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Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

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Draft # **1**

Rule: **GR126.5**

Rule Change Type **Standard**

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Proposed Change:

GR126 Junior. [Chapter 1. Definitions and Governance] **Change to read:**

5. Exceptions: Eventing, Dressage, Reining, and Paso Fino Competitions, and Miniature Horse Divisions, see EV104.2, RN104.3, PF106.1-3, and DR119.3 and MH101.4.

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Intent of Proposal:

To indicate the miniature rules include different language about junior rules.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/10

Linked Rule Changes:

Proponent

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Action

Withdrawn

Date

9/21/2010

Committee/Organization

National Affiliates Working Group

Draft: Action-Date

1:No Action

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

Board of Directors

Action

Date

Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule: GR202.4 - .6

Rule Change Type: Standard

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Proposed Change:

GR202 Membership Requirements. [Chapter 2. Membership Categories] **Delete and renumber if necessary:**

4. If a horse(s) is owned by a farm or any other entity, only one principal owner of the farm or entity needs to be a member. ~~or pay a non-member registration fee.~~ (To be eligible for Horse of the Year Awards, a farm or any other entity that owns a horse(s) must also obtain an exhibitor registration pursuant to GR1106.)

~~5. Non members must pay a non member registration fee of \$30.~~

~~6. The competitions will be responsible for forwarding a list of the names of individuals who pay non member fees at the competition to the Federation with the post competition report. Payment of non member fees for purposes of competing does not entitle the individual to any other privileges of USEF membership.~~

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Intent of Proposal:

To provide member benefits to all competitors in USEF licensed competitions and to help facilitate a more efficient show office experience by requiring membership credentials for all exhibitors.

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Proponent

Administration and Finance Committee

Action

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Date

1/20/2011

Committee/Organization

USHJA

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1:Disapproved-12/9/2010

Administration & Finance Working Group

1:No Action

Breeds/Disciplines

1:No Action

Competition Management

1:Disapproved-11/29/2010, 1:Disapproved-11/22/2010

Budget&Finance

1:No Action

All Committees

1:No Action

Paso Fino

1:Disapproved-11/22/2010

Connemara

1:Tabled-11/8/2010, 1:Disapproved-12/6/2010

Morgan

1:Disapproved-11/22/2010

Saddle Seat Eq

1:Tabled-11/19/2010

National Affiliates Working Group

1:Approved-11/23/2010

Competition Secretaries

1:Disapproved-11/12/2010

Roadster

1:Disapproved-11/29/2010

National Hunter

1:Disapproved-11/9/2010

Continuing Education

1:Disapproved-11/8/2010

Hackney

1:Disapproved-12/1/2010

Friesian

1:Disapproved-11/12/2010

Shetland

1:Approved-12/15/2010

Arabian

1:Disapproved-11/17/2010

Saddlebred

1:Approved-12/13/2010

Carriage Pleasure Driving	1:Disapproved-12/15/2010
Eventing	1:Approved-12/9/2010
Western Committee	1:Disapproved-11/30/2010
National Show Horse	1:Disapproved-12/1/2010
Andalusian/Lusitano	1:Approved-11/22/2010
Licensed Officials	1:Approved-1/6/2011
Welsh	1:Disapproved-12/14/2010
Steward-Technical Delegate Committee	1:Approved-12/21/2010
Dressage	1:Disapproved-1/12/2011

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:***Staff and Committee Comments:***

Paso Fino 11/22/10-draft 1-concern about those who go to shows at towards end of the year that would have to pay full price; would like to see prorated membership option for these people

Safety 11-18-10: The committee does not have enough information to make an educated determination on this PRC.

Saddle Seat Eq 11-19-10, Draft 1: Needs to be clarified on how someone that just bought a horse (not transferred with ASHA) can show it if the former owner is not a current member. Trainer will not be able to join former owners as members as a signature of the individual is required to declare professional or amateur status.

Western 11-30-10, draft 1: feels that removing option of paying non member fee penalizes those grassroots exhibitors that only go to 1 show a year.

Connemara Draft 1 12/6/2010: Recommend considering non-member fees, but assigning automatic membership to individuals upon receipt of their second non-member fee.

Saddlebred 12-13-10, Draft 1: Suggested to have form that would allow an agent to sign on behalf of owner to become a member if they are not available.

UPHA Convention, 1-8-11, Draft 1: Group was concerned about whether a trainer would even be able to sign up a member for membership, especially when an amateur; concern about new members going to one show and having to get membership; approved-0; disapproved-majority (50+); abstain-3

Legal Comments:***Other Comments:***

Board of Directors**Action****Date**

Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule: GR205
Rule Change Type: Standard

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Proposed Change:

[Chapter 2. Membership Categories] **Delete and renumber if necessary:**
SUBCHAPTER 2-C NON-MEMBERS

~~GR205 Participation:~~

~~A non member, who wishes to participate as a rider, driver, handler, vaulter, longeur, owner, lessee, agent, coach or trainer at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions at the Preliminary Level or above, Dressage Competitions, Endurance Rides, Reining Competitions, Vaulting Competitions, and Combined Driving Competitions at the Advanced Level, must pay a non member registration fee for each competition in which competing. Lessees are considered owners in connection with this membership requirement. In the event of an entry under multiple ownership, only one owner need be a Member or pay a non member registration fee. The competitions will be responsible for forwarding a list of the names of individuals who pay non member fees at the competition to the Federation with the post competition report. Payment of non member fees for purposes of competing does not entitle the individual to any other privileges of USEF membership.~~

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Administration and Finance Committee	Withdrawn	1/20/2011
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
Administration & Finance Working Group	1:No Action, 1:No Action	
Breeds/Disciplines	1:No Action	
Competition Management	1:No Action	
USHJA	1:Disapproved-12/9/2010	
All Committees	1:No Action	
National Affiliates Working Group	1:Approved-11/23/2010	
Budget&Finance	1:No Action	
Paso Fino	1:Disapproved-11/22/2010	
Safety	1:Disapproved-11/18/2010	
Connemara	1:Tabled-11/8/2010, 1:Disapproved-12/6/2010	
Morgan	1:Disapproved-11/22/2010	
Saddle Seat Eq	1:Tabled-11/19/2010	
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Hackney	1:Disapproved-12/1/2010	
Friesian	1:Disapproved-11/12/2010	

Shetland	1:Approved-12/15/2010
Arabian	1:Disapproved-11/17/2010
Saddlebred	1:Approved-12/13/2010
Carriage Pleasure Driving	1:Disapproved-12/15/2010
National Jumper	1:Disapproved-1/3/2011
Western Committee	1:Disapproved-11/30/2010
National Show Horse	1:Disapproved-12/1/2010
Andalusian/Lusitano	1:Approved-11/22/2010
Eventing	1:Approved-12/9/2010
Licensed Officials	1:Approved-1/6/2011
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Steward-Technical Delegate Committee	1:Approved-12/21/2010
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Legal Comments:***Other Comments:***

Board of Directors**Action****Date**

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Rule: GR206
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Proposed Change:

GR206 Recognized Affiliate Association Non-Member Fee. [Chapter 2. Membership Categories] **Delete and renumber if necessary:**

~~1. Federation non member fee. The amount of the non member registration fee will be established annually by the Federation. Unless otherwise established, the fee will be \$30 and must be collected by all appropriate competitions and remitted to the Federation (for exceptions see GR901.9). Non US citizens who are members in good standing of their National Federations are exempt from payment of the Federation Non-Member fee.~~

~~2. Recognized Affiliate Association non-member fee. A Federation Recognized Affiliate Association as defined under Bylaw 222, Section 1 (1) and 1 (2) may establish a nonmember fee for their respective breed or discipline. If established, the amount of the nonmember fee will be determined annually by the applicable Recognized Affiliate Association. This fee must be collected by all appropriate licensed competitions and remitted to the Recognized Affiliate Association (for exceptions see GR901.9).~~

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Administration & Finance Working Group	1:No Action, 1:No Action	
Breeds/Disciplines	1:No Action	
Competition Management	1:No Action	
Budget&Finance	1:No Action, 1:No Action	
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Legal Comments:***Other Comments:***

Board of Directors**Action****Date**

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Rule: GR301.4 - .5
Rule Change Type Rule Clarification

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Proposed Change:

GR301 Classifications. [Chapter 3. Competition Licensing] **Change to read, renumbering as necessary:**

4. Divisions and sections of ***the following competitions are not rated:*** Local, Dressage, Driving Competitions, Endurance Competitions, Reining Competitions, Vaulting Competitions and Eventing Competitions are not rated. However, Dressage Competitions are categorized by levels.

5. Local Competitions are considered unrated; however, some divisions or sections may allow points at such competitions.

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Intent of Proposal:

Cleans up language and clarifies that some divisions and sections do allow points at Local Competitions.

Proposed Effective Date: Immediately upon notification **Linked Rule Changes:**

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
National Affiliates Working Group	Withdrawn	9/1/2010
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

<u>Board of Directors</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
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Draft # **1**

Rule: GR305.1
Rule Change Type Standard

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Proposed Change:

GR305 Agreement. [Chapter 3. Competition Licensing] **Delete and renumber:**

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

e. ~~Miniature Horse classes~~

e. f. [...]

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Intent of Proposal:

No longer necessary to except out Miniature Horses as they will now be recognized by the Federation.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/10

Linked Rule Changes:

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
AMHR	Withdrawn	9/21/2010
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
National Affiliates Working Group	1:No Action	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

<u>Board of Directors</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
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USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # 121-10

Draft # 1

Rule: GR313.5

Rule Change Type Extraordinary - This rule is to support the new rules that go into effect on 12.1.10 to the hunter sections. The original set of rules were proposed at the 2009 Annual Meeting and were passed; the rule change below is to make sure all of the rules regarding the hunter sections are consistent with the new rules and sections.

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Proposed Change:

GR313 Determining Ratings. [Chapter 3. Competition Licensing. Subchapter 3-C Licensed Competition Standards] **Change to read:**

5. The following are rated "C" regardless of the number of classes or amount of prize money offered: Hunter Breeding, Ladies Side Saddle Hunter, Adult Amateur and Children's Hunter sections, and for any Zone that has submitted specifications by August 1 of any year for its Pre-Green Hunters to be rated.

HUNTER SECTIONS	"A" Required Classes	"A" Min. Money	"B" and "C" Required Classes	B" Min. Money
Amateur Owner 3'6"	4-6*	500	3-4	100
Amateur Owner 3'3"	4-5	500	3-4	100
Green Conformation	4-6*	500	3-4	150
Reg. Conformation	4-6*	400	3-4	150
Green Working	4-6*	500	3-4	100
Regular High Performance Working	3-5*	750	3-4	200
Hunter Pony	4-5*	400	3-4	100
Green Hunter Pony	4-5*	250	3-4	150
Junior Hunter	4-5	500	3-4	100
*Performance Hunters 3'3	3-5	500	3-4	150
* Performance Hunters	3-5	500	3-4	150

* Sections may not be used to determine ratings of a licensed competition.

Proponent: USHJA

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Intent of Proposal:

The rule change supports the changes that have been made to the hunter sections beginning on 12.1.10.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/10**Linked Rule Changes:****Proponent**

USHJA

Action

Withdrawn

Date

9/1/2010

Committee/Organization**Draft: Action-Date****Budget and Finance Committee Comments:****Staff and Committee Comments****Legal Comments:****Other Comments:**

*Board of Directors**Action**Date*

USEF
Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

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Draft # **1**

Rule: GR408
Rule Change Type Rule Clarification

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

Proposed Change:

GR408 Interpretations of the Federation Equine Drugs and Medications Chapter and its Application to Particular Substances. [Chapter 4. Equine Drugs and Medications] **Change to read:**

Any questions regarding the interpretation of this Chapter, including the application of this Chapter to particular substances, should be directed to the office of the Federation Equine Drugs and Medications Program, 3760 Ridge Mill Drive, Hilliard, Ohio 43026-9231. **956 King Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43212-2655.** (800) 633-2472, (614) 771-7707; **299-7707**, FAX (614) 771-7706. **299-7706.** Trainers and/or owners who seek advice concerning the interpretation and application of this rule should not rely solely upon interpretations or advice by private or competition veterinarians, competition officials, competition personnel, or other persons, but should also obtain verification of any such interpretations or advice from the Federation Equine Drugs and Medications Program office. Any trainer or owner who is uncertain about whether this rule applies in any given situation would be well advised to withdraw the affected horse and/or pony from competition until such time as the Federation Equine Drugs and Medications Program office has been consulted.

Proponent: Equine Drugs and Medications Committee

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Intent of Proposal:

The office of the Equine Drugs and Medications Program has moved. The change will reflect the new address, local telephone number and fax number. The toll-free number will remain the same.

Proposed Effective Date: Immediately upon notification **Linked Rule Changes:**

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
Equine Drugs and Medications Committee	Withdrawn	3/15/2010
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
Equine Drugs & Medications	1:No Action	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

<u>Board of Directors</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
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Draft # 1

Rule: GR412
Rule Change Type Standard

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Proposed Change:

GR412 Administrative Penalties. [Chapter 4. Drugs and Medications] **Delete and renumber if necessary:**

1. The provisions for administrative penalties shall apply to any potential or alleged violation of the Equine Drugs and Medications Rule. The Federation shall hold in abeyance the issuance of charges of rule violation pending further determination by the Chairman of the Equine Drugs and Medications Committee, who shall take into consideration all pertinent information available, including the seriousness of the alleged violation(s), precedents in similar Federation drug cases, and any prior rule violation(s) by the individual(s).
2. The Chairman of the Equine Drugs and Medications Committee shall, upon consultation with staff, and within 60 days of receipt of laboratory results, make a determination in his or her discretion whether to recommend the issuance of charges by the Federation, whether to recommend a plea agreement, whether to impose administrative penalties, or whether to take no further action in the matter, and shall communicate that decision in writing to the Federation's CEO or Executive Director.
3. In the event the Chairman of the Equine Drugs and Medications Committee determines to impose administrative penalties in accordance with GR412.2, in lieu of a recommendation to issue charges, he or she shall be authorized to impose any or all of the penalties enumerated in Chapter 7, GR703, setting forth the terms and conditions for compliance. The trainer(s) and owner(s) shall after receiving written notice of the right to a hearing, after their written waiver of same, and written acceptance of an administrative penalty, be subject to any and all administrative penalties imposed by the Chairman of the Equine Drugs and Medications Committee.
4. The Federation shall give written notification to trainer(s) and owner(s) of administrative penalties determined pursuant to GR412.3 above, the terms and conditions of which shall not be subject to negotiation. Administrative penalties accepted in accordance with this Rule are subject to approval by the Hearing Committee. Once accepted by all parties and by the Hearing Committee, an administrative penalty shall have the same force and effect as would a finding of rule violation by the Hearing Committee following a hearing pursuant to Chapters 6 and 7, and shall be published in *equestrian*.
5. Any trainer(s), or owner(s), or both, who have received notice of an administrative penalty under GR412.4 and who have not accepted same in writing shall receive a hearing before the Hearing Committee, in accordance with Chapters 6 and 7. Administrative penalties accepted in accordance with this Rule shall be effective immediately, shall be final, and shall not be subject to further review under any circumstance(s).
6. In the event an administrative penalty is not accepted in writing, the Federation shall issue a written charge or charges pursuant to Chapter 6, and the Hearing Committee shall conduct a hearing pursuant to Chapters 6 and 7 upon said charge(s). In the event of a finding of a violation, the Hearing Committee shall not be limited in choice of penalties to those that might have been imposed in accordance with GR412.2 and .3, nor in any such instance shall the Hearing Committee be limited in any other way in exercising all of its prerogatives as set forth in the Bylaws and Rules.

