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HU103 First and Second Year Green Status - Hunter [CHAPTER Subchapter HU-1 DEFINITIONS AND ELIGIBILITY] **change to read:**

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 national 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 at Regular Competitions or Eventing Competitions of the Federation, or Equine Canada or any national or international competition. ***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.***
 - 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. 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.
 2. A horse's green status is considered to be broken once it competes over fences 3'6" (1.075m) or higher.
 3. If a competition starts prior to or on November 30th, Green status at the start of the competition is maintained throughout the competition.
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Effective Date: 12/1/2013**HU104 Green Status - Pony Hunter** [CHAPTER Subchapter HU-1 DEFINITIONS AND ELIGIBILITY] **change to read:**

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 ~~at Regular Competitions or Eventing Competitions of the Federation, or Equine Canada or any national or international competition.~~ **The green status of a pony is the responsibility of the owner.**
 - a. Showing in Canada over fences at or higher than the regulation height for the pony's section under Equine Canada rules breaks the pony's green status for the purpose of this Rule and Federation rules whether or not the regulation height for the pony's section under Equine Canada rules is less than, equal to, or greater than the regulation height for the pony's section under Federation rules.
 - b. Once a pony has broken its green status in one Pony Hunter section (i.e., small, medium, large) it will not regain its green status by moving into another Pony Hunter section.
 2. If a competition starts prior to or on November 30, Green Pony status at the start of the competition is maintained throughout the competition.
 3. Ponies who have not broken their Green Status must jump less than their regulation height in open classes or their Green Status will be broken.
 4. In its first year of showing at regulation height or higher, a green pony may also compete in the Regular Pony Hunter section at its respective height.
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Effective Date: 12/1/2013**HU105 Green Status - Reinstatement** [CHAPTER Subchapter HU-1 DEFINITIONS AND ELIGIBILITY] **change to read:**

1. ~~A horse's or pony's green status may be reinstated for a future competition year if it was not shown at the regulation height at more than four (4) competitions prior to September 1st and if it was not shown at that height after September 1st in the same year. Horses are not eligible for a first year green reinstatement if they have competed in the Junior Hunter Championships or an International Hunter Derby within the same year. A pony is not eligible for a green reinstatement if they have competed in the National Pony Finals.~~ **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. **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.**

- b. The horse or pony was not shown at the regulation height or higher on or after September 1st of the current competition year.**
- c. The horse or pony must stop competing at the regulation height or higher immediately upon application for reinstatement.**
- 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.**
- e. The horse or pony is otherwise eligible for a reinstatement under Federation rules.**

a-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.

b-3. The green reinstatement application must include the following:

- a. The A \$25 processing fee (fee schedule available on www.usef.org);**
- b. aA list of competitions with dates where the horse or pony competed at its regulation height or higher;**
- c. tThe horse's or pony's name and Federation recording number must be included on the reinstatement application-**
- c. At the time of request, the horse or pony must stop competing over fences its respective height or higher for the remainder of that competition year-**
- d. The name, USEF number and signature of the Federation recorded owner.**
- e. Green reinstatement applications with missing or incomplete information will be automatically denied.**

d-4. If the horse or pony is not actively recorded at the time of request, it must be recorded/renewed at that time. Failure to do so will result in the horse or pony losing its green status. **If the horse or pony is not recorded/renewed at the time of application, the reinstatement request will be automatically denied.**

5. The owner will receive **written** notification indicating the horse's or pony's green eligibility **from the Federation stating whether the horse or pony has been granted a green reinstatement.**

e. A Green Reinstatement will only be granted one time for first-year horses and one time for second-year horses and one time for ponies.

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

7. Types of Hunter Green Reinstatements

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.**

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.**

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.

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.

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HU106 Regular Hunter - Definition and Classifications [CHAPTER Subchapter HU-1 DEFINITIONS AND ELIGIBILITY] **change to read:**

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. A horse that receives **Upon receipt by the owner of written notification of a 1st Year Green Reinstatement a horse** may return to Pre-Green if it is otherwise eligible **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. b. A horse's Pre-Green Status is not affected by showing as a three-year-old. 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).

- d. ~~f.~~ No jogging is required.
 - e. ~~c.~~ Classes may be divided by height section 3' and 3'3". You may not show in both height sections at the same competition. Horses may compete in both height sections within the same competition year.
 - e. ~~e.~~ A horse's pre-green status may be reinstated for a future competition year if it was not shown at the 3' height or 3'3" height at more than four (4) competitions prior to September 1st and if it was not shown at that height after September 1st in the same year.
 - f. ~~f.~~ The Federation recorded owner must submit the pre-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 pre-green status was broken.
 - g. ~~g.~~ A processing fee, a list of competitions with dates where the horse competed at its regulation height or higher, the horse's name and Federation recording number must be included on the reinstatement application.
 - h. ~~h.~~ At the time of request, the horse must stop competing over fences its respective height or higher for the remainder of that competition year.
 - i. ~~i.~~ If the horse is not actively recorded at the time of request, it must be recorded/ renewed at that time. Failure to do so will result in the horse losing its pre-green status. The owner will receive notification indicating the horses' pre-green eligibility.
 - j. ~~j.~~ A pre-green reinstatement will only be granted one time.
 - k. ~~k.~~ In the event an owner of a horse is not satisfied with the decision, they may submit a written appeal to be heard by the Federation Hearing Committee with the required appeal fee. An appeal does not guarantee the reinstatement will be granted.
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Effective Date: 7/2/2013**HU181 U.S. PONY HUNTER [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-11 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS] change to read:**

