominate place on the competition grounds, the number of entries shown in the first performance class of each rated Hunter section, signed by the officiating judge.~~

**Proponent:** PAMELA RUSH

**Contact:** PAMELA RUSH

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**USEF#** 2156

**Date Received:** 2/11/2013

**Intent of Proposal:**

GR1210.13 is followed rarely if ever by Hunter competitions as it has no meaningful information. USEF staff relies on electronic results using the first ordinal over fence class where three or more exhibitors have COMPLETED as the basis for the points calculation. The report "signed by the officiating judge" is not submitted to USEF nor is it controlling. Deleting the rule reflects actual practice. Exhibitors can request from the Competition the Exhibitor count in the

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2013

**Linked Rule Changes:**

**Committee/Organization**

**Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter	1:Recommend Approval - 11/11/2013
USHJA Affiliates	1:Recommend Approval - 11/25/2013
USHJA Competition Management	1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013
USHJA Jumper Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### GR1211.2 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** GR1211.2

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

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**Proposed Change:**

**GR1211 Appointment of Officials and Employees** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER 12-C DUTIES OF COMPETITION MANAGEMENT IN GENERAL] **change to read:**

GR1211 Appointment of Officials and Employees

2. Judges.

- a. Hire the necessary judges and officials for the operation of the competition and to see that they are properly qualified.
- b. If a competition finds it necessary to substitute a judge for one who is officially designated in the prize list and/or catalogue and who is unable to serve due to circumstances beyond his control, the restrictions of GR1304.2-.12, and GR1304.21-.24 **and GR1038** shall be non-effective.

**Proponent:** Competition Management

**Contact:** Rachael Zilboorg

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**USEF# Staff**

**Date Received:** 8/29/2013

**Intent of Proposal:**

To give managers more latitude when a situation arises and a judge must be replaced in an emergency situation.

**Proposed Effective Date:** Immediately Upon Notification

**Linked Rule Changes:**

**Committee/Organization**

**Draft: Action-Date**

USHJA Competition Management

1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013

USHJA Competition Standards

1:Recommend Approval - 10/15/2013

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Recommend Disapproval - 10/28/2013

- Draft 1 : GR1038 in its entirety is too broad. Specifying GR1038.4 would be acceptable.

USHJA Jumper Working Group

1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/18/2013

- Draft 1 : GR1038 is too broad in its entirety. Specify GR1038.4



USHJA

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change  
GR1211.2 - DRAFT 1**

***Other Comments:***

1.12.14 BOD mtg - referred to Mid-Year

**Status:** Referred

**Board of Directors:** Referred (1/13/2014)

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### GR1301.9 - DRAFT 4

**Rule Number:** GR1301.9

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 4

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**Proposed Change:**

**GR1301.9 ear buds while mounted** [CHAPTER subchapter competition participants and associated individuals] **add and renumber as necessary:**

**GR1301.**

**9. All individuals mounted may not utilize ear buds or any headphones on the competition grounds (Exception: a single ear bud instructional apparatus may be used provided the Steward(s) or Schooling Supervisor has given permission per schooling session or pre-approved devices for those with a bona fide need and Dressage when instruction is being given). Nor may junior individuals utilize cell phones or tablets for communicating, texting, emailing or other business while mounted. First time violations will result in the issuance of a Warning Card. Second time violations will result in the individual being disqualified from the next class entered or a \$150.00 fine if the individual is not entered in another class. If an individual commits a third violation a charge will automatically be filed in accordance with Chapters 6 and 7 of the General Regulations.**

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Stewards

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

**Email:** wmoroney@ushja.org

**USEF#**

**Date Received:** 8/29/2013

**Intent of Proposal:**

Safety concern for exhibitors

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

**Linked Rule Changes:**

**Committee/Organization**

**Draft: Action-Date**

Jumper

1:No Action, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:No Action

National Hunter

1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/11/2013, 2:No Action, 3:Recommend Disapproval - 12/10/2013, 4:Recommend Approval - 01/09/2014

- Draft 1 : The use of cell phones and tablets should not be restricted and the Committee will approve if the rule prohibits the use of earbuds/headphones only.

USHJA Amateurs

1:No Action, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 11/12/2013, 3:No Action, 4:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013

- Draft 2 : Would approve if the rule was re-written to allow the use of cell phones while mounted.

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change****GR1301.9 - DRAFT 4**

USHJA Childrens/Adult Hunter Task Force

1:Recommend Disapproval - 10/28/2013, 2:No Action,  
3:Recommend Disapproval - 12/09/2013, 4:No Action

- Draft 1 : Would approve if the cell phones were permitted
- Draft 3 : Provide information on the procedures for horses that are allergic to the rhino or any other vaccine.

USHJA Childrens/Adult Jumper Task Force

1:No Action, 2:Tabled - 11/23/2013, 3:No Action,  
4:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013

USHJA Competition Management

1:No Action, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 11/18/2013, 3:No  
Action, 4:Recommend Disapproval - 12/11/2013

- Draft 2 : Remove the second sentence regarding cell phones and tablets. Rather than beginning with "Exhibitors" begin with "All people mounted".
- Draft 4 : With the suggestion of "in designated riding areas"

USHJA Equitation Task Force

1:Recommend Disapproval - 10/15/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No  
Action, 4:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013

- Draft 1 : The EQTF suggests the following change to the second sentence: "Nor may junior riders utilize..."

USHJA Horse &amp; Rider Advocate

1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/05/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No  
Action, 4:No Action

- Draft 1 : This is an overreach of privacy and an excessive rule of common sense. Stewards can monitor people who are behaving in an unsafe manner.

USHJA Hunter Development Task Force

1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/12/2013, 2:No Action,  
3:Recommend Disapproval - 12/10/2013, 4:No Action

- Draft 1 : Would approve if the cell phone and tablet restriction was taken out; agree with not able to use cell phones.
- Draft 3 : Change to "all individuals in designated riding areas" and replace cell phones and tablets with "any communication device"

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Recommend Disapproval - 10/28/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No  
Action, 4:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013

- Draft 1 : Many professionals are on horses all day at showgrounds and need access to their phones to conduct their business.

USHJA Hunter Zone Council

1:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No  
Action, 4:No Action

USHJA Judges Taskforce

1:No Action, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 11/25/2013, 3:No  
Action, 4:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013

- Draft 2 : The Task Fore would consider approving if cell phones were allowed outside of schooling areas

USHJA Jumper Working Group

1:No Action, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 11/25/2013,  
3:Recommend Disapproval - 12/09/2013, 4:No Action

- Draft 2 : The JWG suggests the following change to the second sentence: "Nor may junior riders utilize..."
- Draft 3 : The JWG suggests the following change to the second sentence: "Nor may junior riders utilize..."

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### GR1301.9 - DRAFT 4

## USHJA Jumper Zone Council

1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/04/2013, 2:No Action,  
3:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013, 4:No Action

- Draft 1 : Would approve if the cell phone and tablet restriction was taken out; agree with not able to use headphones

## USHJA Junior Hunter Taskforce

1:No Action, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 10/30/2013,  
3:Recommend Disapproval - 12/10/2013, 4:No Action

- Draft 2 : Would approve if cell phones were permitted while mounted.
- Draft 3 : Recommend clarifying the language for junior riders.

## USHJA Owners

1:Recommend Approval - 10/14/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No  
Action, 4:No Action

## USHJA Pony Hunter Task Force

1:Tabled - 10/14/2013, 2:No Action, 3:Recommend  
Disapproval - 12/10/2013, 4:No Action

- Draft 3 : This rule is unclear. Adult and juniors are different and there should be a separate rule for both parties.

## USHJA Professionals

1:No Action, 2:Tabled - 11/18/2013, 3:Recommend  
Disapproval - 12/09/2013, 4:No Action

- Draft 2 : Appears Draft 2 is no different from Draft 1
- Draft 3 : Fine with earbuds but not cell phone or tablet

## USHJA Stewards

1:No Action, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:Recommend  
Approval - 12/10/2013

## USHJA Young Jumper Task Force

1:Recommend Disapproval - 10/21/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No  
Action, 4:No Action

- Draft 1 : Many professionals are on horses all day at showgrounds and need access to their phones to conduct their business.

## USHJA Young Professionals

1:No Action, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 11/12/2013, 3:No  
Action, 4:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013

- Draft 2 : Exhibitor should be defined; the committee would like to know if the rule applies to those who are riding on the showgrounds but not competing during the dates of the competition. The rule's application to juniors on phones should be different than adults or professionals on phones.

## USHJA Young Rider Task Force

1:No Action, 2:Tabled - 11/18/2013, 3:Recommend  
Disapproval - 12/10/2013, 4:No Action

- Draft 3 : Agree with the JWG recommendation that only Juniors should be restricted from using cell phones while mounted

**Other Comments:**

1.12.14 BOD mtg - referred to Mid-Year

# Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

## GR1304.21 - DRAFT 1

**Status:** Approved  
**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

**Rule Number:** GR1304.21

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

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### ***Proposed Change:***

**GR1304 Regulations Governing Showing Under Judges, Stewards [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER 13-A RESPONSIBILITIES] delete and renumber as necessary:**

21. When you are officiating as a Judge in the Hunter or Hunter Seat Equitation divisions:

a. You may not be a competitor, coach, trainer, rider, handler, lessor, lessee, or manager at the same competition. However, you may compete as a rider in jumper classes of \$25,000 or more that you are not judging.

**Proponent:** Jumper

**Contact:** Jennifer Haydon

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**USEF#** Staff

**Date Received:** 8/27/2013

### ***Intent of Proposal:***

The amount of money offered in the jumper class has no bearing on that person officiating in a Hunter or Equitation class.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

### ***Linked Rule Changes:***

### **Committee/Organization**

### **Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter	1:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013
USHJA Competition Management	1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Recommend Disapproval - 10/28/2013
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 1 : The rule does not need to be changed.</li> </ul>	
USHJA Judges Taskforce	1:Recommend Approval - 11/25/2013
USHJA Jumper Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 11/25/2013
USHJA Officials	1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013



## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### GR1304.21b - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** GR1304.21b

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

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#### **Proposed Change:**

**GR1304.21.b** [CHAPTER subchapter Regulations governing showing] **change to read:**

GR1304.21.b

You may not have any ownership interest in a horse (including but not limited to syndicate and partnership shares) competing ***in a class in which you are officiating*** in the Hunter or Hunter Seat Equitation Divisions ***including unrated classes***. However, such horse may compete in Jumper classes at the same competition.

**Proponent:** USHJA

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

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**USEF#**

**Date Received:** 8/30/2013

#### **Intent of Proposal:**

This will change the rule to reflect not only what is happening in the field now, but also what is accepted and necessary in today's horse show world.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

#### **Linked Rule Changes:**

#### **Committee/Organization**

#### **Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter	1:Recommend Approval - 10/07/2013
USHJA Competition Management	1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013
USHJA Judges Taskforce	1:Recommend Approval - 11/25/2013
USHJA Jumper Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 11/25/2013
USHJA Officials	1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013
USHJA Professionals	1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013
USHJA Stewards	1:Recommend Disapproval - 10/30/2013

- Draft 1 : How can it be enforced? Impractical proposal





# Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

## GR1304.22 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** GR1304.22

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

### Proposed Change:

**GR1304.221** [CHAPTER subchapter 13 regulations governing showing under judges] **change to read:**

GR1304.22

When you are officiating as a Judge in the Hunter or Hunter Seat Equitation divisions, none of the following may compete as a trainer, coach, competitor, rider, owner, handler, lessor or lessee in either the Hunter or the Hunter Seat Equitation divisions ***in a class in which you are officiating*** at that competition, unless the relationship is terminated, or the transaction is completed, at least 30 days prior to the competition:

**Proponent:** USHJA

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

**Email:** wmoroney@ushja.org

**USEF#**

**Date Received:** 8/30/2013

### Intent of Proposal:

This will change the rule to reflect not only what is happening in the field now, but also what is accepted and necessary in today's horse show world.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

### Linked Rule Changes:

<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>
National Hunter	1:Recommend Approval - 10/07/2013
USHJA Competition Management	1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Recommend Disapproval - 10/28/2013
• Draft 1 : Too inclusive.	
USHJA Judges Taskforce	1:Recommend Approval - 11/25/2013
USHJA Jumper Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 11/25/2013
USHJA Officials	1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013
USHJA Professionals	1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013



# Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

## GR1304.26c - DRAFT 1

**Status:** Approved  
**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

**Rule Number:** GR1304.26c

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

### ***Proposed Change:***

**GR1304.26.c** [CHAPTER subchapter 13 regulations governing showing] **change to read:**

GR1304.26.c

No one shall approach a judge with regard to a decision unless he first obtains permission from the Management or the Steward, who shall arrange an appointment **to meet** with the judge at a proper time and place. ***The Steward shall be present for the meeting.***

***Proponent:*** USHJA

***Contact:*** Bill Moroney

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***USEF#***

***Date Received:*** 8/30/2013

### ***Intent of Proposal:***

To clarify that a steward will arrange and be present for any meetings between exhibitors and judges, and also to alleviate management from having to be part of this process.

***Proposed Effective Date:*** 12/1/2014

### ***Linked Rule Changes:***

### **Committee/Organization**

### **Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter	1:Recommend Approval - 10/07/2013
USHJA Competition Management	1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013
USHJA Judges Taskforce	1:Recommend Approval - 11/25/2013
USHJA Jumper Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 11/25/2013
USHJA Officials	1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013
USHJA Stewards	1:Recommend Approval - 10/30/2013

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**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change  
GR1304.26c - DRAFT 1**

**Status:** Approved

**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

# Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

## EQ111.7 - DRAFT 2

**Status:** Approved  
**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

**Rule Number:** EQ111.7

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 2

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

### **Proposed Change:**

**EQ111 Course Requirements** [CHAPTER EQ-2 Hunter Seat Equitation Section] **change to read:**

Change to Read:

7. In Intermediate, 14 years and over and Open classes, at least one change of **direction** ~~hand lead (change of lead)~~ and a combination ~~including an oxer~~ are required.

**Proponent:** CHRIS COLLMAN

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**USEF#** 214722

**Date Received:** 5/31/2013

### **Intent of Proposal:**

Delete the word "hand" and just use the widely accepted word "lead". Allow course designers the option of having an oxer or not in a combination. In some cases, a combination using vertical to vertical is a fair and acceptable test.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

### **Linked Rule Changes:**

### **Committee/Organization**

### **Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter	1:Recommend Approval - 11/11/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 01/09/2014
USHJA Equitation Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 10/15/2013, 2:No Action
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013, 2:No Action
USHJA Hunter Zone Council	1:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013, 2:No Action

# Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

## EQ112.9a - DRAFT 3

**Rule Number:** EQ112.9a

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 3

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

### **Proposed Change:**

**EQ112.9a U.S. HUNTER SEAT MEDAL CLASS** [CHAPTER Subchapter EQ-2 HUNTER SEAT EQUITATION SECTION] **change to read:**

### **EQ 112.9a U.S. HUNTER SEAT MEDAL CLASS.**

a. Open to Junior Active Members of the Federation and USHJA who have not yet reached their 18th birthday. Application for membership can be made direct to the Federation office or the exhibitor can join prior to the class through the steward. To be shown over a course of not less than eight obstacles at 3'6" with spreads to 4' (Exception: triple bar type obstacles, maximum spread of 5') which must include one combination including an oxer and two changes of direction (change of lead) after the first obstacle. Two cumulative refusals in the U.S. Hunter Seat Medal Finals will result in elimination, see EQ110.1. Two or more tests of at least the top four competitors are required. Tests 1-19. Any exhibitor who does not participate in the testing is placed last of those exhibitors called back to test. Should more than one exhibitor fail to return for testing they will be placed at the judge's discretion. Only one rider per horse. To fill a class six competitors must complete the course (five in Zones 6, 8, 11 and 12). For purposes of determining the number of entries for the increment system, the number of entries is determined by the number of exhibitors who compete in a class or section of the class. (See EQ110.5). If there are 40 or more entries at the beginning of this class, it may be divided by every other number and run as two separate sections. If there are 50 or more entries at the beginning of this class, it must be divided by every other number and run as two or more separate sections. The U.S. Hunter Seat Medal Finals will be judged by at least one judge who holds an "R" Registered status in the Hunter Seat Equitation Division. Additional judges are eligible to judge if they have 'r' recorded status. ***Certificate of Compliance-National medal classes must be certified by the following: A course plan showing the actual height and spreads of all the fences, signed by the Judge and Steward which must be included in the Steward's report to the Federation.***

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** USHJA Competition Standards Committee

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

**USEF#** 117676

**Email:** wmoroney@ushja.org

**Date Received:** 6/19/2013

### **Intent of Proposal:**

To ensure compliance with course specifications in qualifying classes for a national championship.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

### **Linked Rule Changes:**

### **Committee/Organization**

### **Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter

1:Recommend Disapproval - 12/10/2013, 2:No Action,  
3:Recommend Approval - 01/09/2014

USHJA Competition Management

1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/04/2013, 2:Recommend  
Disapproval - 12/11/2013, 3:No Action

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change**  
**EQ112.9a - DRAFT 3**

- Draft 1 : This will be a detriment to local shows and exhibitors.
- Draft 2 : Take Competition Manager out of the rule

USHJA Competition Standards

1:Recommend Approval - 10/15/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action

USHJA Equitation Task Force

1:No Action, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 12/11/2013, 3:No Action

- Draft 2 : Want judges card signed rather than the course chart.

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Tabled - 10/28/2013, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 12/11/2013, 3:No Action

- Draft 2 : Would approve if had to sign judges card

USHJA Hunter Zone Council

1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/04/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action

- Draft 1 : Discourages participation at the local levels. Exhibitors need to be able to compete at the local level and still qualify for national finals. Too many great riders came through the local competition ranks to be professional in the sport today.

USHJA Jumper Working Group

1:Tabled - 11/18/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action

- Draft 1 : This set of proposals require more discussion.

USHJA Professionals

1:Recommend Disapproval - 12/09/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action

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**Staff Comments:**

7.8.13 National Hunter Committee: Disapproved as Extraordinary - recommend as standard to allow for further discussion.

**Other Comments:**

7.9.13 changed from EO to standard

# Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

## EQ112.9a1 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** EQ112.9a1

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

**Proposed Change:**

**EQ 112 Requirements for Specific Classes** [CHAPTER Subchapter EQ-2 Hunter Seat Equitation Section] **change to read:**

**EQ112.9.a.1**

**Increment Chart:**

<b>Number of Exhibitors who complete the course</b>			
<b>Placings</b>	<b>6-15 Exhibitors</b>	<b>16-30 Exhibitors</b>	<b>31+ Exhibitors</b>
<b>1st</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>40</b>
<b>2nd</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>32</b>
<b>3rd</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>4th</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>5th</b>		<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>6th</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>7th</b>			<b>2</b>
<b>8th</b>			<b>1</b>

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter & Jumper Working Groups

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

**Email:** wmoroney@ushja.org

**USEF#**

**Date Received:** 8/14/2013

**Intent of Proposal:**

To allow qualifying points to exhibitors for places 5th and 6th for the 16-30 bracket and 5th through 8th for the 31+ bracket. This will help to offset any potential decrease in the number of opportunities to qualify with the potential loss of local show classes. The current increment chart allows points for only first through fourth place, regardless of the number of entries. This new proposed chart distributes points to more exhibitors based on the size of the class.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 9/1/2014

**Linked Rule Changes:**

**Committee/Organization**

**Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter

1:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013

USHJA Equitation Task Force

1:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013

USHJA Jumper Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 11/25/2013



**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change**  
**EQ112.9a1 - DRAFT 1**

**Status:** Approved  
*Board of Directors:* Approved (1/12/2014)

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## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### EQ112.9 - DRAFT 2

**Rule Number:** EQ112.9

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 2

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

#### **Proposed Change:**

**EQ 112 Requirements for Specific Classes** [CHAPTER Subchapter EQ-2 Hunter Seat Equitation Section] **change to read:**

EQ112.9.a

a. Open to Junior Active Members of the Federation and USHJA who have not yet reached their 18th birthday. Application for membership can be made direct to the Federation office or the exhibitor can join prior to the class through the steward. To be shown over a course of not less than eight obstacles at 3'6" with spreads to 4' (Exception: triple bar type obstacles, maximum spread of 5') which must include one combination including an oxer and two changes of direction (change of lead) after the first obstacle. Two cumulative refusals in the U.S. Hunter Seat Medal Finals will result in elimination, see EQ110.1. Two or more tests of at least the top four competitors are required. Tests 1-19. Any exhibitor who does not participate in the testing is placed last of those exhibitors called back to test. Should more than one exhibitor fail to return for testing they will be placed at the judge's discretion. Only one rider per horse. To fill a class six competitors must complete the course (five in Zones 6, 8, 11 and 12). For purposes of determining the number of entries for the increment system, the number of entries is determined by the number of exhibitors who compete in a class or section of the class. (See EQ110.5) If there are 50 or more entries at the beginning of this class, it must be divided by every other number and run as two or more separate sections **classes**. A class with fewer than 50 entries cannot be split. The U.S. Hunter Seat Medal Finals will be judged by at least one judge who holds an "R" Registered status in the Hunter Seat Equitation Division. Additional judges are eligible to judge if they have 'r' recorded status. **A high performance jumper individual is eligible to judge the Finals with a guest card provided that the individual has either judged the East or West Coast Finals of the USEF Talent Search class or held a Hunter Seat Equitation Judges' Card within the last ten years.**

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14.b. QUALIFYING PERIOD. Qualifying period: shows starting on or after September 1st through shows starting on or before August 31st. The top ~~35~~ **40** riders (as determined by the League in accordance with subsection .c below) will be invited to compete in the WIHS Equitation Finals and the top 25 riders will be invited to compete in the WIHS Pony Equitation Finals at the Washington International Horse Show. Multi-day horse shows are permitted to hold either a one or two phase WIHS Equitation qualifier. One-day horse shows are only allowed to hold a one-phase event. WIHS Pony Equitation classes may only be one phase.

c. QUALIFYING LEAGUES. Qualification for the WIHS Equitation Final will be based on two Leagues. The East Coast League will consist of Zones 1-5, and the West Coast League will consist of Zones 6-12. The top ~~28~~ **30** riders from the East Coast League and the top ~~7~~ **10** riders from the West Coast League will be invited to compete in the WIHS Equitation Finals. Riders will compete in the League based on their address submitted to the WIHS Membership Office. Riders have until June 15th to change their leagues provided they submit their request in writing to the WIHS Membership Office by that date. Riders may add points from up to four competitions based in the other League to their total. Additional qualification specifications can be found on the WIHS website.

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter/Jumper Working Groups

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**USEF#**

**Date Received:** 8/27/2013

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### EQ112.9 - DRAFT 2

**Intent of Proposal:**

To correct the currently worded rule. Splitting the U.S. Hunter Seat Medal does not create two sections; rather, it creates two separate classes. In addition, to allow the USHJA Joint Equitation Task Force the same latitude in selecting the judges for the USEF Pessoa Medal Finals each year that the WIHS Equitation Championship and the USEF Talent Search Finals East & West has to use judges that do not hold a "R" judging card. These classes are prestigious and we can utilize the depth of the HP riders that may not have an interest in the whole process of obtaining a judging license but have a lot to offer the young riders of our sport.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 4/1/2014**Linked Rule Changes:**

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<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>
Jumper	1:Recommend Approval - 12/02/2013, 2:No Action
USHJA Equitation Task Force	1:Recommend Disapproval - 12/11/2013, 2:No Action
• Draft 1 : Change "rider" to "individual"	
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013
USHJA Judges Taskforce	1:Tabled - 11/25/2013, 2:No Action
USHJA Jumper Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 11/25/2013, 2:No Action

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## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### EQ112.10 - DRAFT 4

**Rule Number:** EQ112.10

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 4

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**Proposed Change:**

**EQ 112.10. U.S. PONY MEDAL CLASS** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER EQ-2 HUNTER SEAT EQUITATION SECTION] **change to read:**

EQ 112.10. U.S. PONY MEDAL CLASS. Open to Junior Active Members of the Federation who have not yet reached their 18th birthday, on ponies 14.2 hands and under. No Junior over 12 years of age may compete on a small pony. No Junior over 14 years of age may compete on a medium pony. Application for membership can be made directly to the Federation, or the exhibitor can join prior to the class through the Federation steward. Riders entered in this class cannot cross enter into a U.S. Medal Class at the same competition. Suitability of a pony to rider will be emphasized. To be shown over a course of not less than six obstacles 2'3" for ponies not exceeding 12.2 hands; 2'6" for ponies over 12.2 hands and not exceeding 13.2 hands; and **2'9" - 3'** for ponies over 13.2 hands. If distances between related fences are less than 100' (including in and outs), the distances must be adjusted for each height section. Two tests (1-19, excluding test 16) are required during the first round. Only one rider per pony. To fill a class six competitors must complete the course (five in Zones 8, 11, and 12). Two cumulative refusals in the U.S. Pony Medal Finals will result in elimination, see EQ110.1. This class may be judged as one class, with all height sections run consecutively; or management may elect to divide and pin this class in three separate sections, small, medium and large or to divide into two sections, small-medium and large or small and medium-large. In no case may sections be divided into small-large and medium. When classes are divided as outlined above an exhibitor may only ride in one section per competition. Ribbon winners in each section will receive qualifying points. The Pony Medal may be run concurrently with the small, medium, and large pony division. The green pony division cannot be run with the U.S. Pony Medal card open as the fence heights are not consistent. However, green ponies may jump in the U.S. Pony Medal when the card is held open during the regular pony division if they so choose. A rider who accumulates 30 pts. will receive a silver medal from the Federation and will qualify for the Finals which is held in conjunction with the U.S. Pony Competition. 1st place = 30 pts.; 2nd place = 15 pts.; 3rd place = 10 pts. A rider that has qualified for the Finals can continue to compete in qualifying classes. The winner of the Finals may no longer ride in the Finals or in qualifying classes. Classes held after July 1 will count toward the next year's Final. Riders cannot enter both the Hunter Seat Medal Finals and the Pony Medal Finals in the same year. If there are 50 or more entries at the beginning of this class, it must be divided by every other number and run as two separate classes. **Certificate of Compliance-National medal classes must be certified by the following: A course plan showing the actual height and spreads of all the fences, signed by the Judge and Steward which must be included in the Steward's report to the Federation.**

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**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** USHJA COMPETITION STANDARDS COMMITTEE

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

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**Date Received:** 6/19/2013

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**Intent of Proposal:**

To ensure compliance with course specifications in qualifying classes for a national championship.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

**Linked Rule Changes:**

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**Committee/Organization**

**Draft: Action-Date**

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### EQ112.10 - DRAFT 4

Status: Approved

Board of Directors: Approved (1/12/2014)

National Hunter	1:Recommend Disapproval - 12/10/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:Recommend Approval - 01/09/2014
USHJA Affiliates	1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/25/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013, 3:No Action, 4:No Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 1 : Discourages participation at local levels; The Committee believes that it needs to be a clarified whether or not a Hunter ONLY or Jumper ONLY would be eligible to hold the class</li> </ul>	
USHJA Competition Management	1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/04/2013, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 12/11/2013, 3:No Action, 4:No Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 1 : This will be a detriment to local shows and exhibitors.</li> <li>Draft 2 : Take Competition Manager out of the rule</li> </ul>	
USHJA Competition Standards	1:Recommend Approval - 10/15/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:No Action
USHJA Equitation Task Force	1:No Action, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 12/11/2013, 3:No Action, 4:No Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 2 : Want judges card signed rather than the course chart.</li> </ul>	
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Tabled - 10/28/2013, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 12/11/2013, 3:No Action, 4:No Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 2 : Would approve if had to sign judges card</li> </ul>	
USHJA Hunter Zone Council	1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/04/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:No Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 1 : Discourages participation at the local levels. Exhibitors need to be able to compete at the local level and still qualify for national finals. Too many great riders came through the local competition ranks to be professional in the sport today.</li> </ul>	
USHJA Jumper Working Group	1:Tabled - 11/18/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:No Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 1 : This set of proposals require more discussion.</li> </ul>	
USHJA Pony Hunter Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 10/14/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:No Action
USHJA Professionals	1:Recommend Disapproval - 12/09/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:No Action

#### Staff Comments:

7.8.13 National Hunter Committee: Disapproved as Extraordinary - recommend as standard to allow for further discussion.

#### Other Comments:

7.9.13 changed from EO to standard

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### EQ112.12 - DRAFT 3

**Rule Number:** EQ112.12

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 3

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

#### **Proposed Change:**

**EQ 112.12. ASPCA HORSEMANSHIP CLASS** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER EQ-2 HUNTER SEAT EQUITATION] **change to read:**

EQ 112.12. ASPCA HORSEMANSHIP CLASS. Open to Junior Riders who have not reached their 18th birthday. Rider and trainer must be current members of the ASPCA/NHSAA, and must show their ASPCA numbers on the entry blank. Junior rider annual contributions shall be \$35. Trainer annual contribution shall be \$50. Fees should be payable and sent directly to the National Horse Show Association of America, P.O. Box 386, Greenvale, NY 11548. All contestants are required to perform over at least eight fences at 3'6" with or without wings. Two cumulative refusals in the ASPCA Maclay Finals will result in elimination, see EQ110.1. A minimum of twelve riders, if available, are required to show at a walk, trot and canter. To be judged on seat, hands, guidance and control of horse. The Under Saddle performance of those riders selected to show under saddle shall count 50%. Only one rider per horse. USEF Tests 1-19. To fill a class six (6) competitors must complete the course (five in Alaska and Hawaii). If 50 or more entries are received three hours prior to the class, the class must be divided by every other number and run as two separate classes. ***Certificate of Compliance-National medal classes must be certified by the following: A course plan showing the actual height and spreads of all the fences, signed by the Judge and Steward which must be included in the Steward's report to the Federation.***

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** USHJA COMPETITION STANDARDS COMMITTEE

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

**USEF#** 117676

**Email:** wmoroney@ushja.org

**Date Received:** 6/19/2013

#### **Intent of Proposal:**

To ensure compliance with course specifications in qualifying classes for a national championship.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

#### **Linked Rule Changes:**

#### **Committee/Organization**

#### **Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter

1:Recommend Disapproval - 12/10/2013, 2:No Action,  
3:Recommend Approval - 01/09/2014

USHJA Affiliates

1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/25/2013, 2:Recommend  
Approval - 12/11/2013, 3:No Action

- Draft 1 : Discourages participation at local levels; The Committee believes that it needs to be clarified whether or not a Hunter ONLY or Jumper ONLY would be eligible to hold the class

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### EQ112.12 - DRAFT 3

**Status:** Approved

**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

USHJA Competition Management

1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/04/2013, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 12/11/2013, 3:No Action

- Draft 1 : This will be a detriment to local shows and exhibitors.
- Draft 2 : Take Competition Manager out of the rule

USHJA Competition Standards

1:Recommend Approval - 10/15/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action

USHJA Equitation Task Force

1:No Action, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 12/11/2013, 3:No Action

- Draft 2 : Want judges card signed rather than the course chart.

