

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Rule Clarification

EFFECTIVE

Immediately

BOARD ACTION

PROPOSED CHANGE

GR1011 GUEST JUDGE [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER 10-C CLASSIFICATIONS - JUDGES] **change to read:**

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. *(The following are exceptions: USEF Show Jumping Talent Search Class/Finals, see EQ112.13.I; US Hunter Seat Medal Finals, see EQ112.9; WIHS Equitation Finals, see EQ112.14; ASPCA Maclay Finals, see EQ112.12)* 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 EQ112.13.I.~~f. ~~US Hunter Seat Medal Finals, see EQ112.9.~~g. ~~WIHS Equitation Finals, see EQ112.14.~~h. ~~ASPCA Maclay Finals, see EQ112.12. BOD 1/12/14 Effective 4/1/14.~~

PROPONENT

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INTENT

When these exceptions were added to GR1011 they were added in the incorrect place. The original intent of this rule change was to allow the equitation finals listed in points e, f, g, and h to use judges that do not hold a "R" judging card to judge with judges that do hold a "R" judging card. The way the rule currently reads allows guest judges to judge alone at these finals, which was not the intent of the rule.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: guest judge

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Standard

EFFECTIVE

Immediately

BOARD ACTION

Approved 12/11/2014

PROPOSED CHANGE

GR1131 HUNTER DIVISIONS [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER 11-F AWARD SECTIONS] **add and renumber as necessary:**

GR1131 Hunter **and Equitation** Divisions.

9. Hunter Division Section Awards

a. Awards are offered from USHJA for the following at the Zone level: 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, Pre-Green Hunter, and Small Hunter.

b. The USHJA shall determine the Zone and/or Stirrup Cup HOTY points to be awarded for its USHJA Hunter Championships, Finals and Classes. The USHJA shall notify the Federation and publish the point scale to be utilized on the USHJA website a minimum of 120 days prior to the start of each event.

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

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

b. The USHJA shall determine the National HOTY points to be awarded for its USHJA Hunter Championships, Finals and Classes. The USHJA shall notify the Federation and publish the point scale to be utilized on the USHJA website a minimum of 120 days prior to the start of each event.

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 EQ111.4 and EQ112.11.

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.

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

Rating: Regional II Regional I

1st 20

2nd 15

3rd 10

4th 6

5th 5

6th 4

7th 3

8th 2

dc. Section champions will be awarded 2.0 times the total 1st place point value. Section reserve champions will be awarded 1.2 times the total 1st place value.

ed. 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).

fe. 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.

gf. Adult Equitation 18 – 35 and Adult Equitation 36+ classes to be shown over a course of not less than eight (8) fences and the fence height cannot exceed 3'3".

g. The USHJA shall determine the Zone and/or Stirrup Cup HOTY points to be awarded for its USHJA Equitation Championships, Finals and Classes. The USHJA shall notify the Federation and publish the point scale to be utilized on the USHJA website a minimum of 120 days prior to the start of each event.

12. For the purposes of the USHJA Zone awards, ribbons won in any "A" or "B" rated section will receive B points. For the purposes of the USHJA Zone Equitation awards, ribbons won at any National or Premier rated competition will receive "B" points per GR1131.11c. USHJA Zone Awards will be distributed according to the Zone map.

13. Presentation of the National Horse of the Year Awards will be made at the Federation Annual Meeting.

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

PROPONENT

USHJA

USHJA Executive Committee

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INTENT

To reduce the need for annual Presidential Modifications relating to amendments to point scales used by USHJA for its Championships, Finals and Classes.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: USHJA Property Points Exemptions

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

USHJA Hunter Working Group

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 12/10/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Jumper Working Group

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 12/08/2014

Draft 1:

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Standard

EFFECTIVE

Immediately

BOARD ACTION

Approved 12/11/2014

PROPOSED CHANGE

GR1132 PONY HUNTER BREEDING AND HUNTER BREEDING [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER 11-F AWARD SECTIONS] add and renumber as necessary:

GR1132 Pony Hunter Breeding and Hunter Breeding

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

6. **USHJA Zone awards will be distributed according to the USHJA Zone map.**

7. **The USHJA shall determine the National, Zone and/or Stirrup Cup HOTY points to be awarded for its USHJA Hunter Breeding Finals and Classes. The USHJA shall notify the Federation and publish the point scale to be utilized on the USHJA website a minimum of 120 days prior to the start of each event.**

PROPONENT

USHJA

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INTENT

To reduce the need for annual Presidential Modifications relating to amendments to point scales used by USHJA for its Championships, Finals and Classes.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: USHJA Property Points Exemptions

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

USHJA Hunter Working Group

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USHJA Jumper Working Group

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 12/08/2014**Draft 1:**

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Standard

EFFECTIVE

Immediately

BOARD ACTION

Approved 12/11/2014

PROPOSED CHANGE

GR1133 JUMPERS [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER 11-F AWARD SECTIONS] **add and renumber as necessary:**

GR1133 Jumpers

9. The USHJA shall determine the National, Zone and/or Stirrup Cup HOTY points to be awarded for its USHJA Jumper Championships, Finals and Classes. The USHJA shall notify the Federation and publish the point scale to be utilized on the USHJA website a minimum of 120 days prior to the start of each event.

PROPONENT

USHJA

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To reduce the need for annual Presidential Modifications relating to amendments to point scales used by USHJA for its Championships, Finals and Classes.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: USHJA Property Points Exemptions

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

USHJA Jumper Working Group**Draft 1:** Recommends Approval 12/08/2014**Draft 1:**

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Rule Clarification

EFFECTIVE

Immediately

BOARD ACTION

PROPOSED CHANGE

HU106 Regular Hunter-Definition and Classifications [CHAPTER Subchapter HU-1 Definitions and Eligibility] **change to read:**

HU106 Regular Hunter – Definition and Classifications

3. Pre-Green - Unless ~~the USHJA Zone Committee~~ submits their ~~Zone s~~Specifications ~~to the Federation~~ by August 1st ~~of the previous year to the Federation~~, the following specifications will apply **for the Pre-Green Hunter section**:

PROPONENT

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INTENT

Since the USEF transferred the Zones to be under the auspices of the USHJA, the rule book language needs to be brought up to date to match current policies and procedures regarding the submission of Zone Specifications.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: pre-green

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Rule Clarification

EFFECTIVE

Immediately

BOARD ACTION

PROPOSED CHANGE

HU108 Adult Amateur [CHAPTER Subchapter HU-1 Definitions and Eligibility] **change to read:**

HU108 Adult Amateur

1. Unless ~~the USHJA Zone Committees~~ submits their ~~Zone s~~Specifications **to the Federation** by August 1st **of the previous year**, the following specifications will apply for the Adult Amateur Hunter section:

PROPONENT

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INTENT

Since the USEF transferred the Zones to be under the auspices of the USHJA, the rule book language needs to be brought up to date to match current policies and procedures regarding the submission of Zone Specifications.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: adult amateur

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Rule Clarification

EFFECTIVE

Immediately

BOARD ACTION

PROPOSED CHANGE

HU111 Junior & Children's Hunter Sections [CHAPTER Subchapter HU-2 Division of Sections or Classes] **change to read:**

HU111 Junior & Children's Hunters

16. Unless ~~the USHJA Zone Committees submit~~ **the USHJA Zone Committees submit** their ~~Zone s~~ **Zone s** Specifications **to the Federation** by August: **1st of the previous year**, the following specifications will apply for the Children's Hunter section:

PROPONENT

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INTENT

Since the USEF transferred the Zones to be under the auspices of the USHJA, the rule book language needs to be brought up to date to match current policies and procedures regarding the submission of Zone Specifications.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: junior and children's hunters

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Rule Clarification

EFFECTIVE

Immediately

BOARD ACTION

PROPOSED CHANGE

HU112 GENERAL [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU- 2 DIVISION OF SECTIONS OR CLASSES] **change to read:**

HU112 General

7. Definition of a California Split:

a. 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.

b. Jog. The judge will call one jog order of up to twenty (20) horses. Once the horses have jogged for soundness and the jog has been made official, the A and B sections will be pinned using the California Split.

c. Under Saddle. Sections that are judged under the California Split must have results for Section A and B. A random split will be used for under saddle classes of more than twelve (12).

PROPONENT

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INTENT

The California Split exists and is being used. This clarification is necessary to clear the existing confusion as to when and how to do both jog and Under Saddle.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: California split

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Rule Clarification

EFFECTIVE

Immediately

BOARD ACTION

PROPOSED CHANGE

HU117 JUNIOR (3'3" AND 3'6") & CHILDREN'S HUNTER SECTIONS [CHAPTER HU- 2 DIVISIONS OF SECTIONS OR CLASSES] **change to read:**

HU117 Junior (3'3" and 3'6") & Children's Hunter Sections

2. If there are 50 or more entries in the section at the beginning of the first class it must be divided by (a-e-**d**) above and the prize money must be doubled. A section with less than 30 entries cannot be divided.

PROPONENT

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Hunter Working Group

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INTENT

The letter "d" was inadvertently left out.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: junior and children's hunter

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Rule Clarification

EFFECTIVE

Immediately

BOARD ACTION

PROPOSED CHANGE

HU133 SOUNDNESS [CHAPTER HU-5 JUDGING] **change to read:**

All horses must be serviceably sound. All horses being considered for an award must be jogged for soundness with rider dismounted. **(Exception: Under Saddle classes, classes with specifications that do not require horses to jog, unrated classes, and classes at Local Competitions).** 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

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INTENT

HU133 as currently written is causing much confusion among competitors and officials, and the USHJA Executive Committee felt it needed to be immediately clarified. The proposed clarification directs readers to the actual location of the section specifications, and moves the exception language earlier in the rule, thus making it easier to understand.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: soundness

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Rule Clarification

EFFECTIVE

Immediately

BOARD ACTION

PROPOSED CHANGE

HU138 Junior & Children's Hunter [CHAPTER Subchapter HU-5 Judging] **change to read:**

HU138 Junior & Children's Hunters

3. Children's Hunter. Unless ~~the USHJA Zone Committees submit their~~ **the USHJA Zone Committees submit their** ~~Zone Children's Hunter s~~ **Zone Children's Hunter s** Specifications **to the Federation** by August 1st of the **previous year**, the following specifications will apply **for the Children's Hunter section**: Open to horses and ponies to be ridden by a junior exhibitor. See also HU101.6 and HU111.

PROPONENT

USHJA

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INTENT

Since the USEF transferred the Zones to be under the auspices of the USHJA, the rule book language needs to be brought up to date to match current policies and procedures regarding the submission of Zone Specifications.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: junior and children's hunters

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Rule Clarification

EFFECTIVE

Immediately

BOARD ACTION

PROPOSED CHANGE

HU145 Hunter Classics [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-6 CLASS SPECIFICATIONS] **add and renumber as necessary:**

HU145 Hunter Classics

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, Open Hunter Classic, 3'6" Junior Hunter Classic, **3'3" Junior Hunter Classic**, 3'6" Amateur Owner Hunter Classic, 3'3" Amateur Owner Hunter Classic. If there are less than 8 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 division bonus points are to count toward.

PROPONENT

USHJA

USHJA Hunter Working Group

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CONTACT

INTENT

Hunter Classics for 3'3" Junior Hunter are currently being offered at shows but were erroneously left out when the new 3'3" section was added to the rules, effective 12/1/2013.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: hunter classics

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Rule Clarification

EFFECTIVE

Immediately

BOARD ACTION

PROPOSED CHANGE

HU154 JUDGES [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU- 8 CONDUCT] **delete and renumber as necessary:**

HU154 Judges

3. In "A" rated Hunter sections at Premier rated competitions, a minimum of two judges must officiate. They may officiate independently or together. If judging independently, no more than 60% of the classes in the section may be officiated by the same judge. (Exception: High Performance Working Hunter, Performance Hunter 3'6-3'9", Performance Hunter 3'3" and Pony Hunter sections held on one day).

PROPONENT

USHJA

Hunter Working Group

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INTENT

Performance Hunter is only 3'6". This removes the incorrect reference.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: judges

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Rule Clarification

EFFECTIVE

Immediately

BOARD ACTION

PROPOSED CHANGE

HU183 HUNTER BREEDING [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-11 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS] **change to read:**

HU183 Hunter Breeding **National Championships**

1. In order to compete in the U.S. ~~National~~ Hunter Breeding **National** Championship, the horse and owner must be recorded with the Federation and registered with USHJA on or before the first day of the competition. The owner must be an Active member of the Federation and USHJA.
 2. Points ~~to be awarded~~ for the U.S. ~~National~~ Hunter Breeding **National** Championship for Yearlings, Two Year olds and Three Year olds will be awarded as follows:

Number in Class:	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
1	2					
2	4	2				
3-10	10	6	4	2		
11+	20	12	8	4	3	2

Championship Points:

Points awarded for the Championship and Reserve Championship are based on the total number of horses entered in all rated classes of the Hunter Breeding section.