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Intent of Proposal:

To bring the rule in line with the actual process being used and to ensure the consistent, transparent and equitable administration of this program

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Linked Rule Changes: 236-10

Proponent

USHJA

Action

Withdrawn

Date

9/9/2010

Committee/Organization

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Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

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GR412 Administrative Penalties. [Chapter 4. Drugs and Medications] **Delete rule:**

See GR616.

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- ~~3. In the event the Chairman of the Equine Drugs and Medications Committee determines to impose administrative penalties in accordance with GR412.2, in lieu of a recommendation to issue charges, he or she shall be authorized to impose any or all of the penalties enumerated in Chapter 7, GR703, setting forth the terms and conditions for compliance. The trainer(s) and owner(s) shall after receiving written notice of the right to a hearing, after their written waiver of same, and written acceptance of an administrative penalty, be subject to any and all administrative penalties imposed by the Chairman of the Equine Drugs and Medications Committee.~~
- ~~4. The Federation shall give written notification to trainer(s) and owner(s) of administrative penalties determined pursuant to GR412.3 above, the terms and conditions of which shall not be subject to negotiation. Administrative penalties accepted in accordance with this Rule are subject to approval by the Hearing Committee. Once accepted by all parties and by the Hearing Committee, an administrative penalty shall have the same force and effect as would a finding of rule violation by the Hearing Committee following a hearing pursuant to Chapters 6 and 7, and shall be published in *equestrian*.~~
- ~~5. Any trainer(s), or owner(s), or both, who have received notice of an administrative penalty under GR412.4 and who have not accepted same in writing shall receive a hearing before the Hearing Committee, in accordance with Chapters 6 and 7. Administrative penalties accepted in accordance with this Rule shall be effective immediately, shall be final, and shall not be subject to further review under any circumstance(s).~~
- ~~6. In the event an administrative penalty is not accepted in writing, the Federation shall issue a written charge or charges pursuant to Chapter 6, and the Hearing Committee shall conduct a hearing pursuant to Chapters 6 and 7 upon said charge(s). In the event of a finding of a violation, the Hearing Committee shall not be limited in choice of penalties to those that might have been imposed in accordance with GR412.2 and .3, nor in any such instance shall the Hearing Committee be limited in any other way in exercising all of its prerogatives as set forth in the Bylaws and Rules.~~

Proponent: Hearing Committee

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Intent of Proposal:

Please see rule change proposal for GR616. This rule change will create uniformity in the procedures for all USEF violations. Currently, the Executive Director issues all Drugs & Medications Charges but has no input whatsoever. This rule ensures that input is provided from a technical standpoint based on the requirement that the USEF Chief Administrator of the Equine Drugs & Medications Program (who is a Licensed Veterinarian) consult with the charging party.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes: 546-10

Proponent

Hearing Committee

Action

Withdrawn

Date

2/3/2011

Committee/Organization

Hearing

Draft: Action-Date

1:Referred-1/20/2011

Veterinary

1:No Action

Morgan

1:Approved-1/20/2011

Breeds/Disciplines

1:No Action

USEF
Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **545-10**

Draft # **1**

All Committees	1:No Action
Paso Fino	1:Approved-11/22/2010
Safety	1:Approved-11/18/2010
Connemara	1:Approved-11/8/2010
USHJA	1:Approved-12/9/2010
Saddle Seat Eq	1:Approved-11/19/2010
Competition Secretaries	1:Approved-11/12/2010
Roadster	1:No Action
National Hunter	1:Approved-12/1/2010
Continuing Education	1:Approved-1/21/2011
Hackney	1:Approved-12/1/2010
Friesian	1:Approved-11/12/2010
Shetland	1:Approved-12/15/2010
Arabian	1:Approved-11/17/2010
Saddlebred	1:Approved-12/13/2010
Carriage Pleasure Driving	1:Approved-11/29/2010
Eventing	1:Approved-12/9/2010
Western Committee	1:Approved-11/30/2010
National Show Horse	1:Approved-12/1/2010
Andalusian/Lusitano	1:Approved-11/22/2010
Competition Management	1:Approved-11/22/2010
Licensed Officials	1:Approved-1/6/2011
Welsh	1:Approved-11/9/2010
National Affiliates Working Group	1:Approved-1/10/2011
Steward-Technical Delegate Committee	1:Approved-12/21/2010
Dressage	1:Approved-1/12/2011
Vaulting	1:Approved-1/21/2011
Legislative	1:Approved-1/21/2011
FEI Affiliates Working Group	1:Referred-1/21/2011
Executive	1:Referred-1/20/2011
Budget&Finance	1:Referred-1/20/2011

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Roadster 11-29-10, Draft 1: Would like more information on what is considered an Administrative Penalty.

Drugs&Meds 1-19-11: Suggest referring to Mid-Year mtg.

Executive Comm 1/20/11: Recommend that this be referred to Mid-Year mtg.

Hearing: 1/20/2011

Draft 1: At the request of D&M they are referring this to Mid-Year Meeting.

Veterinary 1-21-11: Recommend that this be referred to Mid-Year mtg.

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

1-23-11: Referred to Mid-Year mtg.

Board of Directors**Action**

Referred

Date

1/23/2011

USEF
Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **083-10**

Draft # **1**

Rule: GR501
Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

GR501 Other Measurement Rules. [Chapter 5. Measurement of Entries] **Change to read:**

For Hunter Pony, Children's Hunter Pony, Welsh Pony, Junior Hunter and Pony Jumper measurements for animals not possessing a valid measurement card applied for prior to December 1, 1987, see HU170-HU181, and for all other measurements, see GR502-517. For Combined Driving, see DC114.2. For Dressage, see DR134. **For Miniature Horses see MH106-109.**

Proponent: AMHR

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Intent of Proposal:

Refers officials to Miniature rules for specifics on measuring Miniature Horses.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/10

Linked Rule Changes:

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
AMHR	Withdrawn	9/21/2010
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
National Affiliates Working Group	1:No Action	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

<u>Board of Directors</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
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USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **549-10**Draft # **1****Rule:** GR503.2**Rule Change Type:** Standard

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

Proposed Change:**GR503 Required Measurements and Re-measurements.** [Chapter 5. Membership of Entries] **Delete and renumber if necessary:**

~~2. All animals that have been assigned a card prior to March 1, 1982 must be re-measured. If the owner, either member or non member, is in possession of a measurement card issued prior to the aforementioned date, there will be no fee for re-measurement.~~

~~2. 3.~~

Proponent: Administration and Finance Committee**Contact:** Lori Rawls
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To remove irrelevant language and to provide member benefits to all competitors in USEF licensed competitions and to help facilitate a more efficient show office experience by requiring membership credentials for all exhibitors.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11**Linked Rule Changes:****Proponent**

Administration and Finance Committee

Action

Withdrawn

Date

1/20/2011

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

Administration & Finance Working Group

1:No Action

Breeds/Disciplines

1:No Action

USHJA

1:Disapproved-12/9/2010

All Committees

1:No Action

National Affiliates Working Group

1:Approved-11/23/2010

Steward-Technical Delegate Committee

1:No Action, 1:Approved-12/21/2010

Safety

1:Disapproved-11/18/2010

Connemara

1:Tabled-11/8/2010, 1:Disapproved-12/6/2010

Saddle Seat Eq

1:Approved-11/19/2010

Competition Secretaries

1:Disapproved-11/12/2010

Roadster

1:Approved-11/29/2010

National Hunter

1:Approved-11/9/2010

Continuing Education

1:Disapproved-11/8/2010

Hackney

1:Approved-12/1/2010

Shetland

1:Approved-12/15/2010

Carriage Pleasure Driving

1:Approved-12/15/2010

Eventing

1:Approved-12/9/2010

Licensed Officials

1:Approved-1/6/2011

Welsh

1:Disapproved-12/14/2010

Dressage

1:Approved-1/12/2011

Executive

1:Approved-1/20/2011

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Staff and Committee Comments:

Safety 11-18-10: The committee does not have enough information to make an educated determination on this PRC.

UPHA Convention, 1-8-11, Draft 1: Group was concerned about whether a trainer would even be able to sign up a member for membership, especially when an amateur; concern about new members going to one show and having to get membership; approved-0; disapproved-majority (50+); abstain-3

Legal Comments:***Other Comments:***

Board of Directors**Action****Date**

USEF
Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **084-10**

Draft # **1**

Rule: GR506
Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

GR506 Measurement Devices. [Chapter 5. Measurement of Entries] **Change to read:**

Only the Federation Approved Measuring Stick may be used. The Federation Approved Measuring Stick is a straight, stiff, unbendable stick that is equipped with a plumb bob or spirit level to make sure that the stick is perpendicular to the ground and that the crosspiece or arm is parallel with the ground surface, and must be shod with metal. All Federation approved measuring sticks will be numbered, carry the Federation logo and the legend Federation Approved. A Federation Approved Measuring Stick with a metric scale must be used for Dressage, Dressage Sport Horse Breeding, and Driving measurements. ***Exception: An Official AMHR measuring stick must be used when measuring Miniature Horses.***

Proponent: AMHR

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Intent of Proposal:

Requires use of appropriate stick for measurement of Miniature Horses

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/10

Linked Rule Changes:

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
AMHR	Withdrawn	9/21/2010
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
National Affiliates Working Group	1:No Action	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

<u>Board of Directors</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
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Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule: GR603.1d

Rule Change Type: Standard

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

Proposed Change:

GR603 Protests. [Chapter 6. Protests, Charges, Athlete Grievances, Hearings, Administrative Penalties and Plea Agreements] **Change to read:**

1. Any rider, driver, handler, vaulter, longeur, exhibitor, owner, agent, trainer or the parent of a junior exhibitor, or any Life, Senior, or Junior member present at the competition may file a protest with the Show Committee of a Licensed Competition or The Federation Hearing Committee alleging violation of any Federation rule(s). The protest must contain all information as specified in GR602.1 and must be:

[...]

d. accompanied by a deposit of \$200 if made by a Federation member or the parent of a junior exhibitor member ~~or \$300 if made by a non-member~~ (if check, payable to the competition or to the Federation); said deposit will be refunded in the event the protest is upheld, and

[...].

Proponent: Administration and Finance Committee

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Intent of Proposal:

To provide member benefits to all competitors in USEF licensed competitions and to help facilitate a more efficient show office experience by requiring membership credentials for all exhibitors.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes: 547-10, 548-10, , 551-10, 552-10, 553-10, 554-10, 555-10, 556-10, 557-10, 558-10, 559-10, 560-10, 561-10, 562-

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
Administration and Finance Committee	Withdrawn	1/20/2011
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
Administration & Finance Working Group	1:No Action	
Breeds/Disciplines	1:No Action	
Hearing	1:No Action	
Budget&Finance	1:No Action	
USHJA	1:Disapproved-12/9/2010	
All Committees	1:No Action	
National Affiliates Working Group	1:Approved-11/23/2010	
Paso Fino	1:Approved-11/22/2010	
Safety	1:Disapproved-11/18/2010	
Connemara	1:Tabled-11/8/2010, 1:Disapproved-12/6/2010	
Morgan	1:Disapproved-11/22/2010	
Saddle Seat Eq	1:Tabled-11/19/2010	
Competition Secretaries	1:Disapproved-11/12/2010	
Roadster	1:Disapproved-11/29/2010	
National Hunter	1:Disapproved-11/9/2010	
Continuing Education	1:Disapproved-11/8/2010	
Hackney	1:Disapproved-12/1/2010	
Friesian	1:No Action	
Shetland	1:Approved-12/15/2010	
Saddlebred	1:Approved-12/13/2010	

Carriage Pleasure Driving	1:Disapproved-12/15/2010
National Jumper	1:Disapproved-1/3/2011
Eventing	1:Approved-12/9/2010
Western Committee	1:Disapproved-11/30/2010
National Show Horse	1:Disapproved-12/1/2010
Andalusian/Lusitano	1:Approved-11/22/2010
Licensed Officials	1:Approved-1/6/2011
Welsh	1:Disapproved-12/14/2010
Steward-Technical Delegate Committee	1:Approved-12/21/2010
Dressage	1:Disapproved-1/12/2011

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:***Staff and Committee Comments:***

Safety 11-18-10: The committee does not have enough information to make an educated determination on this PRC.