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Tabled - 10/28/2013, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 12/11/2013, 3:No Action

- Draft 2 : Would approve if had to sign judges card

USHJA Hunter Zone Council

1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/04/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action

- Draft 1 : Discourages participation at the local levels. Exhibitors need to be able to compete at the local level and still qualify for national finals. Too many great riders came through the local competition ranks to be professional in the sport today.

USHJA Jumper Working Group

1:Tabled - 11/18/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action

- Draft 1 : This set of proposals require more discussion.

USHJA Professionals

1:Recommend Disapproval - 12/09/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action

#### ***Staff Comments:***

7.8.13 National Hunter Committee: Disapproved as Extraordinary - recommend as standard to allow for further discussion.

#### ***Other Comments:***

7.9.13 changed from EO to standard

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### EQ112.13g - DRAFT 3

**Rule Number:** EQ112.13g

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 3

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**Proposed Change:**

**EQ 112.13.g USEF SHOW JUMPING TALENT SEARCH CLASS** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER EQ-2 HUNTER SEAT EQUITATION]  
change to read:

EQ 112.13g. The jumping phase of the class shall be held first over a course of at least ten fences from 3'7" to 3'9" (1.10 - 1.15m.) in height with spreads to 4'11" (1.50m.). Each course must contain at least three fences set at 3'9" in height and none lower than 3'6". The course must include a double and a triple combination, or 3 doubles. Additional spread fences are required elsewhere on the course. At all competitions, a water jump, filled to capacity must be included as follows: At "AA" rated competitions a 10' (3.05m) to 12' (3.65m) water jump (with or without a rail) must be included. At all other competitions an 8' (2.43m) to 12' (3.65m) water jump (with or without a rail) must be included. See JP126 Water Obstacles. At both East and West Coast Finals, a water jump of at least 10' (3.05m) is required. The course should be of the type used in a Junior Jumper class. Time allowed will be figured at 350 meters per minute; may be timed either electronically or manually. To be judged on style and execution. Time and jumping faults should be taken into consideration in the judge's evaluation of the rider. Rules regarding Time to Start (JP134.3 and .4) and Starting and Stopping (JP135.1) will apply. Two refusals will incur elimination. ***Certificate of Compliance-National medal classes must be certified by the following: A course plan showing the actual height and spreads of all the fences, signed by the Judge and Steward which must be included in the Steward's report to the Federation.***

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** USHJA COMPETITION STANDARDS COMMITTEE

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**Intent of Proposal:**

To ensure compliance with course specifications in qualifying classes for a national championship.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

**Linked Rule Changes:**

**Committee/Organization**

**Draft: Action-Date**

Jumper

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USHJA Affiliates

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- Draft 1 : Discourages participation at local levels; The Committee believes that it needs to be a clarified whether or not a Hunter ONLY or Jumper ONLY would be eligible to hold the class



## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### EQ112.13g - DRAFT 3

**Status:** Approved

**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

USHJA Competition Management

1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/04/2013, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 12/11/2013, 3:No Action

- Draft 1 : This will be a detriment to local shows and exhibitors.
- Draft 2 : Take Competition Manager out of the rule

USHJA Competition Standards

1:Recommend Approval - 10/15/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action

USHJA Equitation Task Force

1:No Action, 2:Tabled - 12/11/2013, 3:No Action

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Tabled - 10/28/2013, 2:Tabled - 12/11/2013, 3:No Action

USHJA Hunter Zone Council

1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/04/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action

- Draft 1 : Discourages participation at the local levels. Exhibitors need to be able to compete at the local level and still qualify for national finals. Too many great riders came through the local competition ranks to be professional in the sport today.

USHJA Jumper Working Group

1:Tabled - 11/18/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action

- Draft 1 : This set of proposals require more discussion.

USHJA Jumper Zone Council

1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/04/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action

- Draft 1 : Should not exclude exhibitors and will be detrimental to local competition

USHJA Professionals

1:Recommend Disapproval - 12/09/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action

#### ***Staff Comments:***

7.8.13 National Hunter Committee: Disapproved as Extraordinary - recommend as standard to allow for further discussion.

#### ***Other Comments:***

7.9.13 changed from EO to standard

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### EQ112.14g - DRAFT 3

**Rule Number:** EQ112.14g

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 3

**EO Reason:**

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**Proposed Change:**

**EQ 112.14g. WASHINGTON INTERNATIONAL HORSE SHOW EQUITATION [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER EQ-2 HUNTER SEAT EQUITATION] change to read:**

EQ 112.14g. WASHINGTON INTERNATIONAL HORSE SHOW EQUITATION

g. WIHS Equitation: Conventional tack per JP111. Reins must be attached to the bit(s) or directly to the bridle. Only running martingales used in the conventional manner is permitted in the Jumper Phase. Boots and conservative colored bandages are permitted in both phases. **Certificate of Compliance-National medal classes must be certified by the following: A course plan showing the actual height and spreads of all the fences, signed by the Judge and Steward which must be included in the Steward's report to the Federation.**

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To ensure compliance with course specifications in qualifying classes for a national championship.

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**Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter

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USHJA Affiliates

1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/25/2013, 2:Recommend  
Approval - 12/11/2013, 3:No Action

- Draft 1 : Discourages participation at local levels; The Committee believes that it needs to be clarified whether or not a Hunter ONLY or Jumper ONLY would be eligible to hold the class

USHJA Competition Management

1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/04/2013, 2:Recommend  
Disapproval - 12/11/2013, 3:No Action

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change**  
**EQ112.14g - DRAFT 3**

- Draft 1 : This will be a detriment to local shows and exhibitors.
- Draft 2 : Take Competition Manager out of the rule

USHJA Competition Standards

1:Recommend Approval - 10/15/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action

USHJA Equitation Task Force

1:No Action, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 12/11/2013, 3:No Action

- Draft 2 : Want judges card signed rather than the course chart.

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Tabled - 10/28/2013, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 12/11/2013, 3:No Action

- Draft 2 : Would approve if had to sign judges card

USHJA Hunter Zone Council

1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/04/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action

- Draft 1 : Discourages participation at the local levels. Exhibitors need to be able to compete at the local level and still qualify for national finals. Too many great riders came through the local competition ranks to be professional in the sport today.

USHJA Jumper Working Group

1:Tabled - 11/18/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action

- Draft 1 : This set of proposals require more discussion.

USHJA Jumper Zone Council

1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/04/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action

- Draft 1 : Should not exclude exhibitors and will be detrimental to local competition

USHJA Professionals

1:Recommend Disapproval - 12/09/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action

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**Staff Comments:**

7.8.13 National Hunter Committee: Disapproved as Extraordinary - recommend as standard to allow for further discussion.

**Other Comments:**

7.9.13 changed from EO to standard

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### EQ112.15 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** EQ112.15  
**Rule Change Type:** Rule Clarification  
**Draft:** 1

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#### *Proposed Change:*

**EQ112 REQUIREMENTS FOR SPECIFIC CLASSES** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER EQ-2 HUNTER SEAT EQUITATION SECTION]  
**change to read:**

15. USHJA Hunterdon Equitation Cup Classic. Open to any rider that is an Active USHJA member and has won a USEF Medal, ASPCA Maclay, USEF Show Jumping Talent Search, or Overall WIHS Equitation Classic between July 2 - July 1, of the qualifying year. Once a rider has won the USHJA Hunterdon Cup he/she will not be allowed to compete again. Class Specifications for the Classic consists of:

- At least 10 Hunter Type Jumps including a minimum of 2 jumps with no ground lines.
- Fences are to be set at 3'6.
- Judging will be on style and smoothness with an emphasis on hunter style of riding.
- The class will be conducted in a three round format.
  - Round 1- Hunter Round. Score will be announced.
  - Round 2- Handy Hunter Round, handiness will be emphasized. The top 20 riders **will return in reverse order of scores from Round 1**. The score from Round 2 will be announced.
  - Round 3- The course will consist of components of Round 1 and/or Round 2 up to a maximum of 8 jumps. A minimum of the top 4 riders and a maximum of the top ten riders will switch horses and **return in reverse order of the combined score from Round 1 and Round 2**. The course will be announced with the final competitors in the ring and all fences will be judged. The final score will not be announced.

~~Split into three rounds. The 1st round will be a Hunter Round and the scores will be announced. The top 20 will be called back for Round 2 which will be a Handy Hunter Round, and Handiness will be emphasized. Scores will be announced for Round 2. The Round 3 final work off will consist of a minimum of the top 4 riders and a maximum of the top ten riders switching horses and jumping a third course designed by the judges using components of Round 1 and/or Round 2 courses up to a maximum of 8 jumps. The course will be announced with final competitors in the ring and all fences will be judged. The two judges will sit together and the final scores will not be announced.~~

**e. The two judges will sit together and provide one numerical score for all phases of the class.**  
**e f. Specifications cannot be altered without the consent of the USHJA.**

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#### *Intent of Proposal:*

To clarify the scoring system that is to be used for the class. The USHJA Executive Committee met and approved the status of this

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EQ112.15 - DRAFT 1**

proposal.

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***Linked Rule Changes:***

**Status:** Approved

***Board of Directors:*** Approved (1/2/2014)

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**Committee/Organization**

**Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter

1:Recommend Approval - 11/11/2013

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## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### EQ112.17 - EQ112.18 - DRAFT 2

**Rule Number:** EQ112.17 - EQ112.18

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 2

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#### *Proposed Change:*

**EQ 112 Requirements for Specific Classes** [CHAPTER Subchapter EQ-2 Hunter Seat Equitation Section] **add and renumber as necessary:**

#### **EQ112 Requirements for Specific Classes**

##### **17. USHJA 3'3" JUMPING SEAT MEDAL.**

1. Open to Junior Active Members of the Federation and USHJA who have not reached their 18th birthday (per USEF rules). There are no cross entry restrictions.
2. A minimum of three (3) riders must complete the course for points to count for this class.
3. This class must be held in a jumper ring utilizing jumper style fences and the course should be of the type used in a Junior Jumper class. The course must include at least eight fences set at 1.0m (3'3") in height with a minimum of three spreads from 1.0m to 1.15m (3'3" to 3'9"). The course must include at least one double or triple combination. Natural fences, a liverpool, and a small water jump may be included at the course designer's discretion. Time allowed will be figured at 350 meters per minute and may be timed either electronically or manually.
4. The class is to be judged on the rider's equitation style, technical merit, judgment and execution of an efficient, time saving pace and track. One (1) point will be subtracted from the rider's score for each commenced second taken over the time allowed and four (4) points will be deducted for each knockdown on course. Judges are asked to walk the course when possible and where there are striding options, the judges are asked not to penalize an option that might be used to achieve the best result appropriate to the individual horse/rider combination. Jumper Rules regarding the conduct of the round will apply (JP134 & JP135). No work-off is required. Two refusals will incur elimination.
5. If 50 or more entries compete, the class will be pinned with two firsts, two seconds, two thirds, and so on through two eighths, with full points going to each placing.
6. The following tack and saddlery restrictions apply to this class:
  - a. Blinkers are forbidden.
  - b. If a martingale is used, only running martingales used in the conventional manner are permitted. Standing martingales, draw reins, or restricted running martingales are prohibited.
  - c. Reins must be attached to the bit(s) or directly to the bridle.
7. Full points will be awarded in qualifying classes as follows, providing at least of eight riders complete the course: 1<sup>st</sup> – 10, 2<sup>nd</sup> – 8, 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6, 4<sup>th</sup> – 5, 5<sup>th</sup> – 4, 6<sup>th</sup> – 3, 7<sup>th</sup> – 2 and 8<sup>th</sup> – 1. If there are less than eight eligible ribbon winners, points will be awarded based on the scale above, to the maximum number of eligible ribbon winners. Example: If there are seven (7) ribbon winners, the points awarded will be 1<sup>st</sup> – 8, 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6, 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5, 4<sup>th</sup> – 4, 5<sup>th</sup> – 3, 6<sup>th</sup> – 2 and 7<sup>th</sup> – 1. If there are six (6) ribbon winners, the points awarded will be 1<sup>st</sup> – 6, 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5, 3<sup>rd</sup> – 4, 4<sup>th</sup> – 3, 5<sup>th</sup> – 2 and 6<sup>th</sup> – 1 and so on. Riders who accumulate a minimum of ten (10) points during a given qualifying period may compete at a USHJA 3'3" Jumping Seat Medal Final. Other awards may be given to high scoring riders as the USHJA determines.
8. Following each class, competition management must send a check made payable to the USHJA in the amount of \$5.00 for each competing entry.
9. For specifications regarding USHJA 3'3" Jumping Seat Medal Finals, see [www.ushja.org](http://www.ushja.org).

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**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change  
EQ112.17 - EQ112.18 - DRAFT 2****Status:** Approved**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)***Intent of Proposal:***

To provide a preparatory Jumping Seat Medal class for riders moving up to the USEF Talent Search and 3'6" national medal classes.

***Proposed Effective Date:*** 12/1/2014***Linked Rule Changes:***

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Jumper	1:Recommend Approval - 12/02/2013, 2:No Action
National Hunter	1:Recommend Approval - 11/11/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 01/09/2014
USHJA Competition Management	1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013, 2:No Action
USHJA Equitation Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013, 2:No Action
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USHJA Hunter Zone Council	1:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013, 2:No Action
USHJA Jumper Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 11/25/2013, 2:No Action
USHJA Young Professionals	1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013, 2:No Action

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## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HJ100 - HJ105 - DRAFT 2

**Rule Number:** HJ100 - HJ105

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 2

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#### **Proposed Change:**

**HJ 100 - 105 [CHAPTER Subchapter HJ-1 COMPETITION FACILITY AND SERVICE STANDARDS] change to read:**

#### **SUBCHAPTER HJ-1 COMPETITION FACILITY AND SERVICE STANDARDS**

##### **HJ101 Standards**

##### **HJ102 Competition Rings, Schooling Areas, Exercise Areas & Lunge Areas**

##### **HJ103 Footing for Competition Rings, Schooling Areas, Exercise Areas & Lunge Areas**

##### **HJ104 Support and/or Stabling Facilities**

##### **HJ105 Other Competition Standards Requirements**

#### **SUBCHAPTER HJ-1 COMPETITION FACILITY AND SERVICE**

#### **STANDARDS**

##### **HJ101 Standards**

For All Regular Classifications of Federation Licensed Hunter and Jumper Competitions, including multi-breed competitions with Hunter and/or Jumper divisions (Not applicable to breed restricted competitions). Competition Standards set forth below are established to provide consistency in the quality of facilities and services offered in Federation Hunter and Jumper competitions. All such Hunter competitions fall into one of the following Classifications: AA, A, B, C, or Local. All Jumper competitions fall into one of the following Classifications: Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, Level 4, Level 5 or Level 6. For purposes of this chapter Hunter and Jumper competitions are considered a single discipline and subject to the same standards unless otherwise noted.

1. Standards are used as part of the evaluation process for the licensing of competitions and unless a competition intentionally AND/OR REPEATEDLY disregards the application of standards, no fines relating to Standards will be assessed, other than those specified in the Federation rules (i.e. sharps containers \$100, etc), to competitions unless the violation is egregious and/or is related to horse and human safety and welfare. Failure to achieve and to maintain required Standards will be considered as a major factor in the decision to renew a license at the same rating.

2. A single competition may receive an exemption by the Federation for application of the standard(s) due to unforeseen and/or extenuating circumstances. Exemptions are not to modify the requirement to meet the standard. HJ102 Competition Rings, Schooling Areas, Exercise Areas & Lunge Areas Depending on competition rating or level approved, additional requirements may apply.

1. A Competition Ring is defined as a designated area on the competition grounds where classes are held for competition of hunters and/or jumpers. All Competitions must provide a minimum of one (1) dedicated Competition Ring. When a competition ring is not being utilized for its primary purpose, it may be utilized to meet other required Standards for the competition such as exercise, lunge or schooling areas. This area must still meet the Standard for the other required use.

a. Beginning 12/01/2011 and ending 11/30/2016, competitions may apply in writing to the Federation for a "Temporary Waiver" of the size requirement Standard of a competition ring, schooling area, exercise area and/or lunge area as set forth in the USEF Hunter and Jumper Competition Standards. A Temporary Waiver may not exceed a five percent (5%) reduction from the Standard. The Temporary Waiver must be based on facts and circumstances that are beyond the control of the competition. Any Temporary Waiver request may only be approved for the period beginning 12/01/2011 and ending 11/30/2016. Full Federation Hunter and Jumper Competition Standards will be required beginning 12/01/2016.

2. A Schooling Area is defined as a designated area on the competition grounds in close proximity to the competition ring in which horses are being prepared to compete.

3. An Exercise Area is defined as a designated area on the competition grounds in which horses at the competition may be exercised both on the flat and over fences.

4. A Lunge Area is defined as a designated area on the competition ground that is used primarily to lunge horses.



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5. Horses cannot be required to be exhibited in the competition ring or schooled in the designated schooling areas before sunrise or after sunset unless lighting in accordance with HJ101.6 and GR 834.2 is provided that assures full and complete visibility.
6. Lighting which provides a full and complete visibility for a safe working environment for horses and personnel must be provided if any of these areas (Competition Ring, Schooling area, Exercise area and Lunge area) are open for use between sunset and sunrise.
7. A Judge's site with protection from adverse weather conditions must be provided at each competition ring.
8. Water trucks, sprinklers or another suitable system which must be used for dust reduction for all required and provided rings.

#### HJ103 Footing for Competition Rings, Schooling Areas, Exercise Areas & Lunge Areas

Depending on competition rating or level approved, additional requirements may apply.

1. The footing in all rings, schooling rings, exercise areas and lunge areas must be safe, consistent and appropriate for the intended use and type of competition. These areas must be properly maintained at least daily, and more often depending upon use and weather conditions.
2. Competition management is required to make an effort to maintain the best possible footing in competition, schooling, exercise and lunge areas. Provisions must be made (by having on hand functioning proper equipment and scheduling sufficient breaks in the schedule) to maintain the footing in those areas, e.g. by dragging, watering, and raking, if necessary, throughout the competition.

#### HJ104 Support and/or Stabling Facilities

Depending on competition rating or level approved, additional requirements may apply.

1. When provided, stalls must be of sturdy construction, in good condition and safe for horses and ponies. Prize list must specify type of stabling and type of stabling flooring. Stall doors must be provided. The recommended minimum dimensions for box stalls for horses are 9'6" wide by 9'6" deep or comparable square footage with a minimum ceiling height of 7'0". It is essential that the covering over the stalls is weatherproof.
2. If stabling is provided, at least one sharps container per fifty (50) occupied stalls for the disposal of needles and other disposable sharp instruments must be placed in convenient locations in barns housing competition horses. If stabling is not provided, Competition management must place a minimum of one sharps container for every seventy-five (75) horses entered the previous year in visible and convenient locations.
3. It is competition management's responsibility to replace sharps containers when full and dispose of them properly. Competition management may fine any individuals including trainers, owners, exhibitors, or their agents up to \$100 for improper disposal of needles or other sharp disposable instruments. Competition management will place a notice of this requirement in its prize list and on a specific handout given to trainers, owners or their authorized representative on check in at the competition.
4. If local law has more stringent requirements than above relating to sharps containers or disposal, local law will prevail. Competitions failing to comply with placing the required number of containers on the competition grounds will be considered in violation of the rules and may be subject to penalty as determined by the CEO or Executive Director and/or the Hearing Committee.
5. Lighting in the barns and stabling area which provides a safe working environment for horses and personnel must be provided.
6. A minimum of one (1) horse wash area with an operational water outlet and drainage for each fifty (50) horses entered in the prior year.
7. When stabling is provided, trash and manure must be removed to the designated dumping area(s) daily or placed in adequate sanitary containment facility. When no stabling is provided there must be a designated trash and manure dumping area(s).

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### HJ100 - HJ105 - DRAFT 2

#### HJ105-Other Competition Standards Requirements

~~Depending on competition rating or level approved, additional requirements may apply.~~

- ~~1. Convenient and ample water facilities for horses and potable water for human consumption must be provided and available at all times.~~
- ~~2. A minimum of one (1) clean and sanitary restroom (water closet) either portable or permanent must be provided for every fifty (50) horses entered in the previous year and must be cleaned and supplied daily.~~
- ~~3. At least one (1) food and beverage service available beginning thirty (30) minutes prior to start of first scheduled class and ending one hour prior to the conclusion of the competition for each day of the competition which is adequate to meet the needs of those that attended in the prior year. Vending machines do not qualify.~~
- ~~4. Parking area(s) adequate for vans, trailers, competitors and officials must be provided.~~
- ~~5. A level surface area for measurement (if there are divisions that require measurement) in accordance with GR507.~~
- ~~6. A Competition Office with adequate staff to process workload in a timely manner.~~
- ~~7. Communication between secretary, announcer, in gate, each ring and stables, if applicable, must be provided.~~
- ~~8. Subject to local law and/or management's specifications as published in both prize list and on entry form, any owner or trainer on the grounds of a competition must be permitted to haul in hay, grain and bedding, in for their own horses use.~~
- ~~9. The owner or trainer may utilize a farrier or veterinarian of their choice. It is the responsibility of the owner or trainer or competitor to advise the competition if they intend to bring their own vet or farrier onto the grounds.~~
- ~~10. Management must post outside the competition office and include in the prize list emergency telephone numbers plus directions to the competition which could be quickly relayed to the offsite responder. If no cell phone service is available a land line with twenty four (24) hour access must be provided.~~
- ~~11. The Federation required accident preparedness plan must be posted and distributed to appropriate staff/officials.~~
- ~~12. Information regarding the use of motorized vehicles (golf carts, motorbikes, scooters, etc.) must be in the prize list.~~
- ~~13. Adequate and knowledgeable jump crew, ingate and other personnel to assist in the operation of the competition.~~

#### SUBCHAPTER HJ-1 INTRODUCTION TO HUNTER/JUMPER COMPETITION STANDARDS TYPES

##### H/J-1 INDEX

##### HJ100 Types of Standards and Application

##### HJ101 Effective Dates for Standard Application

##### HJ102 Definitions – Competition Rings, Schooling Areas, Exercise Areas & Lunge Areas

##### HJ103 Footing for Competition Rings, Schooling Areas, Exercise Areas & Lunge Areas

##### HJ104 Support and/or Stabling Facilities

##### HJ105 Other Competition Standards Requirements

## **Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change HJ100 - HJ105 - DRAFT 2**

### **SUBCHAPTER HJ-1 INTRODUCTION TO Hunter/Jumper Competition Standards Types**

*Hunter Jumper Competition Standards, set forth below are established to provide consistency in the quality of facilities and services offered in Federation hunter and jumper competitions.*

#### **HJ 100 Types of Standards and Application.**

**1. Distinguish HJ Competition Standards (HJS) and Basic Standards from Other Federation Standards. The reference to standards can occur in relation to separate and distinct sets of requirements.**

- a. Federation Standards which are applicable to multiple situations, disciplines, procedures and/or competitions.**
- b. Federation H/J Competition Standards (HJS) which are applicable only to Federation Rated licensed H/J competitions or H/J sections of multi-breed competitions.**
- c. Basic Standards set forth in HJ 100 to 105 applicable to both Rated and Local HJ competitions.**

#### **2. When Standards Are In Conflict.**

*In the event that a HJS within this section exceeds the requirement in other Federation rules or Standards the higher standard is applicable.*

#### **3. HJS Application to Multi-Breed and Breed Restricted Competition Standards.**

*HJS apply only to the H/J portions of a multi-breed competition and are not applicable to breed restricted competitions.*

#### **4. Standards Application.**

- a. All hunter competitions fall into one of the following classifications: Premier, National, Regional I, Regional II or Local.**
- b. All jumper competitions fall into one of the following classifications: Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, Level 4, Level 5 or Level 6.**

*For purposes of this chapter, hunter and jumper competitions are considered a single discipline and subject to the same HJS or Basic Standards where applicable.*

#### **5. HJS and Basic Competition License Renewal & Fines.**

*Standards are used as part of the evaluation process for the licensing of competitions. Failure to achieve and to maintain required Standards will be considered a major factor in the decision to renew or not renew a license and/or a rating. Unless the violation of HJS is intentional and/or is related to horse and human safety and welfare no fines relating to HJS standards will be assessed, other than those fines specified in the Federation rules (i.e. Sharps containers \$100 and et cetera).*

#### **6. Exemptions from HJS.**

*A single competition may receive a one time specific exemption by the Federation for application of the HJS due to unforeseen and/or extenuating circumstances (see ring size exemption provision H/J 102). Exemptions are not permanent and do not modify the requirement to meet the HJS in the future.*

#### **7. Other References.**

*In addition to the requirements set forth in this chapter, additional rules relating to Federation hunter and jumper competitions are located in other chapters of the Federation rule book specifically, GR, HU, EQ, AND JP. Pursuant to GR*

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**150.1, when a division or section rule is in conflict with a general rule (GR), the division or section rule shall govern.**

***HJ 101 Effective Dates for Standard Application.***

- 1. Existing Licensed H/J Competitions including Heritage Competitions eligible for renewal on or after 12-01-2011 unless stated otherwise in the HJS, must meet applicable HJS for their Rating. See HJ202 Horse Entry Number HJS.**
- 2. All new competitions must meet applicable Basic Standards and HJS for their Rating. See HJ202 Horse Entry Number HJS.**
- 3. Effective date for changes to HJS.**

***Any changes or additions to HJS, unless stated otherwise in the HJS being adopted, must be achieved by a competition effective the first of the month that is 12 months following the date of the Federation's adoption of the HJS or a later effective date set forth in the HJS that is adopted. For example, changes or additions to HJS adopted in January of a year will normally become effective on February 1st of the following year, etc. HJS may be amended or deleted effective immediately when such action is determined appropriate by the Federation.***

- 4. Competitions with the first licensed date of a competition year, prior to the effective date of the modified standard(s) for their Rating or Level, will not be required to meet the new standard(s) until the next competition year.**

***HJ102 Definitions - Competition Rings, Schooling Areas, Exercise Areas & Lunge Areas, Maintenance and Judge's Site.***

***Depending on competition rating or level approved, additional requirements may apply.***

- 1. A Competition Ring is defined as a designated area on the competition grounds where classes are held for competition of hunters and/or jumpers. All competitions must provide a minimum of one (1) dedicated competition ring. When a competition ring is not being utilized for its primary purpose, it may be utilized to meet other required HJS such as exercise, lunge or schooling areas. This area must still meet the HJS for the other required use.**