~~Aggregate~~ **Total** Number Champion Reserve

1-14	10	6
15 or more	20	12

PROPONENT

USHJA

Hunter Working Group / Breeders Task Force

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INTENT

The purpose of this change is to clarify the method used to calculate Championship and Reserve Championship points at the National Championship. This change will also add National Championship to the rule title. The reason for this change is that people do not usually look at the subchapter title and therefore

they think these points count for all Hunter Breeding classes, not just the National Championship. This change will correct the order of words in the Championship title to place "National" before "Championship".

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: hunter breeding national championships

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Rule Clarification

EFFECTIVE

Immediately

BOARD ACTION

PROPOSED CHANGE

HU187 HUNTER BREEDING [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-12 HUNTER & PONY HUNTER BREEDING] **change to read:**

HU187 Hunter Breeding

4. Special Rating Requirements. Points.

a. Classes with combined age groups do not count toward the Horse of the Year Awards. Exception: Best Young Horse class. See also GR1113.

b. Points will be based on the number of horses in the class as follows:

Number in Class	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
1	1 (*)			
2	2	1 (*)		
3 -10	5	3	2	1
11 +	10	6	4	2

c. (*) If a horse which competes in a qualifying class with less than three entries becomes Best Young Horse or Reserve Best Young Horse at that competition, they will receive full points for the qualifying class (i.e. 5 pts. for 1st, 3 pts. for 2nd).

~~d. Championship points based on the aggregate number of horses in the rated classes of the Hunter Breeding section.~~ **Points awarded in the Best Young Horse Class for the Championship and Reserve Championship are based on the total number of horses entered in all rated classes of the Hunter Breeding section.**

Aggregate Total Number	Champion	Reserve
1-2	2 points	1 point
3-14	5 points	3 points
15 or more	10 points	6 points

PROPONENT

USHJA

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INTENT

The purpose of this change is to clarify the method used to calculate Championship and Reserve Championship points in the Hunter Breeding section.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: hunter breeding points

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Rule Clarification

EFFECTIVE

Immediately

BOARD ACTION

PROPOSED CHANGE

HU188 Hunter Breeding [CHAPTER Subchapter HU-12 Hunter & Pony Breeding] **change to read:**

HU188Pony Hunter Breeding

Unless ~~the~~ USHJA Zone Committees submit their ~~Zone s~~Specifications **to the Federation** by August 1st **of the previous year**, the following specifications will apply for the Pony Hunter Breeding Division.

PROPONENT

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INTENT

Since the USEF transferred the Zones to be under the auspices of the USHJA, the rule book language needs to be brought up to date to match current policies and procedures regarding the submission of Zone Specifications.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: pony hunter breeding

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Rule Clarification

EFFECTIVE

Immediately

BOARD ACTION

PROPOSED CHANGE

JP118 Sections/Classes Restricted to Children, Adult Amateur Riders, or Ponies [CHAPTER Subchapter JP-3 Section Specifications] **change to read:**

JP118 Sections/Classes Restricted to Children, Adult Amateur Riders, or Ponies

1. Children's and Adult Amateur Jumper: Sections are open to Junior and Amateur exhibitors. Unless ~~the USHJA Zone Committees~~ submits their **Zone** Specifications **to the Federation** by August 1st of the previous year, the specifications as shown below will apply. All USHJA zone specifications submitted by August 1st and approved by USHJA and USEF shall be enforced by USEF if not followed.

PROPONENT

USHJA

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INTENT

Since the USEF transferred the Zones to be under the auspices of the USHJA, the rule book language needs to be brought up to date to match current policies and procedures regarding the submission of Zone Specifications.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: children, adult amateur, ponies

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Rule Clarification

EFFECTIVE

12/1/2014

BOARD ACTION

PROPOSED CHANGE

GR1131 HUNTER DIVISIONS [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER 11-F AWARD SECTIONS] **delete and renumber as necessary:**

GR1131 Hunter Divisions

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. **Awards** 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.

b. Points will be awarded in accordance with the Hunter Seat Equitation increment chart:

1st 20
2nd 15
3rd 10
4th 6
5th 5
6th 4
7th 3
8th 2

c. Section champions will be awarded 2.0 times the total 1st place point value. Section reserve champions will be awarded 1.2 times the total 1st place value.

d. 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).

e. 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.

f. Adult Equitation 18-~~45~~ **35** 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".

12. ~~For the purposes of the USHJA Zone awards, ribbons won in any "A" or "B" rated section will receive B points.~~ For the purposes of the USHJA Zone Equitation awards, ribbons won at any ~~National or Premier rated~~ competition will receive "B" points per GR1131.11**eb**. USHJA Zone Awards will be distributed according to the Zone map.

PROPONENT

USHJA

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INTENT

Previously there were two point charts dependent on the rating of the competition. The 2nd point chart was removed through a rule change effective 12/1/2014, however this portion of the rule was not updated to reflect that change. This rule clarification will remove the reference to the obsolete B and C point charts and correct a typo in Adult Equitation 18-35.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

RULE CHANGE TYPE

EFFECTIVE

BOARD ACTION

Rule Clarification

12/1/2014

PROPOSED CHANGE

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

EQ112 Requirements for Specific Classes

17 USHJA3'3" 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 low junior or amateur jumper class**.The course must include at least eight fences set at 1.0m(3'3") in height, **at least one double or triple combination, and at least three spreads from 1.0m to 1.15m(3'3"to3'9")**. Natural fences, a Liverpool, and a small water jump may **also** be included at the course designer's discretion. **Start and Finish markers must be used**. Time allowed will be figured at 350 meters per minute and maybe 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 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 **track taken and the** individual horse/rider combination.**JP134 (The competition round) andJP135 (Timing) will apply**.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 tackand saddlery restrictions apply to this class:
7. Blinkers are forbidden.
8. **Running** martingales used in the conventional manner are permitted.Standing martingales, draw reins,or restricted running martingales are prohibited.
9. Reins must be attached to the bit(s) or directly to the bridle. **Gags are prohibited**.
10. **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. Full points will be awarded in qualifying classes providing at least eight riders complete the course. If there are fewer riders, points will be awarded on a reduced scale based on the maximum number of ribbon winners.**

Point Scale:

8 or more riders: 10, 8, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1

7 riders: 8, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1

6 riders: 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1

5 riders: 5, 4, 3, 2, 1

4 riders: 4, 3, 2, 1

3 riders: 3, 2, 1

The USHJA may elect to give awards to high scoring riders as it 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.

PROPONENT

CONTACT

INTENT

The rule was passed by the USEF Board in January, to take effect 12/1/14 for the 2015 competition year. Upon review, the USHJA noted that the class specifications and procedures needed to be clarified to avoid unnecessary confusion regarding the conduct and judging of the class. The clarification accomplishes that, and avoids potential mi-interpretation by the competitors, trainers, Stewards and Judges at a given competition.

POTENTIAL IMPACT

None noted

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: Jumping Seat Medal Class

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Standard

EFFECTIVE

12/1/2014

BOARD ACTION

Approved 12/11/2014

PROPOSED CHANGE

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

EQ112 Requirements for Specific Classes

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.~~ **during the qualifying period. The show in which they qualify must have started on or before the final day of the qualifying period. The qualifying period will be posted on the USHJA website in the official class specifications. The USHJA, at its discretion, may choose to conduct an East and/or West Championship for the Hunterdon Cup.** 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:

PROPONENT

USHJA

Hunter Working Group

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INTENT

To allow flexibility in the qualifying period to reflect the timing of the class at Junior Hunter Finals.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Staff: USEF IT estimates up to 5 hours per year depending on requirements

Web: Hunterdon Cup

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

USHJA Competition Management

Draft 1: No Action

Draft 2: Recommends Approval 11/10/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Equitation Task Force

Draft 1: No Action

Draft 2: Recommends Approval 11/11/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Working Group

Draft 1: No Action

Draft 2: Recommends Approval 12/10/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Professionals

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/28/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments

HU 111.14 Tracking #222-14 Draft #1 Approved

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Extraordinary

EFFECTIVE

12/1/2014

BOARD ACTION

EO REASON

This is a new section offered and the specifications need to reflect the needs of the section.

PROPOSED CHANGE

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

HU111 Junior & Children's Hunters

14. Junior Hunter 3'3". Open to junior riders. Riders may not cross enter into any class at 3'6" or higher in the hunter division, higher than 3'7" 3'9" in the equitation division or higher than 4.40m 1.20 m in the jumper division at the same competition. ~~Exception: Riders are permitted to compete in any Children's Jumper class and/or Classic held at a maximum of 1.15m at the same competition.~~ **Horses entered in the Junior Hunter 3'3" section may not cross enter into the Children's Hunter section at the same competition.** Horses entered in Junior Hunter 3'3" sections may not cross enter into Junior Hunter 3'6" sections at the same competition. **When the Junior Hunter 3'3" is offered as one section, no exhibitor may ride more than three (3) horses in the section.**

PROPONENT

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Hunter Working Group

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INTENT

HU111.14 took effect for this current competition year, and it was immediately noticed that it was not complete, had some errors, and was leading to some unfairness and unintended consequences to competitors in the affected sections. The USHJA Hunter Working Group studied the issues, unanimously approved this Extraordinary Rule Change, and the USHJA Executive Committee has unanimously concurred. The proposed effective date is 12/1/14, so the fixes can be put into the 2015 USEF Rule Book when it is printed.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: junior and children's hunters

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Rule Clarification

EFFECTIVE

12/1/2014

BOARD ACTION

PROPOSED CHANGE

HU162 PRIZE MONEY [CHAPTER Subchapter HU-8 CONDUCT] **change to read:**

HU162.2 Prize Money

2. No more than 60% of the prize money in the required classes for an "A" rated section may be offered on any one day when the division is held on two or more days, exception: "A" rated sections in which all required classes are held on one day. Prize money offered in Model classes and Classics at Premier rated competitions, ~~guaranteeing a minimum of \$18,001 in prize money and offering add back in "A" rated Hunter sections~~ **including add-back money, if any, in rated Hunter sections**, does not count toward the minimum prize money required for a section's rating nor is it considered for purposes of determining 60% to be offered.

PROPONENT

USHJA

USHJA Competition Standards

Received: 6/5/2014

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INTENT

To align with the approved proposed rule changes to HU160.1 a-c and GR1131.4

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: prize money

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Rule Clarification

EFFECTIVE

12/1/2014

BOARD ACTION

PROPOSED CHANGE

HU188 USHJA Pre-Green Challenge [CHAPTER HU13 International Hunter Derby] **change to read:**

HU188 (HU191 with renumbering) USHJA Pre-Green Challenge.

5. Competition management will collect and remit to USHJA the per horse entrant fee along with the class results within ~~fourteen~~ **(14) ten (10)** 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 \$15 at Premier, National and Special competitions and \$10 at Regional I and Regional II competitions. The per horse entrant fee may be added to the entry fee.