UPHA Convention, 1-8-11, Draft 1: Group was concerned about whether a trainer would even be able to sign up a member for membership, especially when an amateur; concern about new members going to one show and having to get membership; approved-0; disapproved-majority (50+); abstain-3

Legal Comments:***Other Comments:***

Board of Directors**Action****Date**

Rule: GR616
Rule Change Type Standard

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Proposed Change:

GR616 Administrative Penalties. [Chapter 6. Hearings, Administrative Penalties and Plea Agreements] **Change to read:**

1. Administrative Penalties for violations of **Federation rules** Chapter 4 (Drugs and Medications) will be **governed by the procedures outlined below**, handled pursuant to Chapter 4, GR412. For violations of any other rules, the procedures outlined below will be utilized.
2. In the event of an apparent rule violation, ~~other than one involving Chapter 4~~, which is brought to the attention of the Federation and where no protest or charge has been filed, the Federation may hold in abeyance the issuance of charges of rule violation pending further determination by the Federation CEO or Executive Director.
3. After investigating the situation, the CEO or Executive Director shall make a determination in his or her discretion whether to issue charges of rule violation, impose administrative penalties, issue a warning or take no further action in the matter. ***As to violation to Chapter 4, the Director of the Federation Drugs and Medications Program shall consult with the Federation's CEO or Executive Director, in writing, within 60 days of receipt of laboratory results in order to make a recommendation whether the Federation should issue charges, impose an administrative penalty, enter into a plea agreement, or whether to take no further action in the matter.***
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Intent of Proposal:

To bring the rule in line with the actual process being used and to ensure the consistent, transparent and equitable administration of this program.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes: 236-10

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
USHJA	Withdrawn	9/9/2010
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

<u>Board of Directors</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
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USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **546-10**Draft # **1**

Rule: GR616
Rule Change Type Standard

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Proposed Change:

GR616 Administrative Penalties. [Chapter 6. Protests, Charges, Athlete Grievances, Hearings, Administrative Penalties and Plea Agreements]
Change to read:

1. Administrative Penalties for violations of ***Federation rules will be governed by the procedures outlined below.*** ~~Chapter 4 (Drugs and Medications) will be handled pursuant to Chapter 4, GR412. For violations of any other rules, the procedures outlined below will be utilized.~~
2. In the event of an apparent rule violation, ~~other than one involving Chapter 4,~~ which is brought to the attention of the Federation and where no protest or charge has been filed, the Federation may hold in abeyance the issuance of charges of rule violation pending further determination by the Federation CEO or Executive Director.
3. After investigating the situation, the CEO or Executive Director shall make a determination in his or her discretion whether to issue charges of rule violation, impose administrative penalties, issue a warning or take no further action in the matter. ***As to violations of Chapter 4, the Chief Administrator of the Federation's Equine Drugs and Medications Program shall consult with the Federation's CEO or Executive Director, in writing, within 60 days of receipt of laboratory results in order to make a recommendation whether the Federation should issue charges, impose an administrative penalty, enter into a plea agreement, or whether to take no further action in the matter.***

Proponent: Hearing Committee

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Intent of Proposal:

This rule change will create uniformity in the procedures for all USEF violations. Currently, the Executive Director issues all Equine Drugs & Medications Charges but has no input whatsoever. This rule ensures that input is provided from a technical standpoint based on the requirement that the USEF Chief Administrator of the Equine Drugs & Medications Program (who is a Licensed Veterinarian) consult with the charging party.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes: 545-10

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
Hearing Committee	Withdrawn	2/3/2011
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
Hearing	1:Referred-1/20/2011	
Equine Drugs & Medications	1:No Action, 1:No Action	
USHJA	1:Approved-12/9/2010	
Breeds/Disciplines	1:No Action	
Paso Fino	1:Approved-11/22/2010	
Morgan	1:Approved-1/20/2011	
Saddle Seat Eq	1:Approved-11/19/2010	
Roadster	1:No Action	
National Hunter	1:Approved-12/1/2010	
Hackney	1:Approved-12/1/2010	
Friesian	1:Approved-11/12/2010	
Connemara	1:Approved-12/6/2010	
Shetland	1:Approved-12/15/2010	
Arabian	1:Approved-11/17/2010	
Saddlebred	1:Approved-12/13/2010	
Carriage Pleasure Driving	1:Approved-11/29/2010	

Western Committee	1:Approved-11/30/2010
National Show Horse	1:Approved-12/1/2010
Andalusian/Lusitano	1:Approved-11/22/2010
Welsh	1:Approved-12/14/2010
National Affiliates Working Group	1:Approved-1/10/2011
Licensed Officials	1:Approved-1/6/2011
Dressage	1:Approved-1/12/2011

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:***Staff and Committee Comments***

Drugs & Meds 1-19-11: Recommend that this rule be referred to Mid-Year mtg.

Hearing: 1/20/2011

Draft 1: At the request of D&M they are referring this to the Mid-Year Meeting

Legal Comments:***Other Comments:***

1-23-11: Referred to Mid-Year mtg.

Board of Directors**Action**

Referred

Date

1/23/2011

Rule: GR703.2

Rule Change Type: Extraordinary - If this is not effective on December 1, 2011 there will be a gross unfairness to Federation members because there will be a difference in penalties between FEI and National competitions.

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Proposed Change:

GR703 Penalties. [Chapter 7. Violations and Penalties] **Add new and renumber:**

2. Penalty Guidelines.

The penalty for a violation of the Equine Drugs and Medications, No Banned Substance Provisions (see GR409) or forbidden substances (see GR410), except where GR411 applies, begins with a two year suspension and a fine in the amount of \$15,000 unless fairness dictates otherwise. The facts and circumstances of the violation will be considered for eliminating, reducing or increasing the penalty.

Proponent: Bill Moroney

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Intent of Proposal:

This will establish penalty guidelines for violations of banned substances and will create conformity throughout all the breeds and disciplines. The Hearing Committee has the discretion to impose this already but this makes it more transparent to competitors and trainers.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

Proponent

Bill Moroney

Action

Withdrawn

Date

1/19/2011

Committee/Organization

Dressage

Draft: Action-Date

1:No Action, 2:Disapproved-1/13/2011

Eventing

1:Approved-1/13/2011, 2:Approved-1/13/2011

All Committees

2:No Action

National Affiliates Working Group

2:Disapproved-1/10/2011

Friesian

2:No Action

Roadster

2:Disapproved-1/20/2011

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments:

UPHA Convention, 1-8-11, Draft 2: Concern about the severity of the penalties and situations where there may be accidental /inadvertent doses or purchased horses that may have forbidden drugs in their system; approved-0; disapproved-majority (50+); abstain-3

Dressage Draft 1 1/12/2011: The Dressage Committee supports the principle of transparency, however, as written, it appears that the harshest possible punishment is administered before a hearing

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

1/4/11: Change in effective date

Board of Directors

Action

Date

USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # 035-10

Draft # 1

Rule: GR802.2
Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

GR802 Artificial Markings and Appliances. [Chapter 8. Conduct of Licensed Competitions. Subchapter 8-A Attire and Equipment] **Change to read:**

2. All artificial appliances other than those permitted in division rules are prohibited. *Anything that alters the intended use of equipment as provided for in the description of appointments for a given class is considered to be an artificial appliance. Additionally, such artificial appliances and any kind of gadgets (tail weights, mouth devices, and other similar devices, etc.) are not considered training equipment and are prohibited on the competition grounds.* (Exception: Reining and Jumper Divisions). ~~Bandages, tailsets, chains or other training devices are prohibited in the ring in Breeding/Halter classes.~~

Proponent: National Affiliates Working Group

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Intent of Proposal:

There are gadgets/ and appliances being used on horses which do not elicit good training practices and are not in the best interest or welfare of the horse. This would allow intervention by officials finding such items on the competition grounds.

Proposed Effective Date: 4/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
National Affiliates Working Group	Withdrawn	11/23/2010
<u>Committee/Organization</u>		
<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>		
National Affiliates Working Group	1:No Action	
Breeds/Disciplines	1:No Action	
USHJA	1:No Action	
Steward-Technical Delegate Committee	1:No Action	
Licensed Officials	1:No Action	
Morgan	1:No Action-11/22/2010	
Saddle Seat Eq	1:Disapproved-11/19/2010	
National Hunter	1:Disapproved-11/9/2010	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

USHJA Competition Mgmt: Unenforceable

USHJA Stewards 11/9/10: This would be too hard to enforce

Morgan Draft 1 11/22/2010: The committee feels that the second sentence is not properly defined and cannot be enforced.

USHJA Horse Rider Advocate: Opposed as written

Saddle Seat Eq 11-19-10, Draft 1: If passed Saddle Seat Equitation would like exception.

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

4/1/11 effective date would attempt to mitigate the use of such devices.

Board of Directors**Action****Date**

USEF
Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **085-10**

Draft # **1**

Rule: GR821.1

Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

GR821 Opportunity Classes. [Chapter 8. Conduct of Licensed Competitions] **Change to read:**

1. Opportunity Classes:

b. are limited to 10% of the total number of the competition's classes, with a maximum of 20 Opportunity Classes per competition, whichever is less. **Exception: Miniature Horse Opportunity Classes will not count toward the 10% of the total or maximum of 20 classes.**

Proponent: AMHR

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Intent of Proposal:

Since this is a new division, this will give the shows an opportunity to add these classes and possibly exhibitors. It will allow exhibitors to experience a USEF show without being required to pay membership.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/10

Linked Rule Changes:

Proponent

AMHR

Action

Withdrawn

Date

9/21/2010

Committee/Organization

National Affiliates Working Group

Draft: Action-Date

1:No Action

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

Board of Directors

Action

Date

USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # 551-10

Draft # 1

Rule: GR821.2 - .6**Rule Change Type:** Standard

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Proposed Change:**GR821 Opportunity Classes.** [Chapter 8. Conduct of Licensed Competitions] **Change to read:**

2. Opportunity Classes:

[...]

e. Dressage classes can be offered as Opportunity classes at Dressage Competitions or Regular/Local Competitions with "Open" Dressage classes as described below:

[...]

(5) Horses, riders, owners, trainers, and coaches participating in Opportunity classes are exempt from Federation and affiliate organization membership and Horse Identification (HID) requirements and *affiliate* non-member fees, but are required to list the Federation membership number if the participant is a member.

[...]

5. If entered in opportunity classes restricted to amateurs, riders/drivers/handlers are required to have an amateur status with USEF (*see GR1307.3*) ~~or pay the \$30 non member amateur card fee.~~

6. Riders/drivers/handlers entered only in these classes are exempt from the Federation membership requirements ~~and are not required to pay a non member fee~~ but are required to list the Federation membership number if the participant is a member.

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To provide member benefits to all competitors in USEF licensed competitions and to help facilitate a more efficient show office experience by requiring membership credentials for all exhibitors.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11**Linked Rule Changes:** 547-10, 548-10, , 550-10, 552-10, 553-10, 554-10, 555-10, 556-10, 557-10, 558-10, 559-10, 560-10, 561-10, 562-**Proponent**

Administration and Finance Committee

Action

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Date

1/20/2011

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

Administration & Finance Working Group

1:No Action

Breeds/Disciplines

1:No Action

Competition Management

1:No Action

USHJA

1:Disapproved-12/9/2010

All Committees

1:No Action

National Affiliates Working Group

1:Approved-11/23/2010

Paso Fino

1:Disapproved-11/22/2010

Safety

1:Disapproved-11/18/2010

Connemara

1:Tabled-11/8/2010, 1:Disapproved-12/6/2010

Morgan

1:Disapproved-11/22/2010

Saddle Seat Eq

1:Approved-11/19/2010

Competition Secretaries

1:Disapproved-11/12/2010

Roadster

1:Approved-11/29/2010

National Hunter

1:Disapproved-11/9/2010

Continuing Education	1:Disapproved-11/9/2010
Friesian	1:Disapproved-11/12/2010
Saddlebred	1:Approved-12/13/2010
Carriage Pleasure Driving	1:Disapproved-12/15/2010
Eventing	1:Approved-12/9/2010
Western Committee	1:Approved-11/30/2010
National Show Horse	1:Disapproved-12/1/2010
Andalusian/Lusitano	1:Approved-11/22/2010
Licensed Officials	1:Approved-1/6/2011
Welsh	1:Disapproved-12/14/2010
Steward-Technical Delegate Committee	1:Approved-12/21/2010
Dressage	1:Disapproved-1/12/2011

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:***Staff and Committee Comments:***

Safety 11-18-10: The committee does not have enough information to make an educated determination on this PRC.

UPHA Convention, 1-8-11, Draft 1: Group was concerned about whether a trainer would even be able to sign up a member for membership, especially when an amateur; concern about new members going to one show and having to get membership; approved-0; disapproved-majority (50+); abstain-3

Legal Comments:***Other Comments:***

Board of Directors**Action****Date**

Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule: GR901.9 - .11

Rule Change Type: Standard

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Proposed Change:

GR901 Requirements. [Chapter 9. Competition Prize Lists and Entries] **Change to read:**

9. The following statement must be published in BOLD TYPE for all Regular Competitions; Eventing Competitions at the Preliminary Level or above, Combined Driving Competitions at the Advanced Level, Dressage Competitions, Endurance Rides and Vaulting Competitions: (See GR828.4 of the Federation rules). Life, senior active and junior active members shall be eligible to participate in all classes at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions at the Preliminary Level or above and Combined Driving Competitions at the Advanced Level, Dressage, Reining and Vaulting Competitions and Endurance Rides. ~~A nonmember may participate as a handler, rider, driver, owner, lessee, agent, coach or trainer at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions, Dressage Competitions, Reining Competitions and Combined Driving Competitions upon payment of a \$30 nonmember registration fee.~~ Participants in the following classes are exempted from the **membership** requirements of this rule: 1) leadline; 2) exhibitions; 3) games and races; 4) classes for 4-H members; 5) walk trot and academy classes (academy classes are classes limited to horses used regularly in a lesson program); 6) USDF introductory level tests, pas de deux and quadrille classes; 7) NRHA Endorsed Reining Competitions. 8) Opportunity classes, 9) citizens of other nations who have proof, in English, of current membership in good standing of their own National Federation, 10) USEA beginner novice division; and 11) assistant handlers in Dressage Sport Horse Breeding classes.

[...]

11. Statement as to entry fees, prizes offered in each class and ~~registration~~ **other fees, including non-member fees assessed by a Recognized Affiliate** pursuant to GR206. ~~which the Federation is assessing certain participants who are non members of the Federation.~~ If a licensed competition's prize list does not state whether or not the competition will refund entry fees in the event of cancellation of classes due to severe weather or other emergency, refunds of entry fees must be made upon written request by the exhibitor within 30 days of the cancellation. See GR832.