***a. Beginning 12/01/2011 and ending 11/30/2016, competitions may apply in writing to the Federation for a "Temporary Waiver" of the HJS size requirement of a competition ring, schooling area, exercise area and/or lunge area as set forth in the Federation HJS. A Temporary Waiver may not exceed a five percent (5%) reduction from the HJS. The Temporary Waiver must be based on facts and circumstances that are beyond the control of the competition. Any Temporary Waiver request may only be approved for the period beginning 12/01/2011 and ending 11/30/2016. Full compliance with Federation HJS for competition rings, schooling areas, exercise areas and lunge areas will be required beginning 12/01/2016.***

- 2. A Schooling Area is defined as a designated area on the competition grounds in close proximity to the competition ring in which horses are being prepared to compete.**

- 3. An Exercise Area is defined as a designated area on the competition grounds in which horses at the competition may be exercised both on the flat and over fences.**

- 4. A Lunge Area is defined as a designated area on the competition ground that is used primarily to lunge horses.**

- 5. Horses cannot be required to be exhibited in the competition ring or schooled in the designated schooling areas before sunrise or after sunset unless lighting in accordance with HJ101.6 and GR 834.2 is provided that assures full and complete visibility.**

- 6. Lighting which provides full and complete visibility for a safe working environment for horses and personnel must be provided if any of these areas (competition ring, schooling area, exercise area and lunge area) are open for use between sunset and sunrise.**

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**7. A Judge's site with climate appropriate protection from adverse weather conditions and seating must be provided at each competition ring or other judging location.**

**8. Water trucks, sprinklers, snow removal or another climate appropriate system(s) must be used to address climate related conditions including, but not limited to, dust reduction for all required and provided rings, schooling, exercise and lunge areas.**

**HJ103 Footing for Competition Rings, Schooling Areas, Exercise Areas & Lunge Areas.**

**{See HJ208 for additional requirements when the 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}.**

**Depending on competition rating or level approved, additional requirements may apply.**

**1. The footing in all rings, schooling rings, exercise areas and lunge areas must be safe, consistent and appropriate for the intended use and type of competition. These areas must be properly maintained at least daily, and more often depending upon use and weather conditions.**

**2. Competition management is required to make an effort to maintain the best possible footing in competition, schooling, and exercise and lunge areas. Provisions must be made (by having on hand functioning proper equipment and scheduling sufficient breaks in the schedule) to maintain the footing in those areas throughout the competition by dragging, watering, and raking, if necessary.**

**HJ104 HJS Support and/or Stabling Facilities.**

**Depending on competition rating or level approved, additional requirements may apply.**

**1. When provided, stalls must be of sturdy construction, in good condition and safe for horses and ponies. Prize list must specify type of stabling and type of stabling flooring. Stall doors must be provided. The recommended minimum dimensions for box stalls for horses are 9'6" wide by 9'6" deep or comparable square footage with a minimum ceiling height of 7'0". It is essential that the covering over the stalls is weatherproof.**

**2. If stabling is provided, each fifty (50) occupied stalls must be provided with one sharps container for the disposal of needles and other disposable sharp instruments. These containers must be placed in convenient locations in barns housing competition horses. If stabling is not provided, competition management must place a minimum of one sharps container for every seventy-five (75) horses entered the previous year in visible and convenient locations.**

**3. It is competition management's responsibility to replace sharps containers when full and dispose of them properly. Competition management may fine any individuals including trainers, owners, exhibitors, or their agents up to \$100 for improper disposal of needles or other sharp disposable instruments.**

**4. If local law has more stringent requirements than above relating to sharps containers or disposal, local law will prevail. Competitions failing to comply with placing the required number of containers on the competition grounds will be considered in violation of the rules and may be subject to penalty as determined by the CEO or Executive Director and/or the Hearing Committee.**

**5. The lighting in the barns and stabling areas must be adequate to provide a safe working environment for horses and personnel.**

**6. A minimum of one (1) horse wash area with an operational water outlet and proper drainage for each fifty (50) horses entered in the prior year.**

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**7. When stabling is provided, trash and manure must be removed to the designated dumping area(s) daily or placed in adequate sanitary containment facility. When no stabling is provided there must be a designated trash and manure dumping area(s).**

***HJ105 Other Competition Standards Requirements.***

***Depending on competition rating or level approved, additional requirements may apply.***

- 1. Convenient and ample water facilities for horses and potable water for human consumption must be provided and available at all times.**
- 2. A minimum of one (1) clean and sanitary restroom (water closet) either portable or permanent must be provided for every fifty (50) horses entered in the previous year and must be cleaned and supplied daily.**
- 3. At least one (1) food and beverage service must be available on the competition grounds beginning thirty (30) minutes prior to start of first scheduled class and ending one (1) hour prior to the conclusion of the competition for each day of the competition. The food and beverage service must be adequate to meet the needs of those that attended in the prior year. Vending machines do not qualify.**
- 4. Adequate parking areas for vans, trailers, competitors and officials must be provided.**
- 5. A level surface area for measurement (if there are divisions that require measurement) in accordance with GR507.**
- 6. A competition office with adequate staff to process workload in a timely manner.**
- 7. Communication between secretary, Stewards, announcer, in-gate, all competition rings and stables (if applicable) must be provided.**
- 8. Subject to local law and/or management's specifications as published in both prize list and on entry form, any owner or trainer on the grounds of a competition must be permitted to haul in hay, grain and bedding for their own horses.**
- 9. An owner or trainer may utilize a farrier or veterinarian of their choice. It is the responsibility of the owner or trainer or competitor to advise the competition if they intend to bring their own vet or farrier onto the grounds.**
- 10. Management must provide emergency telephone numbers plus directions to the competition which may be quickly relayed to the offsite responder. If no cell phone service is available a land line with twenty-four (24) hour access must be provided. This information must be posted outside the horse show office and printed in the prize list.**
- 11. Information regarding the use of motorized vehicles (golf carts, motorbikes, scooters, etc.) must be included in the prize list.**
- 12. Adequate and knowledgeable jump crew, in gate, and other personnel to assist in the operation of the competition.**

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## HJ100 - HJ105 - DRAFT 2

**Status:** Approved  
**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

***Intent of Proposal:***

to reorganize the content and clarify the rule

***Proposed Effective Date:*** 12/1/2014

***Linked Rule Changes:***

<b><u>Committee/Organization</u></b>	<b><u>Draft: Action-Date</u></b>
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USHJA Competition Management	1:Tabled - 12/02/2013, 2:No Action
USHJA Competition Standards	1:Recommend Approval - 10/15/2013, 2:No Action
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USHJA Jumper Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 11/25/2013, 2:No Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 1 : Should be accompanied with better oversight for enforcing these standards.</li> </ul>	
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USHJA Professionals	1:Recommend Disapproval - 12/09/2013, 2:No Action
USHJA Young Professionals	1:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013, 2:No Action

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### HJ200 - HJ211 - DRAFT 3

**Rule Number:** HJ200 - HJ211

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 3

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

#### **Proposed Change:**

**HJ200 -211 [CHAPTER Subchapter - HJ2 RATINGS & HORSE ENTRY NUMBER] delete chapter and replace:**

#### **CHAPTER HJ HUNTER/JUMPER COMPETITIONS**

#### **SUBCHAPTER HJ-2 RATING & HORSE ENTRY NUMBER**

#### **HJ2 INDEX**

**HJ200 HJ Competition Standards (HJS) Specific Only to Regular Competition Classifications and Ratings as Defined Below**

#### **HJ201 Definitions**

**HJ202 Horse Entry Requirements HJS, Renewal**

**HJ203 Requirements to Obtain Federation Local and/or Jumper Level 1**

**HJ204 HJS Requirements to Obtain Federation Regional II Rating**

**HJ205 HJS Requirements to Obtain Federation Regional I Rating and/or Jumper Level II**

**HJ206 HJS Requirements to Obtain Federation National Rating and/or Jumper Levels 3 and 4**

**HJ207 HJS Requirements to Obtain Federation Premier Rating and/or Jumper Level 5**

**HJ208 Horse entry numbers exceed five hundred (500) and/or Duration of Competition or Series of Competitions Exceeds Twenty-one (21) days without a break of five (5) consecutive calendar days**

**HJ209 HJS Requirements for Federation Special (GR301 Classifications) and/or Jumper Level 6 Event**

**HJ210 HJS Options Menu Selections Required to Obtain Federation Rating Level for Premier, National, Regional I and Regional II and/or Jumper Levels 5, 4, 3, or 2. (See Specific Rating and Competition Standards Requirements)**

**HJ211 HJS Option Selection List**

**HJ200 HJ Competition Standards (HJS) are Specific Only to Regular Competition Classification and Ratings as Defined Below. HJ200 does not apply to Local competitions. All Local competitions must meet the Basic Standards set forth in HJ100 through HJ105. Regardless of rating, additional requirements apply (HJ208) when 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**

#### **HJ201 Definitions.**

##### **1. Definitions.**

**a. Rated Hunter competitions are classified as Premier, National, Regional I, or Regional II. Unrated competitions are classified as Local.**

**b. Jumper competitions are designated as Levels 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 based upon prize money. See JP104.**

**c. Rated competitions offering hunter only, or both hunter and jumper will be subject to HJS set forth under the Premier, National, Regional I and Regional II hunter rating.**

**d. HJS for a jumper only competition will be:**

**Standards set forth under Premier required for Jumper Levels 5 and 6**

**Standards set forth under National required for Jumper Levels 3 and 4**

**Standards set forth under Regional I required for Jumper Level 2**

**Standards set forth under Local required for Jumper Level 1**

**e. Federation Special competitions or Jumper Level 6 competitions may be subject to a Federation approved waiver (GR301.2) or other modification of a portion of the Standards (including HJS), in connection with the Special competition approval.**

**2. Whenever two (2) Standards are applicable to a competition, the entire competition is to achieve the highest Standard applicable to any portion of the competition.**

**3. For multi-breed competitions (see HJ101) which contain hunter and/or jumper sections, and for local competitions when operating within an existing rated hunter and/or jumper competition, the highest applicable HJS for any portion of the hunter and/or jumper competition is to be applied to the entire hunter and/or jumper discipline sections only.**



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#### **HJ202 HJS Competition Standards Horse Entry & Renewal.**

##### **1. Number of Horse Entries Required for HJ Competition Rating.**

No minimum horse entry number is required to achieve the rating for jumper competitions. Prize money is the alternative criteria required for a jumper rating.

##### **2. Competitions restricted to only conducting Breeding classes are exempt from the Horse Entry standard requirement.**

3. Two day National Junior/Amateur restricted competitions will have a Horse Entry Number requirement of 65. Competitions which utilize only one (1) competition ring or which offer only hunter and equitation classes (no jumper classes) will have a Horse Entry Number requirement as follows: Premier – 100, National – 60, Regional I – 40 and Regional II – 25.

##### **4. Rating and Horse Entry Numbers.**

(See HJ208 for additional HJS requirements)

Required number of Horse Entries for Regular or Local competition Classification rated hunter or hunter/jumper are:

- a. Number of horse entries required for a Premier rated hunter or HJ competition is a minimum of two hundred (200).
- b. Number of horse entries required for a National rated hunter or HJ competition is a minimum of one hundred (100).
- c. Number of horse entries required for a Regional I rated hunter or HJ competition is a minimum of fifty (50).
- d. Number of horse entries required for a Regional II rated hunter or HJ competition is a minimum of twenty-five (25).
- e. There is no minimum number of horse entries required for a Local competition.

For the required number of hunter classes per rating for hunter sections see GR313.6.

##### **5. Horse Entry Number Determination and License Renewal Requirements.**

The HJS Horse Entry Number (HJ202) is based on the number of horses entered as determined by drug fees paid for the prior year. Horses used in equitation classes are included in the number of horses entered.

##### **6. New Competition or New Rating Horse Entry Requirement.**

During the first three (3) years of a competition, the minimum number of horse entries is determined based upon the minimum number of horse entries required for the rating applied for by the Licensee and approved by the Federation.

During one (1) of the first three (3) years for a competition that is new, or for a competition that is held at a new rating, the minimum Horse Entry Number (HJ202) for the competition must be achieved.

##### **7. Renewal Competition Horse Entry Number Rating Requirements.**

a. For competitions with three (3) or more years of operation, a competition License may be renewed if they have achieved the HJS Horse Entry Number in at least two (2) of the last three (3) years. The License renewal may be delayed until the completion of the last competition of the existing License, if it is in the best interest of the competition to achieve the HJS Horse Entry Number required for renewal. The other HJS that are applied to a competition must be achieved every year in order to maintain the Rating/Level.

b. If the required minimum HJS Horse Entry Number is not achieved during the period set forth, then the competition will be provided with a License at a lower rating consistent with the Horse Entry Numbers achieved. The Licensee may continue to conduct a competition at the same location and on the same dates at the new Rating and/or Level in accordance with HJ202 and subject to achieving other HJS required for the Rating or Level.

8. Renewal License Request at a Higher HJS Horse Entry Number Requirement. Any higher rating for a competition may only occur upon application by the Licensee and approval of the Federation in accordance with established license procedures. When a competition is approved to receive a license for a higher rating they must conduct at least three (3) competitions at the new rating before they may again apply for a higher rating.

9. Renewal License Request at a Lower HJS Horse Entry Number or Other HJS Requirement. If the competition Licensee is not able to, or does not wish to, meet the applicable HJS to continue their current rating, the Licensee may request and receive a License at a lower rating, subject to meeting the applicable HJS for the new rating and Federation approval.

##### **10. Renewal License Process Review.**

The Federation, in its sole discretion, may determine that a competition has been adversely affected in the competitions ability to achieve the HJS as a result of an unforeseen or unavoidable occurrence. If this unusual occurrence adversely impacts the number of horses entered in the competition, the Federation will not consider the affected competition year in determining renewal rating eligibility. In order for the Federation to make their determination, facts must be reported in writing by competition management to the Federation Competitions Department prior to the earlier of the third day or end of writing by competition management to the Federation Competitions Department prior to the earlier of the third day or end of the licensed competition. Unforeseen or unavoidable occurrences may include Acts of God. The Federation, in its sole discretion, may audit competitions to determine that they are faithfully compliant with the HJS Horse Entry Number Requirement. If a competition is found to be non-compliant due to inclusion of inaccurate information in the competition report or other reports to the Federation, Licensee is subject to immediate revocation of all licenses.

#### **HJ203 HJS Requirements to Obtain Federation Local and/or Jumper Level 1.**

1. All Local and/or Jumper Level 1 competitions must meet the Basic Standards set forth in HJ100 through HJ105.
2. All Local hunter only, or hunter/jumper competitions do not have a minimum HJS Horse Entry Number requirement.
3. All jumper only Level 1 and Local competitions have no HJS Horse Entry Number requirement to achieve their rating.

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*Prize money is the alternative criteria required for a jumper rating. See JP104.*

- 4. A minimum of one (1) competition ring of at least 20,000 square feet when using an outdoor ring and/or a minimum of one (1) competition ring of at least 14,000 square feet when using an indoor ring.*
- 5. A minimum of one (1) dedicated schooling area that is not being used at the time as an exercise area or lunge area for the period beginning one (1) hour prior to the start of the first scheduled class in the competition ring and ending at the end of the last class in the competition ring. When utilizing an indoor ring as a competition ring, the competition may use schooling breaks between sections within the competition schedule for each day to comply with this Standards requirement.*
- 6. An exercise area must be available for at least one (1) hour during each calendar day between the hours of sunrise and sunset unless lighted as specified in HJ101.6.*
- 7. A minimum of one (1) lunge area not being used at the time as competition rings, schooling areas and/or exercise areas must be available for at least one (1) hour during each calendar day between the hours of sunrise and sunset unless lighted as specified in HJ101.6.*

*HJ204 HJS Requirements to Obtain Federation Regional II Rating.*

- 1. All Regional II rated competitions must meet the Basic Standards set forth in HJ100 through HJ105.*
- 2. All Regional II rated hunter only, or hunter/jumper competitions must have the minimum required number of twenty-five (25) horse entries, in accordance with HJ202.*
- 3. A minimum of one (1) competition ring of at least 20,000 square feet when using an outdoor ring, and/or a minimum of one (1) competition ring of at least 14,000 square feet when using an indoor ring.*
- 4. A minimum of one (1) dedicated schooling area that is not being used at the time as an exercise area or lunge area for the period beginning one (1) hour prior to the start of the first scheduled class in the competition ring and ending at the end of the last class in the competition ring. When utilizing an indoor ring as a competition ring, the competition may use schooling breaks between sections within the competition schedule for each day to comply with this Standards requirement.*
- 5. An exercise area must be available for at least two (2) contiguous hours within each calendar day between the hours of sunrise and sunset unless lighted as specified in HJ101.6.*
- 6. A minimum of one (1) lunge area not being used at the time as competition rings, schooling areas and/or exercise areas must be available for at least one (1) hour during each calendar day between the hours of sunrise and sunset unless lighted as specified in HJ101.6.*
- 7. Results must be available at the show office, on the internet or other convenient identified location within four (4) hours.*
- 8. Licensees providing a Regional II rated competition must select and describe with their license application a minimum of ten (10) additional items (not on the required list) from HJ211, four (4) of which must be selected from Group I.*
- 9. Communication or public address system which provides clear announcements from the competition rings to the stabling and trailer day parking areas.*

*HJ205 HJS Requirements to Obtain Federation Regional I Rating and/or Jumper Level 2.*

- 1. All Regional I rated and/or Jumper Level 2 competitions must meet the Basic Standards for all competitions set forth in HJ100 through HJ105.*
- 2. All Regional I rated hunter only, or hunter/jumper competitions must have the minimum required number of fifty (50) horse entries, in accordance with HJ202.*
- 3. All jumper only Level 2 and Local competitions have no minimum horse entry requirements to achieve their rating. Prize money is the alternative criteria required for a jumper rating. See JP104.*
- 4. A minimum of one (1) competition ring of at least 24,000 square feet when using an outdoor ring and/or a minimum of one (1) competition ring of at least 16,000 square feet when using an indoor ring.*
- 5. A minimum of one (1) dedicated schooling area that is not being used at the time as an exercise area or lunge area for the period beginning one (1) hour prior to the start of the first scheduled class in the competition ring and ending at the end of the last class in the competition ring. When utilizing an indoor ring as a competition ring, the competition may use schooling breaks between sections within the competition schedule for each day to comply with this requirement.*
- 6. An exercise area of at least 16,000 square feet must be available for at least three (3) contiguous hours during each calendar day during the hours of sunrise and sunset unless lighted as specified in HJ101.6.*
- 7. A minimum of one lunge area of at least 10,000 square feet not being used at the time as competition ring, schooling areas and/or exercise areas must be available for at least one (1) hour during each calendar day between the hours of sunrise and sunset unless lighted as specified in HJ101.6.*
- 8. Results must be available at the show office, on the internet or other convenient identified location within four (4) hours.*
- 9. Minimum bleacher type seating capacity for at least twenty-five (25) must be provided at one (1) of the designated competition ring(s).*
- 10. Licensees providing a Regional I rated and/or jumper Level 2 competition must select and describe with their license application a minimum of ten (10) additional items (not on the required list) from HJ211, four (4) of which must be selected*

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from Group I.

**11. Communication or public address system which provides clear announcements from the competition rings to the stabling and trailer day parking areas.**

**HJ206 HJS Requirements to Obtain Federation National Rating and/or Jumper Levels 3 and 4.**

- 1. All National rated and/or Jumper Levels 3 and 4 competitions must meet the Basic Standards for all competitions set forth in HJ100 through HJ105.**
- 2. All National rated hunter only or hunter/jumper competitions must have the required minimum number of one hundred (100) entries, in accordance with HJ202.**
- 3. All jumper only Levels 3 and 4 and Local competitions have no minimum horse entry requirements to achieve their rating. Prize money is the alternative criteria required for a jumper rating. See JP104.**
- 4. Overnight stabling, on the competition grounds, must be provided for any accepted and confirmed entry in a section held on multiple days that has requested and paid for the stall(s) by the closing date of entries. Subject to competition management approval, additional entries may be accepted without stalls with exhibitor prior consent.**
- 5. Adequate hot and cold food and beverage service must be available beginning one (1) hour prior to the start of the first scheduled class and continuing until the end of the last class of each competition day. (Excludes schooling days).**
- 6. A minimum of one (1) competition ring of at least 28,000 square feet when using an outdoor ring and/or minimum of one (1) competition ring of at least 18,000 square feet when using an indoor ring.**
- 7. A minimum of one (1) schooling area that is not being used at the time as an exercise area or lunge area for the period beginning one (1) hour prior to the start of the first scheduled class in the competition ring and ending at the end of the last class in the competition ring.**
- 8. An exercise area of at least 20,000 square feet if outdoors and 18,000 square feet if indoors must be available for at least three (3) contiguous hours within each calendar day between the hours of sunrise and sunset unless lighted as specified in HJ101.6.**
- 9. A minimum of one (1) lunge area of at least 10,000 square feet not being used at the time as competition rings, schooling areas and/or exercise areas must be available for at least two (2) contiguous hours within each calendar day between the hours of sunrise and sunset unless lighted as specified in HJ101.6.**
- 10. Results must be available at the show office, on the internet or other convenient identified location within four (4) hours.**
- 11. Minimum bleacher type seating with capacity for at least fifty (50) must be provided at one (1) of the designated competition ring(s).**
- 12. Water trucks, sprinklers or a system which must be used for dust reduction for all required and provided rings, schooling, exercise and lunging areas as well as all access and egress paths.**
- 13. Sun/rain weather appropriate and properly sized to provide shelter for horses and riders conveniently located to the competitions must be provided.**
- 14. The official competition veterinarian must be provided with a clean stall or other suitable area, protected from the elements, secured from public view, adequately lighted, with adequate electrical supply and running water, to serve as a first aid station for the emergency treatment of ill and injured horses.**
- 15. Licensees proving a National Rated and/or jumper Levels 3 or 4 competition, must select and describe with their license application a minimum of sixteen (16) additional items (not on the required list for the National Rating) from HJ211, eight (8) of which must be selected from Group I.**
- 16. Communication or public address system which provides clear announcements from the competition rings to the stabling and trailer day parking areas.**

**HJ207 HJS Requirements to Obtain Federation Premier Rating and/or Jumper Level 5**

- 1. All Premier rated and/or Jumper Level 5 competitions must meet the Basic Standards for all competitions set forth in HJ100 through HJ105.**
- 2. All Premier rated hunter only, or hunter/jumper competitions must have the required minimum number of two hundred (200) horse entries, in accordance with HJ202. {See HJ208 additional requirements when 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}.**
- 3. All jumper only Level 5 and Local competitions have no minimum horse entry requirements to achieve their rating. Prize money is the alternative criteria required for a jumper rating. See JP104.**
- 4. Overnight stabling, on the competition grounds, must be provided for any accepted and confirmed entry in a section held on multiple days that has requested and paid for the stall(s) by the closing date of entries. Subject to competition management approval, additional entries may be accepted without stalls with exhibitor prior consent.**
- 5. Adequate hot and cold food and beverage service must be available beginning one (1) hour prior to the start of the first scheduled class and continuing until the end of the last class for each competition day. (Excludes schooling days). Vending machines do not count.**
- 6. A minimum of one (1) competition ring of at least 28,000 square feet when using an outdoor ring and/or a minimum of one**

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- (1) competition ring of at least 20,000 square feet when using an indoor ring. Competition ring, whether outdoor or indoor, must have designated rider stand/seating.
7. A minimum of one (1) schooling area for each jumper competition ring and a minimum of one (1) schooling area for every two (2) hunter rings that is not being used at the time as an exercise area or lunge area for the period beginning one (1) hour prior to the start of the first scheduled class in the competition ring and ending at the end of the last class in the competition ring. A separate schooling area for hunters, jumpers and ponies must be provided if running concurrently. Any combination of exercise and schooling area must be a minimum of 30,000 square feet.
8. An exercise area of at least 24,000 square feet if outdoors and 18,000 square feet if indoors must be available during competition hours within each calendar day between the hours of sunrise and sunset unless lighted as specified in HJ101.6. Any combination of exercise and schooling area must be a minimum of 30,000 square feet.
9. 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 during competition hours within each calendar day between the hours of sunrise and sunset unless lighted as specified in HJ101.6.
10. Minimum bleacher type seating capacity for at least one hundred (100) must be provided at one (1) of the main competition ring(s).
11. Overnight security for the purpose of deterring the removal of horses and/or equipment from the grounds must be provided. Exhibitors should recognize that it is not intended for the competitions to take responsibility for items owned by others.
12. Competition results must be available at the show office, on the internet or other convenient identified location within four (4) hours.
13. Water trucks, sprinklers, snow removal or other climate appropriate system must be used for dust reduction or other weather related conditions for all required and provided rings, schooling, exercise and lunging areas as well as all access and egress roads/paths.
14. Sun/rain weather appropriate and properly sized to shelter for horses and riders conveniently located to the competition rings must be provided.
15. The official competition veterinarian to be on grounds during periods of competition. The official competition veterinarian must be provided with a clean stall or other suitable area, protected from the elements, secured from public view, adequately lighted, with adequate electrical supply and running water, to serve as a first aid station for the emergency treatment of ill and injured horses.
16. Premier competitions must conduct award ceremonies and designate within the prize list both a time(s) during the program and location(s) for award ceremonies.
17. Premier competitions must provide a visible scoreboard {minimum of forty (40) square feet} adjacent to the Main Ring(s) where either/or both hunter and/or jumper competition are held.
18. Licensees providing a Premier Rated and/or Jumper Level 5 competition must select and describe with their license application a minimum of twenty (20) additional items (not on the required list for the Premier Rating) from HJ211, ten (10) of which must be selected from each group.
19. Communication or public address system which provides clear announcements from the competition rings to the stabling and trailer day parking areas.

**HJ208 HJS Over 500 Horses and Over 21 Days**

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. 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

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*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.*

***HJ209 Requirements for Federation Special Competitions and/or Jumper Level 6 Events***

*1. The purpose of this rating/level category is to allow the production of a special competition entertainment Event. This Event may be held in connection with a highly promoted and attended, and/or broadcast hunter and/or jumper competition. The venue and promotion of the Event would benefit the sport of Equestrian in a manner that would reflect favorably on the discipline of hunters and/or jumpers.*

*2. HJS applicable to the Event would be those set forth for a Premier competition. The special competition Event may not be required to meet all of the standards (including HJ competition standards) for a Premier hunter or jumper Level 5 competition, and a waiver may be authorized by the Federation, following consultation with the applicable Recognized Affiliate, to operate with modified standards for the Event.*

*3. The purpose of this Special competition rating is not to allow a scheduled licensed competition to operate other than in accordance with the minimum standards set forth above.*

*4. Special competition Event(s) may count for awards if they qualify and are approved by the Federation, following consultation with the applicable Recognized Affiliate, for the award participation.*

*5. An application to conduct a Special hunter and/or jumper competition, that requires a waiver or modification of the HJS or other standards applicable to a hunter and/or jumper competition, as either part of an existing competition or a separate competition, must receive approval by the Federation following consultation with the applicable Recognized Affiliate in accordance with GR301.2.*

*6. Mileage protection would not apply to a Special competition, unless the Special competition occurs within an existing licensed competition that has been licensed by the Federation, and already has mileage protection. Any mileage protection must be specifically requested and approved by the Federation, following consultation with the applicable Recognized Affiliate in accordance with GR301.2.*

***HJ210 HJS Options Menu Sections Required to Obtain Federation Rating for Premier, National, Regional I, or Regional II Rated and/or Jumper Levels 5, 4, 3, or 2. (See Specific Rating Requirements).***

*1. Licensees providing a Premier Rated and/or Jumper Level 5 competition must select and describe with their license application, a minimum of twenty (20) additional items (not on the required list for a Premier rated and/or jumper Level 5 competition) from HJ211, ten (10) of which must be selected from Group I.*

*2. Licensees providing a National Rated and/or jumper Level 3 and 4 competition must select and describe with their license application a minimum of sixteen (16) additional items (not on the required list for a National rated and/or jumper Level 3 and 4 competition) from HJ211, eight (8) of which must be selected from Group I.*

*3. Licensees providing a Regional I Rated and/or jumper Level 2 competition must select and describe with their license application a minimum of ten (10) additional items (not on the required list for a Regional I rated and/or Jumper Level 2 competition) from HJ211, four (4) of which must be selected from Group I.*

*4. Licensees providing a Regional II Rated competition must select and describe with their license application a minimum of ten (10) additional items (not on the required list for a Regional II rated competition) from HJ211, four (4) of which must be selected from Group I.*

*5. Licensees providing a Local competition are not required to provide any additional items from the options selection list.*

***HJ211 HJS Option Selection List***

*Rated hunter, hunter/jumper and/or jumper Levels 5, 4, 3, or 2 competitions must select and describe with their license application the required minimum number of items to be provided from optional items list below. Licensee(s) must select the number of items required for the Rating and cannot select option items already required for the competition rating.*

*1. Group I – In selecting the required number of options for the rating, note that options specifically required for a particular rating do not count toward the required number of options.*

*•Sun/rain shelter for spectators.*

*•VIP hospitality and sponsor lounge*

*•Designated main competition ring for hunters and/or jumpers which takes priority scheduling over all other competition rings with designated rider stand/seating.*

*•Competition website.*

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- Night watch for horses stabled on the grounds to be available to exhibitors to contract separately, at exhibitor cost.
- Provide a Jumbotron, defined as a functioning electronic board that provides both scoring information and video capability in at least one of the Main competition ring(s).
- Provide a functioning electronic scoreboard in at least one of the Main competition ring(s).
- Competition to designate access and egress for horses, pedestrians and vehicles which separates motor vehicles from horses and pedestrians.
- Camper hook ups with connections for water, electric and tank pump out.
- Permanent restroom facilities.
- Shower facilities.
- Ambulance or additional medical personnel exceeding the minimum required under Federation rules.
- Automatic External Defibrillator device (AED).
- Horse ambulance.
- Permanent stabling.
- Official competition photographer.
- Water trucks, sprinklers or another suitable system which must be used for dust reduction in all other areas in addition to rings, schooling, exercise and lunge areas.
- Conduct award ceremonies and designate within the prize list both a time(s) during the program (i.e. following completion of class 10) and location(s) for presentation award ceremonies.
- Provide a visible scoreboard (minimum of 60 square feet) adjacent to the Main competition ring(s) where either/or both hunter and/or jumper competitions are held.