9. A minimum of \$750 must be offered when a USHJA Pre-Green Challenge is held at a Premier rated competition **or a competition that has been approved for a Special Competition status**, 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. **If the 10% cap is less than \$50, management may charge an entry fee up to a maximum of \$50.**

12. Riders, owners and trainers must be current Active members of USEF and USHJA prior to the start of the class. (See GR202). **Exception: Foreign residents and horses in good standing with their National Federation are eligible to compete in this class. However, the points and/or money won will not count for any USEF or USHJA standings or awards unless they are also members of USEF and USHJA, and the horse is recorded with USEF and registered with USHJA. (See GR901.9)**

13. Horses competing in this class must be registered with the USHJA prior to the start of the class. **(See HU191.12 for exception)**
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. **If offering only one height, it must be the 3'0" height that is offered.**

16. Two (2) judges are required for Premier rated competitions **and competitions that have been approved for a Special Competition status, one of whom must hold a Registered (large R) USEF Hunter License. The second judge may hold a Registered (Large R) or Recorded (Small r) USEF Hunter License.** ~~when the Pre-Green Challenge is held as a stand-alone two (2) round class. Only one (1) judge is required for National~~ **rated competitions and that judge must hold a Registered (Large R) USEF Hunter License; only one (1) judge is required for** Regional I and Regional II rated competitions, **and that judge must hold a Recorded (Small r) USEF Hunter License.** ~~but Two (2) judges are encouraged when feasible. When utilizing two judges, regardless of competition rating, the second judge may hold a Registered (Large R) or Recorded (Small r) USEF Hunter License. When the Pre-Green Challenge is held utilizing the last round of the Pre-Green Section as the first (1st) round of the Challenge, then only one (1) judge is required regardless of the competition rating, but management is encouraged 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.~~

PROPONENT

USHJA

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INTENT

The United States Hunter Jumper Association (USHJA) requests approval from the USEF of this rule clarification. On February 3, 2014, the USHJA Executive Committee voted to approve the submission of the rule clarifications to the Federation. The original rule, and program contained therein, was approved by the Federation in January 2014, during the USEF Annual Meeting. The rule and program become effective on December 1, 2014, for the 2015 competition year, so there will be no disruption to future competitors or hosts of this program.

The need for the clarifications became apparent as similar USHJA programs revised their specifications after the rule was submitted for approval in the summer of 2013. The clarifications do not change the original intent of the program but will maintain consistency amongst USHJA programs.

The rule was approved and passed by the USHJA and USEF Boards at their respective Annual Meetings last December and January to take effect 12/1/14 for the 2015 competition year. However, upon closer scrutiny by those who would implement this program, some items were left out, and some were not fully compatible with other rules passed and taking effect 12/1/14 also. This clarification puts everything into place, and readies the program for correct implementation. It was reviewed and approved unanimously by the USHJA Executive Committee at their regular meeting of 2/3/14.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: pre-green challenge

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Rule Clarification

EFFECTIVE

12/1/2014

BOARD ACTION

PROPOSED CHANGE

HU190 NATIONAL HUNTER DERBY [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-13 USHJA INT. & NAT. HUNTER DERBY & PRE-GREEN CHALLENGE] **change to read:**

HU190 USHJA National Hunter Derby

7. Riders, owners and trainers must be current Active members of USEF and USHJA ~~before the start of the~~ **to participate in this** class. (See GR202). **Horses and ponies must be registered with the USHJA to participate in this class.** Exception: Foreign residents and horses **and ponies** in good standing with their National Federation are eligible to compete in this class. ~~However, the points and/or money won will not count for any USEF or USHJA standings or awards unless they are also members of USEF and USHJA, and the horse is recorded with USEF and registered with USHJA. (See GR901.9).~~

a. Money won in a USHJA National Hunter Derby will only count for any USHJA National Hunter Derby program standings or awards if the rider, owner and trainer are current current Active member of the Federation and USHJA and the horse is registered with USHJA.

b. USHJA Zone Horse of the Year bonus points will only be awarded for placing in a USHJA National Hunter Derby if the owner is a current Active member of the Federation and USHJA and the horse is recorded with the Federation and registered with USHJA. For additional information and Zone residency requirements see GR1110 and GR1111.

~~8. Horses and ponies competing in this class must be registered with the USHJA prior to the start of the class. (See HU 190.7 for exception)~~

~~9. To be eligible for Zone Horse of the Year bonus points per GR1110, horses and ponies competing in this class must have an active Federation recording and USHJA registration.~~

10. Renumber as 8.

11. Renumber as 9.

12. Renumber as 10.

PROPONENT

USHJA

Hunter Working Group

Received: 7/28/2014

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INTENT

The current language in this rule is very confusing and not consistent with the program specifications for this class and the manner in which the USEF calculates the USHJA program and Zone HOTY bonus points. This clarification will align USEF and USHJA membership and horse recording/registration requirements with the current program and award specifications.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Rule Clarification

EFFECTIVE

12/1/2014

BOARD ACTION

PROPOSED CHANGE

HU191 USHJA PRE-GREEN CHALLENGE [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-13 USHJA INT. & NAT. HUNTER DERBY & PRE-GREEN CHALLENGE]
change to read:

HU191 USHJA Pre-Green Challenge

12. Riders, owners and trainers must be current Active members of USEF and USHJA prior to the start of the **to participate in this** class. (See GR202). **Horses must be registered with the USHJA to participate in this class.** Exception: Foreign residents and horses in good standing with their National Federation are eligible to compete in this class. However, the points and/or money won will not count for any USEF or USHJA standings or awards unless they are also members of USEF and USHJA, and the horse is recorded with USEF and registered with USHJA. (See GR 901.9)

a. USHJA Zone Horse of the Year bonus points will only be awarded for placing in a USHJA Pre-Green Challenge if the owner is a current Active member of the Federation and USHJA, the horse is recorded with the Federation and registered with USHJA. For additional information and Zone residency requirements see GR1110 and GR1111.

13. ~~Horses competing in this class must be registered with the USHJA prior to the start of the class. (See HU 191.12 for exception)~~

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. Re-number as 13.

16. Re-number as 14.

17. Re-number as 15.

PROPONENT

USHJA

Hunter Working Group

Received: 7/28/2014

CONTACT

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INTENT

The current language in this rule is very confusing and not consistent with the program specifications for this class and the manner in which the USEF calculates the USHJA program and Zone HOTY bonus points. This clarification will align USEF and USHJA membership and horse recording/registration requirements with the current program and award specifications.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: pre-green challenge

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Standard

EFFECTIVE

4/1/2015

BOARD ACTION

Approved 12/11/2014

PROPOSED CHANGE

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

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. *The USHJA, at its discretion, may choose to conduct Championship(s) for the 3'3" Jumping Seat Medal. See www.USHJA.org for more information.*

[renumber successive]

PROPONENT

USHJA

Hunter Working Group

Received: 8/27/2014

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INTENT

The changes in the USEF Talent Search have created a vacuum for some riders who are not yet ready to compete in the finals. The creation of a Jumping Seat Medal Finals fills the void.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Staff: USEF IT estimates up to 5 hours per year depending on requirements

Web: Jumping Seat Medal Championship

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

USHJA Equitation Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/11/2014**Draft 2:** No Action**Draft 1:** No Comments**Draft 2:** No Comments

USHJA Hunter Working Group

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 12/10/2014**Draft 2:** No Action**Draft 1:** No Comments**Draft 2:** No Comments

USHJA Hunter Zone Council

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/17/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Professionals

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/28/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Standard

EFFECTIVE

12/1/2015

BOARD ACTION

PROPOSED CHANGE

GR1035 STEWARDS AND TECHNICAL DELEGATES [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER 10-H REGULATIONS GOVERNING OFFICIALS] **change to read:**

GR1035 Stewards and Technical Delegates

5. No Steward or Technical Delegate may officiate at more than one competition at the same time. **Exception: USEF Licensed Special Competitions excluding Dressage.**

PROPONENT

USHJA

Hunter Working Group

Received: 8/27/2014

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INTENT

To eliminate the need for Presidential Modifications for stewards who officiate in the above circumstances.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: Special Competition Stewards

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

USHJA Competition Management

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

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Working Group

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 12/10/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Officials

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/18/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Professionals

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/28/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Stewards

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/06/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Standard

EFFECTIVE

12/1/2015

BOARD ACTION

PROPOSED CHANGE

GR1038 CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND RESTRICTIONS - JUDGES [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER10-H REGULATIONS GOVERNING OFFICIALS] **change to read:**

GR1038 Conflicts of Interest and Restrictions - Judges

4. A judge may not officiate more than one time within 125 radial miles during any 20 day period in the following circumstances:

a. 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~~

b. In the same "A" rated division or section (**Exception: Federation Licensed Special Competitions**) ~~or~~

c. In the Andalusian/Lusitano, Arabian, Friesian, Hackney, Morgan, National Show Horse, Roadster, American Saddlebred, or Shetland division or section within 125 radial miles during any 20-day period.

PROPONENT

USHJA

Hunter Working Group

Received: 8/27/2014

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INTENT

This proposal provides two purposes:

1. To organize and clarify the existing language.
2. To allow a greater number of judges to be eligible to officiate at Special Competitions.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: Judge Restrictions

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

USHJA Competition Management

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

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Working Group

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 12/10/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Judges Taskforce

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/18/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Officials

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/18/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Stewards

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/06/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: Would approve if the exception was not a part of the RCP
Draft 2: No Comments

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Standard

EFFECTIVE

12/1/2015

BOARD ACTION

Approved 12/11/2014

PROPOSED CHANGE

EQ102 ELIGIBILITY [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER EQ-1 REGULATIONS FOR ALL SEATS] **change to read:**

EQ102 Eligibility

3. Stallions are prohibited (Exception: ***Hunter Seat Equitation classes restricted to adults***; classes restricted to a breed if division rules for the breed of horse ridden permit their use for juniors, and if the division rules for the breed of horse ridden permit juniors to ride stallions).

PROPONENT

USHJA

Hunter/Jumper Working Group

Received: 8/26/2014

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INTENT

To allow adults to ride stallions in Equitation classes.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: Juniors prohibited from riding stallions

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Standard

EFFECTIVE

12/1/2015

BOARD ACTION

Approved 12/11/2014

PROPOSED CHANGE

EQ107 USHJA ZONE AND REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER EQ-1 REGULATIONS FOR ALL SEATS] **add and renumber as necessary:**

EQ107 USHJA Zone, ~~and~~ Regional ~~and~~ **National Championships**

8. USHJA Adult Equitation Championship

The USHJA, at its discretion may choose to hold a National or East and West Championship for Adult Equitation. See www.ushja.org for rules, specifications and eligibility.

PROPONENT

USHJA

Hunter Working Group

Received: 8/26/2014

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INTENT

To create a Championship that is focused on promoting correct equitation for adult competitors.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Staff: USEF IT estimates 5 hours (possibly each year) depending on requirements

Web: Adult Equitation Championship

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

USHJA Amateurs

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/27/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Childrens/Adult Hunter Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/20/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Competition Management

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/10/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Equitation Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/11/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Working Group

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 12/10/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Zone Council

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/17/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

RULE CHANGE TYPE

EFFECTIVE

BOARD ACTION

Standard

12/1/2015

Approved 12/11/2014

PROPOSED CHANGE

EQ109 APPOINTMENTS [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER EQ-2 HUNTER SEAT EQUITATION SECTION] change to read:

EQ109 Appointments

1. Protective headgear. All riders must wear protective headgear. See GR801.2. While competing in a class, if a rider's chin strap becomes unfastened, the rider may stop, re-fasten the chin strap and continue his/her performance without penalty or elimination. A judge may, but is not required, to stop a rider and ask them to refasten a chin strap which has become unfastened, again without penalty to the rider. Headgear must be free from non-traditional adornment.

2. Attire. Riders are required to wear conservatively colored coats (black, blue, green, grey or brown) which are free from adornment which in the judge's opinion is overly distracting. Shirts must have a choker, similar collar or tie. Breeches may be buff, canary, tan, rust or white.

3. Spurs, crops or bats are optional but if used must be a conservative color.

4.1. Personal. Exhibitors and judges should bear in mind that at all times entries are being judged on ability, rather than on personal attire. Riders should wear coats of any tweed or Melton for hunting (conservative wash jackets in season), breeches or jodphurs and boots. Conservative colored protective headgear with no additional adornments in accordance with GR801 is mandatory. While competing in a jumping class, if a rider's chin strap becomes unfastened, the rider may stop, re-fasten the chin strap and continue his/her round without penalty or elimination. A judge may, but is not required, to stop a rider and ask them to refasten a chin strap which has become unfastened, again without penalty to the rider. Spurs, crops or bats are optional. Judges may penalize contestants who do not conform. When management permits Hunter or Hunter Seat Equitation riders to ride without jackets, riders must wear traditional, short, or long-sleeved riding shirts with chokers or ties. Polo shirts, and chaps are not permitted except in unjudged warm-up classes. Management or Judge may eliminate an exhibitor who is inappropriately attired. **Inappropriate attire.** When management permits Hunter/Jumping Seat Equitation riders to ride without jackets, riders must wear traditional, short, or long-sleeved riding shirts with chokers or ties. Polo shirts, and full chaps are not permitted except in unjudged warm-up classes. Management or Judge may eliminate an exhibitor who is inappropriately attired.