2. Eligibility. In order to compete in the U.S. Pony Hunter Championship, the pony 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.

a. ~~A pony must win a Championship or Reserve Championship in an "AA" rated Regular Pony Hunter section, a Championship or three reserve championships in an "A" rated Regular Pony Hunter section, or a Championship or Reserve Championship in an "A" or "AA" rated Green Pony Hunter section and.~~ ***A pony must win a Championship or Reserve Championship in a "AA" or "A" rated Regular Pony Hunter section.*** ~~The~~ the pony must be recorded with the Federation and registered with the USHJA at the time of the win in order for the Championship or Reserve Championship to count. Sections held after July 1 will count toward next year's competition. Ponies that are Champions in their respective sections at the previous year's competition may return without qualifying. The owner of record of the pony must be an Active member in good standing of the Federation and USHJA, i.e., ponies must be shown in accordance with GR1102, GR1108, in order to be eligible to qualify. Pony Finals host sites will comply with the rules designated by the Federation and the Federation Pony Hunter Committee.

JUMPER DIVISION

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JP120 Fence Dimensions [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER JP-4 LEVELS OF DIFFICULTY] **change to read:**

4. Standards: Any class offering \$25,000 or more in prize money must be offered at one of the three standards delineated below: Regional, National, or International. Heights alone do not apply to these classes and the standard must be clearly stated in the prize list. Competitions must apply to the Jumper Committee for permission to offer \$25,000 or more in prize money in any class if it does not meet one of the following:

a. Open Regional Standard: ***1.35m minimum with spreads to 1.55m, excluding Triple Bar and Water Jump. At least 6 Verticals and 4 Oxers must be set at 1.40m. The maximum spread for the Triple Bar is 1.85m, and the maximum spread for the Water Jump is 3.60m.*** Must include the following:

- ~~1. at least one double and one triple, two triples, or three doubles;~~
- ~~2. at least two obstacles not less than 1.45 m (4'9")~~
- ~~3. at least eleven obstacles at a minimum height of 1.30 m (4'3") and~~
- ~~4. at least three spreads not less than 1.45 m (4'9") in width~~

b. Junior, Amateur Owner, or Young Rider Regional Standard: **1.25m minimum with spreads to 1.45m, excluding Triple Bar and Water Jump. At least 4 Verticals and 4 Oxers must be set at 1.30m. The maximum spread for the Triple Bar is 1.65m, and the maximum spread for the Water Jump is 3.60m.** Must include the following:

1. at least one double and one triple, two triples, or three doubles;
2. at least two obstacles not less than 1.30 m (4'3");
3. at least eleven obstacles at a minimum height of 1.25 m (4'1"); and
4. at least three spreads not less than 1.30 m (4'3") in width.

c. Open National Standard: **1.40m minimum with spreads to 1.70m, excluding Triple Bar and Water Jump. At least 4 Verticals and 2 Oxers must be set at 1.50m. The maximum spread for the Triple Bar is 2.00m, and the maximum spread for the Water Jump is 4.00m.** Must include:

1. at least one double and one triple, two triples, or three doubles;
2. at least two obstacles not less than 1.50 m (4'11")
3. at least eleven obstacles at a minimum height of 1.40 m (4'7") and
4. at least three spreads 1.50 m to 1.60 m (4'11" to 5'3"), in addition to any used in combinations.

d. Junior, Amateur Owner, or Young Rider National Standard: **1.35m minimum with spreads to 1.60m, excluding Triple Bar and Water Jump. At least 4 Verticals and 3 Oxers set at 1.40m. The maximum spread for the Triple Bar is 1.80m, and the maximum spread for the Water Jump is 3.90m.** Must include:

1. at least one double and one triple, two triples, or three doubles;
2. at least two obstacles not less than 1.40 m (4'7");
3. at least eleven obstacles at a minimum height of 1.30 m (4'3"); and
4. at least three spreads 1.40 m to 1.45 m (4'7" to 4'9") in width, in addition to any used in combinations.