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To provide member benefits to all competitors in USEF licensed competitions and to help facilitate a more efficient show office experience by requiring membership credentials for all exhibitors.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes: 547-10, 548-10, , 550-10, 551-10, 553-10, 554-10, 555-10, 556-10, 557-10, 558-10, 559-10, 560-10, 561-10, 562-

Proponent

Administration and Finance Committee

Action

Withdrawn

Date

1/20/2011

Committee/Organization

Administration & Finance Working Group

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1:No Action, 2:No Action

Breeds/Disciplines

1:No Action, 2:No Action

Competition Management

1:No Action, 2:No Action

Legal Review

1:No Action, 2:No Action

USHJA

1:No Action, 2:Disapproved-12/9/2010

All Committees

1:No Action, 2:No Action

National Affiliates Working Group

1:No Action, 2:Approved-11/23/2010

Western Committee

1:Disapproved-11/30/2010, 2:No Action

Hackney

1:Approved-12/1/2010, 2:No Action

Saddle Seat Eq

1:Approved-11/19/2010, 2:No Action

Roadster

1:Approved-11/29/2010, 2:Approved-1/20/2011

Saddlebred

1:Approved-12/13/2010, 2:No Action

Paso Fino	2:Disapproved-11/22/2010
Safety	2:Disapproved-11/18/2010
Connemara	2:Tabled-11/8/2010, 2:Disapproved-12/6/2010
Competition Secretaries	2:Disapproved-11/12/2010
National Hunter	2:Approved-11/9/2010
Continuing Education	2:Disapproved-11/8/2010
Friesian	2:Disapproved-11/12/2010
Shetland	2:Approved-12/15/2010
Arabian	2:Approved-11/17/2010
Carriage Pleasure Driving	2:Disapproved-12/15/2010
National Jumper	2:Disapproved-1/3/2011
Eventing	2:Approved-12/9/2010
National Show Horse	2:Disapproved-12/1/2010
Andalusian/Lusitano	2:Approved-12/14/2010
Licensed Officials	2:Approved-1/6/2011
Welsh	2:Disapproved-12/14/2010
Steward-Technical Delegate Committee	2:Approved-12/21/2010
Dressage	2:Disapproved-1/12/2011

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:***Staff and Committee Comments:***

Safety 11-18-10: The committee does not have enough information to make an educated determination on this PRC.

Western 11-30-10, draft 1: concerned that it should be in prize list or entry blank.

UPHA Convention, 1-8-11, Draft 1: Group was concerned about whether a trainer would even be able to sign up a member for membership, especially when an amateur; concern about new members going to one show and having to get membership; approved-0; disapproved-majority (50+); abstain-3

Legal Comments:***Other Comments:*****Board of Directors****Action****Date**

USEF
Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **086-10**

Draft # **1**

Rule: GR902.3

Rule Change Type Standard

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Proposed Change:

GR902 Class Specifications. [Chapter 9. Competition Prize Lists and Entries Subchapter 9-A Prize Lists] **Delete and renumber:**

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

[...]

e. ~~Miniature Horse classes~~

e. f. [...]

Proponent: AMHR

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Intent of Proposal:

Miniature Horses no longer need to be excepted out as they are going to be recognized by the Federation.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/10

Linked Rule Changes:

Proponent

AMHR

Action

Withdrawn

Date

9/21/2010

Committee/Organization

National Affiliates Working Group

Draft: Action-Date

1:No Action

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

Board of Directors

Action

Date

USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # 087-10

Draft # 1

Rule: GR1004.16**Rule Change Type** Standard

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Proposed Change:**GR1004 General.** [Chapter 10. Licensed Officials Subchapter 10-B General Rules and Fees] **Add new and renumber if necessary:****16. Judges licensed in the Shetland Pony Division can judge Miniature Horse classes.****Proponent:** AMHR**Contact:** Lori Nelson
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To allow existing judges with a USEF Shetland license to judge Miniatures to start out.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/10**Linked Rule Changes:****Proponent**

AMHR

Action

Withdrawn

Date

9/21/2010

Committee/OrganizationNational Affiliates Working Group
Licensed Officials
Competition Management**Draft: Action-Date**1:No Action
1:No Action
1:Approved-7/12/2010**Budget and Finance Committee Comments:****Staff and Committee Comments****Legal Comments:****Other Comments:****Board of Directors****Action****Date**

USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **445-10**

Draft # **1**

Rule: GR1004.17

Rule Change Type Standard

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Proposed Change:

GR1004 General. [Chapter 10. Licensed Officials, Subchapter 10-B General Rules and Fees] **Add new and renumber if necessary:**

17. U.S. Regional Shows, Pacific Slope Championships, East Coast Championships and U. S. National classes must be judged by a Registered ("R") Arabian Division Federation judge or Senior judge in EC, and be on the AHA Recognized Judges List as an accredited National/Regional judge. Exception AHA "Specialty" classes: Working Hunter, Jumper, Cutting, Dressage, Hunter Seat Equitation, Reining, Working Cow, Reined Cow Horse, Trail, Carriage Driving and Sport Horse. Detailed specifications for these sections can be found in the AHA Handbook.

Proponent: Arabian Committee

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Intent of Proposal:

Accompanies other rule change proposals to eliminate ratings in these divisions.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

Proponent

Arabian Committee

Action

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9/20/2010

Committee/Organization

Draft: Action-Date

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Duplicate of 376-10 (submitted by AHA) so was withdrawn by the proponent.

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

Board of Directors

Action

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USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **088-10**Draft # **1**

Rule: GR1011.11
Rule Change Type Standard

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Proposed Change:

GR1011 Guest Judge. [Chapter 10. Licensed Officials Subchapter 10-C Classifications - Judges] **Add new and renumber if necessary:**

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

[...]

v. Guest judges may officiate alone in the Miniature Horse Division.

Proponent: AMHR

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Intent of Proposal:

To allow for flexibility for shows hiring officials.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/10

Linked Rule Changes:

Proponent

AMHR

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9/21/2010

Committee/Organization

National Affiliates Working Group

Licensed Officials

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1:No Action

1:No Action

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

Board of Directors

Action

Date

Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule: GR1011.5

Rule Change Type: Standard

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Proposed Change:

GR1011 Guest Judge. [Chapter 10. Licensed Officials] **Change to read:**

5. For guest judge cards to be issued in classes where the Federation does not have division rules and does not license judges, and the applicant is not a Federation member, a full membership fee is ~~not required in such instances provided that a non-member fee of \$30~~ for each such guest judge **and must accompany** ~~ies~~ the application in addition to the guest judge fee.

Proponent: Administration and Finance Committee

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To provide member benefits to all competitors in USEF licensed competitions and to help facilitate a more efficient show office experience by requiring membership credentials for all exhibitors.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

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<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
Administration and Finance Committee	Withdrawn	1/20/2011
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Administration & Finance Working Group	1:No Action	
Licensed Officials	1:Approved-1/6/2011	
Competition Management	1:No Action	
All Committees	1:No Action	
USHJA	1:Disapproved-12/9/2010	
Breeds/Disciplines	1:No Action	
Paso Fino	1:Disapproved-11/22/2010	
Safety	1:Disapproved-11/18/2010	
Connemara	1:Tabled-11/8/2010, 1:Disapproved-12/6/2010	
Saddle Seat Eq	1:Approved-11/19/2010	
National Affiliates Working Group	1:Approved-11/23/2010	
Competition Secretaries	1:Disapproved-11/12/2010	
Roadster	1:Approved-11/29/2010	
National Hunter	1:Disapproved-11/9/2010	
Continuing Education	1:Disapproved-11/8/2010	
Hackney	1:Approved-12/1/2010	
Friesian	1:Approved-11/12/2010	
Shetland	1:Approved-12/15/2010	
Arabian	1:Approved-11/17/2010	
Saddlebred	1:Approved-12/13/2010	
Carriage Pleasure Driving	1:Disapproved-12/15/2010	
Eventing	1:Approved-12/9/2010	
Western Committee	1:Approved-11/30/2010	

National Show Horse	1:Disapproved-12/1/2010
Andalusian/Lusitano	1:Approved-12/14/2010
Welsh	1:Disapproved-11/9/2010
Steward-Technical Delegate Committee	1:Approved-12/21/2010
Dressage	1:Disapproved-1/12/2011

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:***Staff and Committee Comments:***

Safety 11-18-10: The committee does not have enough information to make an educated determination on this PRC.

UPHA Convention, 1-8-11, Draft 1: Group was concerned about whether a trainer would even be able to sign up a member for membership, especially when an amateur; concern about new members going to one show and having to get membership; approved-0; disapproved-majority (50+); abstain-3

Legal Comments:***Other Comments:***

Board of Directors**Action****Date**

USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # 089-10

Draft # 1

Rule: GR1013.1**Rule Change Type** Standard

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Proposed Change:**GR1013 General.** [Chapter 10. Licensed Officials Subchapter 10-D Classifications - Stewards] **Change to read:**

1. Licensed stewards are licensed by the Licensed Officials Committee as Registered, Recorded, and Special, in only one of the following Categories.

a. Category 1 (C1) Steward is licensed to officiate the following specialized Divisions and Sections: Hunter, Hunter Breeding, Hunter Seat Equitation, Jumper, Welsh, Connemara, **Miniature Horse** and English Pleasure.

(1) Any steward officiating USEF Open (not restricted to a breed) hunter and/or jumper classes must be a current member in good standing of the United States Hunter Jumper Association, Inc.

b. Category 2 (C2) Steward is licensed to officiate the following specialized Divisions and Sections: Andalusian/Lusitano, Arabian, English Pleasure, Friesian, Hackney Harness, **Miniature Horse**, Morgan, National Show Horse, Parade, Paso Fino, Reining, Roadster, Saddlebred, Saddle Seat Equitation, Shetland, Western/Reining Seat Equitation, and Western.

[...]

Proponent: AMHR

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Intent of Proposal:

Adds Miniature Horses to the rule

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/10**Linked Rule Changes:**

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
AMHR	Withdrawn	9/21/2010
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
National Affiliates Working Group	1:No Action	
Licensed Officials	1:No Action	
Steward-Technical Delegate Committee	1:Approved-7/12/2010	
Competition Management	1:Approved-7/12/2010	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:**Staff and Committee Comments****Legal Comments:****Other Comments:**

<u>Board of Directors</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
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USEF
Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **554-10**

Draft # **1**

Rule: GR1035.3

Rule Change Type: Standard

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

Proposed Change:

GR1035 Stewards and Technical Delegates. [Chapter 10. Licensed Officials] **Change to read:**

4. The other duties of a Licensed steward and technical delegate shall be but are not limited to, the following:

1. To observe and report or charge in accordance with Chapter 6:

[...]

(3) To see that each Federation membership number appears on the entry blank ~~or that a non-member registration fee has been paid;~~ and
[...]

Proponent: Administration and Finance Committee

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To provide member benefits to all competitors in USEF licensed competitions and to help facilitate a more efficient show office experience by requiring membership credentials for all exhibitors.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

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<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
Administration and Finance Committee	Withdrawn	1/20/2011
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Administration & Finance Working Group	1:No Action	
Licensed Officials	1:Approved-1/6/2011	
Steward-Technical Delegate Committee	1:Approved-12/21/2010	
USHJA	1:Disapproved-12/9/2010	
All Committees	1:No Action	
Paso Fino	1:Disapproved-11/22/2010	
Safety	1:Disapproved-11/18/2010	
Connemara	1:Tabled-11/8/2010, 1:Disapproved-12/6/2010	
Saddle Seat Eq	1:Approved-11/19/2010	
National Affiliates Working Group	1:Approved-11/23/2010	
Competition Secretaries	1:Disapproved-11/12/2010	
Roadster	1:Disapproved-11/29/2010	
National Hunter	1:Disapproved-11/9/2010	
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Friesian	1:Disapproved-11/12/2010	
Shetland	1:Approved-12/15/2010	
Saddlebred	1:Approved-12/13/2010	
Carriage Pleasure Driving	1:Disapproved-12/15/2010	
Eventing	1:Approved-12/9/2010	
Western Committee	1:Disapproved-11/30/2010	
National Show Horse	1:Disapproved-12/1/2010	

Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Andalusian/Lusitano	1:Approved-12/14/2010
Welsh	1:Disapproved-11/9/2010
Dressage	1:Disapproved-1/12/2011

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:***Staff and Committee Comments:***

Safety 11-18-10: The committee does not have enough information to make an educated determination on this PRC.

UPHA Convention, 1-8-11, Draft 1: Group was concerned about whether a trainer would even be able to sign up a member for membership, especially when an amateur; concern about new members going to one show and having to get membership; approved-0; disapproved-majority (50+); abstain-3

Legal Comments:***Other Comments:***

Board of Directors**Action****Date**

USEF
Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **221-10**

Draft # **1**

Rule: GR1039.10

Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

GR1039 Conflicts of Interest and Restrictions - Stewards and Technical Delegates. (See also GR107 and GR1304) [Chapter 10. Licensed Officials Subchapter 10-H Regulations Governing Officials] **Change to read:**

10. No Steward or Technical Delegate who is presently receiving, or has received within the past 30 days ***or will receive during the following 30 days*** any form of compensation from a competition management firm for services other than as a USEF licensed official or schooling supervisor, may officiate at any of said management's competitions.

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Intent of Proposal:

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

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Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

<u>Board of Directors</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
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USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # 329-10

Draft # 2

Rule: GR1039.2

Rule Change Type: Standard

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Proposed Change:

GR1039 Conflicts of Interest and Restrictions - Stewards and Technical Delegates. (See also GR107 and GR1304) [Chapter 10. Licensed Officials] **Change to read:**

2. No steward or technical delegate may officiate in any competition in which any member of his family or any of his clients is judging ***or officiating as a ~~steward or~~ technical delegate.***

Proponent: Dressage Committee

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Intent of Proposal:

For clarification.

Proposed Effective Date: Immediately upon notification

Linked Rule Changes:

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
Dressage Committee	Withdrawn	1/21/2011
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Licensed Officials	1:Disapproved-1/6/2011, 2:Approved-1/19/2011	
Steward-Technical Delegate Committee	1:Approved-12/21/2010, 2:No Action	
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USHJA	1:Disapproved-12/9/2010, 2:No Action	
Competition Management	1:Disapproved-11/15/2010, 2:Tabled-1/20/2011	
National Affiliates Working Group	1:No Action, 2:No Action	
Hearing	1:No Action, 2:No Action-1/20/2011	
Paso Fino	1:Approved-11/22/2010, 2:No Action	
Morgan	1:Approved-11/22/2010, 2:No Action	
Saddle Seat Eq	1:Approved-11/19/2010, 2:No Action	
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National Hunter	1:Disapproved-11/9/2010, 2:No Action	
Hackney	1:Approved-12/1/2010, 2:No Action	
Friesian	1:Approved-11/12/2010, 2:No Action	
Connemara	1:Approved-12/6/2010, 2:Approved-1/21/2011	
Arabian	1:Approved-11/17/2010, 2:No Action	
Saddlebred	1:Approved-12/13/2010, 2:No Action	
Carriage Pleasure Driving	1:Approved-11/29/2010, 2:No Action	
Western Committee	1:Approved-11/30/2010, 2:No Action	
National Show Horse	1:Approved-12/1/2010, 2:No Action	
Andalusian/Lusitano	1:Approved-11/22/2010, 2:No Action	
Welsh	1:Disapproved-12/14/2010, 2:Approved-1/21/2011	
Endurance	1:Disapproved-1/10/2011, 2:No Action	

Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Dressage	2:Approved-1/13/2010
Vaulting	2:Approved-1/21/2011

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:***Staff and Committee Comments:***

LOC: Draft 1; 1-6-11: suggest working with Steward/Technical Delegate Committee on 257-10 to combine everything into one.