5. Tack. Regulation snaffles, pelhams and full bridles, all with cavesson nose bands, are recommended. Two-ring bits, three-ring bits and gags are not considered conventional equipment for hunter seat equitation classes. A judge at his own discretion can penalize a horse with nonconventional types of bits or nose bands. Martingales are permitted in classes over obstacles and in the jumping phase of classes requiring both jumping and flat work. Changing of bits between phases is permissible.

6. Stirrups must be silver in color or non-colored stainless steel. Riders entering the ring with stirrups that do not conform will be eliminated. (Exception: quick release safety stirrups and stirrups with jointed branches are permitted when the remaining area of the stirrup branch is silver in color or non-colored stainless steel and does not unduly obscure the judge's view of the rider's foot in the stirrup.)

2. Tack. Regulation snaffles, pelhams and full bridles, all with cavesson nose bands, are recommended. Two-ring bits, three-ring bits and gags are not considered conventional equipment for hunter seat equitation classes. A judge at his own discretion can penalize a horse with nonconventional types of bits or nose bands. Martingales are permitted in classes over obstacles and in the jumping phase of classes requiring both jumping and flat work. Changing of bits between phases is permissible.

3.7. No mounted exhibitor may wear or carry an electronic communication device (i.e., cellular telephone, pager, walkie talkie, etc.) while in the 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 of the equipment.

4.8. A rider will be eliminated for competing with a tail wrap.

5. The use of stirrups that have entirely black branches is not permitted in any Equitation class. The use of stirrups which have entirely black branches will automatically result in elimination.

PROPONENT

USHJA

Hunter/Jumper Working Group

Received: 8/26/2014

CONTACT

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INTENT

To define attire.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: Appointments

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

USHJA Amateurs

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 10/27/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: Shirts with choker or tie needs to be defined better due to new shirts designs. Do not think half chaps should be allowed in the Hunter Seat Equitation.
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Equitation Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/11/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Working Group

Draft 1: No Action
Draft 2: Recommends Approval 12/10/2014

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: one against

USHJA Judges Taskforce

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/18/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Jumper Working Group

Draft 1: No Action 12/08/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: No Action - Wait for new draft
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Officials

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/18/2014
Draft 2: Recommends Approval 12/09/2014

Draft 1: The Committee believes that it should be the judge's decision whether or not to penalize someone for their attire, e.g. stripes, glitter, crystal, color of the stirrups, etc., rather than writing rules that are so specific.
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Professionals

Draft 1: Tabled 10/28/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Stewards

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/06/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: No need to stray away from conservative with the listing of individual colors. Needs more work and should be re written to encompass the details.
Draft 2: No Comments

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Standard

EFFECTIVE

12/1/2015

BOARD ACTION

Approved 12/11/2014

PROPOSED CHANGE

EQ109 APPOINTMENTS [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER EQ-2 HUNTER SEAT EQUITATION SECTION] **change to read:**

EQ109 Appointments

2. Tack.

*a. In Hunter Seat equitation, Regulation snaffles, pelhams and full bridles, all with cavesson nose bands, are **required** recommended. Judges may penalize, but may not eliminate, a horse or pony that competes in an snaffle, pelham or full bridle that is unconventional. Two-ring bits, three-ring bits, and gags are not considered conventional equipment for hunter seat equitation classes. Judges must eliminate a horse or pony that competes in an illegal bit or a noseband other than a cavesson. Illegal bits include, but are not limited to, two rings, three rings, gags (other than the hunter gag), et cetera. Illegal nosebands include, but are not limited to, drop, flash and figure eight nosebands. A judge at his own discretion can penalize a horse with nonconventional types of bits or nose bands.*

b. In Jumping Seat equitation, snaffles, pelhams, full bridles, gags, two ring or three ring bits are required. Judges may penalize, but may not eliminate, a horse or pony that competes in an snaffle, pelham, or full bridle that is unconventional. Judges must eliminate a horse or pony that competes in an illegal bit or noseband. Legal nosebands include leather cavesson, flash and figure eight. Illegal nosebands include but are not limited to drop nosebands.

c. Boots and conservative colored bandages are permitted. Type of saddle is optional. Martingales are permitted in classes over obstacles and in the jumping phase of classes requiring both jumping and flat work. Changing of bits between phases is permissible.

PROPONENT

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Hunter Working Group

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INTENT

To bring the equitation rules current with the hunter rules and define illegal equipment.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: Bit Converters

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

USHJA Amateurs

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/27/2014
Draft 2: No Action
Draft 3: No Action
Draft 4: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments
Draft 3: No Comments
Draft 4: No Comments

USHJA Childrens/Adult Hunter Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/20/2014
Draft 2: No Action
Draft 3: No Action
Draft 4: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments
Draft 3: No Comments
Draft 4: No Comments

USHJA Equitation Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/11/2014
Draft 2: No Action
Draft 3: No Action
Draft 4: No Action

Draft 1: Point A: Want to go from- In Hunter Seat equitation, Regulation conventional snaffles, snaffles, pelhams and full bridles, all with cavesson nose bands, are required. STRIKE 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 kimberwicks, etc . END STRIKE Judges must eliminate a horse or pony that competes in an illegal bit or a noseband other than a cavesson. Illegal bits include, but are not limited to, two rings, three rings, gags (other than the hunter gag), et cetera. Illegal nosebands include, but are not limited to, drop, flash and figure eight nosebands.

Draft 2: No Comments
Draft 3: No Comments
Draft 4: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Working Group

Draft 1: No Action
Draft 2: No Action
Draft 3: Recommends Approval 12/10/2014
Draft 4: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments
Draft 3: No Comments
Draft 4: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Zone Council

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/17/2014
Draft 2: No Action
Draft 3: No Action
Draft 4: No Action

Draft 1: Confusing and wording is ambiguous
Draft 2: No Comments
Draft 3: No Comments
Draft 4: No Comments

USHJA Junior Hunter Taskforce

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/28/2014
Draft 2: No Action
Draft 3: No Action
Draft 4: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments
Draft 3: No Comments
Draft 4: No Comments

USHJA Officials

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/18/2014
Draft 2: Recommends Disapproval 12/09/2014
Draft 3: No Action
Draft 4: No Action

Draft 1: Maybe penalized at the judge's discretion.
Draft 2: Do not agree with the term conventional and suggest changing to traditional and defining. Et cetera should not be used and is ambiguous
Draft 3: No Comments
Draft 4: No Comments

USHJA Pony Hunter Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/10/2014
Draft 2: No Action
Draft 3: No Action
Draft 4: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments
Draft 3: No Comments
Draft 4: No Comments

USHJA Professionals

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/28/2014
Draft 2: No Action
Draft 3: No Action
Draft 4: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments
Draft 3: No Comments
Draft 4: No Comments

USHJA Stewards

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/06/2014
Draft 2: No Action
Draft 3: No Action
Draft 4: No Action

Draft 1: Should be judge's discretion to eliminate pair based on tack
Draft 2: No Comments
Draft 3: No Comments
Draft 4: No Comments

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Standard

EFFECTIVE

12/1/2015

BOARD ACTION

Approved 12/11/2014

PROPOSED CHANGE

EQ109 APPOINTMENTS [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER EQ-2 HUNTER SEAT EQUITATION SECTION] **change to read:**

EQ109 Appointments

3. Electronic Communication Devices

a. No mounted exhibitor may wear or carry an electronic communication device (i.e., cellular telephone, pager, walkie talkie, etc.) while in the 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 of the equipment.~~

b. *Electronic communication devices used for purposes of coaching, etc., between competitors and individuals outside the ring shall be prohibited in all classes.*

c. *Exhibitors who have a chronic condition may apply for a Presidential Modification exempting them from the provisions of this rule in accordance with GR152. Riders may not use these devices in over fences classes.*

d. *An exhibitor who has a chronic condition and has previously been granted at least one annual presidential modification related to the condition, may submit an application for approval of a special three-year presidential modification related to the same condition. The application must be accompanied by sufficient supporting documentation that the condition is unlikely to improve during the three-year period.*

PROPONENT

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INTENT

To define the procedures that allow exhibitors to use communication devices.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: Communication Devices

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

USHJA Amateurs

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/27/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Childrens/Adult Hunter Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/20/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Equitation Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/11/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Working Group

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 12/10/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Zone Council

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/17/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Junior Hunter Taskforce

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/28/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Officials

Draft 1: Tabled 11/18/2014

Draft 1: Wording is confusing

USHJA Pony Hunter Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/10/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Professionals

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/28/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Stewards

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/06/2014

Draft 1: Approve points c and d. Point b should read Electronic communication devices used for purposes of coaching, etc., between competitors and individuals inside or outside the ring shall be prohibited in all classes.

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Standard

EFFECTIVE

12/1/2015

BOARD ACTION

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PROPOSED CHANGE

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

EQ110 Class Routine

1. Over Obstacles. The performance begins when the horse enters the ring. Except for refusals jumping faults of the horse are not to be considered unless it is the result of the rider's ability. No rider can be eliminated until ten riders have completed the course, or a number equal to the ribbons being awarded. (Exception: three refusals, fall of horse and/or rider and off course). The following will result in elimination: a) fall of horse and/or rider (rider shall not remount in the ring); b) three cumulative refusals (exceptions: USEF Medal Finals, USEF Pony Medal Finals, Maclay Finals, USEF Talent Search class and the WIHS Equitation Jumper phase, exhibitors will be eliminated after two cumulative refusals); c) off course; and d) trotting or cantering through the in-gate or out-gate. In the event of an elimination, the rider must exit the ring immediately. If elimination occurs during a ride-off, the competitor is placed last of all those chosen for the ride-off, but placed before any riders not participating (see EQ113). The following constitute major faults and can be cause for elimination: a) a refusal; b) ***crossing your track; A track is established once a horse has landed from a fence or completes a required test and follows the horse until the consecutive fence is jumped or the next test is executed. Upon completion of each consecutive fence or performance of the next test, the track is erased. Crossing a track between obstacles and/or required tests shall constitute a disobedience and will be penalized by the judge(s).***

Exceptions: 1. A course diagram that requires a rider to cross his track. 2. Snake or multiple panel jumps that are jumped consecutively. b) c) loss of stirrup; e) d) trotting while on course when not part of a test; and d) e) loss of reins. Each competitor may circle once before approaching the first obstacle. He then proceeds around course keeping an even pace throughout. If a refusal occurs in a double or triple, competitors must rejump all obstacles in the combination. Any or all competitors can be called back to perform at a walk, trot and canter or to execute any appropriate tests included in class requirements (see EQ112 and EQ113). If a rider does not attempt a part of the test (e.g., fails to back, fails to halt) a score of 50 shall be given for the first occurrence. If a rider attempts the test, but encounters difficulty (e.g., loss of counter lead, breaking to the canter in front of a trot fence), up to 10 points may be deducted depending on severity, for each occurrence. In the event that a rail comes down, first score the knockdown within the context of the round. Unless the knock down is caused by a MAJOR rider error, it should not be considered a MAJOR riding EQ fault.

PROPONENT

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INTENT

The intent of this is to clarify the definition of "crossing your track" and what that means.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: Crossing Track

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

USHJA Amateurs

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Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Childrens/Adult Hunter Task Force

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Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Course Designer Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/18/2014

Draft 1: Would approve if the exceptions were removed from the proposal

USHJA Hunter Working Group

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 12/10/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Zone Council

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/17/2014

Draft 1: Would approve if the exceptions were not included

USHJA Junior Hunter Taskforce

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/28/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Officials

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Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Professionals

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/28/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

Standard

12/1/2015

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PROPOSED CHANGE

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

EQ110 Class Routine

1. Over obstacles.

- a. The performance begins when the horse enters the ring.
- b. Each competitor's round will be scored on the rider's performance.
- c. Each competitor may circle once before approaching the first obstacle. He then proceeds around the course keeping an even pace throughout.
- d. If a refusal occurs in a double or triple, competitors must re-jump all obstacles in the combination.
- e. The judge will determine a base score for each competitor's performance. A knock down penalty of four (4) points per rail will be deducted from the base score.
- f. In classes with a time allowed, a one (1) point deduction per second over the time allowed will be deducted from the base score.
- g. The following constitute major faults:
 - 1. A refusal.
 - 2. Trotting on course when not part of a test.
- h. The following constitute faults at the judge's discretion:
 - 1. A loss of stirrup(s).
 - 2. A loss of rein(s).
- i. An eliminated rider must leave the ring immediately. If elimination occurs during a ride-off, the competitor is placed last of all those chosen for the ride-off, but placed before any riders not participating (see EQ113). The following actions will result in elimination:
 - 1. Fall of horse and rider (rider shall not remount in the ring).
 - 2. Three cumulative refusals. Exceptions: Riders will be eliminated after two refusals in the U.S. Hunter Seat Medal Finals, U.S. Pony Medal Finals, Maclay Finals, USEF Talent Search class and the WIHS Equitation Jumper phase.
 - 3. Off course.
 - 4. Trotting or cantering through the in-gate or out-gate.
- j. Any or all competitors can be called back to perform at a walk, trot and canter or to execute any appropriate tests included in class requirements (see EQ112 and EQ113). If a rider does not attempt a part of the test (e.g., fails to back, fails to halt) a score of 50 shall be given for the first occurrence. If a rider attempts the test, but encounters difficulty (e.g., loss of counter lead, breaking to the canter in front of a trot fence), up to 10 points may be deducted depending on severity, for each occurrence.