e. Open International **High Performance** Standard: **1.45m minimum with spreads to 1.80m, excluding Triple Bar and Water Jump. At least 2 Verticals must be set at 1.60m, and at least 4 Oxers must be set at 1.50m+, excluding Triple Bar and Water Jump. The maximum spread for the Triple Bar is 2.20m, and the maximum spread for the Water Jump is 4.50m.** Must include:

1. at least one double and one triple, two triples, or three doubles;
2. at least one obstacle not less than 1.60 m (5'3") and two additional obstacles not less than 1.50m (5');
3. at least eleven obstacles at a minimum height of 1.45 m (4'9"); and
4. at least two spreads not less than 1.65 m (5'5") in width and three additional spreads not less than 1.60m (5'3") in width.
5. At outdoor events, an open water jump not less than 3.65 m (12') is strongly recommended.
6. For outdoor events a minimum speed of 375 meters per minute (410 yards per minute) is required.
7. The maximum possible spread is 2.00 m (6'7") (triple bars not included).

f. Junior, Amateur Owner, or Young Rider **High Performance** International Standard: **1.40m minimum with spreads to 1.70m, excluding Triple Bar and Water Jump. At least 4 Verticals and 2 Oxers must be set at 1.50m. The maximum spread for the Triple Bar is 2.00m, and the maximum spread for the Water Jump is 4.20m.** Must include:

1. at least one double and one triple, two triples, or three doubles;

2. at least one obstacle not less than 1.50 m (4'11") and two additional obstacles not less than 1.45 m (4'9");
3. at least eleven obstacles at a minimum height of 1.40 m (4'7"); and
4. at least two spreads not less than 1.60 m (5'3") and three additional spreads not less than 1.50 m (4'11").
5. At outdoor events, an open water jump not less than 3.35 m (11') is strongly recommended.
6. For outdoor events a minimum speed of 375 meters per minute (410 yards per minute) is required.
7. The maximum possible spread is 1.65 m (5'5") (triple bars not included).

5. Conforming to Level of Difficulty (***Does not apply to the Standards listed above in JP 120.4***). 60% of the fences in the first round of a class must be set at the required height indicated, and the remaining 40% within a two-inch (5 cm) variance; water jump, first fence on course, and first fence of a triple combination excluded and are not part of the 60%. (Exception: Gambler's Choice/ Top Score, Derbys, and classes 1.50 m and above).

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JP130 Posting and Walking Courses [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER JP-5 COURSE REQUIREMENTS] **add and renumber as necessary:**

2. Course Plan. The plan or diagram of the course, including the Speed, Time Allowed, length of course, start and finish, and jump-off course, must show the obstacles which must be jumped with the order indicated by number. Apart from this, unless designated by the course designer by the use of a solid line between obstacles on the course plan, the rider is not bound to follow a compulsory track. An arrow is used to indicate the direction in which each obstacle must be jumped. Closed combinations and option fences must be clearly marked. ***For all classes of \$25,000 or more, the posted course plan must include the height and spread of each obstacle.***

Effective Date: 12/1/2013**JP131 Judge(s) Inspection of Courses** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER JP-5 COURSE REQUIREMENTS] **add and renumber as necessary:**

1. The judge should assure that the course has been properly set according to specifications indicated in the prize list, and that it has been measured and the Time Allowed calculated properly, and call attention to any errors that would result in unfair or inappropriate courses. The judge should also ensure that any or all obstacles have been appropriately reset after disruption of any kind during the competition. ***For all classes of \$25,000 or more, the Senior Judge must physically inspect the course to ensure that the obstacles are set at the correct dimensions (Standard) as stated in the prize list.***

Effective Date: 12/1/2013**JP148 Classes Offering \$25,000 or more in prize money** [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER JP-7 JUMPING FAULTS AND SCORING TABLES] **add and renumber as necessary:**

2. Officials.

b. Judges. For classes offering \$25,000 or more in prize money a total of two Federation licensed "R" judges are required, one of whom will act as official timer. The third judge is necessary if an open water jump is used; this can be a "r" judge. In addition, two back up timers with stop watches are required. A Registered steward or Registered Jumper judge must be appointed to supervise schooling before and during the competition. (Note: A timer technician may also be utilized as per JP106.2; however one of the two 'R' judges must be responsible for the official time recorded for each entry.) ***For all classes of \$25,000 or more, the Senior Judge must physically inspect the course to ensure that the obstacles are set at the correct dimensions (Standard) as stated in the prize list.***

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JP148 Classes Offering \$25,000 or more in prize money [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER JP-7 JUMPING FAULTS AND SCORING TABLES] add and renumber as necessary:

10. Open Classes of \$25,000 or more.

b. ***The posted course plan must include the height and spread of each obstacle.***

c. Riders competing in open jumper classes held at the International Standard offering \$25,000 or more in prize money are not eligible to compete in the highest money class, in the lowest height section of Junior or Amateur Owner Jumpers offered at the same competition where more than one height section is offered for Junior or Amateur Owner Jumpers.