Legal Comments:***Other Comments:***

Board of Directors**Action****Date**

USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # 268-10

Draft # 1

Rule: GR1062.2**Rule Change Type** Standard

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

Proposed Change:**GR1062 Hunter, Hunter Seat Equitation Course Designers.** [Chapter 10. Licensed Officials] **Change to read:****2. Requirements to enroll in the program:**

- a. ~~Applicants must have served as an Apprentice Course Designer at a minimum of 3 competitions, under a minimum of two different Federation "R" Course Designers.~~
- b. ~~Each Applicant must receive, in writing, from "R" Course Designer:~~
 - (1) ~~Verification that the Applicant has assisted, throughout two or more days of competition with all aspects of course design and building.~~
 - (2) ~~Verification that they believe that the Applicant has demonstrated the knowledge necessary to design suitable courses and be issued a "r" license by the Federation.~~

Proponent: USHJA**Contact:** Hunter/Jumper Course Designers Task Force
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As the rule is currently written, it requires an Applicant to serve as a Course Designer at more shows than ultimately necessary. Currently, this requirement is preventing many potential course designers from obtaining their license because the required number of competitions is more than they can find work for and/or they can schedule into their already booked schedules.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11**Linked Rule Changes:**

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
USHJA	Withdrawn	1/11/2011
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
Licensed Officials	1:No Action	
National Hunter	1:No Action	
USHJA	1:Approved-12/9/2010	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:**Staff and Committee Comments****Legal Comments:****Other Comments:**

<u>Board of Directors</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
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USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # 090-10

Draft # 2

Rule: GR1065
Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

GR1065 Miniature Horse Judges [Chapter 10. Licensed Officials Subchapter 10-D Classifications - Stewards] **Add new and renumber remaining:**

1. No application will be considered unless and until ten forms which evaluate the applicant per division are returned from USEF members, five of which must be from relevant licensed judges, stewards, technical delegates or committee members.
2. Applicants for enrollment will not be considered unless they are licensed by and members in good standing of the AMHR, and have attended an AMHR/Federation clinic within three years preceding application. Applicant must also receive an 85% or better on the USEF exam on general rules, responsibilities and Miniature Horse Division, and submit a report documenting AMHR judging experience. Applicants applying for enrollment as a USEF licensed judge must have fulfilled all American Miniature Horse Registry (AMHR) requirements for licensure and have attended an AMHR/USEF judge's clinic within three years prior to enrollment. Applicant must receive an 85% or better on the USEF exam on general rules, responsibilities and Miniature Horse Division, and submit a report documenting AMHR judging experience.
3. Applicants for enrollment will not be considered unless they are licensed by the AMHR, are a member in good standing with AMHR, and have attended an AMHR/Federation clinic within three years preceding application.
3. Miniature Horse judges do not have to meet any officiating requirements to maintain this license.
4. Judges licensed in the Miniature Horse Division and all persons applying for re-enrollment must meet requirements in GR1065.6 ; receive a passing score of 85% or better on the USEF exam on general rules, responsibilities and the Miniature Horse Division; and have attended a clinic within three years prior to re-enrollment.
5. In order to renew, USEF Miniature Horse judges must hold a current AMHR judges card; be a current member of AMHR in good standing; have attended an AMHR/USEF clinic within the past three years; and must receive a score of 85% or better on the USEF exam on general rules, responsibilities and the Miniature Horse Division.
6. No applicant will be considered for promotion unless he is a member in good standing with AMHR; is current on all required recertification clinics and exams; and has adjudicated in at least two Licensed Competitions during the past five years in the Miniature Horse division, verified by stewards' reports.
7. **Initial Grandfather Process into Miniature Horse Judging License**
 - a. AMHR will provide a list of officials eligible for the grandfather process. Those individuals will be given "R" status with the Federation.
 - b. All candidates must be approved by the USEF Licensed Officials Committee.
 - c. All candidates for the grandfather process must apply to the USEF Licensed Officials Committee between 12/1/10 and 11/30/11.

Proponent: AMHR

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Intent of Proposal:

Adding licensing requirements for Miniature Horse judges.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/10

Linked Rule Changes:

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
AMHR	Withdrawn	9/21/2010
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
National Affiliates Working Group	2:No Action	
Licensed Officials	2:No Action	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

Board of Directors

Action

Date

USEF
Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **079-10**

Draft # **1**

Rule: GR1113.2
Rule Change Type Rule Clarification

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Proposed Change:

GR1113 Credit. [Chapter 11. Federation Records and Awards. Subchapter 11-D Horse of the Year Awards and National Championships] **Add new and renumber if necessary:**

2. No credit will be given in classes if less than three entries have shown and placed.

Exceptions:

[...]

j. Arabians

Proponent: Arabian Committee

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Intent of Proposal:

The Arabian Division is changing formats for its competitions which were rated to an Arabian Competitions format. Multiple rules fall under the influence of these changes. This revision is an attempt to bring this rule in line with the Arabian Division Awards points in the GR1124 Chart becoming effective 12/01/10

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/10

Linked Rule Changes:

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
Arabian Committee	Withdrawn	9/1/2010
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
Arabian	1:No Action	
Ad Hoc - Awards	1:No Action	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

<u>Board of Directors</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
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Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **091-10**

Draft # **1**

Rule: GR1113.2

Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

GR1113 Credit. [Chapter 11. Federation Records and Awards Subchapter 11-D Horse of the Year Awards and National Championships] **Add new and renumber if necessary:**

2. No credit will be given in classes if less than three entries have shown and placed. Exceptions:

[...]

j. Miniatures

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Intent of Proposal:

To give Miniature exhibitors the chance to earn points even if there are less than three entries per their HOTY specs

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/10

Linked Rule Changes:

Proponent

AMHR

Action

Withdrawn

Date

9/21/2010

Committee/Organization

National Affiliates Working Group

Ad Hoc - Awards

Draft: Action-Date

1:No Action

1:No Action

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

Board of Directors

Action

Date

USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **044-10**Draft # **2**

Rule: GR1113.2d
Rule Change Type Rule Clarification

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

Proposed Change:

GR1113 Credit. [Chapter 11. Federation Records and Awards] **Change to read:**

2. No credit will be given in classes if less than three entries have shown and placed. Exceptions:

d. ~~Friesian classes with less than three entries will be awarded half points. See GR1127~~

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Intent of Proposal:

When GR1128 was revised, this was not edited to parallel the changes and is now inconsistent with GR1128.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/10

Linked Rule Changes:

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
Nancy Nathanson	Withdrawn	5/4/2010
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
Ad Hoc - Awards	1:No Action, 2:No Action	
Friesian	1:No Action, 2:No Action	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Justin Provost: This will change it so that Friesian classes less than 3 will no longer get half points but full points. This will affect the standings for Friesians.

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

4/29/10: change in effective date

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Rule: GR1123.7
Rule Change Type Rule Clarification

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

Proposed Change:

GR1123 Andalusian/Lusitano Division. [Chapter 11. Federation Records and Awards. Subchapter 11-F Award Sections] **Change to read:**
[Note: The language shown below becomes effective 12/1/10]

7. Award Categories. National and Regional awards will be awarded through 6th place in the following categories:

[...]

~~j. Grand Champion Andalusian/Lusitano: Based on the total of all points won in all Andalusian/Lusitano categories. Grand Champion Half Andalusian/Lusitano: Based on the total of all points won in all Half Andalusian/Lusitano categories.~~

~~l k. Grand Champion Andalusian/Lusitano Junior Exhibitor Horse: Based on the total of all points won in Andalusian/Lusitano Junior Exhibitor classes (including Equitation and Showmanship).~~

~~m l. Grand Champion Half Andalusian/Lusitano Junior Exhibitor Horse: Based on the total of all points won in the Half Andalusian/Lusitano Junior Exhibitor classes (including Equitation and Showmanship).~~

8. Grand Champion Andalusian/Lusitano: One overall award will be given based on the total of all points won in all Andalusian/Lusitano award categories.

9. Grand Champion Half Andalusian/Lusitano: One overall award will be given based on the total of all points won in all Half Andalusian/Lusitano award categories.

Proponent: Andalusian/Lusitano Committee

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Intent of Proposal:

To clarify that the Junior Exhibitor awards fall under the National and Regional awards and placings, and are not given as a single overall award. Current wording placement is misleading and would imply that it is a single overall award.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/10

Linked Rule Changes:

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
Andalusian/Lusitano Committee	Withdrawn	9/3/2010
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

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USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # 178-10

Draft # 1

Rule: GR1131
Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

GR1131 Hunter Divisions. [Chapter 11. Federation Records and Awards] **Change to read:**

~~9. Hunter 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 and for any Zone that has submitted specifications by August 1 of any year for its Pre-Green Hunters to be rated.~~

~~9. 10. Hunter awards are offered for the following at the Zone level from USHJA and National levels from the Federation:~~

~~**Children's Working Hunter Ponies, Children's Working Hunter Horses two sections: 14 Years Old and Under and 15-17 Years Old, Adult Amateur Working Hunter three sections: 18-35 Years Old, 36-49 Years Old and 50 Years and older, Pre-Green Hunter, 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, 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.**~~

Proponent: USHJA

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Intent of Proposal:

To further the concept of consistency with the zones' goals of standardized specifications as recommended by membership survey response of 91% in favor of Nationalized Specifications.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
USHJA	Withdrawn	1/7/2011
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
Ad Hoc - Awards	1:No Action	
National Hunter	1:Tabled-12/1/2010	
USHJA	1:Referred-12/9/2010	
Budget&Finance	1:No Action	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

<u>Board of Directors</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
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Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **291-10**

Draft # **1**

Rule: GR1131.3

Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

GR1131 Hunter Divisions. [Chapter 11. Federation Records and Awards. Subchapter 11-F Award Sections] **Change to read:**

3. In the Hunter division, points are calculated according to the Increment system. In "C" and "B" rated sections, points are determined by the number of horses shown in the section; in "A" rated sections, points are determined by both the rating of the competition (based on scheduling restrictions of HU160) as well as the number of horses shown. Exception: National awards for First and Second Year Green Hunter, Regular Working Hunter, Green Conformation Hunter, and Regular Conformation Hunter will be based on money won based on *a* scale of 1 point for every dollar earned. ~~This includes money won in hunter classics and the international hunter derby.~~ **Money won in Hunter Classics and/or USHJA International Hunter Derby classes will be based on one dollar for every point earned.** All Zone awards will continue to be awarded based on point values determined by the Increment system. Money won in the USHJA International Hunter Derby will only be awarded towards a declared Hunter section for HOTY points if a horse competes in the declared section a minimum of 5 times during the competition year.

Proponent: USHJA

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Intent of Proposal:

For professional divisions, this will convert every dollar earned to points earned.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
USHJA		
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
Ad Hoc - Awards	1:No Action	
National Hunter	1:No Action	
USHJA	1:No Action	
Competition Management	1:No Action	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

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USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # 250-10

Draft # 1

Rule: GR1132
Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

GR1132 Jumpers. [Chapter 11. Federation Records and Awards. Subchapter 11-F Award Sections] **Change to read:**

2. Point Tabulation. See GR1113-GR1119. Children's and Adult Jumper Zone Horse of the Year Awards and Pony, 5-Year Old, 6-Year Old, and 7/8-Year Old Jumper National and Zone Horse of the Year Awards will be based on the following. ***Beginning with the 2012 qualifying periods for the FEI North American Junior and Young Rider Championships and the USEF National Junior Jumper Championships, qualifying points will also be based on the following:***

Exhibitors*	3-8	9-15	16-25	26+
1st	15	20	25	30
2nd	10	15	20	25
3rd	5	10	15	20
4th	4	5	10	15
5th	3	4	5	10
6th	2	3	4	5

Proponent: USHJA

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Intent of Proposal:

To ensure a fair and level playing field with regards to qualifying for these championships and this will increase rider opportunity for qualification.

Proposed Effective Date: 6/15/11

Linked Rule Changes:

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
USHJA	Withdrawn	12/8/2010
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
Ad Hoc - Awards	1:No Action	
National Jumper	1:No Action	
USHJA	1:No Action	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Zone Jumper Council: Referred to committee for legal review with USOC rules

Hunter Zone Council - Recommended refer to 2011 USHJA Annual Meeting

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

Effective date: June 15, 2011 to make effective for the 2012 qualifying period.

<u>Board of Directors</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
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USEF
Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **057-10**

Draft # **1**

Rule: GR1133.5
Rule Change Type Rule Clarification

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

Proposed Change:

GR1133 Morgan Horse Division. [Chapter 11. Federation Records and Awards. Subchapter 11-F Award Sections] **Change to read:**
5. Categories. National and Regional awards will be given in the following:
[...]
VERSATILE MORGAN-Jumper, Parade, Roadster, Reining, Trail, ~~Cutting Working Cow~~, Working Hunter O/F and U/S.
[...]

Proponent: Morgan Committee

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Intent of Proposal:

Working Cow is not in the Division rules. Cutting is.

Proposed Effective Date: Immediately upon notification **Linked Rule Changes:**

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
Morgan Committee	Withdrawn	6/3/2010
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
Morgan	1:No Action	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

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USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # 455-10

Draft # 1

Rule: GR1135
Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

GR1135 National Show Horse. [Chapter 11. Federation Records and Awards, Subchapter 11-F Awards Sections] **Change to read:**

2. Point Tabulation. See GR1113-GR1119.

Points *for all competitions* will be awarded as follows:

[Replace chart]

<i>Started</i>	<i>10+</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>1st</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>2nd</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>1</i>	
<i>3rd</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>1</i>		
<i>4th</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>1</i>			
<i>5th</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>1</i>				
<i>6th</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>1</i>					
<i>7th</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>1</i>						
<i>8th</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>1</i>							
<i>9th</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>1</i>								
<i>10th</i>	<i>1</i>									

Championship classes will receive double points; NSHR District Finals classes will receive double points; NSHR National Finals classes will receive triple points.

Full points shall be awarded to National Show Horse classes conducted at USEF Licensed competitions. Half points will be given in the following classes: Maiden, Novice, Limit, and Green horse classes.