2. Flat Classes and Flat Phases.

- a. In Hunter Seat or Jumping Seat Equitation flat classes or phases, judges must work competitors in groups of twenty (20) or less.
- b. Light contact with the horse's mouth is required
- c. Competitors shall proceed at least once around the ring at each gait and, on command, reverse and repeat. The order to reverse can be executed by turning either toward or away from the rail. Entries then line up on command.
- d. All tests must be on the flat.
- e. In addition to the class requirements of EQ112 and EQ113, in Intermediate, Open Equitation classes for riders 12 years of age and older, ASPCA Maclay classes, and all U.S. Hunter Seat Medal classes, riders may be asked to work collectively without stirrups.
- f. In addition to the class requirements of EQ112 and EQ113, in Open Equitation classes for riders 12 years of age and older, ASPCA Maclay classes, and all U.S. Hunter Seat Medal classes, judges may call for more advanced flatwork such as shoulder in, shoulder out, haunches in, haunches out, and changing direction collectively.
- 3. Outside assistance will be penalized at the judge's discretion.
- 4. In cases of broken equipment or loss of shoe, the competitor must continue or be eliminated. Exception: see EQ109.1 for protective headgear.
- 5. The number of competitors who complete the course will be used to determine the number of entrants for the increment system.
- 6. In any two-phase equitation class, i.e. the WIHS, Maclay and the USEF Talent Search, a rider must complete both phases to be eligible for a ribbon in the overall standings. Exception: U.S. Hunter Seat Medal see EQ112.9.
- 7. No medal class with a national year-end finals may run concurrently with any other class or section in the same ring. Exception: Pony Medals and WIHS Equitation Hunter Phase.

1. Over Obstacles. The performance begins when the horse enters the ring. Except for refusals jumping faults of the horse are not to be considered unless it is the result of the rider's ability. No rider can be eliminated until ten riders have completed the course, or a number equal to the ribbons being awarded. (Exception: three refusals, fall of horse and/or rider and off course). The following will result in elimination: a) fall of horse and/or rider (rider shall not remount in the ring); b) three cumulative refusals (exceptions: USEF Medal Finals, USEF Pony Medal Finals, Maclay Finals, USEF Talent Search class and the WIHS Equitation Jumper phase, exhibitors will be eliminated after two cumulative refusals); c) off course; and d) trotting or cantering through the in-gate or out-gate. In the event of an elimination, the rider must exit the ring immediately. If elimination occurs during a ride-off, the competitor is placed last of all those chosen for the ride-off, but placed before any riders not participating (see EQ113). The following constitute major faults and can be cause for elimination: a) a refusal; b) loss of stirrup; c) trotting while on course when not part of a test; and d) loss of reins. Each competitor may circle once before approaching the first obstacle. He then proceeds around course keeping an even pace throughout. If a refusal occurs in a double or triple, competitors must rejump all obstacles in the combination. Any or all competitors can be called back to perform at a walk, trot and canter or to execute any appropriate tests included in class requirements (see EQ112 and EQ113). If a rider does not attempt a part of the test (e.g., fails to back, fails to halt) a score of 50 shall be given for the first

occurrence. If a rider attempts the test, but encounters difficulty (e.g., loss of counter lead, breaking to the canter in front of a trot fence), up to 10 points may be deducted depending on severity, for each occurrence. In the event that a rail comes down, first score the knockdown within the context of the round. Unless the knock down is caused by a MAJOR rider error, it should not be considered a MAJOR riding fault. BOD 1/19/13 Effective 12/1/13. 2. Not to Jump. Competitors shall enter ring and proceed at least once around ring at each gait and, on command, reverse and repeat. Riders may be asked to work collectively without stirrups in Intermediate, 14 and over and Open classes. The order to reverse can be executed by turning either toward or away from the rail. Light contact with horse's mouth is required. Entries then line up on command. Any or all riders may be required to execute any appropriate tests included in class requirements (EQ112 and EQ113). All tests used must be on the flat. Judges are encouraged to call for at least two tests of the top contestants. 3. Outside Assistance. Outside assistance will be penalized at the judge's discretion. 4. In cases of broken equipment or loss of shoe, the competitor must continue or be eliminated. 5. The number of competitors who complete the course will be used in determining the number of entrants for the increment system. 6. In any two-phase equitation class, i.e. WIHS, Maclay, and the USEF Talent Search, a rider must complete both phases to be eligible for a ribbon in the overall standings. Exception USEF Medal, see EQ112.9. 7. No medal class with national year-end finals may run concurrently with any other class or section in the same ring. Exception: Pony Medals and WIHS Equitation Hunter Phase. BOD 1/19/13 Effective 12/1/13.

PROPONENT

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INTENT

To reorganize the rule and address issues in the competition environment, including point deductions for rails and for seconds over time allowed.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: Adding Faults

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

USHJA Amateurs

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/27/2014
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Draft 3: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
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Draft 3: No Comments

USHJA Childrens/Adult Hunter Task Force

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Draft 3: No Comments

USHJA Course Designer Task Force

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USHJA Hunter Working Group

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Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments
Draft 3: No Comments

USHJA Jumper Working Group

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Draft 2: No Action
Draft 3: No Action

Draft 1:
Draft 2: No Comments
Draft 3: No Comments

USHJA Officials

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Draft 2: Tabled 12/09/2014
Draft 3: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2:
Draft 3: No Comments

USHJA Professionals

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Draft 3: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
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Draft 3: No Comments

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Standard

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PROPOSED CHANGE

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

EQ112 Requirements for Specific Classes

9. 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. ***Eight places must be awarded in classes with thirty-one (31) or more entries.*** 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. [...]

PROPONENT

USHJA

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INTENT

To encourage judges to test more than the top four competitors in classes with large numbers of competitors.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: Testing More Than Four

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

USHJA Competition Management

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/10/2014**Draft 2:** Recommends Approval 12/09/2014

Draft 1: It should be at the judge's discretion. A judge is already able to test more than four riders at their discretion, and there should not be a rule that overrides their discretion. An unnecessary rule change.

Draft 2:

USHJA Equitation Task Force

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

Draft 1: Striking first part of sentence: STRIKE When more than fifteen (15) entries complete the course, END STRIKE it is recommended that judges test at least two additional competitors particularly when the top competitors have close scores. Eight places must be awarded in classes with thirty-one (31) or more entries.
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Working Group

Draft 1: No Action
Draft 2: Recommends Approval 12/10/2014

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Judges Taskforce

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/18/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: Striking first part of sentence: STRIKE When more than fifteen (15) entries complete the course, END STRIKE it is recommended that judges test at least two additional competitors particularly when the top competitors have close scores. Eight places must be awarded in classes with thirty-one (31) or more entries.
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Jumper Working Group

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 12/08/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1:
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Officials

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/18/2014
Draft 2: Recommends Approval 12/09/2014

Draft 1: No need for the rule change
Draft 2:

USHJA Professionals

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/28/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Stewards

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/06/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: Leave it up to the judge's discretion
Draft 2: No Comments

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Standard

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BOARD ACTION

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PROPOSED CHANGE

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

EQ112 Requirements For Specific Classes

9. 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 ~~complete in~~ **completed the course in** a class or section of the class. (See EQ110.5). [...]

PROPONENT

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Hunter Working Group

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INTENT

To bring the rule in line with the previous sentence that states that six competitors must complete the course.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

HU 132 (371-14)

Web: US Medal Complete the Course

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

USHJA Competition Management

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/10/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Equitation Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/11/2014

Draft 1: Want to know how horse show management will tell exhibitors how many completed the class.

USHJA Hunter Working Group

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 12/10/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Judges Taskforce

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/18/2014

Draft 1: Want to know how horse show management will tell exhibitors and the Federation how many completed the class.

USHJA Officials

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Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Stewards

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/06/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Standard

EFFECTIVE

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BOARD ACTION

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PROPOSED CHANGE

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

EQ112 Requirements for Specific Classes

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 ~~are shall be~~ \$35. Trainer annual contributions ~~are shall be~~ \$50. Fees should be ~~are~~ payable **online by credit card and sent directly to the National Horse Show Association of America by visiting www.nhs.org and clicking the ASPCA Maclay tab at the top of the page.** 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.

a. For the point and qualifying system, see the Federation website at www.usef.org and the National Horse Show website at www.nhs.org. Point system will be set no later than fifteen (15) days prior to the start of the qualifying period.

Once a rider has qualified for his/her Maclay regional final, he/she may continue to ride in the Maclay classes until he/she has acquired 60 points. Any rider who willfully continues to compete after they have acquired 60 points may be ineligible for the regional final. For complete details on application to offer this class, as well as instructions on submitting results, competition management should contact the National Horse Show ~~at 516-484-1865~~. **See the National Horse Show website at www.nhs.org for contact information.** Classes held after August 31 will count toward the next year's finals. Any rider who will not be eligible to compete in the next year as a junior ~~should may~~ not compete in qualifying classes after August 31.

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

Hunter Working Group

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INTENT

To make grammatical corrections, to update contact information, and to divide classes based on the entries received up to the start of the class.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: ASPCA Maclay

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

USHJA Competition Management

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/10/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: Recommend language that management has the discretion to set the cutoff for entries
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Equitation Task Force

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USHJA Judges Taskforce

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PROPOSED CHANGE

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

EQ112 Requirements For Specific Classes

14. WASHINGTON INTERNATIONAL HORSE SHOW EQUITATION

g.2. Jumper Phase - The course should be of the type used in a High Junior Jumper competition. To be shown over a minimum of 10 jumps at 1.10 m (3'7"). A minimum of **either** two double **combinations** or one triple combination are required. There must be at least two changes of direction after the first fence. In addition, at least two of the following are required and more are recommended: vertical - no ground lines; Liverpool; narrow jump - minimum width **5'6" 8'**; one or more of the following - triple bar, swedish oxer, fan jump.

PROPONENT

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

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

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COMMITTEE ACTIONS

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Draft 2:

USHJA Course Designer Task Force

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

Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Equitation Task Force

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Draft 1: Rule needs to match 5'6" wide across the jumpable portion in all rules, needs to match EQ 111.1 tracking # 347-14
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Working Group

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USHJA Judges Taskforce

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Draft 1: Should be able to jump a half wall (5'6")
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Officials

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Draft 1: The minimum should be 8 feet to standarize with the jumpers and for safety concerns
Draft 2: The following should be struck: narrow jump - minimum width 5'6" 8'; and replaced with The definition of a narrow jump is any jump that is 5'6" to 8' across its jumpable face. Narrow jumps less than 8' across their jumpable face may not use wings or standards.

USHJA Stewards

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HU101 ELIGIBILITY TO COMPETE – HORSE & PONY [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-1 DEFINITIONS AND ELIGIBILITY] **change to read:**

HU101 Eligibility to Compete – Horse & Pony

3. The Hunter Breeding Section is open to horses only.

a. Horses shown as a Thoroughbred must ***have been either registered with The Jockey Club or meet one of the criteria below. All competitions must require verification of registration on the day of the competition 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)

3. If neither of the above is available, a letter from The Jockey Club verifying the horse's identity.

possess either their Jockey Club certificate of registration, the acceptance of their Jockey Club application for registration or a Jockey Club tattoo. Proof of registration must be submitted at time of entry.

b. For competition purposes only in Hunter Breeding classes, an unregistered Thoroughbred is a horse that is the progeny of a registered Thoroughbred stallion and a registered Thoroughbred mare, but does not possess Jockey Club registered papers or tattoo. See also GR907.1.

c. Once a filly or mare has been shown in a Federation recognized registered/ unregistered Thoroughbred Division, any of her progeny sired by a registered Thoroughbred stallion must be shown in a registered/unregistered Thoroughbred Division.