2.Group II – In selecting the required number of options for the rating, note that options specifically required for a particular rating do not count toward the required number of options. \*Denotes options which may be required depending on rating.

- Wireless internet access.
- Exhibitor appreciation party.
- Exhibitor lounge.
- Climate appropriate exhibitor lounge area (heated or cooled).
- Online/internet competition entry system available at no charge.
- Acceptance of credit cards for payments by exhibitors.
- Equestrian equipment vendors with repair service.
- Veterinarian on grounds during entire competition.
- Provide two (2) or more food and beverage areas not including VIP or other restricted entry facilities.
- Provide golf carts which are available for rent on a reservation basis up to the close of entries.
- Implementation of a plan that includes measurable community awareness and involvement at the competition.
- Press center available during competition hours at no cost to the media covering the competition with protection from adverse weather conditions and provides electrical plugs and internet access.
- Official competition videographer.
- Sun/rain shelter for horses and riders.\*
- Twenty-four (24) hour security.\*
- A dedicated schooling area for each competition ring. The schooling area must not be used as an exercise or lunge area for the period beginning one (1) hour prior to the start of the first scheduled class in the competition ring until the conclusion of the last class in the competition ring.\*
- Farrier on grounds during entire competition.\*
- Seating for a minimum of one hundred (100) spectators at the Main competition ring.\*
- Electrical outlets throughout stable area.
- Storm drain in stable area.
- Isolation stalls.
- Hot water supply in stable area.
- Free wireless internet access.
- Upgraded horse wash area with one (1) spigot per 25 horses.
- Course Designer responsible for maximum of two (2) competition rings.
- Self-service station in show office for bills, results and class counts.
- Results and orders of go updated online daily.
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- Express checkout available.

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**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Competition Standards

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**Date Received:** 8/29/2013

***Intent of Proposal:***

to reorganize the rule, remove out of date language and add amendments for Horse Entry Standards and options.

***Proposed Effective Date:*** 12/1/2014

***Linked Rule Changes:***

**Committee/Organization**

**Draft: Action-Date**

USHJA Amateurs	1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action
USHJA Competition Management	1:Tabled - 12/02/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action
USHJA Competition Standards	1:Recommend Approval - 10/15/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action
USHJA Hunter Zone Council	1:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action
USHJA Jumper Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 11/25/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 1 : Should be accompanied with better oversight for enforcing these standards.</li> </ul>	
USHJA Jumper Zone Council	1:Tabled - 12/10/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action
USHJA Owners	1:Recommend Disapproval - 10/14/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 1 : Do not approve of the new name changes to the competition ratings (Premier, National, et cetera...)</li> </ul>	
USHJA Professionals	1:Recommend Disapproval - 12/09/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action
USHJA Young Professionals	1:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action

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**Status:** Approved

**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)



## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU106.8 - DRAFT 2

**Rule Number:** HU106.8

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 2

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#### ***Proposed Change:***

**HU106 Regular Hunter – Definition and Classifications** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-1 DEFINITIONS AND ELIGIBILITY] **add and renumber as necessary:**

#### **8. Thoroughbred Hunter**

**a. Thoroughbred restricted classes are open only to horses that are recorded with the Federation, registered with USHJA and are in possession of Breed Registry papers. Horses must have been either registered with The Jockey Club or meet one of the criteria below. All horse shows must require riders to verify registration on the day of the horse show through one of the following methods:**

- 1. The Jockey Club Certificate of Foal Registration or a copy thereof**
- 2. The horse's lip tattoo, the horse's 5-cross pedigree and the successful tattoo lookup result from The Jockey Club's Tattoo Identification Services, (located at [www.registry.jockeyclub.com](http://www.registry.jockeyclub.com))**
- 3. If neither of the above is available, a letter from The Jockey Club verifying the horse's identity.**
- b. Fences set at 3'0" spreads not to exceed height of fence.**
- c. Cross entry into other sections is allowed unless otherwise stated in the prize list.**
- d. Championships must be offered in accordance with HU146.**
- e. This section will be C rated for Zone Horse of the Year Awards as per GR313.6**

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter & Jumper Working Group

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**Date Received:** 8/26/2013

#### ***Intent of Proposal:***

To integrate Thoroughbreds back into the show ring and provide an avenue for them to do so.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

#### ***Linked Rule Changes:***

GR313.6 (239-13), GR1131.9 (240-13), GR1133.5 (241-13), HU121.19 (242-13), HU166 (243-13), JP133.3 (244-13), JP120.1-JP120.2 (323-13)

#### **Committee/Organization**

#### **Draft: Action-Date**

Jumper

1:No Action, 2:No Action

National Hunter

1:Recommend Approval - 09/09/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013

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**Status:** Approved  
**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

USHJA Competition Management

1:No Action, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/02/2013

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013

USHJA Hunter Zone Council

1:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/09/2013

USHJA Professionals

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USHJA Young Professionals

1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013

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# Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

## HU108.1c - DRAFT 1

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**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

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### **Proposed Change:**

**HU108.1.c- Adult Amateur** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-1 DEFINITIONS AND ELIGIBILITY] **change to read:**

Ponies may be ridden by adults; however ponies shown by adults at a Licensed Competition cannot ~~compete in any rated Pony Hunter sections at the same competition with a junior rider~~ **be shown by juniors at the same competition.** (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 **hunter classes restricted to ponies**).

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter Working Group

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**Date Received:** 8/26/2013

### **Intent of Proposal:**

To eliminate an adult from showing a pony at the same competition in which a junior shows the same pony.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

### **Linked Rule Changes:**

<u><b>Committee/Organization</b></u>	<u><b>Draft: Action-Date</b></u>
National Hunter	1:Recommend Approval - 09/09/2013
USHJA Childrens/Adult Hunter Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013
USHJA Hunter Zone Council	1:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013
USHJA Professionals	1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU110.6 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** HU110.6

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

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**Proposed Change:**

**HU110 Pony Hunter** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-1 DEFINITIONS AND ELIGIBILITY] **change to read:**

6. Ponies shown in ~~any rated Pony Hunter, Green Pony Hunter, Children's Hunter Pony, or Pony Jumper sections,~~ may not be shown by an exhibitor 18 years of age or older at the same competition, **by a junior cannot be shown by an adult at the same competition**, except in breeding classes in-hand **and in accordance with HU108.**

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**SubProponent:** Hunter Working Group

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**Intent of Proposal:**

To eliminate a professional rider from showing a pony in an unrated section before the junior rider competes.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

**Linked Rule Changes:**

**Committee/Organization**

**Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter	1:Recommend Approval - 09/09/2013
USHJA Childrens/Adult Hunter Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013
USHJA Hunter Zone Council	1:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013
USHJA Professionals	1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU111.3 - HU111.7 - DRAFT 5

**Rule Number:** HU111.3 - HU111.7

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 5

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#### **Proposed Change:**

**HU111 Junior & Children's Hunters [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-1 DEFINITIONS AND ELIGIBILITY] change to read:**

HU111 Junior (**3'3" and 3'6"**) & Children's Hunters

3. If the Junior Hunter sections ~~is~~ **are** divided by size, ~~it~~ **they** must be divided into Large and Small. "A" rated Junior Hunter **3'6"** sections at "AA" **Premier** rated competitions must be offered as four sections (large/younger, large/older, small/younger, small/older). **Junior Hunter 3'3" may be offered as one section or may be offered as divided by size of horse and/or age of rider. Junior Hunter 3'3" may not be offered unless Junior Hunter 3'6" is also offered.**

**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) 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 redividing any section(s).** ~~If there are six or more entries in each divided section, the divided sections must be held separately.~~

~~4. 5. If the Junior Hunter section is split by size, the horse may be shown over fences by different riders as long as they are from the same age group.~~ If the Junior Hunter division is split by size, for the purpose of over fence classes only, if an animal is being shown by more than one rider, each rider must be in the same age group. Of 15 & under or 16-17.

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~~7-8.~~ At **Premier, National, Regional I or Regional II** "AA", "A", ~~"B"~~ or "C" rated competitions if there are ~~less~~ **fewer** than three (3) entries in the Amateur Owner 3'3", the Amateur Owner 3'6", the Junior Hunter 3'3" or the Junior Hunter 3'6" sections, they may be combined.

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**Date Received:** 8/27/2013

#### **Intent of Proposal:**

To give competition management nationwide options to re-split sections that, when combined, are either too large or have created an unlevel playing field.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 4/1/2014

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## HU111.3 - HU111.7 - DRAFT 5

### Linked Rule Changes:

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<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>
National Hunter	1:Recommend Approval - 09/09/2013, 2:No Action, 3:Recommend Disapproval - 12/10/2013, 4:No Action, 5:Recommend Approval - 01/09/2014
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 3 : The Committee prefers draft 1 because it does not have a time limit for dividing sections.</li> </ul>
USHJA Childrens/Adult Hunter Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013, 2:No Action, 3:Recommend Disapproval - 12/09/2013, 4:No Action, 5:No Action
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 3 : Would approve if the sentence "Nor may individuals utilize cell phones...."</li> </ul>
USHJA Competition Management	1:No Action, 2:No Action - 12/02/2013, 3:Recommend Disapproval - 12/11/2013, 4:No Action, 5:No Action
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 2 : May approve if a time frame were included.</li> <li>Draft 3 : "Management has the right to set a time limit to determine a time frame prior to the start of the class for the combining and dividing of sections" should be added in place of the current time frame</li> </ul>
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:No Action, 2:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013, 3:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013, 4:No Action, 5:No Action
USHJA Hunter Zone Council	1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/04/2013, 2:No Action, 3:Recommend Disapproval - 12/09/2013, 4:No Action, 5:No Action
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 1 : This will be too confusing for exhibitors and management to understand when late entries are accepted.</li> <li>Draft 3 : Allow competition management to determine the process.</li> </ul>
USHJA Junior Hunter Taskforce	1:Recommend Approval - 10/30/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action - 12/10/2013, 4:No Action, 5:No Action
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 3 : Refer to the amendment from the USEF National Hunter Committee</li> </ul>
USHJA Professionals	1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013, 2:No Action, 3:Recommend Disapproval - 12/09/2013, 4:No Action, 5:No Action
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 3 : Pro TF continues to support Draft 1</li> </ul>
USHJA Young Professionals	1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013, 2:No Action, 3:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013, 4:No Action, 5:No Action

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## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU111.8 - DRAFT 1

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**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

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#### **Proposed Change:**

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

8. All horses showing in the Junior Hunter Division at Regular Competitions must have a Federation measurement card

a. A large Junior Hunter is ~~a horse over 16 hands. and over.~~

b. A small Junior Hunter is ~~under 16.0 hands and under.~~

**(1) Beginning, December 1, 2014, and ending November 30, 2015, an application may be made for a one time re-measurement from the Large Junior Hunter section to the Small Junior Hunter section.**

**(2) No penalties will be associated with this re-measurement and the horse may immediately begin competing in its new section.**

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**SubProponent:** Hunter Working Group

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**Date Received:** 8/26/2013

#### **Intent of Proposal:**

To make measurement labeling more uniform and to provide for those horses at 16.0 hands to be a Small Junior Hunter, thus strengthening the Small Junior Hunter sections. Large junior hunters that currently possess a measurement card at 16 hands and have been re-classified as small junior hunters will be allowed to transfer their points to the appropriate section for Devon, Harrisburg, WIHS and the National Horse Show. Points will not change for Zone or Horse of the Year standings.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

#### **Linked Rule Changes:**

#### **Committee/Organization**

#### **Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter	1:Recommend Approval - 09/09/2013
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013
USHJA Hunter Zone Council	1:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013
USHJA Junior Hunter Taskforce	1:Recommend Approval - 10/30/2013
USHJA Stewards	1:Recommend Approval - 10/30/2013





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### HU112.1 - HU112.5 - DRAFT 3

**Rule Number:** HU112.1 - HU112.5

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 3

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**Proposed Change:**

**HU112 General** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-2 DIVISION OF SECTIONS OR CLASSES] **add and renumber as necessary:**

**HU112 General**

1. Sections may not be divided if there are less than 30 entries. (Exception: Green Working, Amateur Owner and Adult Amateur Hunter sections refer to HU115.)  
2. Any section with 50 or more entries at the beginning of the first class must be divided. If there are 50 or more entries remaining in a section after it has been divided, the section must be re-divided by every other number. Once a section has been re-divided it may not be divided further.

**3. Any combined section with a total of 12 or more entries must be divided in a manner that guarantees a minimum of six in each section. Management may determine a cutoff time for entering before redividing any section(s).**

**4. Definition of Floating Split: A Floating Split allows management to adjust sections offered split by age in the prize list either up or down in one year increments until the minimum number of entries required for each new section has been reached. As long as the minimum requirements for splitting sections are met, management may split the sections using the age split they deem most appropriate for their competition. Rider age must be given on the entry blank.**

**5. Definition of a California Split: The California Split is used to divide large classes. The judge keeps track of twice the number of placings required for either ribbons or the jog order. At the completion of the class, the judge creates two separate orders using alternating numbers in the following manner: the highest score is first in Section A, the second highest score is first in Section B, the third highest score is second in Section A, the fourth highest score is second in Section B and so on until all placings are awarded or the jog order is complete. The result is two sections of the same class being pinned separately.**

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- ~~4- 7.~~
- ~~5- 8.~~
- ~~6- 9.~~
- ~~7- 10.~~

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**SubProponent:** Hunter Working Group

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**Intent of Proposal:**

#3- To allow for competition management across the country to divide the applicable hunter sections so that all of the sections originally offered can be held separately as intended, rather than having to combine them. #4- To define a "Floating Split" that can be utilized consistently by competition management across the country to divide the applicable hunter sections in a manner that will

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allow all of the sections originally offered to be held separately as intended, rather than having to combine them.#5 – To define a “California Split” and ensure consistent use of the split nationwide.

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**Linked Rule Changes:**

<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>
National Hunter	1:Recommend Approval - 09/09/2013, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 12/10/2013, 3:Recommend Approval - 01/09/2014
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 2 : The Committee prefers draft 1 because it does not have a time limit for dividing sections.</li> </ul>	
USHJA Amateurs	1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 12/10/2013, 3:No Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 2 : Would approve if the sentence was removed "all dividing must be completed prior to the show office closing on the day before..."</li> </ul>	
USHJA Childrens/Adult Hunter Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/09/2013, 3:No Action
USHJA Competition Management	1:No Action - 12/02/2013, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 12/11/2013, 3:No Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 1 : May approve if a time frame were included.</li> <li>Draft 2 : "Management has the right to set a time limit to determine a time frame prior to the start of the class for the combining and dividing of sections" should be added in place of the current time frame</li> </ul>	
USHJA Hunter Development Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 12/10/2013, 3:No Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 2 : Remove second sentence of #3.</li> </ul>	
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:No Action, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013, 3:No Action
USHJA Hunter Zone Council	1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/04/2013, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 12/09/2013, 3:No Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 1 : This will be too confusing for exhibitors and management to understand when late entries are accepted.</li> <li>Draft 2 : Would approve if the sentence "All dividing must be completed prior to the show office closing..."</li> </ul>	
USHJA Junior Hunter Taskforce	1:Recommend Approval - 10/30/2013, 2:No Action - 12/10/2013, 3:No Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 2 : Refer to the amendment from the USEF National Hunter Committee</li> </ul>	
USHJA Owners	1:Recommend Approval - 10/14/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action
USHJA Pony Hunter Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 10/14/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013, 3:No Action
USHJA Professionals	1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013, 2:Recommend

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change**  
**HU112.1 - HU112.5 - DRAFT 3**

**Status:** Approved

**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

Disapproval - 12/09/2013, 3:No Action

- Draft 2 : Pro TF continues to support Draft 1

USHJA Young Professionals

1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013, 2:Recommend  
Approval - 12/11/2013, 3:No Action

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## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU112.2 - HU112.5 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** HU112.2 - HU112.5

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

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#### **Proposed Change:**

**HU112 General.** [CHAPTER Subchapter HU-2 DIVISION OF SECTIONS OR CLASSES.] **add and renumber as necessary:**

1. Sections may not be divided if there are less than 30 entries. (Exception: Green Working, Amateur Owner and Adult Amateur Hunter sections refer to HU115.)
2. Any section with 50 or more entries at the beginning of the first class must be divided. If there are 50 or more entries remaining in a section after it has been divided, the section must be redivided by every other number. Once a section has been redivided it may not be divided further.
3. **Sections must be divided or combined based on the number of entries in the first over fences class and may not be combined or divided after the first class. Exception: Performance/High Performance Working Hunter, see HU112.4.**
4. **In Performance Working Hunter and High Performance Hunter sections where individual classes may be entered, the sections can be divided after the first over fences class if there are 30 or more entries in subsequent classes. The number of Championship and Reserve Championships that are awarded will be determined by the number of sections created from dividing the first over fences class only.**
- ~~3-~~ 5. Prize money in all rated classes at all licensed competitions must be distributed as follows: a minimum of 30% for 1st, 22% for 2nd, 15% for 3rd, with the balance to be distributed at competition management's discretion.
- ~~4-~~ 6. Prize money must be doubled whenever a section is divided.
- ~~5-~~ 7. Option to dividing classes by every other number:
  - a. As an option to dividing classes by every other number, all entries may be judged as a single class and awarded prizes as follows; however, points will be awarded based on the number of entries in each section after it has been divided.

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**Proponent:** National Hunter

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**USEF# Staff**

**Date Received:** 4/4/2013

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#### **Intent of Proposal:**

The USEF Results Department is reporting that competitions are dividing hunter sections after the first class has been held and this is causing difficulty in posting points and determining the Champion and Reserve Champion. This rule change will further support the requirement that sections are divided/combined based on the number of entries in the first over fences class and that sections cannot be combined or divided after the first class. This rule change will also provide an exception for performance hunter because those sections allow entry into individual classes resulting in greater fluctuation of entry numbers after the first class.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 4/1/2014

#### **Linked Rule Changes:**

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#### **Committee/Organization**

USHJA Amateurs

#### **Draft: Action-Date**

1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change**  
**HU112.2 - HU112.5 - DRAFT 1**

USHJA Childrens/Adult Hunter Task Force

1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013

USHJA Competition Management

1:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013

USHJA Hunter Development Task Force

1:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013

USHJA Hunter Zone Council

1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/04/2013

- Draft 1 : This will be too confusing for exhibitors and management to understand when late entries are accepted.

USHJA Junior Hunter Taskforce

1:Recommend Approval - 10/30/2013

USHJA Owners

1:Recommend Approval - 10/14/2013

USHJA Pony Hunter Task Force

1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013

USHJA Professionals

1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013

USHJA Young Professionals

1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013

# Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

## HU113.1 - HU113.2 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** HU113.1 - HU113.2

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

**Proposed Change:**

**HU113 Green Sections** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-2 DIVISION OF SECTIONS OR CLASSES] **change to read:**

**HU113 Green Sections**

1. ~~If there is a combined total of 20 horses in an "A" rated Green Working Hunter section, and there are at least six first year green horses, and there are at least six second year green horses, #~~ **the Green Section** ~~must be divided.~~
2. When entries warrant, competitions are encouraged to offer separate sections for first and second year horses. ~~a. Separate championships may be offered only when all classes are divided and each section offers the required number of classes and prize money for an undivided section. b. The prize list must state under what conditions classes are to be divided.~~

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter Working Group

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

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**USEF#**

**Date Received:** 8/27/2013

**Intent of Proposal:**

To create consistency in the dividing of sections within the Hunter Division

**Proposed Effective Date:** 4/1/2014

**Linked Rule Changes:**

**Committee/Organization**

**Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter

1:Recommend Approval - 09/09/2013

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU115.1 - HU115.2 - DRAFT 4

**Rule Number:** HU115.1 - HU115.2

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 4

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

#### **Proposed Change:**

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

##### 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 12 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 redividing any section(s).*** Exception: At "A" or "AA" rated competitions, if the sections a floating split may be used. When a floating split is used, the median age of all amateur riders entered in the section will be used to divide the section into younger and older amateur. Notice of the use of ***When using*** a floating split, and 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. Age must be given on entry blank. These sections may be further divided by age of rider or by every other number. ~~If there are fewer than six entries in either divided section, they must be combined. If there are six or more entries in each divided section, the divided sections must be held separately.~~
- b. Sections of Amateur Owner Hunter 3'6" held at "A" or "AA" rated competitions must offer at least two (2) divided sections and may be divided as stipulated in Section 1(a) above.
- c. At ***Premier, National, Regional I or Regional II*** ~~"AA", "A", "B" or "C"~~ rated competitions if there are fewer than six ***three (3)*** entries in the Amateur Owner 3'3", the Amateur Owner 3'6", ***the Junior Hunter 3'3"*** or the Junior Hunter 3'6" sections, these sections may be combined. The competition management may choose to combine the classes as necessary, based on the sections with the lightest entries. If sections are combined, the horses must jump the respective height of the original section entered. In addition while the sections can be combined if entries warrant, in order for Horse of the Year points to count they must be offered separately in the prize list.

##### 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 12 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.)*** ~~(See HU112 for definition of a Floating and California Split.)~~ Exception: At "A" or "AA" rated competitions a floating split may be used. When a floating split is used, the median age of all amateur riders entered in the section will be used to divide the sections into younger and older amateur. Notice of the use of ***When using*** a floating split, and 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. Age must be given on entry blank. These sections may be further divided by age of rider or by every other number. ~~If there are fewer than six entries in either divided section, they must be combined. If there are six or more entries in each divided section, the divided sections must be held separately.~~
- b. Sections of Amateur Owner Hunter 3'3" held at "A" or "AA" rated competitions must offer at least two divided sections and may be divided as stipulated in Section 2(a) above.
- c. At ***Premier, National, Regional I or Regional II*** rated competitions if there are fewer than three (3) entries in the Amateur Owner 3'3", the Amateur Owner 3'6", the Junior Hunter 3'3" or the Junior Hunter 3'6" sections, these sections may be combined. The competition management may choose to combine the classes as necessary, based on the sections with the lightest entries. If sections are combined, the horses must jump the respective height of the original section entered. In addition while the sections can be combined if entries warrant, in order for Horse of the Year points to count they must be offered separately in the prize list.

***e-d.*** Riders may cross enter between the Adult Amateur (if Zone Specifications permit), Amateur Owner 3'3" and/or the Amateur

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change****HU115.1 - HU115.2 - DRAFT 4**

Owner 3'6" sections. Horses may not cross enter between the sections.

d. To be ridden by Amateur Owners or an amateur member of the owner's family. In either case, classes are restricted to riders who are no longer eligible to compete as junior exhibitors. Leased horses are not eligible and multiple ownership is not permitted unless all owners are members of the same family.

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter Working Group

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

**USEF#**

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**Date Received:** 8/27/2013

***Intent of Proposal:***

To give competition management nationwide options to re-split sections that when combined, are either too large or have created an unlevel playing field. \*The four places where "may" is highlighted – we'd like the word to remain bold and italicized when printed in the paper or online rule book.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 4/1/2014

***Linked Rule Changes:***

HU118.1b (292-13)

**Committee/Organization****Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter

1:Recommend Approval - 09/09/2013, 2:No Action,  
3:Recommend Disapproval - 12/10/2013, 4:Recommend  
Approval - 01/09/2014

- Draft 3 : The Committee prefers draft 1 because it does not have a time limit for dividing sections.

USHJA Amateurs

1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013, 2:No Action,  
3:Recommend Disapproval - 12/10/2013, 4:No Action

- Draft 3 : Would approve if the sentence was removed "all dividing must be completed prior to the show office closing on the day before..."

USHJA Childrens/Adult Hunter Task Force

1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013, 2:No Action,  
3:Recommend Disapproval - 12/09/2013, 4:No Action

- Draft 3 : Competition management should have the option for how to combine/divide the sections based on the entries.

USHJA Competition Management

1:No Action - 12/02/2013, 2:No Action, 3:Recommend  
Disapproval - 12/11/2013, 4:No Action

- Draft 1 : May approve if a time frame were included.
- Draft 3 : "management has the right to set a time limit to determine a time frame prior to the start of the class for the combining and dividing of sections" should be added in section c

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:No Action, 2:No Action, 3:Recommend Approval -  
12/11/2013, 4:No Action



## **Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change HU115.1 - HU115.2 - DRAFT 4**

**Status:** Approved

**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

USHJA Hunter Zone Council

1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/04/2013, 2:No Action,  
3:Recommend Disapproval - 12/09/2013, 4:No Action

- Draft 1 : This will be too confusing for exhibitors and management to understand when late entries are accepted.
- Draft 3 : Allow competition management to determine the process.

USHJA Professionals

1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013, 2:No Action,  
3:Recommend Disapproval - 12/09/2013, 4:No Action

- Draft 3 : Pro TF continues to support Draft 1

USHJA Young Professionals

1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013, 2:No Action,  
3:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013, 4:No Action

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# Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

## HU117.1 - DRAFT 3

**Rule Number:** HU117.1

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 3

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

### Proposed Change:

**HU117 Junior & Children's Hunter Sections** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-2 DIVISION OF SECTIONS OR CLASSES] **change to read:**

HU117 Junior (**3'3" and 3'6"**)& Children's Hunter Sections

1. When divided, classes **sections** must be split **using one of the following options (Children's Hunter sections must be split in accordance with applicable Zone Specifications):** as follows:

a. Junior Hunter(3'3" and 3'6"): by height of horse; large 16 hands and over, small under 16 hands;

**a. By age of rider (age must be given on entry blank)**

b. Children's Hunter: ~~b~~By height of horse in accordance with applicable Zone Specifications;

**c. Floating Split (See HU112 for definition of Floating Split.)**

**d. California Split (See HU112 for definition of California Split.)**

e. Junior Hunter(3'3" and 3'6"): by age of rider 15 & Under and 16-17;

d. Children's Hunter: by age of rider in accordance with applicable Zone Specifications;

e. by every other number on the list of entries, or the method of dividing must be stated in the prize list.

2. If there are 50 or more entries in the section at the beginning of the first class it must be divided by (a-~~ee~~) above and the prize money must be doubled. A section with less than 30 entries cannot be divided.

3. If there are 50 or more entries remaining in a section after it has been divided, the section must be re-divided and the prize money must be doubled. Once a section has been re-divided it may be divided further if management so desires.

4. It is recommended that when competitions anticipate 50 horses or more this section be divided by (a) or (b) above when prize list is prepared.