~~At USEF Licensed NSHR District Championships, Regional level competitions, class entries will receive double points.~~ ***In NSHR District Championship classes, entries will receive double points.***

~~At USEF Licensed NSHR National Finals, level competitions, class entries will receive triple points.~~

Any points won at ***Finals*** a National Championship (U.S., Youth and Sport Horse) will count solely towards National Awards. ~~and not towards any Regional Awards.~~

~~3. Regional Awards will be distributed according to the Regional map. Regional awards will be presented at regional venues at the discretion of the NSHR Regional organizations as approved by the Federation.~~

~~4. National Awards will be presented at the Federation Annual Meeting.~~

~~5. Regional Awards will be presented at regional venues at the discretion of the NSHR Regional organizations, as approved by the Federation.~~

~~6. Award Categories. National and Regional awards will be awarded in the following categories:~~

~~English Pleasure, Pleasure Driving, Three-Gaited, Five-Gaited, Fine Harness, Country Pleasure, Hunter Pleasure, Show Hack, Western Pleasure.~~

~~3. Awards will be given on a National basis.~~

~~4. Categories. National awards will be given in the following categories: English Pleasure, Pleasure Driving, Three-Gaited, Five-Gaited, Fine Harness, Country Pleasure, Hunter Pleasure, Show Hack, Western Pleasure.~~

~~5. National Horse of the Year Awards will be presented at the Federation Annual Meeting.~~

Proponent: Arabian Committee

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Intent of Proposal:

To simplify the way points are calculated.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/10

Linked Rule Changes:

Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
Arabian Committee	Withdrawn	11/17/2010
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
Ad Hoc - Awards	1:No Action	
National Show Horse	1:Approved-12/1/2010	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

Backdated to the beginning of the 2011 competition year so HOTY points are calculated the same for the entire competition year.

<u>Board of Directors</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
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USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # 092-10

Draft # 1

Rule: GR1139
Rule Change Type Standard

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Proposed Change:

GR1139 Miniature Division. [Chapter 11. Federation Records and Awards Subchapter 11-D Horse of the Year Awards and National Championships] **Add new and renumber if necessary:**

1. **Eligibility.** See GR1110.

2. **Point Tabulation.** See GR1113-GR1119. Points for all competitions will be awarded as follows:

Started	10+	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
1 st	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
2 nd	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	
3 rd	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1		
4 th	7	6	5	4	3	2	1			
5 th	6	5	4	3	2	1				
6 th	5	4	3	2	1					
7 th	4	3	2	1						
8 th	3	2	1							
9 th	2	1								
10 th	1									

3. **Award Category.** A National High Point Award will be given.

4. **National Horse of the Year Award** will be presented at the Federation Annual Meeting.

Proponent: AMHR

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Intent of Proposal:

To include Miniatures in the HOTY awards program

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/10

Linked Rule Changes:

Proponent

AMHR

Action

Withdrawn

Date

9/21/2010

Committee/Organization

National Affiliates Working Group

Ad Hoc - Awards

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1:No Action

1:No Action

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Board of Directors

Action

Date

Rule: GR1211.3d**Rule Change Type:** Standard

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Proposed Change:

GR1211 Appointment of Officials and Employees.[Chapter 12. Competition Officials, Employees and Volunteers] **Add new and renumber if necessary:**

3. Stewards/Technical Delegates.

d. At Eventing Competitions, when the number of starters the preceding year was 350 horses or higher, two Technical Delegates must be on duty. One of these Technical Delegates must be licensed for the highest level of competition held. When two Technical Delegates are officiating, one will not be subject to the provisions of GR1120.1 and will be eligible to serve as Technical Delegate for a third consecutive competition run by the same governing body, Board of Directors or Licensee.

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When large numbers of competitors are present, and competition is ongoing in several locations, it is impossible for one Official to serve the needs of all the competitors.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11**Linked Rule Changes:****Proponent**

Eventing Committee

Action

Withdrawn

Date

1/21/2011

Committee/Organization

Eventing

Draft: Action-Date

1:Tabled-12/9/2010

Competition Management

1:Tabled-1/20/2011

Licensed Officials

1:Tabled-1/6/2011

Steward-Technical Delegate Committee

1:No Action

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:**Staff and Committee Comments:****Legal Comments:****Other Comments:****Board of Directors****Action****Date**

Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule: GR1211.4 - .7

Rule Change Type: Standard

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Proposed Change:

GR1211 Appointment of Officials & Employees. [Chapter 12. Competition Officials, Employees and Volunteers, Subchapter 12-B Competition Employees and Volunteers]

4. Veterinarians

a. ~~(Exception: Eventing - see EV176)~~ Every competition with rated or non rated division(s) or sections must have a qualified veterinarian present throughout the competition if the previous year's competition's entry number is 200 horses or higher. Exceptions:

(1) Federation Licensed/Equine Canada Recognized Competitions held in Canada (see Chapter JP, Chapter DC and Chapter EN).

(2) All USEF/USDF Regional Championships or Federation Zone Championships must have a veterinarian present on the grounds throughout the competition regardless of the number of horses competing. In the year after a competition has hosted a USEF/USDF Regional Championship or Federation Zone Championship, a veterinarian will be required to be present only if 200 or more horses competed the year prior to hosting the championship.

(3) In Arabian, Hackney, and National Show Horse, Paso Fino, Saddlebred, Shetland, and Andalusian/Lusitano Morgan and Roadster divisions or sections and any multi-breed show which holds these divisions, a veterinarian will be required to be present only if the previous year's competition's entry number is 300 horses or higher.

(4) Eventing - see EV176

b. The previous competition entry number shall be determined by the amount of Federation fees paid to the Federation. Exception: For Dressage Competitions, the number of horses competing the previous year shall determine if a veterinarian must be present on the grounds or on call.

c. Competitions with less than 200 horses must have a written agreement with a veterinarian to be on call. **Exception: Competitions holding Arabian, Hackney, and/or National Show Horse, Paso Fino, Saddlebred, Shetland, and Andalusian/Lusitano Morgan and Roadster divisions or sections and any multi-breed show which holds these divisions with less than 300 horses must have a written agreement with a veterinarian to be on call.**

d. First year multi-day competitions with "A" rated divisions must have a veterinarian present throughout the competition. ~~Exception:~~

e. First year multi-day Breed or Multibreed restricted competitions ~~with "A" rated divisions~~ must have a veterinarian either on call or on the grounds throughout the competition.

f. All other first year multi-day competitions and first year one-day competitions must have a written agreement with a veterinarian on call.

~~e.g.~~ Level 4 and Level 5 Dressage Competitions must have a veterinarian present on the grounds throughout the competition regardless of the number of horses competing.

[...]

7. Farriers.

a. Every competition which offers a division or section with an "A" rating must have a farrier ~~qualified in these divisions or sections available on competition grounds~~ during all performances (Exception: "A" rated Welsh competitions). A farrier must be on the grounds or on call at competitions only offering "B" Hunter sections or at competitions offering only Western divisions. ~~Other competitions should have a farrier available at all times.~~

b. Arabian, Hackney, National Show Horse, Roadster, Andalusian/Lusitano, Morgan and/or Saddlebred, and/or Shetland competitions must have a farrier on the grounds during all performances.

c. At all other competitions, a farrier must be on call or on the grounds.

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Intent of Proposal:

Accompanies other rule change proposals to eliminate ratings in these divisions.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

Proponent

Arabian Committee

Action

Withdrawn

Date

1/21/2011

Committee/Organization

Draft: Action-Date

Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Arabian	1:No Action, 2:Approved-11/17/2010, 3:No Action, 4:No Action, 5:No Action
Competition Management	1:No Action, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:Tabled-1/20/2011, 5:No Action
Veterinary	1:No Action, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:Disapproved-1/21/2011, 5:No Action
Breeds/Disciplines	1:No Action, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:No Action, 5:No Action
USHJA	1:Approved-12/9/2010, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:No Action, 5:No Action
Safety	1:Disapproved-11/18/2010, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:Disapproved-1/21/2011, 5:No Action
National Affiliates Working Group	1:Approved-11/23/2010, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:No Action, 5:No Action
Paso Fino	1:Approved-11/22/2010, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:No Action, 5:No Action
Saddle Seat Eq	1:Tabled-11/19/2010, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:Approved-1/21/2011, 5:No Action
Roadster	1:Approved-11/29/2010, 2:No Action, 3:Approved-1/20/2011, 4:No Action, 5:No Action
Carriage Pleasure Driving	1:Approved-12/15/2010
National Show Horse	1:Approved-12/1/2010, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:Approved-1/21/2011, 5:No Action
Andalusian/Lusitano	1:Approved-11/22/2010, 2:No Action, 3:No Action, 4:No Action, 5:No Action
Connemara	2:Approved-12/6/2010, 3:No Action, 4:No Action, 5:No Action
Dressage	2:Approved-1/12/2011, 3:No Action, 4:Approved-1/21/2011, 5:Approved-1/21/2011
Friesian	3:No Action, 4:No Action, 5:No Action
Shetland	3:Approved-1/20/2011, 4:No Action, 5:No Action
Hackney	3:Approved-1/20/2011, 4:No Action, 5:No Action
Saddlebred	5:Approved-1/21/2011

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:***Staff and Committee Comments:***

Morgan 11/22/2010 Draft 1: Poor wording.

Roadster 11-29-10, Draft 1: Recommends that Roadsters change their break from 200 to 300.

Hackney 12-1-10, Draft 1: Recommends that Hackneys change their break from 200 to 300.

Saddlebred 12-13-10, Draft 1: Would like it amended to include Saddlebreds in changing 200 to 300 in GR1211.4a(3) and GR1211.4c.

Safety, draft 4, 1/21/11: There are already grants and Pres. Mods. available for the competitions that find this to be a hardship.

Legal Comments:***Other Comments:*****Board of Directors****Action****Date**

Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule: GR1213.5

Rule Change Type: Standard

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Proposed Change:

GR1213 Entries. [Chapter 12. Competition Officials, Employees and Volunteers] **Change to read:**

5. Collect and remit promptly to the Federation ~~and its applicable~~ Recognized Affiliate Associations as defined under Bylaw 222, Section 1 (1) and 1 (2), the non-member **Recognized Affiliate Associations** registration fee, if applicable, as provided in ~~GR205 and~~ GR206 for each rider, driver, handler, owner, lessee, agent and trainer who is a non-member **of said Recognized Affiliated Association.** ~~and participates in any Regular Competition, Eventing Competition at the Preliminary Level or above, Dressage Competitions, Combined Driving Competitions at the Advanced Level or above, Endurance and Vaulting Competitions who has not produced a valid Federation membership card or copy thereof.~~ Lessees are considered owners in connection with this membership requirement. ~~In the event of an entry under multiple ownership, where no owner is a Member, only one owner need pay a non-member registration fee.~~

6. When classes or divisions are recognized by The Federation under the same competition number, duplicate Federation fees (drug, ~~non-member~~, etc.) may not be charged to exhibitors, regardless of whether different competition secretaries officiate in these classes or divisions. See GR407.

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To provide member benefits to all competitors in USEF licensed competitions and to help facilitate a more efficient show office experience by requiring membership credentials for all exhibitors.

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<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
Administration and Finance Committee	Withdrawn	1/20/2011
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
Administration & Finance Working Group	1:No Action	
Breeds/Disciplines	1:No Action	
Competition Management	1:No Action	
Legal Review	1:No Action	
USHJA	1:Disapproved-12/9/2010	
All Committees	1:No Action	
National Affiliates Working Group	1:Approved-11/23/2010	
Paso Fino	1:Disapproved-11/22/2010	
Safety	1:Disapproved-11/18/2010	
Connemara	1:Tabled-11/8/2010, 1:Disapproved-12/6/2010	
Saddle Seat Eq	1:Approved-11/19/2010	
Competition Secretaries	1:Disapproved-11/12/2010	
Roadster	1:Disapproved-11/29/2010	
National Hunter	1:Disapproved-11/9/2010	
Continuing Education	1:Disapproved-11/8/2010	
Hackney	1:Disapproved-12/1/2010	
Shetland	1:Approved-12/15/2010	

Saddlebred	1:Approved-12/13/2010
Friesian	1:Disapproved-12/16/2010
Carriage Pleasure Driving	1:Disapproved-12/15/2010
Eventing	1:Approved-12/9/2010
Western Committee	1:Disapproved-11/30/2010
National Show Horse	1:No Action
Licensed Officials	1:Approved-1/6/2011
Welsh	1:Disapproved-11/9/2010
Steward-Technical Delegate Committee	1:Approved-12/21/2010
Dressage	1:Disapproved-1/12/2011

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:***Staff and Committee Comments:***

Safety 11-18-10: The committee does not have enough information to make an educated determination on this PRC.

UPHA Convention, 1-8-11, Draft 1: Group was concerned about whether a trainer would even be able to sign up a member for membership, especially when an amateur; concern about new members going to one show and having to get membership; approved-0; disapproved-majority (50+); abstain-3

Legal Comments:***Other Comments:***

Board of Directors**Action****Date**

Rule: GR1301.2 - .4**Rule Change Type:** Standard

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Proposed Change:**GR1301 General.** [Chapter 13. Competition Participants and Associated Individuals] **Change to read:**

2. Obtain Federation membership ~~or pay a per competition non-member fee~~ if competing at Federation member competitions. (See GR202 and ~~GR205-GR207.~~)

[...]

4. Any member ~~or non-member~~ who fails to pay sums owing to the Federation or who makes payment for fees to the Federation which is not negotiable will be notified by the Federation of his or her indebtedness and warned that unless settlement is made within two weeks he or she will automatically be fined the sum of \$250 to be paid to the Federation; and further, that he or she and any horses owned by him or her and any horses and/or persons for which payment has not been made or for which the non-negotiable sums have been paid will automatically be barred from taking any part whatsoever in Licensed Competitions until payment or settlement is made of the total indebtedness to the Federation. All Licensed Competitions will be notified through *equestrian* and the Federation's web site. See definitions, GR130.

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<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
Administration and Finance Committee	Withdrawn	1/20/2011
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Administration & Finance Working Group	1:No Action	
Hearing	1:No Action	
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All Committees	1:No Action	
Paso Fino	1:Disapproved-11/22/2010	
Safety	1:Disapproved-11/18/2010	
Connemara	1:Tabled-11/8/2010, 1:Disapproved-12/6/2010	
Morgan	1:Disapproved-11/22/2010	
Saddle Seat Eq	1:Approved-11/19/2010	
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Roadster	1:Disapproved-11/29/2010	
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Continuing Education	1:Disapproved-11/8/2010	
Hackney	1:Disapproved-12/1/2010	
Friesian	1:Disapproved-11/12/2010	
Shetland	1:Approved-12/15/2010	
Arabian	1:Disapproved-11/17/2010	
Saddlebred	1:Approved-12/13/2010	

Carriage Pleasure Driving	1:Disapproved-12/15/2010
Western Committee	1:Disapproved-11/30/2010
National Show Horse	1:Disapproved-12/1/2010
Andalusian/Lusitano	1:Approved-11/22/2010
Eventing	1:Approved-12/9/2010
Licensed Officials	1:Approved-1/6/2011
Welsh	1:Disapproved-11/9/2010
Steward-Technical Delegate Committee	1:Approved-12/21/2010
Dressage	1:Disapproved-1/12/2011

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:***Staff and Committee Comments:***

Safety 11-18-10: The committee does not have enough information to make an educated determination on this PRC.