PROPONENT

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To maintain consistency in the definition of Thoroughbred with the rated Thoroughbred Hunter section.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: TB Definition for Hunter Breeding

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

USHJA Breeders

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USHJA Hunter Working Group

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PROPOSED CHANGE

HU103 GREEN STATUS - HUNTER [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-1 DEFINITIONS AND ELIGIBILITY] change to read:

HU103 ~~Green Status~~– Hunter *Eligibility, Pre-Green and Green Status for Horses and Ponies*

1. In all cases, the hunter eligibility and green status of the horse or pony are the responsibility of the owner. ~~[HU103.1 The green status of a horse is the responsibility of the owner.]~~

2. Determining Hunter eligibility for horses. Hunter eligibility for a horse begins when a horse of any age, competes for the first time in any over fences class with jumps set at three feet (3'0") in height or higher in Hunter or Hunter/Jumping Seat Equitation classes or sections held at a USEF or Equine Canada Licensed competition in North America.

3. Determining Green or Pre-Green Status for horses. Horses that have not broken their Pre-Green or Green Status must jump less than their regulation height or their Green Status will be broken. The Green or Pre-Green status of a horse is determined by the following factors in competition experience at Hunter or Hunter/Jumping Seat Equitation classes or sections held at a USEF or Equine Canada Licensed competition in North America:

a. The height of fences (determined by the class, section or division specifications) over which a horse or pony has competed.

b. The number of competition years a horse has competed at regulation height. A horse that has competed in such classes for two (2) or more competition years, without receiving a reinstatement, is no longer eligible to compete in the respective Pre-Green or Green section.

4. Determining Hunter eligibility for ponies. Hunter eligibility for a pony begins when a pony of any age, competes for the first time in any over fences class with jumps set at 2'3" or higher for small ponies, 2'6" or higher for medium ponies and 2'9" or higher for large ponies in Hunter or Hunter/Jumping Seat Equitation classes or sections held at a USEF or Equine Canada Licensed competition in North America.

5. Determining Green Status for ponies. Ponies that have not broken their Green Status must jump less than their regulation height or their Green Status will be broken. The Green status of a pony is determined by the following factors in competition experience at Hunter or Hunter /Jumping Seat Equitation classes or sections held at a USEF or Equine Canada Licensed competition in North America:

a. The height of fences (determined by the class, section or division specifications) over which a pony has competed.

b. The number of competition years a pony has competed at regulation height. A pony that has competed in such classes for one (1) or more competition years, without receiving a reinstatement, is not longer eligible to compete in the Green section.

6. In all cases, fence heights will be determined by the specifications of each section regardless of whether or not the fences are actually set at the regulation height.

7. ~~[HU103] 3.~~ If a competition starts prior to or on November 30th, **Pre-Green and Green status at the start of the competition is **are** maintained throughout the competition.**

8. Green Status sections are divided into Pre-Green Horse (3' and 3'3"); First Year Green, Second Year Green and Green Conformation; and Green Pony (2'3", 2'6" and 2'9). Each status is defined below.

9. Pre-Green Horse Status.

~~[HU106] 3. Pre-Green – Unless USHJA Zone Committees submit their specifications by August 1st to the Federation, the following specifications will apply:~~

~~[HU106.3] a. A Pre-Green Hunter is a horse of any age in his first or second year of showing over 3' 0" (0.925m) or 3'3" (1.00m) fences that has never competed over fences of 3'6" (1.07m) or higher. Upon receipt by the owner of written notification of a 1st Year Green Reinstatement a horse may return to Pre-Green if it meets all other eligibility requirements of Pre-Green.~~

a. A Pre-Green Hunter is a horse of any age in his first or second year of showing over fences set at 3'0" or 3'3" in height that has never competed over fences set at 3'6" in height or higher in Hunter or Hunter/Jumping Seat Equitation classes or sections held at a USEF or Equine Canada Licensed competition in North America. Upon receipt by the owner of written notification of a First Year Green Hunter Reinstatement a horse may return to Pre-Green Hunter if it meets all other eligibility requirement of Pre-Green Hunter.

~~[HU106.3] b. Pre-Green status begins when a horse competes in any hunter, jumper, hunter seat equitation or jumping seat equitation classes held at Federation Licensed competitions, Equine Canada competitions and/or FEI competitions with fence heights set at 3'0" (0.925m) or higher.~~

[HU106.3] c. A horse may not have competed in any hunter, jumper, hunter seat equitation or jumping seat equitation classes held at Federation Licensed competitions, Equine Canada competitions and/or FEI competitions with fences set at 3'6" (1.075m) or higher prior to or during their Pre-Green years. Exception: Horses six years of age and under competing over fences of 3'6" (1.075m) or higher in jumper classes at FEI competitions will retain eligibility as Pre-Green Hunters. Eligibility is the responsibility of the owner.

[HU106.3] d. A horse is eligible to compete as a Pre-Green hunter for a maximum of two years regardless of their age.

b. A horse is eligible to compete as a Pre-Green Hunter for a maximum of two (2) years regardless of age.

[HU106.3] e. Horses may compete in either or both the 3'0" (0.925m) or 3'3" (1.00m) Pre-Green hunter section during their two (2) years of eligibility. Horses may not cross enter between 3'0" (0.925m) and 3'3" (1.00m) Pre-Green sections at the same competition (see USHJA Zone Specifications for exceptions).

c. Horses may compete in either or both the 3'0" or 3'3" Pre-Green Hunter section during their two (2) years of eligibility. Horses may not cross enter between 3'0" and 3'3" Pre-Green sections at the same competition. Exception: In USHJA Zone 9, horses may cross enter between 3'0" and 3'3" Pre-Green sections at the same competition.

d. Once a horse begins competing in a class that restricts Pre-Green status, it may no longer compete in any Jumper class at 1.05 meters or above held at a USEF or Equine Canada Licensed competition in North America or it will lose its pre-green status.

[HU105.7] a. Pre-Green Reinstatement. A Pre-Green reinstatement may be granted one time. A horse is not eligible for a Pre-Green reinstatement if it has competed in any hunter, jumper, hunter seat equitation or jumping seat equitation classes held at Federation Licensed competitions, Equine Canada competitions and/or FEI competitions with fences set at 3'7" (1.10 m) or above. Exception: Horses six years of age and under competing over fences of 3'6" (1.075m) or higher in jumper classes at FEI competitions will retain eligibility as Pre-Green Hunters without the need for a green reinstatement. Horses that have competed in a USHJA International Hunter Derby are not eligible for reinstatement of Pre-Green status. See HU106 for Pre-Green status definition.

e. Pre-Green Reinstatement. A Pre-Green reinstatement may be granted one time. A horse is not eligible for a Pre-Green reinstatement if it has competed over fences set at 3'7" in height or higher in Hunter or Hunter/Jumping Seat Equitation classes or sections held at a USEF or Equine Canada Licensed competition in North America. Horses that have competed in a USHJA International Hunter Derby are not eligible for reinstatement of Pre-Green status.

[HU106.3] f. No jogging is required.

f. No jogging is required.

10. Green Hunter Horse Status for First Year, Second Year and Green Conformation.

[HU103] 1. A Green Hunter is a horse of any age in its first or second year of showing in any hunter, jumper, hunter seat equitation or jumping seat equitation classes held at Federation Licensed competitions, Equine Canada competitions and/or FEI competitions in which the specifications require horses to jump 3'6" (1.075m) or higher, regardless of whether or not the fences are actually set at 3'6" (1.075m) or higher. Exception: Horses six years of age and under competing over fences of 3'6" (1.075m) or higher in jumper classes at FEI competitions will retain eligibility as Pre-Green or First Year Green Hunters and horses seven years of age competing over fences of 3'6" (1.075m) or higher in jumper classes at FEI competitions will retain eligibility as Second Year Green Hunters. The green status of a horse is the responsibility of the owner.

[HU103] 2. A horse's green status is considered to be broken once it competes over fences 3'6" (1.075m) or higher.

a. A Green Hunter is a horse of any age that is eligible to compete in the Green Hunter Section. A horse's Green Hunter eligibility, regardless of age, begins the first time the horse competes in any over fences class with jumps set at 3'6" in height or higher in Hunter or Hunter/Jumping Seat Equitation classes or sections held at a USEF or Equine Canada Licensed competition in North America.

[HU103.1] a. When shown in a Green section a horse in its first year of showing over fences 3'6" (1.075m) or higher must be shown as a First Year Green horse.

b. A horse in its first year of showing in the Green Hunter section over fences 3'6" or higher must be shown as a First Year horse when it is shown in Green Hunters or Green Conformation Hunters.

[HU103.1] b. When shown in a Green section a horse in its second year of showing over fences 3'6" (1.075m) or higher must be shown as a Second Year Green horse.

c. A horse in its second year of showing in the Green Hunter section over fences 3'6" or higher must be shown as a Second Year horse when being shown in the Green Hunters.

[HU105.7] b. First Year Green Reinstatement. A First Year Green reinstatement may be granted one time. A horse is not eligible for a First Year Green reinstatement if it has competed in any hunter, jumper, hunter seat equitation or jumping seat equitation classes held at Federation Licensed competitions, Equine Canada competitions and/or FEI competitions with fences set at 3'7" (1.10m) or above. Exception: Horses six years of age and under competing over fences of 3'6" (1.075m) or higher in jumper classes at FEI competitions will retain eligibility as Green Hunters without the need for a green reinstatement. A horse is not eligible for a First Year Green reinstatement if it has competed in the US Junior Hunter Championship. See HU103 for Green status definition.

d. Once a horse begins competing in a class that restricts Green status, it may no longer compete in any Jumper or Hunter/Jumping Seat Equitation class at 1.20 meters or above held at a USEF or Equine Canada Licensed competition in North America or it will lose its Green status.

e. A First Year Green reinstatement may be granted one time. A horse is not eligible for a First Year Green reinstatement if it has competed in any over fences class with jumps set at 3'7" in height or higher in Hunter or Hunter/Jumping Seat Equitation classes or sections held at a USEF or Equine Canada Licensed competition in North America. A horse is not eligible for a First Year Green reinstatement if it has competed in the US Junior Hunter Championship.

[HU105.7] c. Second Year Green Reinstatement. A Second Year Green reinstatement may be granted one time. Horses seven years of age competing over fences of 3'6" (1.075m) or higher in jumper classes at FEI competitions will retain eligibility as Second Year Green Hunters without the need for a green reinstatement. See HU103 for Green status definition.

f. A Second Year Green reinstatement may be granted one time.

HU104.1 Green Status — Pony Hunter

11. Green Pony Status.

[HU104] 1. A green pony is a pony not exceeding 14.2 hands of any age, in its first year of showing in any hunter, jumper, hunter seat equitation or jumping seat equitation classes held at Federation Licensed competitions, Equine Canada competitions and/or FEI competitions that require ponies to jump the regulation height or higher for its respective section. The green status of a pony is the responsibility of the owner.

a. A green pony is a pony not exceeding 14.2 hands of any age, which is eligible to compete in the Green Pony section. A pony's Green Hunter eligibility, regardless of age, begins the first time the pony competes in any over fences class with jumps set at 2'3" or higher for small ponies, 2'6" or higher for medium ponies and 2'9" or higher for large ponies in Hunter or Hunter/Jumping Seat Equitation classes or sections held at a USEF or Equine Canada Licensed competition in North America.

[HU104.1] a. Showing in Canada over fences at or higher than the regulation height for the pony's section under Equine Canada rules breaks the pony's green status for the purpose of this Rule and Federation rules whether or not the regulation height for the pony's section under Equine Canada rules is less than, equal to, or greater than the regulation height for the pony's section under Federation rules.

[HU104.1] b. Once a pony has broken its green status in one Pony Hunter section (i.e., small, medium, large) it will not regain its green status by moving into another Pony Hunter section.

b. A pony is eligible to compete as a Green Pony for a maximum of one (1) year regardless of age or change to measurement status. A pony that has changed height sections in its green year may complete the green year at its new height.

[HU104] 2. If a competition starts prior to or on November 30, Green Pony status at the start of the competition is maintained throughout the competition.

[HU104] 3. Ponies who have not broken their Green Status must jump less than their regulation height in open classes or their Green Status will be broken.

[HU104] 4. In its first year of showing at regulation height or higher, a green pony may also compete in the Regular Pony Hunter section at its respective height.