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter Working Group

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

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**USEF#**

**Date Received:** 8/27/2013

### Intent of Proposal:

To give competition management nationwide options to re-split sections that when combined, are either too large or have created an unlevel playing field.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 4/1/2014

### Linked Rule Changes:

### Committee/Organization

### Draft: Action-Date

National Hunter

1:Recommend Approval - 09/09/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 01/09/2014, 3:Recommend Approval - 01/10/2014

USHJA Childrens/Adult Hunter Task Force

1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change  
HU117.1 - DRAFT 3****Status:** Approved**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

## Action

USHJA Competition Management

1:Recommend Disapproval - 12/11/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action

- Draft 1 : We'd approve if the Junior owner and non owner to ride were struck from the list

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Recommend Disapproval - 12/11/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action

- Draft 1 : Would approve if "e" junior owner was removed

USHJA Hunter Zone Council

1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/04/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action

- Draft 1 : There are enough ways to split the section already. Do not write a rule for a small group of exhibitors.

USHJA Junior Hunter Taskforce

1:Recommend Approval - 10/30/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action

USHJA Professionals

1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action

USHJA Young Professionals

1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU118.1b - DRAFT 2

**Rule Number:** HU118.1b

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 2

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**Proposed Change:**

**HU118 Rated Section Requirements for Junior Hunter** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-2 DIVISION OF SECTIONS OR CLASSES]  
**change to read:**

**HU118 Rated Section Requirements for Junior Hunters**

1. "A" Rated **3'6" Junior Hunter** Sections. At least two sections must be offered in the prize list. Four (4) or five (5) classes are required in each section with a minimum of \$500 prize money offered in each section. At Premier rated competitions, four **3'6" Junior Hunter** sections must be offered in the prize list (**see HU111.3**).

2. **3'3" Junior Hunter Sections. Junior Hunter 3'3" may not be offered unless Junior Hunter 3'6" is also offered. Junior Hunter 3'3" may be offered as one section or may be offered as divided by size of horse and/or age of rider.**

~~a.~~ 3. Management may elect to offer four (4) classes **in "A" rated sections**. If four (4) classes are offered at a multiple day competition, no more than two (2) classes may be held on one day and no more than 50% of the prize money may be offered on one day.

~~b.~~ Sections must be combined only if there are fewer than six (6) entries in either split section.

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**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter Working Group

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

**USEF#**

**Email:** wmoroney@ushja.org

**Date Received:** 8/27/2013

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**Intent of Proposal:**

To remove repetitive text from inappropriate section of rule book.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 4/1/2014

**Linked Rule Changes:**

HU115.1-HU115.2 (290-13)

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change**  
**HU118.1b - DRAFT 2****Status:** Approved  
**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)**Committee/Organization****Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter

1:Recommend Approval - 09/09/2013, 2:Recommend  
Approval - 01/09/2014

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013, 2:No Action

USHJA Junior Hunter Taskforce

1:Recommend Approval - 10/30/2013, 2:No Action

# Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

## HU121.12 - DRAFT 2

**Status:** Approved  
**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

**Rule Number:** HU121.12  
**Rule Change Type:** Standard  
**Draft:** 2

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### **Proposed Change:**

**HU121 Height of Obstacles** [CHAPTER Subchapter HU-3 Courses] **add and renumber as necessary:**

12. Regular Pony Hunter: 2'3" for small, 2'6" for medium and **2'9" - 3'0"** for large. (See HU124 regarding spread of fences).

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter Working Group

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

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**USEF#**

**Date Received:** 8/23/2013

### **Intent of Proposal:**

To allow horse show managers and course designers the flexibility to hold the large pony section at a height that suits their competition. (i.e. ring size, footing conditions, lack of entries)

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

### **Linked Rule Changes:**

### **Committee/Organization**

### **Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter

1:Recommend Approval - 09/09/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Referred - 11/18/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013

USHJA Hunter Zone Council

1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/04/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/09/2013

- Draft 1 : The recommendation to change the height of the fences lowers the competition standards. There are plenty of other sections that a Large Pony can compete in at 2'9. Consider changing the distances for Large Pony.

USHJA Professionals

1:Recommend Disapproval - 10/28/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/09/2013

- Draft 1 : TF feels Large Pony Hunters should continue to jump 3'0".

# Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

## HU121.19 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** HU121.19

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

**Proposed Change:**

**HU121 Height of Obstacles [CHAPTER Subchapter HU-3 Courses] add and renumber as necessary:**

**19. Thoroughbred Hunter: 3'0"**

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter & Jumper Working Groups

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

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**USEF#**

**Date Received:** 8/23/2013

**Intent of Proposal:**

To integrate Thoroughbreds back into the show ring and provide an avenue for them to do so.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

**Linked Rule Changes:**

GR313.6 (239-13), GR1131.9 (240-13), GR1133.5 (241-13), HU166 (243-13), JP133.3 (244-13), HU106.8 (257-13), JP120.1-JP120.2 (323-13)

**Committee/Organization**

**Draft: Action-Date**

Jumper

1:No Action

National Hunter

1:Recommend Approval - 09/09/2013

USHJA Competition Management

1:Recommend Approval - 12/02/2013

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013

USHJA

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change  
HU121.19 - DRAFT 1**

**Status:** Approved

**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)



## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU122.3 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** HU122.3

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

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**Proposed Change:**

**HU122 Type [CHAPTER HU-3 Courses] change to read:**

Change to Read:

3. Every course must have at least four different type obstacles. (Exception: see HU144.10). All obstacles must be at least 20' 8" wide or have wings at least 24" wide across the jumpable portion. ~~that are at least 12" higher than the obstacle. (Exception: pen jumps.)~~

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**USEF#** 214722

**Date Received:** 5/31/2013

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**Intent of Proposal:**

The requirement that obstacles be at least 20' wide is very outdated ... almost all regular obstacles are only 17' wide (12' wide rails and two wings that are 30" wide each). In many indoor arenas, obstacles are only 10' to 15' wide total. Rather than have a rule about the total width of a jump, it is simpler to make a minimum width for the jumpable portion of the obstacle and leave the type and dimensions of the wings, pillars, uprights, etc. up to the individual course designers based upon the arena, conditions and available equipment.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

**Linked Rule Changes:**

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**Committee/Organization**

**Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter

1:Recommend Approval - 11/11/2013

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013

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**Other Comments:**

12.18.13 withdrawn per email from Melanie Fransen

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU122.3 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** HU122.3

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

**Proposed Change:**

**HU122.3** [CHAPTER subchapter HU 3 Courses] **change to read:**

HU 122.3 Every course must have at least four different type obstacles. (Exception: see HU144.10). ***The jumpable portion of Aall*** ~~obstacles must be at least 20' wide~~ ***be a minimum width of eight feet wide.*** ~~or have wings at least 24" wide that are at least 12" higher than the obstacle. (Exception: pen jumps.)~~

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Course Desingers

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

**USEF#**

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**Date Received:** 8/30/2013

**Intent of Proposal:**

Safety concern for exhibitors

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

**Linked Rule Changes:**

**Committee/Organization**

**Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter	1:Recommend Approval - 09/09/2013
USHJA Competition Management	1:Recommend Approval - 12/02/2013
USHJA Course Designer Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 11/23/2013
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013
USHJA Professionals	1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/18/2013

- Draft 1 : Feel it is safe for jumpable portion of fence to be 6' if it has wings

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU122.6 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** HU122.6

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

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#### **Proposed Change:**

**HU122 Type [CHAPTER HU-3 Courses] change to read:**

Change to Read:

6. In Handy classes obstacles must simulate those found in trappy hunting country. The course must have at least two changes of direction and at least one combination **in and out** as well as three of the following: hand gallop a jump, bending line, rollback turn, fence at the end of the ring or open a gate while mounted or trot over one obstacle (**exception: in and outs are optional for Pony Handy courses**). Judges must place emphasis on promptness and tight turns with precedence being given in that order. Handiness is defined as time and ground saving movement without adversely affecting performance or style. Brilliance of pace is defined as a faster pace than ordinary, without sacrificing performance or style. Hand Gallop is defined as a significant increase in pace without sacrificing performance or style.

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**Date Received:** 6/1/2013

#### **Intent of Proposal:**

It is called a "combination" in the jumper ring and an "in and out" in the hunter ring, so just clarifying the language. Making the in and out optional for Pony Handy Hunter classes increases safety in the many, many instances where the level of the competition does not warrant such.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

#### **Linked Rule Changes:**

#### **Committee/Organization**

#### **Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter

1:Recommend Approval - 11/11/2013

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013

USHJA Pony Hunter Task Force

1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU124.1d - DRAFT 3

**Rule Number:** HU124.1d

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 3

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**Proposed Change:**

**HU124 Pony Hunter** [CHAPTER HU, SUBCHAPTER HU-3 COURSES, PONY HUNTER] **change to read:**

**HU124 Pony Hunter.**

***In the event that any or all of the Pony Hunter sections (Small, Medium, Large) are combined, the course designer may add or remove fill as necessary to meet the requirements of HU124.1c (spread of a jump). Every effort should be made to make the jump look as similar as possible at each height. Any removed fill should not be left next to the jump, and should be placed within an island or decoration, or removed completely from the ring.***

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter Working Group

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

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**USEF#**

**Date Received:** 8/26/2013

**Intent of Proposal:**

This will allow consistency among the course when height sections are combined and eliminate problems that arise when extra jump materials are left around the obstacle, changing its appearance.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

**Linked Rule Changes:**

**Committee/Organization**

**Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter

1:Recommend Approval - 09/09/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013, 3:Recommend Approval - 01/09/2014

USHJA Competition Management

1:Recommend Disapproval - 12/02/2013, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 12/11/2013, 3:No Action

- Draft 1 : Would approve if the last sentence of d. read...No extra jump materials should be left near the jumps in the arena.
- Draft 2 : Take out the last sentence and would approve

USHJA Course Designer Task Force

1:Tabled - 11/23/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013, 3:No Action

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:No Action, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013, 3:No Action

USHJA Hunter Zone Council

1:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013, 2:Recommend

USHJA

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change**  
**HU124.1d - DRAFT 3**

**Status:** Approved

**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

USHJA Professionals

Approval - 12/09/2013, 3:No Action

1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No  
Action

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## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU125.1 - HU125.3 - DRAFT 3

**Rule Number:** HU125.1 - HU125.3

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 3

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**Proposed Change:**

**HU 125 TACK** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-4 ATTIRE, TACK AND EQUIPMENT, ] **change to read:**

**1. Conventional snaffles, pelhams and full bridles, all with cavesson nose bands, are required.**

**a. Judges may penalize, but may not eliminate, a horse or pony that competes in an unconventional snaffle, pelham, or full bridle. Unconventional snaffles, pelhams, or full bridles include, but are not limited to, hunter gags, kimberwickes, etc.**

**b. Judges must eliminate a horse or pony that competes in bits other than snaffles, pelhams or full bridles, and nosebands other than cavesson nosebands. Illegal bits include, but are not limited to, three rings, gags (other than the hunter gag), et cetera... Illegal nosebands include, but are not limited to, drop, flash and figure eight nosebands.**

**2. Horses must return to the ring for conformation or soundness wearing a snaffle, pelham or full bridle with a cavesson noseband.**

**3. Martingales of any type are prohibited in Under Saddle, hack and tie-breaking classes. Standing and running martingales used in the conventional manner are allowed for all over fences classes. All other martingales are considered illegal. A judge must eliminate a horse or pony that competes in a martingale other than a standing or running martingale used in the conventional manner.**

HU125 Tack

~~1. Regulation snaffles, pelhams and full bridles, all with cavesson nose bands, are recommended. A judge may penalize for non-conventional types of bits or nosebands.~~

~~2. Competitors may be refused an award unless they return to the ring for conformation or soundness with the same complete bridle in which they have performed.~~

~~3. Martingales of any type are prohibited in Under Saddle, hack and tie-breaking classes. Standing martingales are allowed for all over fence classes. All other martingales may be considered unconventional.~~

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter Working Group

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

**USEF#**

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**Date Received:** 9/3/2013

**Intent of Proposal:**

1 and 3: To clarify the definition of conventional tack. 2. To clarify the bridle that may be used in the jog.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 4/1/2014

**Linked Rule Changes:**

**Committee/Organization**

National Hunter

**Draft: Action-Date**

1:Tabled - 09/09/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 10/07/2013,  
3:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change  
HU125.1 - HU125.3 - DRAFT 3****Status:** Approved**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

USHJA Amateurs

1:No Action, 2:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013,  
3:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013

USHJA Childrens/Adult Hunter Task Force

1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013, 2:Recommend  
Approval - 12/09/2013, 3:No Action - 01/01/1900

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:No Action, 2:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013,  
3:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013

USHJA Hunter Zone Council

1:No Action, 2:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013, 3:No  
Action

USHJA Judges Taskforce

1:No Action, 2:Recommend Approval - 11/25/2013,  
3:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013

USHJA Junior Hunter Taskforce

1:No Action, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 10/30/2013, 3:No  
Action

- Draft 2 : Kimberwicks should not be considered unconventional

USHJA Owners

1:Recommend Approval - 10/14/2013, 2:No Action -  
01/01/1900, 3:No Action

USHJA Pony Hunter Task Force

1:Tabled - 11/18/2013, 2:No Action, 3:Recommend Approval -  
12/10/2013

USHJA Professionals

1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013, 2:Recommend  
Disapproval - 12/09/2013, 3:No Action

- Draft 2 : Would approve if word "Conventional" was removed starting sentence with "Snaffles..."

USHJA Young Professionals

1:No Action, 2:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013,  
3:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013

# Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

## HU125.4 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** HU125.4

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

### **Proposed Change:**

**hunter weighted boots** [CHAPTER Subchapter HU 4 Attire tack and equipment] **add and renumber as necessary:**

**HU125.4 The total maximum weight of equipment allowed to be added to a Horse's leg, front or hind (single or multiple boots, fetlock rings, etc), is 500 grams or 17.637 ounces (shoe excluded). Failure to comply with this paragraph will incur disqualification.**

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Stewards

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

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**Date Received:** 8/29/2013

### **Intent of Proposal:**

Align with jumper rules

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

### **Linked Rule Changes:**

### **Committee/Organization**

### **Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter

1:Recommend Approval - 09/09/2013

USHJA Amateurs

1:Recommend Disapproval - 12/10/2013

- Draft 1 : This rule is not necessary. Hunters do not show in boots so this will be hard to enforce in the schooling area.

USHJA Childrens/Adult Hunter Task Force

1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013

USHJA Junior Hunter Taskforce

1:Recommend Disapproval - 10/30/2013

- Draft 1 : This rule is not necessary

USHJA Pony Hunter Task Force

1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/18/2013

USHJA Professionals

1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013

USHJA Stewards

1:Recommend Approval - 10/30/2013



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**HU125.4 - DRAFT 1**

**Status:** Approved

**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

- Draft 1 : how enforced?

USHJA Young Professionals

1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013

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## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU129.2 - HU129.13 - DRAFT 2

**Rule Number:** HU129.2 - HU129.13

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 2

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**Proposed Change:**

**HU129 Ladies Side Saddle Attire** [CHAPTER Sub-chapter HU-4 Attire, Tack, and Equipment] **change to read:**

1. Hat: See GR801.2
2. ~~Veil: Required with appointments. Must be traditional black with elastic top and bottom to fit securely over hat brim and under chin.~~
3. Neckwear: Plain white hunting stock neatly tied and fastened with a plain gold safety pin. Latter should be horizontal.
4. Habit: Melton or other cloth of black or dark blue color, unless bona fide member of a recognized hunt whose livery color is different; then hunt livery color with hunt colors is permissible. Lining must match.
5. Breeches: Same color as habit.
6. Collar: Same material and color as coat unless **bona fide** member **of a recognized hunt** has been invited to wear the hunt colors in which case, the collar should conform to the livery of the hunt and be worn only on coats of the hunt livery color.
7. Vest: Of plain white, buff or yellow material, **unless bona fide member of a recognized hunt has been invited to wear the hunt's livery in which case, the vest should conform to the livery of the hunt and be worn only with habits of the hunt livery color.**
8. Buttons: Must conform to hunt livery. Usual specifications are: Brass or bone on vest. Black bone on black **or dark blue** coat. If **bona fide** member **of a recognized hunt** has been invited to wear the hunt button, it should be engraved with the hunt emblem, otherwise it should be plain.
9. Boots: Black, without tops: of plain black calf without tabs. Boot garters, if worn, plain black. **Zipppers and laces are not permitted.**
10. Spur: Optional. If worn, must be regular hunting spur, without rowels—worn high on the heel.
11. Whip: Light hunting whip with thong required.
12. Gloves: **Plain;** ~~h~~Heavy wash leather or brown **leather** gloves.
13. Rain Gloves: White or **light** colored rain gloves. Should be carried on off (right) side under billets and just showing in front of saddle flap.—Fingers forward, **thumbs in.**
14. Jewelry: Except for finger rings and small plain stud earrings for pierced ears, jewelry is not permitted.
15. Hair: With hair net, preferably in bun. Must be neat and unobtrusive.
16. Boutonniere not permitted.
17. Mane and Tail: Must be braided. (Exception: roached mane and pulled tails).

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**Proponent:** DEVON ZEBROVIOUS

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change  
HU129.2 - HU129.13 - DRAFT 2**

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**Status:** Approved  
**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

**USEF#** 4542306  
**Date Received:** 12/20/2012

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***Intent of Proposal:***

To clarify the attire requirements for the side saddle division.

***Proposed Effective Date:*** 2/1/2014

***Linked Rule Changes:***

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**Committee/Organization****Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter

1:Recommend Approval - 11/11/2013, 2:Recommend  
Approval - 01/09/2014

USHJA Affiliates

1:No Action, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013

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## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU130.1 - HU130.6 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** HU130.1 - HU130.6

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

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#### **Proposed Change:**

**HU130 Ladies Side Saddle Tack and Equipment** [CHAPTER Sub-Chapter HU-4 Attire, Tack, and Equipment] **change to read:**

1. Sandwich Case: **Required for appointments.** Must be combined sandwich case and flask. Sandwich case must contain a **plain white-meat** sandwich, **crusts removed, cut on the diagonal, wrapped in wax paper; a linen handkerchief or napkin is optional.** and **Flask** must contain sherry or tea.
2. Bridle: Must be either double or pelham. First definitely preferable. All leather must be flat. A cavesson noseband must be used. Rubber, **laced, and plaited** reins are not permissible. Stitched in leather preferred.
3. Breastplate: Optional, but preferred. **All leather must be flat.**
4. Martingales: Not permitted on the flat or in Hunter Hack, permitted in over fences classes.
5. Saddles: Must be plain English type. May have **doeskin or** suede seat and pommel. Lining may be leather or linen. Numnahs and saddle cloth not permitted.
6. Girths: Triple fold leather. No elastic permitted. Cannot be shaped. Balance girth, **either separate or stitched to triple fold girth,** is necessary. **First definitely preferable. Girth cover not permitted.**
7. Irons: Should be regular side saddle iron with oval eye or safety stirrup. Should be large, workmanlike and polished, without pads.

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**Date Received:** 12/20/2012

#### **Intent of Proposal:**

To clarify the tack and equipment guidelines of the side saddle division for new riders.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 2/1/2014

#### **Linked Rule Changes:**

#### **Committee/Organization**

#### **Draft: Action-Date**

Jumper

1:No Action

National Hunter

1:Recommend Approval - 11/11/2013

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change  
HU130.1 - HU130.6 - DRAFT 1**

USHJA Affiliates	1:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013
USHJA Audit	1:No Action
USHJA Board of Directors	1:No Action
USHJA Budget & Finance	1:No Action
USHJA Competition Standards	1:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013

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## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU131.3 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** HU131.3

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

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**Proposed Change:**

**HU131 General** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-5 JUDGING] **change to read:**

3. In all classes over obstacles, all horses being considered for an award must be jogged **jog** for soundness in the judge's order of preference prior to being judged for conformation. Two more entries than the number of ribbons must also be jogged if there are sufficient entries. **Horses may not leave the ring until the jog is declared official by the judge. A horse that leaves the ring prior to the jog being declared official will be eliminated. A horse that is unruly, one that breaks away from the handler or one whose actions threaten to endanger the rider, handler, other exhibitors or their entries will be eliminated. (Exception: Hunter Breeding and Pony Breeding). A horse may not be eliminated for receiving outside assistance in the jog.**

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter Working Group

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

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**USEF#**

**Date Received:** 8/27/2013

**Intent of Proposal:**

To clarify in the rule book issues that have come up in the jog.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 4/1/2014

**Linked Rule Changes:**

**Committee/Organization**

**Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter	1:Recommend Approval - 09/09/2013
USHJA Amateurs	1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013
USHJA Childrens/Adult Hunter Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013
USHJA Competition Management	1:Recommend Approval - 12/02/2013
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013
USHJA Hunter Zone Council	1:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013
USHJA Junior Hunter Taskforce	1:Recommend Approval - 10/30/2013
USHJA Owners	1:Recommend Approval - 10/14/2013

USHJA

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**HU131.3 - DRAFT 1**

**Status:** Approved

**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

USHJA Pony Hunter Task Force

1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013

USHJA Professionals

1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013

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## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU131.8 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** HU131.8

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

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**Proposed Change:**

**HU131.8 fence not properly set** [CHAPTER Subchapter HU 5-Judging] **add and renumber as necessary:**

HU131.8

**Obstacle Not Properly Set. If a competitor jumps an obstacle that has not been reset, or has been reset improperly, due to it being downed by a previous competitor, the weather, or some other factor, the competitor receives no penalty. However, if the competitor knocks down the obstacle he will be penalized accordingly.**

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Officials Committee

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**Date Received:** 8/29/2013

**Intent of Proposal:**

To prevent judges not knowing if they should have horse jump the jump over, jump the entire course or eliminate.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

**Linked Rule Changes:**

<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>
National Hunter	1:Recommend Approval - 09/09/2013
USHJA Course Designer Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 11/23/2013
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013
USHJA Judges Taskforce	1:Recommend Approval - 11/25/2013
USHJA Professionals	1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013
USHJA Young Professionals	1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013



## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU132 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** HU132  
**Rule Change Type:** Standard  
**Draft:** 1

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

#### **Proposed Change:**

**HU132 Soundness [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-5 JUDGING] change to read:**

#### **HU132 Soundness**

All horses must be serviceably sound. All horses being considered for an award must be jogged **jog** for soundness with rider dismounted, **Except Under Saddle classes, unrated classes and classes at Local Competitions horses may not leave the ring until the jog is declared official by the judge. A horse that leaves the ring prior to the jog being declared official will be eliminated. A horse that is unruly, one that breaks away from the handler or one whose actions threaten to endanger the rider, handler, or other exhibitors or their entries will be eliminated. (Exception: Hunter Breeding and Pony Breeding). A horse may not be eliminated for receiving outside assistance in the jog.** In classes restricted to junior riders, a junior must jog the animal for soundness. (~~Exception: Under Saddle classes, unrated classes and classes at Local Competitions.~~) Horses that are not serviceably sound are ineligible for an award, including under saddle classes.

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter Working Group

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

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**USEF#**

**Date Received:** 8/27/2013

#### **Intent of Proposal:**

To clarify in the rule book issues that have come up in the jog.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 4/1/2014

#### **Linked Rule Changes:**

#### **Committee/Organization**

#### **Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter	1:Recommend Approval - 09/09/2013
USHJA Amateurs	1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013
USHJA Childrens/Adult Hunter Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013
USHJA Competition Management	1:Recommend Approval - 12/02/2013
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:No Action
USHJA Hunter Zone Council	1:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013
USHJA Junior Hunter Taskforce	1:Recommend Approval - 10/30/2013

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HU132 - DRAFT 1**

**Status:** Approved

**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

USHJA Owners	1:Recommend Approval - 10/14/2013
USHJA Pony Hunter Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013
USHJA Professionals	1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013
USHJA Stewards	1:Recommend Disapproval - 10/30/2013
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USHJA Young Professionals	1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013

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## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU135.3g - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** HU135.3g

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

**Proposed Change:**

**HU135 Faults [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-5 JUDGING] change to read:**

3. The following constitute elimination.

- a. Three refusals
- b. Off course
- c. Jumping course before it is reset
- d. Bolting from the ring
- e. Fall of horse and/or rider (rider shall not remount in the ring).
- f. Stopping for loss of shoe or broken equipment.

***g. In model classes, a horse or pony that breaks away from the handler or one whose actions threaten to endanger the rider, handler, other exhibitors or their entries. Exception: Hunter Breeding and Pony Breeding classes.***

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter Working Group

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

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**USEF#**

**Date Received:** 8/26/2013

**Intent of Proposal:**

To ensure the safety of all exhibitors during the model class. A horse or pony should be eliminated if it gets loose or is unsafe during the class.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

**Linked Rule Changes:**

**Committee/Organization**

**Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter

1:Recommend Approval - 09/09/2013

USHJA Breeders

1:Recommend Disapproval - 10/09/2013

- Draft 1 : Should be any class that jogs with the exception of Hunter Breeding and Pony Breeding. And it

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could be any horse that endangers the handler or others, not just breaking away.

USHJA Competition Management

1:Recommend Approval - 12/02/2013

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013

USHJA Hunter Zone Council

1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/04/2013

- Draft 1 : This language is already covered in the judging section of the Rule Book.

USHJA Pony Hunter Task Force

1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013

USHJA Professionals

1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013

USHJA Stewards

1:Recommend Disapproval - 10/30/2013

- Draft 1 : delete exception

USHJA Young Professionals

1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013

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# Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

## HU136 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** HU136  
**Rule Change Type:** Standard  
**Draft:** 1

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

### **Proposed Change:**

**HU136 Pony Hunter** [CHAPTER Subchapter HU-5 Judging] **change to read:**

~~Manners and suitability of a pony for the rider are to be emphasized in all classes.~~

~~Extreme speed is penalized. Judges may penalize but not necessarily eliminate an~~

~~entry not having such manners and suitability.~~ **Manners of the pony and suitability of the pony to the rider must be emphasized in all classes. Extreme speed must be penalized. Suitability of a pony for a rider is determined by height of rider as related to the height of the pony. Judges must penalize but not necessarily eliminate an entry not having such suitability and manners.**

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter Working Group

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

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**USEF#**

**Date Received:** 8/23/2013

### **Intent of Proposal:**

To define suitability and further emphasize the importance of suitability in judging criteria.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

### **Linked Rule Changes:**

### **Committee/Organization**

### **Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter	1:Recommend Approval - 09/09/2013
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013
USHJA Hunter Zone Council	1:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013
USHJA Judges Taskforce	1:Recommend Approval - 11/25/2013
USHJA Stewards	1:Recommend Approval - 10/30/2013

USHJA

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change  
HU136 - DRAFT 1**

**Status:** Approved

**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU144.1 - HU144.16 - DRAFT 6

**Rule Number:** HU144.1 - HU144.16

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 6

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

#### **Proposed Change:**

**HU 144 Hunter Classics** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-6 CLASS SPECIFICATIONS] **change to read:**

1. The following Hunter Classics may be offered: Adult Amateur Hunter Classic, Children's Hunter Pony Classic, Children's Hunter Horse Classic, Pre-Green Hunter Classic, Small Hunter Classic, Pony Hunter Classic, **Green Pony Hunter Classic**, Open Hunter Classic, **3'3" Junior Hunter Classic**, 3'6" Junior Hunter Classic, 3'6" Amateur Owner Hunter Classic, 3'3" Amateur Owner Hunter Classic. **Six (6) entries are required to conduct a Hunter Classic.** If there are less than ~~8-six (6)~~ entries in any one Hunter Classic, it may combine with other sections of the same rating. If Hunter Classics are combined and a horse is shown in more than one section qualifying for the Hunter Classic, the exhibitor must declare to the Competition Secretary which **section** bonus points are to count toward. **Hunter Classics cannot be divided in any manner and held by section if there are less than 20 six (6) entries in each divided section. Exception: "A" rated sections must have twelve (12) entries to divide.**

2. Any "AA", "A", "B" or "C" **Premier, National, Regional I or Regional II** rated competition may offer a Hunter Classic.

3. All Hunter Classics must be conducted as a two round class. A handy hunter round may not be used as part of a Hunter Classic. A Hunter Classic may be conducted as a separate two round class or a designated hunter class of the specified Hunter section may be counted as the first round of the Hunter Classic. However, the second round may not be another designated class in the Hunter section, but must be held as a separate round. **Both rounds of the classic must be held on the same day.** If a designated class is used as a first round, each round shall count 50%.