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Legal Comments:***Other Comments:***

Board of Directors**Action****Date**

Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule: GR1307.3

Rule Change Type: Standard

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Proposed Change:

GR1307 Amateur Certification. [Chapter 13. Competition Participants and Associated Individuals] **Change to read:**

3. There is no fee for amateur certification for Senior Active ~~or~~ Life Members **or members of**. ~~An annual fee of \$30 will be charged for an amateur card or amateur certification for an individual who is not a member of The Federation or Equine Canada.~~ Such certification **must be elected annually and** will expire on November 30th **of each competition year.**

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Administration and Finance Committee	Withdrawn	1/20/2011
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Administration & Finance Working Group	1:No Action	
Budget&Finance	1:No Action	
USHJA	1:Disapproved-12/9/2010	
All Committees	1:No Action	
Paso Fino	1:Disapproved-11/22/2010	
Safety	1:Disapproved-11/18/2010	
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Friesian	1:Disapproved-11/12/2010	
Shetland	1:Approved-12/15/2010	
Arabian	1:Disapproved-11/17/2010	
Saddlebred	1:Approved-12/13/2010	
Carriage Pleasure Driving	1:Disapproved-12/15/2010	
Western Committee	1:Disapproved-11/30/2010	
National Show Horse	1:Disapproved-12/1/2010	
Andalusian/Lusitano	1:Approved-12/14/2010	
Eventing	1:Approved-12/9/2010	

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Licensed Officials	1:Approved-1/6/2011
Welsh	1:Disapproved-12/14/2010
Steward-Technical Delegate Committee	1:Approved-12/21/2010
Dressage	1:Disapproved-1/12/2011

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:***Staff and Committee Comments:***

Safety 11-18-10: The committee does not have enough information to make an educated determination on this PRC.

UPHA Convention, 1-8-11, Draft 1: Group was concerned about whether a trainer would even be able to sign up a member for membership, especially when an amateur; concern about new members going to one show and having to get membership; approved-0; disapproved-majority (50+); abstain-3

Legal Comments:***Other Comments:***

Board of Directors**Action****Date**

Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule: GR1309.1

Rule Change Type: Standard

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Proposed Change:

GR1309 Membership and Document Requirements. [Chapter 13. Competition Participants and Associated Individuals] **Change to read:**

1. To be eligible to participate as a rider, driver, owner, handler, vaulter, longeur, lessee, agent, coach or trainer at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions at the Preliminary Level or above, Combined Driving Competitions at the Advanced Level, Dressage, Endurance and Vaulting Competitions, persons must be Members of the Federation as provided in GR202 ~~or if not a member, must pay a registration fee as provided in GR207 (for exceptions see GR901.9).~~ Exception: Applications for Federation Individual Membership and Horse Recordings submitted at Licensed Competitions:

c. Lessees are considered owners in connection with this membership requirement. When an entry is under multiple ownership, only one owner need be a Member ~~or pay a registration fee.~~ When an entry is under a minor's ownership and training, the parent who must sign will be exempt from the Federation ~~non-membership~~ fee.

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Administration & Finance Working Group	1:No Action	
Breeds/Disciplines	1:No Action	
Competition Management	1:No Action	
Budget&Finance	1:No Action	
USHJA	1:Disapproved-12/9/2010	
All Committees	1:No Action	
Competition Secretaries	1:No Action, 1:Disapproved-11/12/2010	
Paso Fino	1:Disapproved-11/22/2010	
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Connemara	1:Tabled-11/8/2010, 1:Disapproved-12/6/2010	
Morgan	1:Disapproved-11/22/2010	
Saddle Seat Eq	1:Approved-11/19/2010	
National Affiliates Working Group	1:Approved-11/23/2010	
Roadster	1:Disapproved-11/29/2010	
National Hunter	1:Disapproved-11/9/2010	
Continuing Education	1:Disapproved-11/8/2010	
Hackney	1:Disapproved-12/1/2010	
Shetland	1:Approved-12/15/2010	
Saddlebred	1:Approved-12/13/2010	
Friesian	1:Disapproved-12/16/2010	

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Carriage Pleasure Driving	1:Disapproved-12/15/2010
Western Committee	1:Disapproved-11/30/2010
National Show Horse	1:Disapproved-12/1/2010
Andalusian/Lusitano	1:Approved-11/22/2010
Eventing	1:Approved-12/9/2010
Licensed Officials	1:Approved-1/6/2011
Welsh	1:Disapproved-12/14/2010
Steward-Technical Delegate Committee	1:Approved-12/21/2010
Dressage	1:Disapproved-1/12/2011

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:***Staff and Committee Comments:***

Safety 11-18-10: The committee does not have enough information to make an educated determination on this PRC.

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Legal Comments:***Other Comments:***

Board of Directors**Action****Date**

USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # 571-10

Draft # 1

Rule: AL103

Rule Change Type: Extraordinary - We are requesting an extraordinary rule change out of a desire not to cause undue harm to the Affiliate, the IALHA, by prolonging heated debate on an emotionally-charged issue.

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Proposed Change:

AL103 Shoeing, [Chapter AL. Andalusian/Lusitano Division] Change to read:

1. Any machine made (keg) or handmade shoe made of magnetic steel, mild steel or aluminum is allowed. No part of the shoe may exceed the dimensions of 3/8" thick by 1 1/8" wide (nail heads and/or toe clips are not considered when measuring the shoe). The shoe may be of any type and configuration except in the case of a bar shoe, the bar may not extend below the ground surface of the shoe.

2. Maximum length of toe including pad is 4 3/4".

3. **For purebred and Half Andalusian horses the use of any pad on a hoof is prohibited.** The overall length of the toe measurement, including any shoe, (see GR510) shall not exceed the maximum toe length of 4 3/4". The introduction of a foreign material between the shoe and hoof is strictly prohibited.

4. At the discretion of a judge or a steward officiating at a licensed Andalusian Competition, or at the request of the Show Committee (See GR1201), inspection (including measuring the shoe, presence of a pad, and measurement of hoof length) may be required. Shoes ~~and pads~~, if present, cast after entering or before exiting the arena in any class shall be inspected.

a. A random inspection of horses at all National, Regional and qualifying shows (~~wearing pads~~) may be required. Said inspection shall be performed by a licensed steward or judge designated by the Show Committee (The Show Committee may, at its discretion designate more than one licensed official to perform inspections). Any trainer, exhibitor and/or agent of a horse subject to the inspection each may request to be present and heard while said inspection is being performed by said licensed official(s). Prior to any dis-qualification and/or other penalties imposed on a horse at a competition, the inspecting officials shall make reasonable efforts to notify and have present the owner(s), and trainer(s) of said horse, or agent(s) at the inspection.

The inspecting officials shall take possession of any shoe, ~~and/or pad~~ and measure the shoe with a USEF approved shoe gauge. Measurement of hoof length shall be made in accordance with GR510. In the event that the inspecting officials find a violation of the shoe measurement, hoof length, and/or pad presence the horse shall be disqualified for the entire competition, and the owner shall be required to forfeit all prize money, sweepstakes, futurity and trophies, entry fees, ribbons and points won at said competition by said horse. Additionally, if any forbidden foreign material is found ~~on the hoof between the pad and/or shoe, or pad and hoof, within the pad, and /or the pad composition is in violation~~, the steward shall file a charge against the trainer(s) and/or owners with the Federation Hearing Committee in accordance with the General Rules. The trainer and/or owner of a horse found to be shod with any forbidden material as described is subject to whatever penalty or penalties are assessed through the charge process.

[...]

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Intent of Proposal:

The change is intended to return to the IALHA's long-standing prohibition of hoof pads that was overturned by the AL Committee in 2008, contrary to the expressed wishes of the majority of IALHA members, as documented by prior votes and survey responses, as well as the most recent (October 17, 2010) member vote that once again established prohibition of hoof pads at IALHA shows as the members' will.

Proposed Effective Date: 2/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
IALHA	Withdrawn	12/13/2010
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
Andalusian/Lusitano	1:No Action	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

Board of Directors

Action

Date

USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # 382-10

Draft # 1

Rule: AR107.1**Rule Change Type** Standard

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

Proposed Change:**AR107 Conduct and Specifications.** [Chapter AR. Arabian, Half-Arabian and Anglo-Arabian Division] **Change to read:**

1. The following procedures shall be followed in all breeding classes, including Gelding In-Hand classes:
 - i. A "controlled paddock" is an area designated by show management outside the competition ring for Breeding/Gelding In-Hand classes. The USEF steward and/or the Show Commission shall supervise this area. Only one specified person appointed by the show committee shall be in the controlled paddock to assist with the entrance(s) into the arena. *The only item allowed to be used by the person assisting in the encouragement of the horse into the arena is one whip no longer than 6' including snapper/lash/appendage which will be supplied by Competition Management. Small appendages (no more than 12" in length) of ribbon, plastic, etc. are allowed.*

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State the way it is being controlled

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11**Linked Rule Changes:**

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
Arabian Committee		
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
Arabian	1:	No Action
AHA	1:	No Action
Competition Management	1:	No Action
Safety	1:	No Action

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:**Staff and Committee Comments****Legal Comments:****Other Comments:**

AHA Resolution #15-10

<u>Board of Directors</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
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USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # 394-10

Draft # 1

Rule: AR142
Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

AR142 General. Chapter AR. Arabian, Half-Arabian and Anglo-Arabian Division. Subchapter AR-10 Hunter Section] **Change to read:**

1. Horses may be shown with a braided mane and tail (See AR101.4).

2. Amateur Owner classes:

a. To be ridden by Amateur Owners or an amateur member of the owner's family. In either case, classes are restricted to riders who are no longer eligible to compete as junior exhibitors. Leased horses are not eligible and multiple ownership is not permitted unless all owners are members of the same family.

b. An Amateur who competes for a person outside of his/her family may not compete in a class restricted to Amateur Owners at the same competition

c. If an Amateur rider has two or more horses eligible to compete in an Under Saddle class, all riders must be Amateurs and family (GR122).

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Intent of Proposal:

Define the difference between AR and HU Division rules

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
AHA	Withdrawn	11/20/2010
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Arabian	1:No Action	
AHA	1:No Action	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

AHA Resolution #20-10

<u>Board of Directors</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
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USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **419-10**Draft # **1****Rule:** AR208.10**Rule Change Type** Standard

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

Proposed Change:**AR208 Boxing Pattern Cow Horse Class.** [Chapter AR. Arabian, Half-Arabian and Anglo-Arabian Division] **Add new rule and renumber:****Eligible Riders:** *Rider must never have been judged in a class at a licensed competition that required the exhibitor to go down the fence with a cow:***1. Basic Pattern**

- a. Enter ring-lope to center
- b. Stop and back
- c. Lope right circle
- d. Stop
- e. Lope left circle
- f. Stop

2. Cow Work

- a. From a stopped position at center of ring, call for cow.
- b. Hold cow at end of arena showing control of the cow for 50 seconds.
- c. Must work the cow given; no second cow call by rider. Judge may call for second cow if cow is unruly or dangerous .

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Defining a pattern

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11**Linked Rule Changes:**

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
AHA	Withdrawn	11/20/2010
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
Arabian	1:No Action	
AHA	1:No Action	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:**Staff and Committee Comments****Legal Comments:****Other Comments:**

AHA Resolution #36-10

<u>Board of Directors</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
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USEF
Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **420-10**

Draft # **1**

Rule: AR209
Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

AR209 Judging and Scoring [Chapter AR. Arabian, Half-Arabian and Anglo-Arabian Division] **Change to read:**

1. *Class to consist of a reining pattern and single cow work (boxing) on the end of the arena.*
2. *Reined Work: for rules governing the reined work for Limited Reined Cow Horse classes, see Western Division Subchapter WS-2.*
3. *Reined Work: for rules governing the reined work for Limited Reined Cow Horse classes, see Western Division Subchapter WS-2.*
4. *Cow Work: Each exhibitor upon receiving a cow in the arena shall hold that cow on the prescribed end of the arena for 50 seconds, demonstrating the ability of the horse and rider to control the cow. Time shall begin when the gate closes behind the cow after being let into the arena. The announcer or judge will signal the completion of the 50 seconds with a whistle or horn.*
5. **Limited Cow Work - Penalty Points:**
 - a. **1 POINT PENALTIES**
 - (1) *Loss of working advantage.*
 - (2) *Working out of position.*
 - b. **3 POINT PENALTIES:**
 - (1) *Loss of control and animal leaves the end of arena.*
 - c. **5 POINT PENALTIES:**
 - (1) *Spurring or hitting in front of cinch at anytime.*
 - (2) *Blatant disobedience, defined as kicking, biting, bucking, rearing, striking, or obviously insubordinate.*
 - d. **ZERO SCORE:**
 - (1) *Turn tail.*
 - (2) *Using 2 hands on the reins when using a bridle or two-rein.*
 - (3) *Fingers between the reins, except when using a two-rein.*
 - (4) *Balking.*
 - (5) *Out of control.*
 - (6) *Bloody mouth (inside)*
 - (7) *Illegal Equipment*
 - (8) *Leaving the work area before the pattern or work is complete.*
 - (9) *Fall of horse or rider.*
 - (10) *Schooling of the horse between the rein work and cow work*
 - (11) *Schooling of the horse between cows if a new cow is awarded.*
 - (12) *Failure to quit working a cow after a new cow has been awarded.*
 - e. **ELIMINATION:**
 - (1) *Failure of an exhibitor to attempt to complete the pattern*
 - f. **NO SCORE:**
 - (1) *Abuse*
 - (2) *Lameness*
6. **Limited Cow Work - Credits:**
 - a. *Maintaining control of cow at all times.*
 - b. *Maintaining proper position.*
 - c. *Degree of difficulty*
 - d. *Eye appeal.*
 - e. *Time worked*

Proponent: AHA

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Intent of Proposal:

Entry level classes should provide more opportunities for beginners

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Proponent

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Action

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Date

11/20/2010

Committee/Organization

Arabian

Draft: Action-Date

1:No Action

AHA

1:No Action

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:***Staff and Committee Comments******Legal Comments:******Other Comments:***

Board of Directors**Action****Date**

USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # 564-10

Draft # 1

Rule: Bylaw203
Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

Bylaw 203 – Competition Eligibility [Bylaws of the United States Equestrian Federation] Change to read:

To be eligible to participate as a rider, driver, handler, vaulter, longeur, owner, lessee, agent or trainer, riding coach or driving coach, at Federation Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions at the Preliminary Level or above, Dressage Competitions, Combined Driving Competitions at the Advanced Level, Vaulting Competitions, or International Competitions, Classes or Programs, persons must be **a competing member** ~~Senior Active Members or Junior Active Members~~ of the Federation as provided in Bylaw 212. ~~, or if non-members must pay a registration fee as provided in the Rules.~~ Lessees are considered owners in connection with this requirement. In the event of an entry under multiple ownership, only one owner need be a ~~Senior Active~~ **competing** Member. ~~or pay a registration fee.~~ Participants in the following classes are exempted from the requirements of this rule: (1) leadline; (2) exhibitions; (3) games and races; (4) classes for 4H members; (5) Walk trot and Academy classes (Academy Classes are classes limited to horses regularly used in a lesson program); (6) USDF Introductory Level tests, Pas de Deux and Quadrille classes; (7) Assistant Handlers in Dressage Sport Horse Breeding Classes; and (8) citizens of other nations who have proof, in English, of current membership in good standing in their own National Federation.