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

d. Once a pony begins competing in any class that restricts Green status, it may no longer compete in any Jumper class held at a USEF or Equine Canada Licensed competition in North America or it will lose its Green status.

[HU105.7] d. Pony Green Reinstatement. A Pony Hunter Green reinstatement may be granted one time. A pony is not eligible for a green reinstatement if it has competed in the US Hunter and/or Jumper Pony Championship. See HU 104 for Green Pony Hunter status definition.]

e. A Pony Hunter Green reinstatement may be granted one time. A pony is not eligible for a green reinstatement if it has competed in the US Hunter and/or Jumper Pony Championship.

[HU105 Green Status — Reinstatement]

12. Green Reinstatement.

[HU105.1] d. Until written notification has been received from the Federation that the reinstatement has been granted, a horse or pony cannot return to compete in the section for which the reinstatement application was made. **A horse or pony cannot return to compete in the section for which the reinstatement application was made until written notification has been received from the Federation that the reinstatement has been granted.**

[HU105] 1. Green Reinstatement. A horse or pony's eligibility to compete in sections that are restricted by experience may be reinstated for a future competition year provided that: **A horse or pony's eligibility to compete in sections that are restricted by experience may be reinstated for a future competition year provided that:**

[HU105.1] a. The horse or pony was not shown at the regulation height or higher at more than four (4) competitions prior to September 1st of the current competition year.

a. The horse or pony was not shown at the regulation height or higher at more than four (4) competitions prior to September 1st of the current competition year.

[HU105.1] b. The horse or pony was not shown at the regulation height or higher on or after September 1st of the current competition year.

b. The horse or pony was not shown at the regulation height or higher on or after September 1st of the current competition year.

[HU105.1] c. The horse or pony must stop competing at the regulation height or higher immediately upon application for reinstatement.

c. The horse or pony does no longer competes at the regulation height or higher immediately upon application for reinstatement.

[HU105.1] e. The horse or pony is otherwise eligible for a reinstatement under Federation rules.

d. The horse or pony is otherwise eligible for a reinstatement under Federation rules.

[HU105] 2. The Federation recorded owner must submit the green reinstatement application, which must reach the Federation office on or before November 30th of the year of withdrawal. The request must be made during the year in which green status was broken.

e. The Federation recorded owner has submitted the green reinstatement application, which must reach the Federation office on or before November 30th of the year of withdrawal. The request must be made during the year in which green status was broken.

[HU105] 3. The green reinstatement application must include the following:

[HU105.3] a. The processing fee (fee schedule available on www.usef.org)

[HU105.3] b. A list of competitions with dates where the horse or pony competed at its regulation height or higher.

[HU105.3] c. The horse's or pony's name and Federation recording number.

[HU105.3] d. The name, USEF number and signature of the Federation recorded owner.

[HU105.3] e. Green reinstatement applications with missing or incomplete information will be automatically denied.

[HU105] 4. If the horse or pony is not actively recorded at the time of request, it must be recorded/renewed at that time. If the horse or pony is not recorded/renewed at the time of

application, the reinstatement request will be automatically denied.

[HU105] 5. The owner will receive written notification from the Federation stating whether the horse or pony has been granted a green reinstatement.

[HU105] 6. In the event an owner of a horse or pony is not satisfied with the decision, the owner may submit a written appeal to be heard by the Federation Hearing Committee at a \$100 appeal fee. An appeal does not guarantee the reinstatement will be granted.

[HU105] 7. Types of Hunter Green Reinstatements

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To allow hunters to show in jumper classes without changing their eligibility status.

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USHJA Pony Hunter Task Force

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USHJA Professionals

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USHJA Stewards

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PROPOSED CHANGE

HU106 REGULAR HUNTER – DEFINITIONS AND CLASSIFICATIONS [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-1 DEFINITIONS AND ELIGIBILITY] change to read:

HU106 Regular *High Performance, Performance Working and Small* Hunter – Definition and Classifications

1. A High Performance or Performance Working Hunter is a horse of any age and is not restricted by previous showing.
2. ~~The Green Hunter, High Performance and Performance Hunter Sections may be divided into the following classifications:~~
 - a. ~~Small—animal height over 14.2 hands and not to exceed 15 hands 2 ½ inches.~~
 - b. ~~Thoroughbred—registered in any stud book recognized by the Jockey Club.~~
 - c. ~~Non-thoroughbred—not registered as in (b).~~
 - d. ~~Three-year-olds~~
 - e. ~~Four-year-olds and over~~
3. ~~Pre-Green – Unless USHJA Zone Committees submit their specifications by August 1st to the Federation, the following specifications will apply:~~
 - a. ~~A Pre-Green Hunter is a horse of any age in his first or second year of showing over 3' 0" (0.925m) or 3' 3" (1.00m) fences that has never competed over fences of 3' 6" (1.07m) or higher. Upon receipt by the owner of written notification of a 1st Year Green Reinstatement a horse may return to Pre-Green if it meets all other eligibility requirements of Pre-Green.~~
 - b. ~~Pre-Green status begins when a horse competes in any hunter, jumper, hunter seat equitation or jumping seat equitation classes held at Federation Licensed competitions, Equine Canada competitions and/or FEI competitions with fence heights set at 3' 0" (0.925m) or higher.~~
 - c. ~~A horse may not have competed in any hunter, jumper, hunter seat equitation or jumping seat equitation classes held at Federation Licensed competitions, Equine Canada competitions and/or FEI competitions with fences set at 3' 6" (1.075m) or higher prior to or during their Pre-Green years. Exception: Horses six years of age and under competing over fences of 3' 6" (1.075m) or higher in jumper classes at FEI competitions will retain eligibility as Pre-Green Hunters. Eligibility is the responsibility of the owner.~~
 - d. ~~A horse is eligible to compete as a Pre-Green hunter for a maximum of two years regardless of their age.~~
 - e. ~~Horses may compete in either or both the 3' 0" (0.925m) or 3' 3" (1.00m) Pre-Green hunter section during their two (2) years of eligibility. Horses may not cross enter between 3' 0" (0.925m) and 3' 3" (1.00m) Pre-Green sections at the same competition (see USHJA Zone Specifications for exceptions).~~
 - f. ~~No jogging is required.~~
- 4.2. High Performance Working Hunter
 - a. Championships must be offered in accordance with HU147.
 - b. Number of classes and prize money must be offered in accordance with GR313.6.
 - c. Individual classes may be entered. (Exception: Under Saddle classes. See HU139.2)
 - d. In a section with three (3) classes, the under saddle will count half points towards champion and reserve.
 - e. The High Performance Working section must offer the greatest amount of prize money of all hunter sections at the competition.
5. 3. Performance Working Hunter 3'6"
 - a. Championships must be offered in accordance with HU147.

b. Number of classes and prize money must be offered in accordance with GR313.6.

c. Individual classes may be entered. (Exception: Under Saddle classes. See HU139.2)

d. In a section with three (3) classes, the under saddle will count half points towards champion and reserve.

6. 4. Performance Working Hunter 3'3"

a. Championship and Reserve must be offered in accordance with HU147.

b. Number of classes and prize money must be offered in accordance with GR313.6.

c. Individual classes may be entered. (Exception: Under Saddle classes. See HU139.2)

d. In a section with three (3) classes, the under saddle will count half points towards champion and reserve.

7. 5. Small Hunter

a. Fences set at 3'.

b. Championships must be offered in accordance with HU147.

c. This section will be C rated for Horse Of The Year Awards as per GR313.6.

d. Individual classes may be entered.

e. **A Small Hunter is a horse over 14.2 hands and not to exceed 15 hands 2 ½ inches.** A measurement card is required for all horses entered as per HU170.

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To allow hunters to show in jumper classes without changing their eligibility status.

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USHJA Hunter Zone Council

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USHJA Professionals

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HU119 GENERAL [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-3 COURSES] change to read:

HU119 General

8. A track is established once a horse has landed from a fence or completes a required test and follows the horse until the consecutive fence is jumped or the next test is executed. Upon completion of each consecutive fence or performance of the next test, the track is erased. Crossing a track between obstacles and/or required tests shall constitute a disobedience and will be penalized by the judge(s). Exceptions a. A course diagram that requires a rider to cross his track. b. Snake or multiple panel jumps that are jumped consecutively.

PROPONENT

USHJA

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INTENT

The intent of this is to clarify the definition of "crossing your track" and what that means.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: Crossing Track

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

USHJA Amateurs

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/27/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Childrens/Adult Hunter Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/20/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Course Designer Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/18/2014

Draft 1: Would approve if the exceptions were removed from the proposal

USHJA Hunter Development Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/20/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Working Group

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 12/10/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Zone Council

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/17/2014

Draft 1: Would approve if the exceptions were not included

USHJA International Hunter Derby Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/28/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Junior Hunter Taskforce

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/28/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA National Hunter Derby Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/04/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Officials

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/18/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Professionals

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/28/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Standard

EFFECTIVE

12/1/2015

BOARD ACTION

Approved 12/11/2014

PROPOSED CHANGE

HU125 TACK [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-4 ATTIRE, TACK AND EQUIPMENT] **change to read:**

HU125 Tack

1. 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 **that is unconventional**. 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 **illegal bits or nosebands** ~~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.

PROPONENT

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INTENT

To further define illegal equipment.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: Bit Converters

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

USHJA Amateurs

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/27/2014

Draft 2: No Action

Draft 3: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments

Draft 2: No Comments

Draft 3: No Comments

USHJA Childrens/Adult Hunter Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/20/2014

Draft 2: No Action

Draft 3: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments

Draft 2: No Comments

Draft 3: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Working Group

Draft 1: No Action
Draft 2: Recommends Approval 12/10/2014
Draft 3: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments
Draft 3: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Zone Council

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/17/2014
Draft 2: No Action
Draft 3: No Action

Draft 1: Wording is ambiguous
Draft 2: No Comments
Draft 3: No Comments

USHJA Judges Taskforce

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/18/2014
Draft 2: No Action
Draft 3: No Action

Draft 1: Bit converters may only be used in classes where the fences are set at 2'6" and under in height.
Draft 2: No Comments
Draft 3: No Comments

USHJA Junior Hunter Taskforce

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/28/2014
Draft 2: No Action
Draft 3: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments
Draft 3: No Comments

USHJA Officials

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/18/2014
Draft 2: Recommends Disapproval 12/09/2014
Draft 3: No Action

Draft 1: Define conventional better and if need to have someone inspecting bits for legality ; why not use bit converters
Draft 2: Do not agree with the term conventional and suggest changing to traditional and defining. Et cetera should not be used and is ambiguous
Draft 3: No Comments

USHJA Pony Hunter Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/10/2014
Draft 2: No Action
Draft 3: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments
Draft 3: No Comments

USHJA Professionals

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/28/2014
Draft 2: No Action
Draft 3: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments
Draft 3: No Comments

USHJA Stewards

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/06/2014
Draft 2: No Action
Draft 3: No Action

Draft 1: Should be judge's discretion to eliminate pair based on tack
Draft 2: No Comments
Draft 3: No Comments

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Standard

EFFECTIVE

12/1/2015

BOARD ACTION

Approved 12/11/2014

PROPOSED CHANGE

HU126 EQUIPMENT [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-4 ATTIRE, TACK AND EQUIPMENT] **change to read:**

HU126 Equipment

2. Electronic Communication Devices

a. No mounted exhibitor may wear or carry an electronic communication device (i.e., cellular telephone, pager, walkie talkie, iPod, etc.) while in the 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 of the equipment.~~

b. Electronic communication devices used for purposes of coaching, etc., between competitors and individuals outside the ring shall be prohibited in all classes.

c. Exhibitors who have a chronic condition may apply for a Presidential Modification exempting them from the provisions of this rule in accordance with GR152. Riders may not use these devices in over fences classes.

d. An exhibitor who has a chronic condition and has previously been granted at least one annual presidential modification related to the condition, may submit an application for approval of a special three-year presidential modification related to the same condition. The application must be accompanied by sufficient supporting documentation that the condition is unlikely to improve during the three-year period.

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PROPONENT

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INTENT

To define the procedures that allow exhibitors to use communication devices.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: Communication Devices

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

USHJA Amateurs

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/27/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Working Group

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 12/10/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Junior Hunter Taskforce

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/28/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Pony Hunter Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/10/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Professionals

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/28/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Standard

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BOARD ACTION

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PROPOSED CHANGE

HU127 ATTIRE [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-4 ATTIRE, TACK AND EQUIPMENT] **change to read:**

HU127 Attire

1. Protective headgear. All riders must wear protective headgear. See GR801.2. While competing in a jumping class, if a rider's chin strap becomes unfastened, the rider may stop, re-fasten the chin strap and continue his/her round without penalty or elimination. A judge may, but is not required, to stop a rider and ask them to refasten a chin strap which has become unfastened, again without penalty to the rider.