4. At "A" and "AA" **National and Premier** competitions, in sections with an "A" rating, Hunter Classics conducted using a **either a** designated hunter class as the first round **or a separate two round class** must offer at least \$1000 in prize money and sections with a "B" or "C" rating must offer at least \$500 in prize money. (Exception: Pony Hunter Classics in sections with an "A" or "B" rating must offer at least \$500 in prize money; Children's Hunter Pony is not required to offer prize money). At "B" and "C" **Regional I and Regional II** competitions, in sections with a "B" or "C" rating, Hunter Classics conducted using **either a** designated hunter class as the first round **or a separate two round class** must offer at least \$250 in prize money (**Exception: Children's Hunter Pony is not required to offer prize money**). At "AA", "A", "B"

and "C" **Premier, National, Regional I and Regional II** competitions, when a Hunter Classic is conducted as a separate two round class, the minimum prize money offered as stated above. ~~BOD 1/14/12 Effective 12/1/12.~~

5. The entry fee may not exceed 10% of the prize money offered in the Hunter Classic.

6. To be eligible, horses must have entered, shown and completed the course in at least two classes in the Hunter section. All horses being considered for an award must be serviceably sound and may be jogged if so stated in the prize list.

7. A minimum of the top 12 entries, if available, or 50% of the entries in the first round, whichever is greater, will return for the second round. If a horse or pony is eliminated in the first round of competition, they may not return for the second round. **If a horse/rider combination does not return for the second round or is eliminated during the second round of a classic, a score of zero will be combined with the first round score and the horse/rider combination will be placed accordingly.** If possible, ~~twelve~~ eight places are to be awarded.

8. The Hunter Classic does not count toward the minimum number of classes required for the section's rating.

9. Bonus points will be awarded toward Horse of the Year Awards in the horse's respective section. The bonus points are as follows:

In a Hunter Classic using a designated class as the first round, the bonus points for National HOTY are as follows: ~~1st-100, 2nd-80, 3rd-70, 4th-60, 5th-50, 6th-40, 7th-30 and 8th-20, 9th-15, 10th-10, 11th-5, and 12th-5.~~ **determined based on the applicable**

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU144.1 - HU144.16 - DRAFT 6

#### *increment in GR 1131.5 and 6.*

a. In a Hunter Classic using a designated class as the first round, the bonus points for Zone HOTY are as follows: 1st-20, 2nd-16, 3rd-14, 4th-12, 5th-10, 6th-8, 7th-6, 8th-5, 9th-4, 10th-3, 11th-2, and 12th-1.

b. In a Hunter Classic held as a separate two round class, the bonus points for National HOTY are as follows: 1st-200, 2nd-160, 3rd-140, 4th-120, 5th-100, 6th-80, 7th-60, 8th-40, 9th-30, 10th-20, 11th-10, and 12th-10 **determined based on the applicable increment in GR 1131.5 and 6 multiplied by 1.5.**

c. In a Hunter Classic held as a separate two round class, the bonus points for Zone HOTY are as follows: 1st-40, 2nd-32, 3rd-28, 4th-24, 5th-20, 6th-16, 7th-12, 8th-10, 9th-8, 10th-6, 11th-4, and 12th-2.

10. The first round of all hunter classics must consist of eight (8) to ten (10) obstacles in accordance with HU119. In the second round of all hunter classics, the course must consist of a minimum of eight (8) to ten (10) obstacles of at least six different types.

11. An open numerical judging system must be used. **If there are multiple judging panels, one judging position panel** must be appointed as the tie breaker.

12. Attire: riders are required to wear scarlet or dark coats; white shirts with white stock, choker or tie; white, buff or canary breeches and protective headgear in accordance with GR 801.2.

13. There is no limit to the number of horses a rider may compete on in a Hunter Classic. (Exception: Competitors in a Regular or Green Hunter Pony Classic may only ride two ponies per height section).

14. The same horse/rider combination must compete in both rounds of a Hunter Classic.

~~15. If a horse/rider combination does not return for the second round or is eliminated during the second round of a classic, a score of zero will be combined with the first round score and the horse/rider combination will be placed accordingly.~~

~~16. 15. No more than one classic may be offered per hunter section. A horse may also compete in an open classic, or a USHJA National Hunter Derby Classic, or a USHJA International Hunter Derby at the same competition. A horse may not compete in more than one classic per section but may compete in an open classic, a USHJA National Hunter Derby, or a USHJA International Hunter Derby at the same competition. A horse is limited to competing in a maximum of two classics or derbies or combination of classics and derbies per competition.~~ (Exception: Leagues approved by the Federation in accordance with GR915.4b).

~~17. 16. If more than 30 horses are entered in a Junior Hunter Classic, the classic must be split in accordance with HU117. (See HU117)~~

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**Proponent:** USHJA

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**Intent of Proposal:**



## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU144.1 - HU144.16 - DRAFT 6

To clarify the procedures and change the point increments used for Hunter Classics. The intent is to keep the highlighted portion above in bold and italics when placed in the rulebook.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

#### **Linked Rule Changes:**

<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>
National Hunter	1:Recommend Approval - 09/09/2013, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 12/10/2013, 3:No Action, 4:No Action, 5:Recommend Disapproval - 01/09/2014, 6:Recommend Approval - 01/09/2014
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 2 : The Committee will approve if Hunter Classics cannot be divided with less than 12 entries.</li> <li>Draft 5 : Will approve with exception added to require A rated sections to have 12 entries before dividing.</li> </ul>	
USHJA Amateurs	1:Tabled - 11/12/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013, 3:No Action, 4:No Action, 5:No Action, 6:No Action
USHJA Childrens/Adult Hunter Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:No Action, 5:No Action, 6:No Action
USHJA Competition Management	1:Recommend Disapproval - 12/02/2013, 2:No Action, 3:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013, 4:No Action, 5:No Action, 6:No Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 1 : Many issues related to this rule, 20 is too large a number in 1. and it can be very difficult to hold two rounds of a classic on the same day.</li> </ul>	
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:No Action, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013, 5:No Action, 6:No Action
USHJA Hunter Zone Council	1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/04/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:No Action, 5:No Action, 6:No Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 1 : Should follow the rule of a minimum of 6 per section. 20 entries is too many. There are too many proposed changes in one rule. The changes need to be separated into individual proposals.</li> </ul>	
USHJA Junior Hunter Taskforce	1:Recommend Disapproval - 10/30/2013, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 12/10/2013, 3:No Action, 4:No Action, 5:No Action, 6:No Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 1 : Disagree with the requirement that both rounds of the classic must be held on the same day.</li> <li>Draft 2 : Recommend changing the sentences "Hunter Classics cannot be divided in any manner and held by section if there are less than twelve (12) entries..."</li> </ul>	
USHJA Owners	1:Recommend Approval - 10/14/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:No Action, 5:No Action, 6:No Action
USHJA Pony Hunter Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013, 2:Recommend Disapproval - 12/10/2013, 3:No Action, 4:No Action, 5:No Action, 6:No Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 2 : Would approve if the rule was changed to "Hunter Classics cannot be divided in any manner and held by section if there are less than twelve (12) entries in each divided section.</li> </ul>	

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change  
HU144.1 - HU144.16 - DRAFT 6**

**Status:** Approved

**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

USHJA Professionals

1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:No Action, 5:No Action, 6:No Action

USHJA Stewards

1:Recommend Approval - 10/30/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013, 3:No Action, 4:No Action, 5:No Action, 6:No Action

USHJA Young Professionals

1:No Action, 2:No Action, 3:Recommend Disapproval - 12/11/2013, 4:No Action, 5:No Action, 6:No Action

- Draft 3 : Recommend changing 6 to 12 in #1
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# Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

## HU148.1 - DRAFT 2

**Status:** Approved  
**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

**Rule Number:** HU148.1

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 2

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

### **Proposed Change:**

**HU148 Ties** [CHAPTER Subchapter HU-7 CHAMPIONSHIPS] **add and renumber as necessary:**

1. In case of a tie score the Championship and/or Reserve is awarded to the horse that accumulated the most points over fences. If horses have an equal number of points over fences and no points under saddle, the tied horses **will be asked to compete in a hack off, or independent under saddle class, to be judged on soundness and performance at the walk, trot and canter.** ~~must be shown at a walk, trot and canter.~~ Competitors may be asked to hand gallop at the discretion of the judge. (Exception: Green Hunters.) ~~This competition is judged as an independent under saddle class with conformation, soundness and performance to count.~~ **Any competitor may concede to the other if they choose not to hack off, or if both competitors agree, they may choose to break the tie with a coin toss.**

**Proponent:** National Hunter

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**USEF#** Staff

**Date Received:** 5/14/2013

### **Intent of Proposal:**

It was conveyed to the Hunter Committee that many exhibitors do not wish to partake in an additional under saddle class and would prefer to use a coin toss to break a tie for Champion and Reserve. It is understood that many shows already use a coin toss even though it is not currently allowed in the rules. This rule change will simplify the tie break process by allowing the competitors the option to choose between a coin toss or the under saddle competition.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 4/1/2014

### **Linked Rule Changes:**

#### **Committee/Organization**

#### **Draft: Action-Date**

USHJA Competition Management

1:Recommend Approval - 12/02/2013, 2:No Action

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013, 2:No Action

USHJA Hunter Zone Council

1:Recommend Disapproval - 12/09/2013, 2:No Action

- Draft 1 : Recommend changing the language to "competitors must agree to either break the tie by a coin toss..."

USHJA Stewards

1:Recommend Disapproval - 10/30/2013, 2:No Action

- Draft 1 : Competitors or their representatives, who must be on the competition grounds, may chose to remain tied, break the tie by coin toss or the tied horses must be shown at a walk, trot and canter. If not present the tie shall remain unbroken.



## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU158.1b - HU158.1c - DRAFT 5

**Rule Number:** HU158.1b - HU158.1c

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 5

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#### **Proposed Change:**

**HU158 Scheduling [CHAPTER HU8 Conduct] change to read:**

HU158.1b-c

b. "A" rated competitions must be held and judged over a minimum of three days on the same competition grounds. A minimum of five "A" rated hunter sections must be offered and a minimum of two performance classes from two different "A" rated Hunter sections must be scheduled and judged on each of the three days. "A" rated Hunter sections must be held and judged over two or more days. (Exception: High Performance Working Hunter, Performance Hunter 3'6"-3'9", Performance Hunter 3'3" and pony hunter sections). A minimum of \$5,000 in prize money, must be offered **paid** in the "A"-rated Hunter sections of an "A" competition. A maximum of \$2,000 of Hunter Classic **and/or USHJA National Hunter Derby** prize money can be used towards calculating the \$5,000 **of** required prize money for an "A" rated competition.

c. "AA" rated competitions must be held and judged over a minimum of five (5) days on the same competition grounds. A minimum of five "A" rated Hunter sections must be offered 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. "A" rated Hunter sections must be held on two or more days. (Exception: High Performance Working Hunter, Performance Hunter 3'6"-3'9" and Performance Hunter 3'3"). A minimum of ~~\$25,000~~ **\$24,000** in prize money, **including add-back money if any**, must be offered **paid** in the "A" **and "C"** rated Hunter sections of a "AA" competition. A maximum of \$5,000 of Hunter Classic **and/or** , USHJA International Hunter Derby **and/or USHJA National Hunter Derby** prize money can be used towards calculating the ~~\$25,000~~ **\$24,000** of prize money, **including add-back money if any**, which must be **paid** offered for a "AA" rated competition. **If an add-back is offered, the minimum required prize money for that section must be guaranteed, and the add-backs must be clearly indicated in the prize list.** Exception: "AA" rated competitions guaranteeing a minimum of \$18,001 in prize money and offering add-back in "A" rated Hunter sections, prize money offered in Hunter Classics will not count as part the required \$18,001 in prize money that must be awarded. **Exception: If sections are canceled or entries are insufficient to award all prize money, then additional money not awarded must be pooled and redistributed 60% to the champions, and 40% to the reserve champions of the remaining "A" rated hunter sections.**

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Competition Standards

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#### **Intent of Proposal:**

To increase the prize money standard required of the highest hunter rated competitions.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

#### **Linked Rule Changes:**

#### **Committee/Organization**

National Hunter

#### **Draft: Action-Date**

1:No Action, 2:Tabled - 12/10/2013, 3:No Action, 4:No Action, 5:Recommend Approval - 01/09/2014

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change**  
**HU158.1b - HU158.1c - DRAFT 5**

**Status:** Approved

**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

USHJA Competition Management

1:No Action - 12/02/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013, 3:No Action, 4:No Action, 5:No Action

- Draft 1 : Would approve if "A" was taken out prior to rated Hunter sections in c.
- Draft 2 : Add the A and C in front of Hunter Classic.

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Tabled - 11/18/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013, 3:No Action, 4:No Action, 5:No Action

USHJA Professionals

1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:No Action, 5:No Action

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# Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

## HU166 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** HU166  
**Rule Change Type:** Standard  
**Draft:** 1

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### Proposed Change:

**HU166 Sections Required for "C"Rating** [CHAPTER Subchapter HU-9 Special Rating Requirements] **add and renumber as necessary:**

Except at competitions offering "A" or "B" rated Hunter sections, at least two (2) "C" rated sections (Green or Regular Conformation, Green Working, High Performance Working, Amateur Owner, Junior, Pony, or Green Pony Hunter, Children's Hunter, Adult Amateur Hunter, or Pre-Green Hunter **or Thoroughbred Hunter**) must be offered. Divided sections count as a single section. Competitions restricted to side saddle may offer a Ladies Hunter Side Saddle Section as the only "C" rated Hunter section.

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter & Jumper Working Groups

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**USEF#**

**Date Received:** 8/23/2013

### Intent of Proposal:

To integrate Thoroughbreds back into the show ring and provide an avenue for them to do so.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

### Linked Rule Changes:

GR313.6 (239-13), GR1131.9 (240-13), GR1133.5 (241-13), HU121.19 (242-13), JP133.3 (244-13), HU106.8 (257-13), JP120.1-JP120.2 (323-13)

### Committee/Organization

### Draft: Action-Date

Jumper	1:No Action
National Hunter	1:Recommend Approval - 09/09/2013
USHJA Competition Management	1:Recommend Approval - 12/02/2013
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 10/28/2013

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU168.1 - HU168.12 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** HU168.1 - HU168.12

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

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#### ***Proposed Change:***

**HU168 General [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-10 MEASUREMENT] change to read:**

~~1. Management shall not provide a back number to an animal entered on the entry blank in any Pony Hunter, Children's Hunter Pony, Junior Hunter, Small Hunter, or Welsh performance class at a Federation Member Competition unless the person presenting the animal is in possession of a) the original or a copy of a measurement card issued by the Federation bearing the date of August 15, 1991 or thereafter; or b) certified card applied for prior to December 1, 1987; or c) a copy of a valid measurement form. Equine Canada measurement cards are not accepted in Hunter, Jumper or Welsh Divisions. Effective 6/17/13.~~

~~a. If an exhibitor, owner, or trainer requests a reprint of a measurement card from the USEF office after the original measurement card has been issued, there will be a \$10 fee for service charged to the requestor.  
b. Competition management may, at its discretion, confirm any of the foregoing information electronically with the Federation Office.  
c. At Regular Competitions, management may not give out an exhibitor's number for an animal showing in a Pony Hunter, Children's Hunter Pony, Junior Hunter, Small Hunter, or Welsh performance class before the above requirements have been complied with, and charges of rule violations for hearing and determination pursuant to Chapters GR6 and GR7 shall result for failure of compliance with this Rule.~~

~~2. Competition Management is required to check for measurement cards. Failure to require applicable cards could result in rule violation. Ultimately it is the responsibility for each owner to possess a valid measurement card for horses and ponies showing in divisions that require a measurement card. Showing an animal that requires a measurement that does not possess a valid card will result in a fine to the owner and or trainer or the competition.~~

~~3. All animals presented for measurement of any kind are subject to drug testing.~~

~~4. Animals in competition in any Pony Hunter, Children's Hunter Pony, Junior Hunter, Small Hunter or Welsh performance class are subject to measurement. Measurements will be conducted in accordance with HU1691 below.~~

~~5. Measurements must be performed by a steward and the official competition veterinarian. The official competition veterinarian must confirm that the animal was jogged and is serviceably sound. Upon the official competition veterinarian's verification of soundness, the steward's measurement is final. The steward and the official competition veterinarian shall sign the measurement form. A steward may not measure an animal that is owned by a member of his family or by any of his or his family member's clients. (See GR1039.4)~~

~~a. Written reports of every measurement or attempt to measure must be sent to the Federation's Lexington, KY office together with the Steward's Report, or the steward will be subject to charges and penalties per Chapters GR6 and GR7.~~

~~b. The steward shall be either a steward officiating at the competition or a steward authorized in writing to conduct the measurement by the Federation CEO or Executive Director. If the official competition veterinarian is not present at the competition, or not available when on call (see GR1240.3) the measurement may be conducted by a steward and a judge officiating at the competition, or another steward officiating at the competition; however, the measurement will be for the purposes of that competition only and no measurement card will be issued. Measurement forms will be sent to the Federation, but will not be given to the owner. (Exception: For Junior Hunters, when a problem with the measurement form occurs resulting from the Official portion of the form, for which USEF steward and/or competition management and/or competition veterinarian are responsible, the measured horse will not be penalized by the withholding of points prior to the good faith error having been discovered and corrected.)~~

~~6. Stewards who perform measurements and other competition officials present who measure animals at a competition are responsible for their true measurement and must use the Federation approved measurement stick (See HU172). The names of the measuring stewards will be printed on the measurement card and they and other measuring officials will be subject to charges of rule violations for hearing and determination pursuant to Chapters GR6 and GR7 if it is subsequently determined that a measurement is incorrect.~~



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### HU168.1 - HU168.12 - DRAFT 1

~~7. Measurements are solely for the internal use of the Federation, its Licensed Competitions and its licensed officials in connection with competing for prizes, and do not constitute any representation or warranty regarding measurement information; accordingly, the Federation, its Licensed Competitions and its licensed officials make no representation and shall have no liability whatsoever for measurement errors.~~

~~8. Measurements must take place at a Licensed Competition in which the animal is entered to compete. Once the pony or horse has been measured the measurement is effective whether or not the pony or horse does in fact compete; whether or not the pony or horse competes, it is also subject to drug testing.~~

~~9. Measurement forms received by the Federation that have inconsistencies or errors may be denied a measurement card at the discretion of the Federation. If the animal is denied a measurement card, The Federation will notify the owner of the animal and they must be measured before they are eligible to show.~~

~~4. 1. Animals **Horses or ponies competing in any division, section or class where height is a requirement must be measured.** in competition in any Pony Hunter, Children's Hunter Pony, Junior Hunter, Small Hunter or Welsh performance class are subject to measurement. Measurements will be conducted in accordance with **HU169.1** below.~~

~~4. 2. Competition Management is required to check for measurement cards **for horses or ponies showing in divisions, sections, or classes where height is a requirement.** Failure to require applicable cards could result in rule violation. Management shall not provide a back number to an animal entered **in such sections** on the entry blank in any Pony Hunter, Children's Hunter Pony, Junior Hunter, Small Hunter, or Welsh performance class at a Federation Member Competition unless the **exhibitor or his agent** person presenting the animal is in possession of:~~

~~a) the original or a copy of a measurement card issued by the Federation. Equine Canada measurement cards are not **acceptable proof of height.** bearing the date of August 15, 1991 or thereafter; or b) certified card applied for prior to December 1, 1987; or c) **b)** a copy of a valid measurement form. Equine Canada measurement cards are not accepted in Hunter, Jumper or Welsh Divisions. Effective 6/17/13.~~

~~3. Ultimately **it** is the responsibility for ~~of~~ each owner to possess a valid measurement card for horses and ponies showing in divisions **sections or classes where height is a requirement.** that require a measurement card. Showing an animal that requires a measurement that does not possess a valid card will result in a fine to the owner and or trainer or the competition.~~

~~a. If an exhibitor, owner, or trainer requests a reprint of a measurement card from the USEF office after the original measurement card has been issued, there will be a \$10 fee for service charged to the requestor.~~

~~b. Competition management may, at its discretion, confirm any of the foregoing information electronically with the Federation Office.~~

**4. Failure to comply with this rule by the owner, trainer or competition will result in a charge pursuant to GR6 and GR7.**

~~At Regular Competitions, management may not give out an exhibitor's number for an animal showing in a Pony Hunter, Children's Hunter Pony, Junior Hunter, Small Hunter, or Welsh performance class before the above requirements have been complied with, and charges of rule violations for hearing and determination pursuant to Chapters GR6 and GR7 shall result for failure of compliance with this Rule.~~

~~4b. 5. Competition management may, at its discretion, confirm any of the foregoing information electronically with the Federation Office.~~

~~4a 6. If an exhibitor, owner, or trainer requests a reprint of a measurement card from the USEF **Federation** office after the original measurement card has been issued, there will be a \$10 fee for service charged to the requestor.~~

**3.7. All animals **horses and ponies that are** presented for measurement of any kind are subject to drug testing.**

~~5. 8. Measurements must be performed by a steward and the official competition veterinarian. The official competition veterinarian must confirm that the animal **age of the horse or pony and that it** was jogged and is serviceably sound. Upon the official competition veterinarian's verification of soundness, the steward's measurement is final. The steward and the official competition veterinarian shall sign the measurement form. A steward may not measure an animal **a horse or pony** that is owned by a member of his family or by any of his or his family member's clients. (See GR1039.4)~~

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU168.1 - HU168.12 - DRAFT 1

- a. Written reports of every measurement or attempt to measure must be sent to the Federation's Lexington, KY office together with the Steward's Report, or the steward will be subject to charges and penalties per Chapters GR6 and GR7.
- b. The steward shall be either a steward officiating at the competition or a steward authorized in writing to conduct the measurement by the Federation CEO or Executive Director. If the official competition veterinarian is not present at the competition, or not available when on call (see GR1210.3) the measurement may be conducted by a steward and a judge officiating at the competition, or another steward officiating at the competition; however, the measurement will be for the purposes of that competition only and no measurement card will be issued. Measurement forms will be sent to the Federation, but will not be given to the owner. (Exception: **Exhibitors will not be penalized by having points withheld for measurement forms that are incorrectly filled out by USEF stewards and/or competition management and/or competition veterinarians.** For Junior Hunters, when a problem with the measurement form occurs resulting from the Official portion of the form, for which USEF steward and/or competition management and/or competition veterinarian are responsible, the measured horse will not be penalized by the withholding of points prior to the good faith error having been discovered and corrected.)
- ~~6-~~ **9.** Stewards who perform measurements and other competition officials present who measure animals **horses or ponies** at a competition are responsible for their true measurement and must use the Federation approved measurement stick (See HU172). The names of the measuring stewards will be printed on the measurement card and they and other measuring officials will be subject to charges of rule violations for hearing and determination pursuant to Chapters GR6 and GR7 if it is subsequently determined that a measurement is incorrect.
- ~~7-~~ **10.** Measurements are solely for the internal use of the Federation, its Licensed Competitions and its licensed officials in connection with competing for prizes, and do not constitute any representation or warranty regarding measurement information; accordingly, the Federation, its Licensed Competitions and its licensed officials make no representation and shall have no liability whatsoever for measurement errors.
- ~~8-~~ **11.** Measurements must take place at a Licensed Competition in which the animal **horse or pony** is entered to compete. Once the pony or horse has been measured the measurement is effective whether or not the pony or horse does in fact compete; whether or not the pony or horse competes, it is also subject to drug testing.
- ~~9-~~ **12.** Measurement forms received by the Federation that have inconsistencies or errors may be denied a measurement card at the discretion of the Federation. If the animal **horse or pony** is denied a measurement card, The Federation will notify the owner of the animal **horse or pony** and they must be measured before they are eligible to show.

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**USEF#**

**Date Received:** 8/26/2013

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**Intent of Proposal:**

To remove exact divisions and section names and clarify with generic wording those sections/divisions needing measurement. This will make it easier to add divisions needing measurement and not forget any additions at any time.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change  
HU168.1 - HU168.12 - DRAFT 1****Status:** Approved**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)***Linked Rule Changes:***

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<b><u>Committee/Organization</u></b>	<b><u>Draft: Action-Date</u></b>
National Hunter	1:Recommend Approval - 10/07/2013
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013
USHJA Junior Hunter Taskforce	1:Recommend Approval - 10/30/2013
USHJA Pony Hunter Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 10/14/2013
USHJA Stewards	1:Recommend Approval - 10/30/2013

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## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU169.1 - HU169.5 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** HU169.1 - HU169.5

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

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**Proposed Change:**

**HU169 REQUIRED MEASUREMENTS AND RE-MEASUREMENTS.** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-10 MEASUREMENT] **change to read:**

**HU169 REQUIRED MEASUREMENTS AND RE-MEASUREMENTS.**

1. A ~~non-animal~~ **horse or pony** must be measured each competition year until it reaches the age of six **eight**. ~~Animals five~~ **Horses and ponies that are seven** years and under will be issued a Temporary Measurement card designating the year measured. ~~Animals six~~ **Horses and ponies that are eight** years of age **and over** will be issued a Standard Measurement card which does not need to be renewed. **Horses and ponies may not be measured by the same steward for their Standard Measurement card and the card preceding the Standard Measurement card. The Federation will invalidate a Standard Measurement card that does not comply with this rule.**

a. Those animals **horses and ponies** that are measured (and for which a valid measurement form is received by the Federation office) in the month of December immediately ~~preceeding~~ **preceding** the calendar year in which they turn ~~six-eight~~ years of age will be issued a **Standard Measurement** card that does not have to be renewed.

b. For ponies, with the exception of ponies under ~~six-eight~~ years old, once a pony is issued a **Standard Measurement** card, a new card will not be issued unless the height of the pony is protested and upheld, or unless an appeal is made and the re-measurement results in the pony moving to a section other than that indicated on its current measurement card.

c. For horses, with the exception of horses under ~~six-eight~~ years old, once a horse is issued a **Standard Measurement** card, a new card will not be issued unless the height of the horse is protested and upheld, or unless an appeal is made and the re-measurement results in the horse moving to a section other than that indicated on its current measurement card.

~~2. All animals that have been assigned a card prior to August 15, 1991 must be re-measured (except animals with Certified measurement cards applied for prior to December 1, 1987). If the owner, either member or non-member, is in possession of a measurement card issued prior to August 15, 1991, there will be no fee for initial re-measurement.~~

~~3. In the event an animal has been measured on August 15, 1991 or thereafter and the person presenting the animal does not have the measurement card or valid measurement form in his or her immediate possession, or Management cannot confirm the measurement electronically with the Federation, the animal must be re-measured for the purposes of competing in that particular competition only. Measurement forms are sent to the Federation office, but are not to be given to the owner.~~

**5.2. All horses and ponies issued a Standard Measurement card prior to December 1, 2014 are not required to be re-measured for a Standard card.**

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**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter Working Group

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change  
HU169.1 - HU169.5 - DRAFT 1****Status:** Approved**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)**Contact:** Bill Moroney**Email:** wmoroney@ushja.org**USEF#****Date Received:** 8/26/2013

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**Intent of Proposal:**

#1 To create an age where an horse or pony is more mature for the final Standard measurement and to insure that owners are confident in the height on the measurement card.#2-To not have to require re-measurement of all previously measured horses and ponies.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014**Linked Rule Changes:**

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**Committee/Organization****Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter

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USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013

USHJA Junior Hunter Taskforce

1:Recommend Disapproval - 10/30/2013

- Draft 1 : The age required for a measurement card should not be changed. Too much of a hardship for breeders to sell their horses/ponies.

USHJA Pony Hunter Task Force

1:Recommend Approval - 10/14/2013

USHJA Stewards

1:Recommend Approval - 10/30/2013

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## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU171.1 - DRAFT 3

**Rule Number:** HU171.1

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 3

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**Proposed Change:**

**HU171 COMPLETING THE MEASUREMENT FORM [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-10 MEASUREMENT] change to read:**

HU171 COMPLETING THE MEASUREMENT FORM.

1. The measurement form must be filled out completely in ~~duplicate~~ **triplicate** before measurement takes place. Measurement cards will not be issued if the form is not completely filled out and legible. Exhibitors are cautioned to make sure their measurement forms are filled out accurately and completely.

a. It must include the name and date of the competition, the height of the animal, ~~height of heel (in ponies or horses five years of age and under)~~, name, color and markings or absence thereof, sex, year foaled which must be verified by the official competition veterinarian at time of measurement.

b. It must include the name and address of the owner and his/her Federation membership number, if applicable, must be given. The form must be signed by the ~~trainer person~~ **trainer** furnishing the above information immediately before the animal is measured and then signed by the competition officials appointed to measure.

c. The ~~person~~ **trainer who signs the entry blank at the competition must provide** providing the information that appears on the measurement form. **The trainer** must be 18 years or older and is responsible for the accuracy of such information and care should be taken that all is in order before signing. When ~~this individual~~ **the trainer** signs the form he/she is certifying that all information is complete and correct. Charges of rule violation for hearing and determination pursuant to Chapters GR6 and GR7 shall result for failure of compliance with this Rule. If a measurement form is signed by a person under the age of 18 and submitted to the Federation office, the measurement will be invalid. ~~4-~~ The official completing the form must designate on the form that the owner is a current member or that the membership has been applied for (See HU170) **and that the horse or pony is entered in a class at that competition**. The white copy is given to the owner or trainer and the blue copy, with applicable fee, is returned to the Federation office.

d. No changes can be made to such information once the form is signed. Any alterations, scratch outs, or rewrites to any part of the ~~height or height of fore heels~~ must be clearly indicated and initialed by the measuring officials

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**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter Working Group

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

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**Date Received:** 8/27/2013

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**Intent of Proposal:**

To clarify the procedures for completing the measurement form.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

**Linked Rule Changes:**

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**Committee/Organization**

**Draft: Action-Date**

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change****HU171.1 - DRAFT 3**

National Hunter

1:Recommend Disapproval - 10/07/2013, 2:No Action,  
3:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013

- Draft 1 : There should be consistent language throughout the rule. The Committee recommends changing "person" in the second sentence to "trainer".