2. Attire. Riders are required to wear conservatively colored coats (black, blue, green, grey or brown) which are free from adornment which in the judge's opinion is overly distracting. Shirts must have a choker, similar collar or tie. Breeches may be buff, canary, tan, rust or white.

3. Formal Attire. Riders are required to wear scarlet or dark coats; white shirts with white stock; white, buff or canary breeches, and protective headgear. See GR801.2. While competing in a jumping class, if a rider's chin strap becomes unfastened, the rider may stop, re-fasten the chin strap and continue his/her round without penalty or elimination. A judge may, but is not required, to stop a rider and ask them to refasten a chin strap which has become unfastened, again without penalty to the rider. Members of the Armed Services or the Police may wear the Service Dress Uniform.

4. Inappropriate attire. When management permits Hunter or Hunter Seat Equitation riders to ride without jackets, riders must wear traditional, short, or long-sleeved riding shirts with chokers or ties. Polo shirts and **full** chaps are not permitted except in unjudged warm-up classes. Management or Judge may eliminate an exhibitor who is inappropriately attired.

PROPONENT

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INTENT

To define appropriate, formal and inappropriate attire.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: Updating Hunter Attire Rules

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

USHJA Amateurs

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 10/27/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: Shirts with choker or tie needs to be defined better due to new shirts designs. Do not think half chaps should be allowed in the Hunters.
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Childrens/Adult Hunter Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/20/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Working Group

Draft 1: No Action
Draft 2: Recommends Approval 12/10/2014

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Zone Council

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/17/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: Half Chaps should not be allowed in the competition ring. How would the type of chocker be monitored?
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Judges Taskforce

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/18/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Junior Hunter Taskforce

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 10/28/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: Shirts with choker or tie needs to be defined better due to new shirts designs.
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Officials

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/18/2014
Draft 2: Recommends Approval 12/09/2014

Draft 1: The Committee believes that it should be the judge's decision whether or not to penalize someone for their attire, e.g. stripes, glitter, crystal, color of the stirrups, etc., rather than writing rules that are so specific.
Draft 2:

USHJA Pony Hunter Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/10/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: Shirts with a choker or tie needs to be defined better due to new shirt designs
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Professionals

Draft 1: Tabled 10/28/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Stewards

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/06/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: No need to stray away from conservative with the listing of individual colors. Needs more work and should be re written to encompass the details.
Draft 2: No Comments

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Standard

EFFECTIVE

12/1/2015

BOARD ACTION

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PROPOSED CHANGE

HU136 FAULTS [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-5 JUDGING] **change to read:**

HU136 Faults

2. The following are considered major faults.

a. Knockdown

b. Refusal

c. Refusal or stopping while on course

d. Crossing the track. A track is established once a horse has landed from a fence or completes a required test and follows the horse until the consecutive fence is jumped or the next test is executed. Upon completion of each consecutive fence or performance of the next test, the track is erased. Crossing a track between obstacles and/or required tests shall constitute a disobedience and will be penalized by the judge(s). Exceptions 1. A course diagram that requires a rider to cross his track. 2. Snake or multiple panel jumps that are jumped consecutively.

d. e. Dangerous jumping

e. f. Addressing a jump - coming to a stop in front of a jump in order to show the jump to the horse.

f. g. Completely missing a lead change

g. h. Adding or eliminating a stride in an in and out.

h. i. Breaking stride, or Trotting while on course. (Exceptions-Where posted on the course diagram i.e. trot jumps, steep banks, etc, and also as outlined above in HU135.1l. Striking off on a wrong lead on the courtesy circle.)

PROPONENT

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INTENT

The intent of this is to clarify the definition of "crossing your track" and what that means.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: Crossing Track

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

USHJA Amateurs

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Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Childrens/Adult Hunter Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/20/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Course Designer Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/18/2014

Draft 1: Would approve if the exceptiouns were removed from the proposal

USHJA Hunter Development Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/20/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Working Group

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 12/10/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Zone Council

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/17/2014

Draft 1: Would approve if the exceptions were not included

USHJA International Hunter Derby Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/28/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Junior Hunter Taskforce

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/28/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA National Hunter Derby Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/04/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Officials

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/18/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Professionals

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/28/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

RULE CHANGE TYPE

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BOARD ACTION

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PROPOSED CHANGE

HU145 HUNTER CLASSICS [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-6 CLASS SPECIFICATIONS] **delete and renumber as necessary:**

HU145 Hunter Classics

12. Attire: riders are required to **comply with HU127.** ~~wear scarlet or dark coats; white shirts with white stock, choker or tie; white, or buff or canary breeches and protective headgear in accordance with GR801.2.~~

PROPONENT

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INTENT

To update Hunter Classic attire rules.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: Updating Hunter Classic Attire

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

USHJA Amateurs

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 10/27/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: Shirts with choker or tie needs to be defined better due to new shirts designs. Define whether you can wear half chaps or not. Make consistent with the other Attire rules.
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Childrens/Adult Hunter Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/20/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Development Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/20/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Working Group

Draft 1: No Action
Draft 2: Recommends Approval 12/10/2014

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Zone Council

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/17/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: Should be allowed
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA International Hunter Derby Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/28/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Junior Hunter Taskforce

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/28/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA National Hunter Derby Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/04/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: Needs to have a better definition of choker due to new clothing design, also people still wear canary breeches
Draft 2: No Comments

USHJA Pony Hunter Task Force

Draft 1: Recommends Disapproval 11/10/2014
Draft 2: No Action

Draft 1: Shirts with a choker or tie needs to be defined better due to new shirt designs; also people still wear canary breeches
Draft 2: No Comments

RULE CHANGE TYPE

EFFECTIVE

BOARD ACTION

Standard

12/1/2015

Approved 12/11/2014

PROPOSED CHANGE

HU186 USHJA AMATEUR OWNER HUNTER CHAMPIONSHIP [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-11 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS] add and renumber as necessary:

HU186 USHJA Amateur Owner Hunter Championship

1. The USHJA, at its discretion may choose to hold a National or East and West Championship for Amateur Owner Hunters. This competition is designed to encourage and promote the basic training and development of Amateur Owner Hunters. The Championship must be offered for the Amateur Owner Hunter 3'6 and the Amateur Owner Hunter 3'3" section. Championship(s) must be run in accordance with USHJA specifications found at USHJA.org.

2. Eligibility.

a. The horse must be recorded with the Federation and registered with USHJA on or before the first day of the Championship.

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.

3. Points.

All points are based on values below. In classes that have less than 10 entries, the point values will be one-half of what is listed below.

Placing	Under Saddle	Handy Hunter	Classic
First	100	250	250
Second	90	225	225
Third	80	200	200
Fourth	70	175	175
Fifth	60	150	150
Sixth	50	125	125
Seventh	40	100	100
Eighth	30	75	75
Ninth	20	50	50
Tenth	10	25	25

OVERALL (all sections)

Champion	500 (2.0 times the Hunter Classic Round points)
Reserve	300 (1.2 times the Hunter Classic Round points)
Third	200
Fourth	150
Fifth	100
Sixth	90
Seventh	80
Eighth	70
Ninth	60
Tenth	50

4. Zone or Regional Championships.

a. The Chairman of each Zone may request permission of the USHJA to hold a Zone or Regional Championship section for the riders of each Zone who have won a Champion or Reserve at an "A" rated Amateur Owner Hunter division within the previous competition year.

b. Two or more Zone Chairmen may request permission to hold a Regional Championship section including several zones.

c. Application must be made to the USHJA office at least sixty days in advance of the holding of the section.

d. The location of these sections is subject to the approval of the USHJA.

e. The Championships are conducted under the same regulations as the USHJA Amateur Owner Hunter Championship. (Exception: All points awarded are based on "AA" point values as per GR1131.5).

PROPONENT**USHJA**

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INTENT

This competition is designed to encourage and promote the basic training and development of Amateur Owner Hunters.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS**Staff:** USEF IT estimates 20 hours to setup**Web:** A/O Hunter Championship**COMMITTEE ACTIONS****USHJA Amateurs****Draft 1:** Recommends Approval 10/27/2014**Draft 2:** No Action

Draft 1: 3.d. - Change the definition of the Handy - needs to be consistent and take into account who the competitors are. "Trappy" Hunt Country may not be appropriate. Remove "may be asked to lead over one obstacle or open a gate while mounted. 6.b. Remove the 12 hour rule for only the competitor to ride the horse.

Draft 2: No Comments**USHJA Competition Management****Draft 1:** Recommends Approval 11/24/2014**Draft 2:** No Action**Draft 1:** No Comments**Draft 2:** No Comments**USHJA Hunter Working Group****Draft 1:** No Action**Draft 2:** Recommends Approval 12/10/2014**Draft 1:** No Comments**Draft 2:** No Comments**USHJA Hunter Zone Council****Draft 1:** Recommends Disapproval 11/17/2014**Draft 2:** No Action**Draft 1:** Do not feel that it is something that the amateurs need**Draft 2:** No Comments

RULE CHANGE TYPE

Standard

EFFECTIVE

12/1/2015

BOARD ACTION

Approved 12/11/2014

PROPOSED CHANGE

HU187 HUNTER BREEDING [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-12 HUNTER & PONY HUNTER BREEDING] **change to read:**

HU187 Hunter Breeding

1. Division of Classes. Breeding classes may be divided as to a) thoroughbred/~~unregistered thoroughbred~~, and b) other than thoroughbred and include: Foals (colts, geldings and/or fillies); Yearlings (colts, geldings and/or fillies); Two-year-olds (colts, geldings and/or fillies); Three-year-olds; Mares (3 years old or over, with or without foal); Mares (3 years old or over, without foal but having been bred); Broodmares (with foal at foot; 50% mare and 50% foal or 75% mare and 25% foal); Stallions (3 years old and over); Stallion (with 1, 2 or 3 of get; 50% stallion and 50% get or 75% stallion and 25% get). **See also HU101.3 and GR907.2 for breed registry requirements.**

PROPONENT

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INTENT

To maintain consistency with the definition of Thoroughbred with the rated Thoroughbred Hunter section.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: TB Definition for Hunter Breeding

COMMITTEE ACTIONS

USHJA Breeders

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/20/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Working Group

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 12/10/2014

Draft 1: No Comments

HU 189.2 Tracking #386-14 Draft #3 Approved		
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PROPOSED CHANGE

HU189 INTERNATIONAL HUNTER DERBY [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-13 USHJA INT. & NAT. HUNTER DERBY & PRE-GREEN CHALLENGE]
change to read:

HU189 International Hunter Derby

2. Derbies may only be offered at USEF licensed Premier competitions, **National competitions which meet or exceed the competition standards of a Premier rating, but do not meet the prize money and/or horse entry standard requirements of a Premier rating** and competitions with special status that have been approved for a Special Competition status. The competition Steward must verify in their report to the Federation that the National competition met all other requirements of a Premier competition.

PROPONENT	CONTACT
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INTENT

There is a Federation rule effective 12/1/14 which will potentially result in a significant reduction in the number of competitions currently permitted to host International Hunter Derby classes due solely to the new requirement of Premier rated competitions to pay a minimum of \$24,000 in hunter prize money. There are currently Premier competitions, which due to geographic location and constituency concentration, will not be able to meet the \$24,000 Premier prize money requirement, but will meet or exceed the remainder of the Premier rated competition standards. This situation would reduce member and competition organizer opportunity to participate in this program.

LINKED RULES/COMMENTS

Web: IHD Offered at National Competitions

COMMITTEE ACTIONS	
USHJA Competition Management	
Draft 1: Recommends Approval 11/24/2014	Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Action	Draft 2: No Comments
Draft 3: No Action	Draft 3: No Comments
USHJA Competition Standards	
Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/21/2014	Draft 1: The Committee recommends an effective date of 4/1/2015
Draft 2: No Action	Draft 2: No Comments
Draft 3: No Action	Draft 3: No Comments

USHJA Hunter Working Group

Draft 1: Tabled 12/10/2014
Draft 2: No Action
Draft 3: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments
Draft 3: No Comments

USHJA Professionals

Draft 1: Recommends Approval 10/28/2014
Draft 2: No Action
Draft 3: No Action

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments
Draft 3: No Comments