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:No Action, 2:No Action, 3:Recommend Approval -  
12/11/2013

USHJA Junior Hunter Taskforce

1:Recommend Approval - 10/30/2013, 2:No Action,  
3:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013

USHJA Pony Hunter Task Force

1:Recommend Approval - 10/14/2013, 2:No Action,  
3:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013

USHJA Stewards

1:Recommend Approval - 10/30/2013, 2:No Action,  
3:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU173.3 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** HU173.3

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

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**Proposed Change:**

**HU173 MEASUREMENT SURFACE** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-10 MEASUREMENT] **change to read:**

2. If the steward determines that a suitable surface is not available at a competition, animals without a measurement card ~~issued on August 15, 1991 or thereafter~~, or a valid measurement form may nonetheless be measured for the purpose of competing in that competition only, and no measurement form shall be given to the owner

3. All Licensed Competitions having ~~Pony Hunter, Children's Hunter Pony, Junior Hunter, Small Hunter or Welsh performance classes~~ **divisions, sections or classes requiring measurement** are responsible for providing a Federation Approved Measurement stick and a suitable surface for measurements and for failure to do so charges of rule violation shall result for hearing and determination pursuant to Chapters GR6 and GR7.

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter Working Group

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

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**USEF#**

**Date Received:** 8/26/2013

**Intent of Proposal:**

The dates in this rule are no longer applicable.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

**Linked Rule Changes:**

**Committee/Organization**

**Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter

1:Recommend Approval - 10/07/2013

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013



## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU176 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** HU176  
**Rule Change Type:** Standard  
**Draft:** 1

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#### **Proposed Change:**

**HU176 METHOD OF MEASURING HEEL** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-10 MEASUREMENT] **delete and renumber as necessary:**

~~The height of heel is determined by measuring from the skin line on the lower side of the coronary band to the ground, with the ruler perpendicular to the ground.~~

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**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter Working Group

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

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**USEF#**

**Date Received:** 8/26/2013

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#### **Intent of Proposal:**

The hunter and jumper disciplines are solely interested in the height of the horse/pony at the wither and find no need or value in continuing to require heel height measurements. Heel height is an inexact science due to changes in shoeing, trimming and growth variances and provides no additional benefit to our sport.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

#### **Linked Rule Changes:**

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#### **Committee/Organization**

#### **Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter

1:Recommend Approval - 10/07/2013

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013

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#### **Other Comments:**

9.3.13 effective date changed to 4.1.14 per instruction from Carrie Vaught.

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU177.1 - HU177.5 - DRAFT 2

**Rule Number:** HU177.1 - HU177.5

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 2

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#### **Proposed Change:**

**HU177 Protesting Height [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-10 MEASUREMENT] change to read:**

#### **HU177 PROTESTING HEIGHT**

1. An owner or trainer may protest the height of only one animal **horse or pony** competing in a class in which he is also competing. The CEO or Executive Director of the Federation may at his/her discretion **can require a protest measurement to be conducted on** cause a protest measurement to be undertaken of any animal or animals competing in a Pony Hunter, Children's Hunter Pony, Junior Hunter, Small Hunter or Welsh performance class **division, section or class requiring measurement** at a Licensed Competition.

2. A protest questioning the height of an animal **a horse or pony** showing in a Pony Hunter, Children's Hunter Pony, Junior Hunter, Small Hunter or Welsh performance class **division, section or class requiring measurement** shall be filed in accordance with GR603, except that the measurement shall be conducted pursuant to HU168 - HU178 rather than GR511-GR513, and the protest must be filed with the steward and must be filed at least one hour prior to the end of the competition day on which the animal **horse or pony** is showing in a Pony Hunter, Children's Hunter Pony, Junior Hunter, Small Hunter or Welsh performance class **division, section or class requiring measurement**.

5. Animals Five Years of Age or Under.

a. If it is determined that the heel height of an animal five years of age or under is within 1/2" for ponies or 1/4" for horses of what is indicated on its measurement card or valid measurement form, said animal may continue to show at the height indicated and no measurement will take place.

b. If it is determined that the heel height of the animal is not within 1/2 " for ponies or 1/4" for horses of what is indicated on its measurement card or valid measurement form, the Show Committee must have the same officials who made said determination (i.e., heel height) measure the animal.

c. If the protest measurement finds the animal to be outside the permitted height range that is determined by the animal's measurement card (e.g. small hunter pony, large junior hunter, etc.), the owner forfeits entry fees and winnings for that competition. All points accumulated for Horse of the Year Awards to that date are nullified. The animal can immediately commence competing at its new height section or as a horse with a Horse of the Year point balance of zero.

6. Animals Six Years of Age or Over. If the protest measurement finds the animal to be outside the permitted height range that is determined by the animal's measurement card (e.g. small hunter pony, large junior hunter, etc.), the owner forfeits entry fees and winnings for that competition. If the protest measurement is not within the height range, all points accumulated for Horse of the Year Awards to that date are nullified. The animal can immediately commence competing at its new height section or as a horse with a Horse of the Year point balance of zero.

**5. Protest Results. If a horse or pony is found to be outside the permitted height range that is determined by the animal's measurement card (e.g. Small Hunter Pony, Large Junior Hunter, etc.), the owner forfeits entry fees and winnings for that competition. All points accumulated for Horse of the Year and Zone Horse of the Year Awards to that date are forfeited. Said animal is suspended from competing in USEF Licensed Competitions for ninety (90) days from the date of the protest and a new measurement card will be issued to the owner at the end of the suspension period.**

**a. The current trainer and the Steward who conducted the original measurement of a horse or pony that is found to measure outside of the permitted height range that is determined by the horse or pony's measurement card may be subject to penalty by the Federation.**

**b. If the horse or pony remains in its current height section, the animal may continue to compete as before.**

**c. The decision of the measuring officials is final unless an appeal is filed with the Federation within fourteen (14) days (see HU178.5 b and c).**

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**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter Working Group

# Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

## HU177.1 - HU177.5 - DRAFT 2

**Status:** Approved  
**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

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**USEF#**  
**Date Received:** 8/27/2013

### ***Intent of Proposal:***

To instill integrity into the Protest Process that will cause trainers and stewards to be more diligent in their presentation of their horse or pony, and to give confidence to owners that their horses and ponies are being presented and measured properly.

***Proposed Effective Date:*** 12/1/2014

### ***Linked Rule Changes:***

#### **Committee/Organization**

#### **Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter	1:Tabled - 10/07/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:No Action, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013
USHJA Junior Hunter Taskforce	1:Recommend Disapproval - 10/30/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft 1 : The current trainer should not be held accountable if a horse/pony does not measure according to the card. Too many cases where horses/ponies are sold or change trainers after the card is issued.</li> </ul>	
USHJA Pony Hunter Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 10/14/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013
USHJA Stewards	1:Recommend Approval - 10/30/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU178.5b - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** HU178.5b

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

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**Proposed Change:**

**HU178 MEASUREMENT APPEAL** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-10 MEASUREMENT] **change to read:**

5. Appeals of protest measurements

b. If the appeal is upheld, a Temporary Measurement card is issued to animals ~~five~~ **seven** years of age and under and a Standard Measurement card is issued to animals ~~six~~ **eight** years of age or over. The Temporary and Standard Measurement cards cannot be protested for the remainder of the competition year.

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter Working Group

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

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**USEF#**

**Date Received:** 8/26/2013

**Intent of Proposal:**

To correct the age of the issuance of Temporary and Standard cards after an Appeal measurement.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

**Linked Rule Changes:**

**Committee/Organization**

**Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter

1:Recommend Approval - 10/07/2013

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013

USHJA Junior Hunter Taskforce

1:Recommend Disapproval - 10/30/2013

- Draft 1 : The age required for a measurement card should not be changed. Too much of a hardship for breeders to sell their horses/ponies.

USHJA Pony Hunter Task Force

1:Recommend Approval - 10/14/2013

USHJA Stewards

1:Recommend Approval - 10/30/2013

USHJA

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change**  
**HU178.5b - DRAFT 1**

**Status:** Approved

**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU179.1 - HU179.4d - DRAFT 2

**Rule Number:** HU179.1 - HU179.4d

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 2

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***Proposed Change:***

**HU179 Remeasurement [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-10 MEASUREMENT] add and renumber as necessary:**

**HU179 RE-MEASUREMENT**

1. *An owner may request a re-measurement of a horse or pony to a larger height section. Re-measurement may be done one time during a horse or pony's life.*
2. *Procedure:*
  - a. *The owner requests a re-measurement from the Federation by either letter or e-mail.*
  - b. *The Federation issues a re-measurement permission letter to the owner. After consulting with the owner, the Federation will select the Measuring Steward and competition at which the re-measurement will take place.*
  - c. *This letter is presented to the measuring steward at the competition.*
  - d. *If the horse or pony measures into a larger height section, a copy of the measurement form will be given to the presenter and a new card will be issued to the owner.*
  - e. *The original card will be invalidated by the Federation.*
  - f. *If the horse or pony measures into a larger height section it immediately becomes eligible to show in that section. The Horse of the Year points received in the previous height section is forfeited for the current competition year.*
  - g. *No penalties will be incurred by the original measuring steward or current trainer.*
3. *An owner of a horse or pony may request a re-measurement of a horse or pony to a lower height section. Re-measurement may be done one time during a horse or pony's life.*
4. *Procedure:*
  - a. *The owner requests a re-measurement from the Federation by either letter or email.*
  - b. *The re-measurement is conducted under the Measurement Appeal Rules (HU178.2 and HU178.3). Drug testing of the horse or pony may be required.*
  - c. *If the horse or pony measures into a smaller height section, a copy of the measurement form will be given to the presenter and a new card will be issued to the owner.*
  - d. *The original card will be invalidated by the Federation.*
  - e. *If the horse or pony measures into a smaller height section it will be ineligible to show in either section for ninety (90) calendar days from the date of the re-measurement. The horse or pony may compete in other divisions, sections or classes that do not have height as a requirement. The Horse of the Year points received in the previous height section is forfeited for the current competition year.*

# Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

## HU179.1 - HU179.4d - DRAFT 2

**Status:** Approved**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

*f. No penalties will be incurred by the original measuring steward or current trainer.*

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**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter Working Group

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**USEF#**

**Date Received:** 8/26/2013

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***Intent of Proposal:***

To clarify and strengthen the measurement process and accountability of the parties responsible for the horse or pony and its measurement.

***Proposed Effective Date:*** Immediately Upon Notification

***Linked Rule Changes:***

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**Committee/Organization**

**Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter	1:Tabled - 10/07/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:No Action, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013
USHJA Junior Hunter Taskforce	1:Tabled - 10/30/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013
USHJA Pony Hunter Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 10/14/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013
USHJA Stewards	1:Recommend Approval - 10/30/2013, 2:Recommend Approval - 12/10/2013

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# Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

## HU181.5 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** HU181.5

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

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### **Proposed Change:**

**HU181 Team Award** [CHAPTER Subchapter HU-11 National Championships] **change to read:**

#### 5. Team Award.

If three or more ponies from any one state compete in the competition, the best three scores of small, medium and large ponies will be added together for a Team Award. If there are not three ponies from any one state, then individual ponies may be combined for a Zone Team, provided they are all from the same Zone. Ponies from a state where three or more ponies are represented are ineligible for a Zone Team. The state or Zone that a pony represents is determined by the owner's state of residence. **Entries in the Small, Medium and Large Regular Hunter Pony sections will be randomly divided into teams of four. There will be four ponies from the same pony size section on each team. At the conclusion of the Model and Under Saddle for each size section, the team scores will be totaled and posted. The overall score (Model 25%, Under Saddle 25%, Over Fences 50%) for each pony on the team will be added together for the team's total score. The lowest overall score will automatically be dropped from the total team score. In the event of uneven entry numbers, some teams may be comprised of five ponies in which case the two lowest overall scores will be dropped from the team's total score. The team with the highest overall total score will be awarded the International Challenge Trophy.** In the event of tied scores between ponies on the same team, the pony with the most points over fences will be given the place on the team. Each member of the winning team will receive a memento of the team trophy, the International Challenge Trophy, and the team name will be inscribed on the trophy, which will remain in the possession of the Federation.

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter Working Group

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**Date Received:** 8/23/2013

### **Intent of Proposal:**

To redefine the Pony Finals Team Award in an effort to increase the prestige of the award and create improved interest from the Pony Finals exhibitors.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 4/1/2014

### **Linked Rule Changes:**

### **Committee/Organization**

### **Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter

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USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013



USHJA

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change  
HU181.5 - DRAFT 1**

**Status:** Approved

**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU182.1 - HU182.6 - DRAFT 2

**Rule Number:** HU182.1 - HU182.6

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 2

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

#### **Proposed Change:**

**HU182 Junior Hunter** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-11 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS] **change to read:**

1. This competition is designed to encourage and promote the basic training and development of Junior Hunters. ***The National Championship must be offered for the Junior Hunter 3'6". The Junior Hunter 3'3" section may be offered in addition to the 3'6" section.***
2. Eligibility. In order to compete in the U.S. Junior Hunter Championship,
  - a. The horse must be recorded with the Federation and registered with USHJA on or before the first day of the ***Championship*** competition. ~~The owner must be an Active member of the Federation and USHJA.~~
  - b. The owner of record of the horse must be an Active member in good standing of the Federation and USHJA, i.e.; horses must be shown in accordance with GR1102 and GR1108 in order to be eligible to qualify.
  - c. A horse must win a Championship or Reserve Championship in an "A" or "AA" Rated Junior Hunter Division ***section*** between July 2 of the previous competition year and July 1 of the current competition year, and/or be in the top 10 in their zone in any of the four Junior Hunter sections, ***based on the competition results received***, as of July 1 of the current competition year. Sections held after July 1 will count toward next year's competition.
  - d. The horse must be recorded with the Federation and registered with the USHJA at the time of the win for the Championship or Reserve Championship to count.
  - f. Horses that are champion at the previous year's competition may return without qualifying ***providing that they are properly entered to compete.*** ~~The owner of record of the horse must be an Active member in good standing of the Federation and USHJA, i.e.; horses must be shown in accordance with GR1102 and GR1108 in order to be eligible to qualify.~~
6. Competition Special Requirements.
  - d. The U.S. Junior Hunter National Championships may be split into two Championships. One on the eastern side of the U.S. and one on the western side of the U.S. Qualified horses may compete in either Championship but ***the horse's owners or their agent*** must declare which one they will be competing in as they are only allowed to compete in one or the other but not both in any one year. ***Riders may ride one large and one small on both coasts.*** Qualification and points will be the same for both eastern and western championships.

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter Working Group

**Contact:** Bill Moroney

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**USEF#**

**Date Received:** 8/27/2013

#### **Intent of Proposal:**

1. To include the new Junior Hunter 3'3" sections in the U.S. Junior Hunter Championships2. To clarify the qualifying process for the Junior Hunter Finals6. To clarify that a rider can compete in both the East and West Coast Junior Hunter Finals.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 4/1/2014

**Linked Rule Changes:**

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change  
HU182.1 - HU182.6 - DRAFT 2****Status:** Approved  
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**Committee/Organization****Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter

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USHJA Hunter Working Group

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# Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

## HU186.5 - DRAFT 1

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**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

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### **Proposed Change:**

**HU186 INTERNATIONAL HUNTER DERBY** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-13 USHJA INTERNATIONAL HUNTER DERBY AND USHJA NATIONAL HUNTER DERBY] **change to read:**

5. Prize Money must be distributed as follows: 30% for 1st, 22% for 2nd, 13% for 3rd, 8% for 4th, 6% for 5th, 5% for 6th, 4% for 7th, 3% for 8th, 9th, 2% for 10th, 11th and 12th. **in accordance with the official USHJA Class Specifications at [www.ushja.org](http://www.ushja.org)**

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**SubProponent:** Hunter Working Group

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**Date Received:** 8/26/2013

### **Intent of Proposal:**

To allow for an annual review of the International Hunter Derby program and to provide greater flexibility on amending the distribution of prize money.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

### **Linked Rule Changes:**

### **Committee/Organization**

### **Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter	1:Recommend Approval - 09/09/2013
USHJA Competition Management	1:Recommend Approval - 12/02/2013
USHJA Hunter Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU187.6 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** HU187.6

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

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**Proposed Change:**

**HU187 NATIONAL HUNTER DERBY** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-13 USHJA INTERNATIONAL HUNTER DERBY AND USHJA NATIONAL HUNTER DERBY] **change to read:**

6. Prize Money must be distributed as follows: 30% for 1st, 22% for 2nd, 15% for 3rd, 10% for 4th, 7% for 5th, 6% for 6th, 5% for 7th, 5% for 8th. **in accordance with the official USHJA Class Specifications at [www.ushja.org](http://www.ushja.org).**

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**Intent of Proposal:**

To allow for an annual review of the National Hunter Derby program and to provide greater flexibility on amending the distribution of prize money.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

**Linked Rule Changes:**

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**Committee/Organization**

**Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter

1:Recommend Approval - 09/09/2013

USHJA Competition Management

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USHJA Hunter Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### HU188 - DRAFT 3

**Rule Number:** HU188  
**Rule Change Type:** Standard  
**Draft:** 3

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#### *Proposed Change:*

**HU 188 USHJA Pre-Green Challenge** [CHAPTER Hunter, HU-13, USHJA International Hunter Derby, USHJA National Hunter Derby and USHJA Pre-Green Challenge] **add and renumber as necessary:**

**USHJA Pre-Green Challenge may be offered at USEF Licensed Premier, National, Regional I or Regional II Competitions and at Competitions approved for a Special Competition Status.**

- 1. USHJA Pre-Green Challenge is open to horses of any age in their first or second year of competing over fences set at 3' or 3'3".**
- 2. A horse which has received a pre-green reinstatement in accordance with USEF rules is allowed to compete in a USHJA Pre-Green Challenge.**
- 3. Horses are not required to jog for soundness.**
- 4. All USHJA Pre-Green Challenge classes must meet the requirements set forth by USHJA. Information on class procedures, class requirements, judging system and course requirements is available from the Programs Department in the USHJA office and on the website at [www.ushja.org](http://www.ushja.org).**
  - a. The USHJA Pre-Green Challenge may be held as a separate two (2) round class or competitions may utilize the last class of a Pre-Green section as the first (1<sup>st</sup>) round of the Pre-Green Challenge. At least twelve (12) horses, if available, must return for the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) round. Prize lists must specify if more than twelve (12) horses will be invited to return for the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) round.**
- 5. Competition management will collect and remit to USHJA the per horse entrant fee along with the class results within fourteen (14) days of the competition. The USHJA Pre-Green Challenge entry fee is capped at ten percent (10%) of prize money offered. The per horse entrant fee will be \$20 15 at Premier, National and Special competitions and \$10 at Regional I and Regional II competitions. The per horse starter entrant fee may be added to the entry fee.**
- 6. ~~This fee must be per horse entrant fee is not included in calculating the ten percent (10%) entry fee maximum. The per horse entrant fee is \$20 at "AA", "A" and Special Competitions and is \$10 at "B" and "C" Competitions.~~**
- 7. Zone bonus points will be awarded to the horse in the Pre-Green hunter section. However, horses may be ridden by Professionals, Juniors, or Amateurs.**
- 8. Zone bonus points will be awarded for a USHJA Pre-Green Challenge as follows:**
  - a. For a USHJA Pre-Green Challenge in which the first round is the last class of the Pre-Green Section, Zone bonus points will be awarded as follows: 1<sup>st</sup>-40, 2<sup>nd</sup>-32, 3<sup>rd</sup>-28, 4<sup>th</sup>-24, 5<sup>th</sup>-20, 6<sup>th</sup>-16, 7<sup>th</sup>-12, 8<sup>th</sup>-10, 9<sup>th</sup>-8, 10<sup>th</sup>-6, 11<sup>th</sup>-4 and 12<sup>th</sup>-2.**
  - b. For a USHJA Pre-Green Challenge which is held as separate two round class, Zone bonus points will be awarded for a as follows: 1<sup>st</sup>-80, 2<sup>nd</sup>-64, 3<sup>rd</sup>-56, 4<sup>th</sup>- 48, 5<sup>th</sup>- 40, 6<sup>th</sup>-32, 7<sup>th</sup>-24, 8<sup>th</sup>-20, 9<sup>th</sup>-16, 10<sup>th</sup>-12, 11<sup>th</sup>-8 and 12<sup>th</sup>-4.**
- 9. A minimum of \$750 must be offered when a USHJA Pre-Green Challenge is held at a Premier rated competition, a minimum of \$500 when held at a National rated competition and a minimum of \$250 must be offered when held at a Regional I or Regional II rated competition.**
- 10. Prize Money must be distributed in accordance with the official USHJA class specifications at [www.ushja.org](http://www.ushja.org). Competitions choosing to pay to further places utilizing different payout percentages must state this in their prize list.**
- 11. A competition may choose to offer add-back prize money in addition to the prize money offered, however, the minimum required prize money must be guaranteed. If add-back prize money will be offered, this must be stated in the prize list.**
- 12. Riders, owners and trainers must be current Active members of USEF and USHJA prior to the start of the class. (See GR202).**
- 13. Horses competing in this class must be registered with the USHJA prior to the start of the class.**
- 14. To be eligible for Zone Horse of the Year bonus points per GR1110, horses competing in this class must have an active Federation recording and USHJA registration.**
- 15. No more than one Pre-Green Challenge may be held during a given competition and competitions have the option of offering only one (1) fence height, or both fence heights within the class.**
- 16. Two (2) judges are required for Premier rated competitions when the Pre-Green Challenge is held as a stand-alone two (2) round class. Only one (1) judge is required for National, Regional I and Regional II rated competitions, but two (2) judges are encouraged when feasible. When the Pre-Green Challenge is held utilizing the last round of the Pre-Green Section as the first (1<sup>st</sup>) round of the Challenge, then only one (1) judge is required regardless of the competition rating, but management is**

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*encourage to have two (2) judges for the final round when feasible. When only one judge is used the judge must hold a Registered (large R) USEF Hunter License. When two (2) judges are used, one (1) judge must hold a Registered (large R) USEF Hunter License.*

**17. When more than one (1) judge officiates, all judges will sit together and provide one (1) score.**

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**SubProponent:** Hunter Working Group

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**Date Received:** 8/30/2013

***Intent of Proposal:***

Include a new USHJA program in the USEF Rule Book.

***Proposed Effective Date:*** 12/1/2014

***Linked Rule Changes:***

**Committee/Organization**

**Draft: Action-Date**

National Hunter

1: Tabled - 10/07/2013, 2: Recommend Disapproval - 12/10/2013, 3: Recommend Approval - 01/09/2014

- Draft 2 : There is not currently a need for another program because we have the Pre-Green Incentive program and the new USEF Young Horse Championships.

USHJA Competition Management

1: Recommend Approval - 12/02/2013, 2: Recommend Disapproval - 12/11/2013, 3: No Action

- Draft 2 : To allow the USHJA PreGreen Incentive Program to time to grow and there is a Young Horse Championship and will be another program for Young Hunters.

USHJA Hunter Development Task Force

1: Recommend Disapproval - 11/12/2013, 2: Recommend Disapproval - 12/10/2013, 3: No Action

- Draft 1 : Want to continue to allow the Pre-Green Incentive Program to grow before adding a second Pre-Green program.
- Draft 2 : Want to continue to allow the Pre-Green Incentive Program to grow before adding a second Pre-Green program and the USEF Young Horse Championships offers an alternate avenue for owners of young horses.

USHJA Hunter Working Group

1: Recommend Disapproval - 11/18/2013, 2: Recommend Disapproval - 12/11/2013, 3: No Action

- Draft 1 : Need to concentrate on existing programs.

USHJA Owners

1: Recommend Approval - 10/14/2013, 2: No Action, 3: No Action

USHJA Professionals

1: Recommend Disapproval - 11/18/2013, 2: Recommend Disapproval - 12/09/2013, 3: No Action

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**Status:** Approved  
**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

- Draft 1 : Need to concentrate on existing programs.
- Draft 2 : Need to concentrate on existing programs

USHJA Young Professionals

1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013, 2:Recommend  
Disapproval - 12/11/2013, 3:No Action

- Draft 2 : In favor of this concept but the addition of the rule is premature. In addition, there are many programs occurring. The USHJA should give the pre-green incentive program a chance to grow first.
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## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### JP111.4 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** JP111.4  
**Rule Change Type:** Standard  
**Draft:** 1

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#### **Proposed Change:**

**weighted boots** [CHAPTER subchapter JP 1 General] **add and renumber as necessary:**

#### **JP111.4**

**The total maximum weight of equipment allowed to be added to a Horse's leg, front or hind (single or multiple boots, fetlock rings, etc), is 500 grams or 17.637 ounces (shoe excluded). Failure to comply with this paragraph will incur disqualification.**

**5-4.** See JP116.2 for Classes Restricted by Age of Horse.

**6 5.**–Tied Stirrups. Any rider competing with their stirrup, stirrup leather or foot tied and/or secured in any manner, will automatically be eliminated from that class. Riding anywhere on the competition grounds with stirrup, stirrup leather or foot tied or otherwise secured is cause for disqualification, by the steward, of that rider from the subsequent class in which the rider is entered. In the case of junior or amateur riders, the steward will note the trainer name(s) on the Steward's Report and further disciplinary actions may be taken by the Federation. Exception: Devices approved by the FEI are allowed.

**7 6.** Attire. Management, at its discretion, may allow competitors to compete without riding coats. If a riding coat is not worn, riders must wear a shirt with a collar or a choker, neatly tucked into riding breeches. A windbreaker jacket or raincoat may be worn if conditions require. In all cases, riders must appear neatly attired to appear before the public or be subject to penalty of elimination by the judges. See GR801.4 for Safety Helmets and Safety Vests.

**8 7.** No mounted exhibitor may wear or carry an electronic communication device (i.e., cellular telephone, pager, walkie talkie, etc.) while in competition ring. The penalty for wearing or carrying a forbidden device if observed by the judge may be elimination from the class during which the device was worn or carried. Exception: A handicapped participant may use electronic devices if, prior to the class, he/ she presents to the USEF Steward written justification from treating personnel setting forth the necessity for the equipment.

**9 8.** Formal Attire. Black, blue, green, grey, scarlet or similar coats are permitted; white or fawn breeches; a white tie, choker or hunting stock, and a white or lightly colored shirt must be worn. Shirts must have a white collar and white cuffs.

Members of the Armed Services or the police may wear the service dress uniform with protective headgear. (See General Rules, GR801.2)

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**Date Received:** 8/29/2013

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#### **Intent of Proposal:**

keep competition fair

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

**Linked Rule Changes:**

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**Committee/Organization**

**Draft: Action-Date**

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Jumper	1:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013
USHJA Childrens/Adult Jumper Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 11/23/2013
USHJA Jumper Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 11/05/2013
USHJA Jumper Zone Council	1:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013
USHJA Owners	1:Recommend Approval - 10/14/2013
USHJA Professionals	1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013
USHJA Stewards	1:Recommend Approval - 10/30/2013
USHJA Young Jumper Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 10/21/2013
USHJA Young Professionals	1:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013
USHJA Young Rider Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013

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### JP111.6 - JP111.8e - DRAFT 3

**Rule Number:** JP111.6 - JP111.8e

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 3

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#### **Proposed Change:**

**JP111 Tack and Attire [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER JP-1 GENERAL] change to read:**

6. ~~Attire. Management, at its discretion, may allow competitors to compete without riding coats. If a riding coat is not worn, riders must wear a shirt with a collar or a choker, neatly tucked into riding breeches. A windbreaker jacket or raincoat may be worn if conditions require. In all cases, riders must appear neatly attired to appear before the public or be subject to penalty of elimination by the judges. See GR801.4 for Safety Helmets and Safety Vests.~~

7. No mounted exhibitor may wear or carry an electronic communication device (i.e., cellular telephone, pager, walkie talkie, etc.) while in competition ring. The penalty for wearing or carrying a forbidden device if observed by the judge may be elimination from the class during which the device was worn or carried. Exception: A handicapped participant may use electronic devices if, prior to the class, he/ she presents to the USEF Steward written justification from treating personnel setting forth the necessity for the equipment.

**8. Attire.**

a. Formal **Jumper Attire. Dark, muted or similar colored, Black, blue, green, grey, or red (scarlet) or similar coats are required** permitted; **team or sponsored coats of different colors are also permitted;** white or fawn breeches; a white tie, choker **(unless the shirt, by design, has the choker built in for its intended use)** or hunting stock, and a white or lightly colored shirt must be worn. Shirts must have a white collar and white cuffs. **Shirts must be fastened at the neck and tucked into breeches. Boots are required. Half chaps are permitted as long as the color matches the paddock boots being worn.** Members of the Armed Services or the police may wear the service dress uniform with protective headgear. (See General Rules, GR801.2)

b. **Proper Jumper Attire. Coats of any color are required. Breeches must be light color (white, fawn or canary). Pastel and dark colored breeches are not allowed. Shirts, light in color, must be tucked into breeches and fastened at the top of the neck. Ties or chokers of any color must be worn (unless the shirt, by design, has the choker built in for its intended use). Boots are required. Half chaps are permitted as long as the color matches the paddock boots being worn.**

c. **Standard Jumper Attire. Coats are not required. Breeches of any color are permitted. Shirts (polo shirts are permitted) must have collars and sleeves (sleeves may be either long or short), and must be tucked into breeches. Sleeveless shirts and shirts with exposed hoods are prohibited. Boots are required. Half chaps are permitted as long as the color matches the paddock boots being worn.**

d. **In extreme weather conditions, the use of jackets, sweaters or raincoats can be allowed by management and/or permission from the Jumper Judge/s. Permission must be granted before entering the competition ring.**

e. **In cases where the above requirements are not followed, the penalty will be either a possible warning (for the first offence) or elimination.**

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**Date Received:** 8/27/2013

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#### **Intent of Proposal:**

Current wording is out of date and this proposal defines several types of attire for competitions to choose which one best suits a particular class.

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**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change  
JP111.6 - JP111.8e - DRAFT 3****Status:** Approved**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)***Linked Rule Changes:***

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<b><u>Committee/Organization</u></b>	<b><u>Draft: Action-Date</u></b>
USHJA Childrens/Adult Jumper Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 11/23/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action
USHJA Jumper Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 11/05/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Draft 1 : The Group approves with the following addition of language to 8.a. Formal Jumper Attire. Dark, muted or similar colored, Black, blue, green, grey, or red (scarlet) or similar coats are required; Team or sponsored coats of different colors are also permitted; fawn or white breeches...</li></ul>	
USHJA Young Jumper Task Force	1:No Action, 2:No Action, 3:No Action
USHJA Young Rider Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action

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## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### JP112.1 - JP112.2 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** JP112.1 - JP112.2

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

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**Proposed Change:**

**JP112 Starting Order** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER JP-1 GENERAL] **change to read:**

JP112 Starting Order (**See also JP 148 for classes offering \$25,000 or more**)

1. When a starting order is used,

... ~~c. For classes of \$25,000 or more, a Steward and, when possible, a rider, trainer, or owner of a horse in that class should be present to witness the draw.~~

2. Establishing the Order. (Either manually or via computer)

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~~f. For classes of \$25,000 or more, the previous year's winning rider may be seeded last if it is so stated in the prize list. If that rider has more than one horse in the class, a draw will be conducted to determine which of his/her horses will be seeded last.~~

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**Date Received:** 8/27/2013

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**Intent of Proposal:**

This proposal is not changing any wording, just moving the wording for classes offering \$25,000 or more in prize money to JP 148 which is the rule for classes offering \$25,000 or more in prize money.

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**Linked Rule Changes:**

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**Committee/Organization**

USHJA Jumper Working Group

**Draft: Action-Date**

1:Recommend Approval - 11/05/2013

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### JP112.2 - JP112.4 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** JP112.2 - JP112.4

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

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#### **Proposed Change:**

**JP112 Starting Order** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER JP-1 GENERAL] **delete and renumber as necessary:**

2. Establishing the Order. (Either manually or via computer)

a. The jumping order for the first round must be established by one of the following procedures:

1. the horses' names are drawn individually, starting with the first position and then working down;

2. the horses' names are listed and their positions drawn;

3. the horses' names and the positions are both drawn;

4. ~~the horses' names are listed (with multiple rides pre-spaced), with the first name drawn becoming the first horse to compete in the first round, the remaining horses following from that point (i.e., the horses' name after the one drawn first is second, the next one third, etc.).~~

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#### **Intent of Proposal:**

The "with multiple rides pre spaced" means that anyone can choose where to put these which is not random or fair.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

#### **Linked Rule Changes:**

#### **Committee/Organization**

#### **Draft: Action-Date**

USHJA Childrens/Adult Jumper Task Force

1:Recommend Approval - 11/23/2013

USHJA Jumper Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 11/05/2013

USHJA Young Jumper Task Force

1:Recommend Disapproval - 10/21/2013

- Draft 1 : For competitors, the elimination of pre-spacing could prove problematic if horses were drawn back-to-back and if other competitors would not move up and if management could not wait for the switching of horses.

USHJA Young Rider Task Force

1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013

USHJA

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**Status:** Approved

**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### JP116.3 - JP116.7 - DRAFT 4

**Rule Number:** JP116.3 - JP116.7

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 4

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#### *Proposed Change:*

**JP116 Sections/Classes Restricted by Age of Horse** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER JP-3 SECTION SPECIFICATIONS] **change to read:**

#### **3. Course Guidelines**

##### **a. General for all ages:**

1. *There should be at least two changes of direction, preferably more.*
2. *The first obstacle should be inviting, not difficult (i.e. no blind corners).*
3. *Normal distances should be used in related lines, whether straight or bending.*
4. *If used for the Six or Seven Year Old classes, the water jump must be in the second part of the course and jumped in the direction of the in-gate.*

##### **5. Indoor arenas: Whenever possible, obstacles should not be placed directly on the wall.**

##### **b. Five Year Old Jumpers**

1. *Obstacles should be inviting and not solid, i.e. no solid walls.*
2. *Triple combinations may not be included before July 1<sup>st</sup>.*
3. *Only one spread obstacle may be included in any combination before July 1<sup>st</sup>.*
4. *When using a Liverpool, the rails must be in the center and on Safety Cups, and the Liverpool must be used as an option.*

##### **5. A Liverpool may not be used as part of a combination.**

##### **6. The first fence and the (a) portion of any combination must be set 5cm lower than the height specified for the class.**

##### **c. Six Year Old Jumpers**

1. *Triple combinations may only include one spread obstacle before July 1<sup>st</sup>.*
2. *Water jumps may not exceed 11' (3.30m) and must use a rail over the water with a lath on the landing side. Water jumps should be in the second half of the course, and another obstacle must be offered as an option. The rail must be judged and if the lath is to be judged, it must be marked on the course.*

##### **3. A Liverpool may be not used as part of a combination.**

##### **4. If using Table II, Section 1, courses should always be built as Table II, not Table III.**

##### **d. Seven Year Old Jumpers**

1. *If a Liverpool is used in a combination, it may only be used as the first element.*
2. *Water jumps may not exceed 12' (3.60 m) and must use a rail over the water with a lath on the landing side.*

**4.Five-Year-Old Jumper:** Open to horses with papers indicating a foaling date five years previous to the current calendar year. Horses competing in classes restricted to Five-Year-Olds may not have ever shown in Open Jumper Classes offering \$25,000 or more in prize money with fence heights of 1.25m or higher.

a. Classes will be scored under Table II (all clears stay equal) or under Table II, Section 2.

b. Courses to be set at 1.00 m to 1.15 m. After July 1st courses may be set up to 1.20 m. Speed of 350 m/m.

c. Additional course restrictions:

- (1) Triple combinations may not be included before July 1st;
- (2) only one spread obstacle may be included in any combination before July 1st;
- (3) when using a vertical over any liverpool, the rails must be in the center;
- (4) no liverpool may be used as part of a combination; and
- (5) the first fence and the (a) portion of any combination must be set 5cm lower than the height specified for the class.

**5.Six-Year-Old Jumper:** Open to horses with papers indicating a foaling date six years previous to the current calendar year. Horses competing in classes restricted to Six Year Olds may not have ever shown in Open Jumper Classes offering \$25,000 or more in prize money with fence heights of 1.35m or higher.

a. Classes may be scored under Table II, (all clears staying equal); or Table II Section 1 or 2. **a, b, or c.**

b. Courses to be set at 1.20 m to 1.25 m. After July 1st, courses may be set up to 1.30 m. Speed of 350 m/m.

c. Additional course restrictions:

- (1) Triple combinations may only include one spread obstacle before July 1st;
- (2) water jumps may not exceed 11' (3.30m) and should be in the second half of the course, and another obstacle must be offered as



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~~an option;~~

~~(3) no liverpool may be used as part of a combination.~~

**6. Seven- Eight-Year-Old Jumper:** Open to horses with papers indicating a foaling date seven or eight years previous to the current calendar year. Horses competing in classes restricted to Seven and/or Eight-Year-Olds may not have ever shown in Open Jumper Classes offering \$25,000 or more in prize money held at the National or International Standard.

a. Classes may be scored under Table II, Section 1 or 2.

b. Courses to be set at 1.30 m to 1.35 m (to 1.40m for Eight Year Olds).

c. When competitions offer combined age groups in one class, the Seven Year Olds go first jumping their proper height, then all fences to be raised 5cm ~~and spreads 10 cm~~ prior to the Eight Year Old horses' participation. If there are 15 or more entries in each age group (7 and 8), the class must be split by age group with equal prize money in each section.

~~d. Additional course restrictions:~~

~~(1) If a Liverpools is used in a combination, it may only be used as the first element; and~~

~~(2) water jumps may not exceed 12' (3.60 m).~~

**7. Classes for age groups** may be combined and run as one class when there are less than 4 in a given age category. When classes are combined (**see JP 120.1.c**), each age category must jump the height specified for that **age** category. ~~and e~~ **Course guidelines** requirements and **class** other specifications must conform to those specified for the youngest age jumping in the class.

**8. Special Competitions.** Exceptions to any of the above listed conditions may be made only with the permission of the Federation Jumper Committee prior to the printing of the prize list. For complete specifications for the YJC program please refer to their website at [www.youngjumpers.com](http://www.youngjumpers.com).

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**USEF#** Staff

**Date Received:** 8/27/2013

#### **Intent of Proposal:**

This proposal moves the various course requirements/restrictions into one location as well as other minor changes that foster the development of young horses.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

#### **Linked Rule Changes:**

#### **Committee/Organization**

#### **Draft: Action-Date**

USHJA Jumper Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 11/05/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:No Action

USHJA Young Jumper Task Force

1:Recommend Approval - 10/21/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:No Action

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### JP116.5 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** JP116.5  
**Rule Change Type:** Standard  
**Draft:** 1

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

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#### **Proposed Change:**

**JP116 Sections/Classes Restricted by Age of Horse** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER JP-3 SECTION SPECIFICATIONS] **delete and renumber as necessary:**

2. Boots: Non-weighted non-performance enhancing (any boot that does anything but protect the horse's leg/ankle will be considered performance enhancing) hind ankle boots are permitted in classes restricted to Five, Six, ~~or Seven, or Eight~~ year olds. Support wraps are permitted. If boots are made of rigid leather or plastic, they may only be a maximum of 6 inches/15 cm in height (excluding fleece and other protective padding). The total maximum weight of equipment allowed to be added to a horse's leg, front or hind (single or multiple boots, fetlock rings etc.), is 350g (shoe excluded).

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5. Seven- ~~Eight~~-Year-Old Jumper: Open to horses with papers indicating a foaling date seven ~~or eight~~ years previous to the current calendar year. Horses competing in classes restricted to Seven ~~and/or Eight~~-Year-Olds may not have ever shown in Open Jumper Classes offering \$25,000 or more in prize money held at the National or International Standard.

a. Classes may be scored under Table II, Section 1 or 2.

b. Courses to be set at 1.30 m to 1.35 m ~~(to 1.40m for Eight Year Olds)~~.

c. ~~When competitions offer combined age groups in one class, the Seven Year Olds go first jumping their proper height, then all fences to be raised 5cm and spreads 10 cm prior to the Eight Year Old horses' participation. If there are 15 or more entries in each age group (7 and 8), the class must be split by age group with equal prize money in each section.~~

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**Proponent:** Jumper

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**USEF#** Staff

**Date Received:** 7/1/2013

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#### **Intent of Proposal:**

The intent is to remove the eight year olds from Young Horse classes.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

#### **Linked Rule Changes:**

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#### **Committee/Organization**

USHJA Jumper Working Group

#### **Draft: Action-Date**

1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### JP120.1 - JP120.2 - DRAFT 2

**Rule Number:** JP120.1 - JP120.2

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 2

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**Proposed Change:**

**JP120 Thoroughbred Jumper** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER JP-3 SECTION SPECIFICATIONS] **add and renumber as necessary:**

**JP120 Thoroughbred Jumper**

**1. Thoroughbred restricted classes are open only to horses that are recorded with the Federation, registered with USHJA and are in possession of Breed Registry papers. Horses must have been either registered with The Jockey Club or meet the criteria below. All horse shows must require riders to verify registration on the day of the horse show through one of the following methods:**

**a. The Jockey Club Certificate of Foal Registration or a copy thereof**

**b. The horse's lip tattoo, the horse's 5-cross pedigree and the successful tattoo lookup result from The Jockey Club's Tattoo Identification Services, (located at**

**[www. registry.jockeyclub.com](http://www.registry.jockeyclub.com))**

**c. If neither of the above is available, a letter from The Jockey Club verifying the horse's identity**

**2. Fence Heights to be set at 1.0m-1.05m not to exceed 1.05m (3'5").**

**3. Cross entry into other sections is allowed unless otherwise stated in the prize list.**

**4. Championships must be offered in accordance with JP110.**

**5. This section will be C rated for Zone Horse of the Year Awards.**

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**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter Working Group

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**USEF#**

**Date Received:** 8/27/2013

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**Intent of Proposal:**

To integrate Thoroughbreds back into the show ring and provide an avenue for them to do so.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

**Linked Rule Changes:**

GR313.6 (239-13), GR1131.9 (240-13), GR1133.5 (241-13), HU121.19 (242-13), HU166 (243-13), JP133.3 (244-13), HU106.8 (257-13)

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change****JP120.1 - JP120.2 - DRAFT 2****Committee/Organization****Draft: Action-Date**

Jumper

1:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013, 2:Recommend  
Approval - 12/10/2013

USHJA Jumper Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 11/05/2013, 2:Recommend  
Approval - 12/09/2013

USHJA Jumper Zone Council

1:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013, 2:Recommend  
Approval - 12/10/2013

# Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

## JP126.2 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** JP126.2

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

### **Proposed Change:**

**JP126 Water Obstacles** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER JP-5 COURSE REQUIREMENTS] **change to read:**

#### 2. Open Water Jump

a. Definition: An open water jump has no obstacle in front (except as noted in .5 below), in the middle, or behind the water.

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4. When a concrete or metal water jump is used a secure mat ~~at least 3' wide and~~ at least 1 cm (1/2") thick must cover the entire ~~landing side of the~~ obstacle.

5. An obstacle **with a minimum height of 40cm and a maximum height of 50cm, must** ~~no higher than 76 cm (2'6")~~ may be placed on the take-off side. Although counted in the calculation of the total width, these elements are not part of the obstacle and displacing them or knocking them down is not penalized.

b. Scoring:

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2. The limits must be clearly marked both on the take-off and the landing sides with visible flags. **Flag poles must not be made of metal or unbreakable material and must be 6' to 8' in height.**

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**USEF#** Staff

**Date Received:** 8/27/2013

### **Intent of Proposal:**

These changes regarding the construction of an open water are for the safety of the horse and rider.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

### **Linked Rule Changes:**

### **Committee/Organization**

### **Draft: Action-Date**

USHJA Childrens/Adult Jumper Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 11/23/2013
USHJA Competition Management	1:Recommend Approval - 12/02/2013
USHJA Course Designer Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 11/23/2013
USHJA Jumper Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 11/05/2013
USHJA Young Jumper Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 10/21/2013

USHJA

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change**  
**JP126.2 - DRAFT 1**

USHJA Young Rider Task Force

**Status:** Approved

**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013

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## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### JP129.2 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** JP129.2

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

#### **Proposed Change:**

**JP129 Speed, Time Allowed, Time Limit, and Optimum Time [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER JP-5 COURSE REQUIREMENTS] add and renumber as necessary:**

2. Speed. The Time Allowed is based on a minimum speed of 350 meters per minute (382 yards per minute) 328 m/m (360 yd/min) for Pony Jumpers, or in very small or indoor arenas). If a speed other than 350 m/m (382 yards per minute) is to be used, it must be printed in the prize list.

**a. Where the arena size is more than 5,000 square meters (approximately 55m x 90m [180ft x 300ft]) the maximum speed to be used for any division shall be 375 meters/min. In arenas of less than 5,000 square meters the maximum speed to be used shall be 350 meters/minute.**

**Proponent:** Jumper

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**Date Received:** 8/27/2013

#### **Intent of Proposal:**

This proposal adds language for determining the speed in different arena sizes.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

#### **Linked Rule Changes:**

#### **Committee/Organization**

#### **Draft: Action-Date**

USHJA Childrens/Adult Jumper Task Force

1:Recommend Approval - 11/23/2013

USHJA Course Designer Task Force

1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/23/2013

- Draft 1 : Various factors can contribute to setting an optimum time and he Task Force does not want to lock designers into a situation whether they have to use a specific speed

USHJA Jumper Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 11/05/2013

USHJA Young Jumper Task Force

1:Recommend Approval - 10/21/2013

USHJA Young Rider Task Force

1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013

USHJA

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change  
JP129.2 - DRAFT 1**

**Status:** Approved

**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)



# Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

## JP133.3 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** JP133.3

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

### **Proposed Change:**

**JP113 Eligibility** [CHAPTER Subchapter JP-2 Eligibility, Qualification and Restriction of Entries] **add and renumber as necessary:**

3. Sections. Sections or Classes may be offered for Amateur Owner, Junior, Young Rider, Children, or Adult Amateur riders; and/or for Pony, Young Horse, or Open Jumpers **or Thoroughbred Jumper**. Competitions may offer any or all sections, as well as specific Sections or Classes differentiated by specific height. (See Subchapter JP-3 for definitions and specifications for each of the sections mentioned above.) If Jumper sections are offered which are not covered within the definitions contained in Chapter JP, full specifications (including eligibility requirements) must be printed in the prize list or referred in the Prize List to a conspicuous place on the competition's website.

**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter & Jumper Working Groups

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**Date Received:** 8/23/2013

### **Intent of Proposal:**

To integrate Thoroughbreds back into the show ring and provide an avenue for them to do so.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

### **Linked Rule Changes:**

GR313.6 (239-13), GR1131.9 (240-13), GR1133.5 (241-13), HU121.19 (242-13), HU166 (243-13), HU106.8 (257-13), JP120.1-JP120.2 (323-13)

### **Committee/Organization**

### **Draft: Action-Date**

Jumper	1:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013
USHJA Jumper Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 11/05/2013
USHJA Jumper Zone Council	1:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### JP138.2 - DRAFT 2

Status: Approved

Board of Directors: Approved (1/12/2014)

**Rule Number:** JP138.2**Rule Change Type:** Standard**Draft:** 2

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

**Proposed Change:****JP138 Knockdowns [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER JP-6 SCORING] add and renumber as necessary:**

2. Special Circumstances. Should a pole resting in a cup come to rest on the lip of the cup, or on a bracket which is an integral part of the cup, **provided that all parts of the cup are still attached to the sleeve is still functioning in its original manner**, it is not considered a knockdown. Narrowing the width of a spread obstacle without altering the height of any elements as defined above is not considered a knockdown. If, while in the process of being jumped, the top element is struck in such a fashion that it changes the height of the jump, with both ends remaining in the cups and nothing else supporting the top element, it is scored as no faults.

**Proponent:** Jumper**Contact:** Jennifer Haydon**Email:** jhaydon@usef.org**USEF#** Staff**Date Received:** 8/27/2013**Intent of Proposal:**

It would be considered a knockdown if the cup was disabled or malfunctioned as a result of the horse jumping the obstacle. For example, a cup that comes off its sleeve and gets caught in the bracket.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014**Linked Rule Changes:****Committee/Organization****Draft: Action-Date**

USHJA Judges Taskforce

1:Recommend Disapproval - 11/25/2013, 2:No Action

- Draft 1 : needs clarification as written. Suggest: All parts of cup must still be attached to sleeve

USHJA Jumper Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 11/05/2013, 2:No Action

USHJA Officials

1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013, 2:No Action

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### JP140.3 - DRAFT 3

**Rule Number:** JP140.3

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 3

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

#### **Proposed Change:**

**JP140 Breaking Ties** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER JP-6 SCORING] **delete and renumber as necessary:**

3. Withdrawing From a Jump-Off. If a competitor wishes not to take part in a jump-off he must ask permission from **notify** the judge(s). ~~If permission is granted~~ **He** will be placed last of those still qualified (on the result of the previous round).  
 a. ~~If before a deciding jump-off, two or more competitors decline to take part in the jump-off, the judge(s) will decide whether this request can be accepted or must be rejected. If the judge(s) accepts the request, the competition management will award the trophy by lot and the prize money for the vacant places will be added together and shared equally between the competitors. If the judge's instructions to continue are not followed by competitors, no trophy will be awarded and the competitors will each receive only the prize money and the placing of the lowest place for which they would have jumped off.~~

**Proponent:** Jumper

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**Date Received:** 8/27/2013

#### **Intent of Proposal:**

A competitor should not be forced to jump off if he feels that is not in the best interest of his horse's welfare.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

#### **Linked Rule Changes:**

#### **Committee/Organization**

#### **Draft: Action-Date**

USHJA Childrens/Adult Jumper Task Force	1:Tabled - 11/23/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action
USHJA Jumper Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 11/05/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action
USHJA Young Jumper Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 10/21/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action
USHJA Young Rider Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013, 2:No Action, 3:No Action

USHJA

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change  
JP140.3 - DRAFT 3**

**Status:** Approved

**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/12/2014)

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### JP147.1 - JP147.2 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** JP147.1 - JP147.2

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

#### **Proposed Change:**

**JP147 Special Classes** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER JP-7 JUMPING FAULTS AND SCORING TABLES] **change to read:**

1. Top Score/Gambler's Choice Competition (FEI Rules for Jumping Art. 270)

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#### **k. There are two options for using a Joker:**

**1. k.** An obstacle may be provided in the course, duly marked by flags and titled "Joker". The Joker may be jumped twice; 200 points are awarded each time this obstacle is jumped correctly, but if it is knocked down, 200 points must be deducted from the total points obtained so far by the competitor.

**2. l.** ~~If by ringing the bell, a joker is required to be jumped within twenty seconds after the fixed time has expired and after the competitor has crossed the finishing line, only one attempt is allowed.~~ **The Joker is not part of the main course. After the fixed time has expired, the bell is rung to end the competitor's round. The competitor must cross the finishing line to have his time recorded he then has 20 seconds in which to attempt the Joker. Only one attempt at the Joker is allowed. 200 points are awarded if this obstacle is jumped correctly, but if it is knocked down 200 points must be deducted from the total points obtained by the competitor.**

**Proponent:** Jumper

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**USEF#** Staff

**Date Received:** 8/27/2013

#### **Intent of Proposal:**

The current rule matches the FEI with the exception of parts k and l. This proposal makes the entire rule match the FEI rule.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

#### **Linked Rule Changes:**

#### **Committee/Organization**

#### **Draft: Action-Date**

Jumper

1:No Action

USHJA Jumper Working Group

1:Recommend Approval - 11/05/2013

# Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

## JP147.2a - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** JP147.2a  
**Rule Change Type:** Rule Clarification  
**Draft:** 1

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

### **Proposed Change:**

**JP147.2.a. Take Your Own Line** [CHAPTER JP147.2 Special Classes] **change to read:**

~~... the clock is stopped and four seconds added. The competitor then must return to position from which, in the opinion of the judge, he may re-jump the obstacle dislodged. Upon signal to proceed, the competitor may continue his round~~

... the clock is stopped *and six seconds added to the time taken by the competitor to complete his round. The time is restarted at the moment when the horse leaves the ground at its next obstacle.* Upon signal to proceed, the competitor may continue his round . . .

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**Date Received:** 4/7/2013

### **Intent of Proposal:**

to provide consistency, clarity and fairness between sections

**Proposed Effective Date:** Immediately Upon Notification

### **Linked Rule Changes:**

### **Committee/Organization**

### **Draft: Action-Date**

Jumper	1:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013
USHJA Childrens/Adult Jumper Task Force	1:Tabled - 11/23/2013
USHJA Judges Taskforce	1:Recommend Approval - 11/25/2013
USHJA Jumper Working Group	1:Recommend Approval - 11/05/2013
USHJA Jumper Zone Council	1:Recommend Approval - 11/04/2013
USHJA Officials	1:Recommend Approval - 11/12/2013
USHJA Stewards	1:Recommend Disapproval - 10/30/2013
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USHJA Young Jumper Task Force	1:Recommend Approval - 10/21/2013

**Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change**  
**JP147.2a - DRAFT 1**

USHJA Young Rider Task Force

**Status:** Approved

**Board of Directors:** Approved (1/2/2014)

1:Recommend Approval - 11/18/2013

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***Other Comments:***

11.19.13 changed to clarification per email from Christina murphy

## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### JP148.12 - DRAFT 2

**Rule Number:** JP148.12

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 2

From time to time rules are adopted which change the sequence of rule numbering. The rule reference used here is the rule number that appears in the current website version of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. Rulebook

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**Proposed Change:**

**JP148 Classes Offering \$25,000 or more in prize money [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER JP-7 JUMPING FAULTS AND SCORING TABLES] add and renumber as necessary:**

**12. Starting Order (see also JP 112 for Starting Order).**

- a. ~~For classes of \$25,000 or more, a A Steward must be present to witness the draw. A rider, trainer, or owner of a horse in that class is welcome to witness the draw. and, when possible, a rider, trainer, or owner of a horse in that class should be present to witness the draw.~~**
- b. ~~For classes of \$25,000 or more, The previous year's winning rider may be seeded last if it is so stated in the prize list. If that rider has more than one horse in the class, a draw will be conducted to determine which of his/her horses will be seeded last.~~**
- c. ~~If a rider with multiple horses in a class scratches one or more of his horses, his/her remaining horses must be moved up to occupy the highest position for that rider.~~**

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**Proponent:** Jumper

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**USEF#** Staff

**Date Received:** 8/27/2013

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**Intent of Proposal:**

The wording in points a and b are not changing, just moving locations from JP 112. Point c prevents a rider from using multiple horses as place holders so they can get a later position in the order.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

**Linked Rule Changes:**

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**Committee/Organization**

USHJA Jumper Working Group

**Draft: Action-Date**

1:Recommend Approval - 11/05/2013, 2:No Action

- Draft 1 : The Group approves with the following modification to 12.a. A Steward must be present to witness the draw. A rider, trainer or owner of a horse in that class is welcome to witness the draw.



## Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

### WL102.2 - DRAFT 1

**Rule Number:** WL102.2

**Rule Change Type:** Standard

**Draft:** 1

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**Proposed Change:**

**WL102 Height** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER WL-1 SECTIONS A AND B GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS] **change to read:**

2. Management shall not permit an animal to be shown in any Welsh performance class at a Federation Licensed Competition unless the person presenting the animal is in possession of one of the following:

- a. A ~~The original or a copy of a~~ measurement card issued by the Federation. ~~bearing the date of August 15, 1993 or thereafter; or~~
- ~~b. Certified measurement card applied for prior to December 1, 1987; or~~
- e. **b.** A copy of a valid measurement form. Management may, at its discretion, confirm any of the foregoing information electronically with the Federation Office.

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**Proponent:** USHJA

**SubProponent:** Hunter Working Group

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**Date Received:** 8/27/2013

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**Intent of Proposal:**

The dates listed are no longer valid.

**Proposed Effective Date:** 12/1/2014

**Linked Rule Changes:**

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**Committee/Organization**

USHJA Hunter Working Group

**Draft: Action-Date**

1:Recommend Approval - 12/11/2013