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Intent of Proposal:

To provide member benefits to all competitors in USEF licensed competitions and to help facilitate a more efficient show office experience by requiring membership credentials for all exhibitors.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
Bill Moroney	Withdrawn	1/23/2011
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Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

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USEF
Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **565-10**

Draft # **1**

Rule: Bylaw223

Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

Bylaw 223 – Affiliated Competitions [Bylaws of the United States Equestrian Federation] **Change to read:**

Section 7. Local Competitions. Local Competitions consist of those competitions under the management of organizations, associations, corporations and others holding competitions which are limited by the following restrictions: (1) The total cash prizes must not exceed \$500 (not including the value of trophies offered), except 100% sweepstakes; (2) The designation “USEF Local Competition” must be stated on the cover of the prize list; ~~(3) The Federation non-member fee will not apply;~~ and, ~~(4)~~ (3) Local Competitions benefit from all of the general rules of the Federation and must abide by applicable division rules unless class specifications are printed otherwise in the prize list.

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Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

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USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # 039-10

Draft # 1

Rule: Bylaw501.(4)**Rule Change Type** Standard

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

Proposed Change:**Bylaw 501 - General.** [Bylaws of the United States Equestrian Federation, Part V - Standing and Special Committees] **Change to read:**

Section 4. Participation. Any member of a standing committee, special committee, Breed/Discipline Committee, sub-committee, or task force may participate in a meeting of the same by conference telephone call or similar communications equipment allowing all members participating in the meeting to hear each other at the same time, except as follows. The Licensed Officials Committee shall not hold meetings by telephone conference call. The Hearing Committee shall not conduct evidentiary hearings by telephone conference call unless the parties consent, but may conduct all other matters by telephone conference call. ***The Credentials Committees will review waiver requests via email and submit their approvals or disapprovals for such requests via email.*** Participation by such means shall be deemed presence in person at the meeting. Committee members who attend less than 50% of the meetings in any calendar year may be removed from the committee and replaced by a senior active member subject to the appointment or the election procedures that were used in the initial seating of that position. Proportional representation of athletes must be maintained.

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It will endorse the email procedure we have been using with the Credentials Committees regarding waiver requests.

Proposed Effective Date: Immediately upon notification**Linked Rule Changes:****Proponent**

Robert Ridland

Action

Withdrawn

Date

9/8/2010

Committee/Organization**Draft: Action-Date****Budget and Finance Committee Comments:****Staff and Committee Comments****Legal Comments:****Other Comments:****Board of Directors****Action****Date**

USEF
Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **368-10**

Draft # **1**

Rule: **CO106.2**

Rule Change Type **Standard**

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

Proposed Change:

CO106 Suggested In-Hand Classes. [Chapter CO, Subchapter CO-2 Breeding & In-Hand Classes] **Add new and renumber if necessary**

2. Three-year-old stallions, Four-year-old stallions, Five-year-old and older stallions,

a. Exception: Half-bred Connemaras may not be shown as stallions.

Proponent: Connemara Committee

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Intent of Proposal:

Eliminates classes for half-bred Connemara stallions which are not eligible to be registered with ACPS.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

Proponent

Connemara Committee

Action

Withdrawn

Date

11/3/2010

Committee/Organization

Connemara

Draft: Action-Date

1:No Action

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

Board of Directors

Action

Date

USEF
Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **525-10**

Draft # **1**

Rule: CP417
Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

CP417 Dress. [Chapter CP. Carriage Pleasure Driving Division, Subchapter CP-18 Rules for Driven Dressage Competitions] **Change to read:** Competitors are reminded that neatness should be the first requisite. The dress of the competitor and grooms must conform to the style of carriage and harness used. Period costumes, however, are not desirable. Driving aprons, hats, gloves and whip in hand are ~~obligatory~~ **required** for competitors. The whip must be of suitable style and adequate length.

Proponent: ADS

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Intent of Proposal:

To be consistent with ADS rules

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
ADS	Withdrawn	11/29/2010
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
Carriage Pleasure Driving	1:No Action	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

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USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # 526-10

Draft # 1

Rule: CP418.3
Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

CP418 Arena and exercise area. [Chapter CP. Carriage Pleasure Driving Division, Subchapter CP-18 Rules for Driven Dressage Competitions]
Change to read:

3. The marking of the center line, throughout its length, and the three points D, X, and G ~~are obligatory~~ **is required** and must be as clearly marked as possible without being of a nature to frighten the horses. On that account is recommendable: on a grass arena, to mow the grass on the center line shorter than the other parts of the arena and on a sand arena to roll or rake the center line in a suitable way. In such cases the three points D, X, and G should suitably be mowed, raked or rolled, about two meters straight across the center line.

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Intent of Proposal:

To be consistent with ADS rules

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

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<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
Carriage Pleasure Driving	1:No Action	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

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USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # 010-10

Draft # 1

Rule: DR132.2f

Rule Change Type Extraordinary - To delay implementation of new Dressage Seat Medal qualifying classes, to allow cost-effective qualifying criteria to be published in time for new qualifying classes to be offered in the year prior to the DSM Semi-Finals.

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

Proposed Change:

DR132 Dressage Seat Equitation. [Chapter DR. Dressage Division] **Change to read:**

2. USEF Dressage Seat Medal Program

f. Qualification.

(1) Prior to ~~2011~~ **2012**, riders must have qualified to compete in the Semi-Finals according to the criteria approved by the Federation Executive Committee. For ~~2011~~ **2012** and thereafter, riders may also qualify for the Semi-Finals through a Federation Dressage Seat Medal qualifying class held at any Federation/USDF recognized competition, by winning first or second place in a qualifying class with a score of 70% or higher. The qualifying year for each Semi-Finals will remain the same as the USEF/USDF Regional Championship qualifying season in each region. The criteria listed below in 2.f.(2)-2.f(4) apply under both qualifying methods.

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Intent of Proposal:

To delay implementation of new Dressage Seat Medal qualification procedures until cost-effective criteria and budget for implementation can be finalized, and to allow time for qualifying classes to be offered by shows in the year prior to the DSM Semi-Finals.

Proposed Effective Date: Immediately upon notification **Linked Rule Changes:**

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
Dressage Committee		
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
Dressage	1:Approved-1/28/2010	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

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USEF
Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **378-10**

Draft # **1**

Rule: EQ103
Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

EQ103 Conduct. [Chapter EQ. Subchapter EQ-1 Regulations For All Seats] **Change to read:**

6. NUMBERS. Numbers must be worn on the rider's back and must be clearly visible at all times when in competition. (Exception: Exhibitors in Open Western events must place number on both sides of saddle pad or on the rider's back. Exhibitors in *the* Arabian/Half-Arabian Reining Seat equitation section may place *one* number *either* ~~on both sides of the saddle pad or~~ on the rider's back or *on one side of* the saddle pad.).

Proponent: Arabian Committee

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Intent of Proposal:

Who provides the second number? Alleviates that decision

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

Proponent

Arabian Committee

Action

Date

Committee/Organization

Arabian

Western Committee

Draft: Action-Date

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1:No Action

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

Board of Directors

Action

Approved

Date

1/23/2011

USEF
Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **206-10**

Draft # **1**

Rule: EQ109.2
Rule Change Type Standard

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Proposed Change:

EQ109 Appointments. [Chapter EQ. Equitation Division] **Change to read:**

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. 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. *The use of plain brown rubber reins is permitted.*

Proponent: USHJA

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Intent of Proposal:

For safety reasons, a rider should be allowed to ride with rubber reins in both the equitation and hunter sections.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

Proponent

USHJA

Action

Date

Committee/Organization

National Hunter

USHJA

Safety

Draft: Action-Date

1:Disapproved-12/1/2010

1:No Action

1:Approved-11/18/2010

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

Board of Directors

Action

Date

USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # 226-10

Draft # 2

Rule: FR101.4a
Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

FR101 Eligibility to Compete. [Chapter FR. Friesian and Part-Bred Friesian Division] **Change to read:**

4. All horses must be registered with a foreign or domestic registry that maintains proof of Friesian heritage through DNA testing and record maintenance. IFSHA and its assigns reserve the right to validate the horse DNA at the horse owner's expense in the event that a protest or grievance has been filed with IFSHA and/or the USEF.

a. Part-Bred Friesians must have at least **25%** ~~50%~~ pure Friesian blood and one pure ~~bred blood~~ **Friesian** parent ***within two generations of the competing horse*** (exception: horses that have competed in any Friesian and Part-bred Friesian Division class at a Federation licensed competition prior to January 1, 2006.)

b. Friesian Derivative horses must have at least 25% Friesian blood.

c. Friesian Derivative horses may compete in Part-bred Friesian performance classes.

d. Except as stated in FR101.4a, Part-bred Friesians and Friesian Derivative horses may not cross enter into in-hand classes.

Proponent: IFSHA

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Intent of Proposal:

To allow more horses to compete in the Friesian Division.

Proposed Effective Date: Immediately upon notification

Linked Rule Changes:

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
IFSHA	Withdrawn	12/23/2010
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
Friesian	1:No Action, 2:Approved-12/16/2010	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

Financial impact of Proposal: more revenue from more entries

<u>Board of Directors</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
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USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # 163-10

Draft # 1

Rule: FR138
Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

FR138 Qualifying Gaits and Class Specifications. [Chapter FR. Friesian and Part-Bred Friesian Division. Subchapter FR-8 Dressage Hack]
Change to read:

1. **Gaits:** Horses to enter at working trot rising in a counter clockwise direction. Horses will perform medium walk, working trot, working canter, extended trot, and extended canter both ways of the arena. Free walk on long rein with horse stretching forward and down to be performed in at least one direction. A rein back of 4 steps may be asked for as a group on the rail, or individually in the line-up. Transitions into and out of the canter will be asked for through the working trot. Horses will be asked to reverse direction at the working trot. Trot work to be ridden sitting or rising. at the judge's discretion. See DR103-105 for definitions of gaits to be performed.

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Intent of Proposal:

To mirror Dressage Suitability specs

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
IFSHA	Withdrawn	11/12/2010
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
Friesian	1:No Action	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

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Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule: HK118.5**Rule Change Type:** Standard

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

Proposed Change:**HK118 General** [Chapter HK. Hackney Division. Hackney, Subchapter HK-5 Harness Ponies] **Add new and renumber**

5. In all Harness pony championship/stake classes (except Junior Pony sections) at selected Federation competitions which will be notified in writing by the Federation, the first place and fourth place ponies must allow a heel measurement to be taken immediately following the class to verify the heel measurement is at or below what is indicated on the current measurement card; a copy of which must be on file in the show office prior to the pony competing. The heel measurement will be taken by the competition steward at a location determined by the measuring official and competition management. The heel measurement must be taken from the left bulb of the left front heel, from the skin line on the lower side of the coronary band with the ruler perpendicular to the flat surface. It is the trainer's or driver's decision and responsibility to determine if the pony will be hitched or unhitched for this measurement. If the heel measurement is higher than the measurement on the pony's Federation measurement card, an overall height measurement must be performed by two measuring officials (See GR502.4) no later than one hour following the end of the session at the designated location. Any entry that exceeds the legal height limit will forfeit winnings in that class. In the event there are fewer than four ponies in a class, the pony occupying the final placing will be measured. In the event of an emergency and the steward is unavailable to take the heel measurement immediately, competition management must appoint a representative to remain with the pony until the heel measurement can occur.

Proponent: Hackney Committee

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Intent of Proposal:

To incorporate Harness Ponies into the heel measurement process to insure that ponies competing within section meet or fall under the maximum height allowance.

Proposed Effective Date: 4/1/11**Linked Rule Changes:**

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
Hackney Committee	Withdrawn	1/20/2011
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
Hackney	1:No Action	
Licensed Officials	1:Approved-1/6/2011	
Competition Management	1:Tabled-1/20/2011	
Steward-Technical Delegate Committee	1:No Action	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:**Staff and Committee Comments:**

UPHA Convention, 1-8-11, Draft 1: Group felt as though the measurement for Road ponies already is unnecessary and inconvenient so do not support doing this for another section; these ponies are measured already so why are the heels being checked; approved-0; disapproved-40; abstain-18

Legal Comments:**Other Comments:****Board of Directors****Action****Date**

Rule: HU100
Rule Change Type: Standard

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

Proposed Change:

HU100 Eligibility to Compete – Rider or Handler. [Chapter HU. Hunter Division] **Change to read:**

In order to compete in any Hunter, Hunter Breeding, Pony Hunter Breeding, Junior Hunter, or Pony Hunter classes at licensed competitions as an exhibitor, rider, trainer, or his/her agent(s), a person must be a member of the United States Hunter Jumper Association, Inc., ~~or pay a nonmember fee to the United States Hunter Jumper Association, Inc.~~ Exception: Local Competitions, competitions restricted to a particular breed, and exceptions listed in GR901.9.

Proponent: Administration and Finance Committee

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Intent of Proposal:

To help facilitate a more efficient show office experience by requiring USHJA membership credentials for all exhibitors competing in Jumper, Hunter, Hunter Breeding, Pony Hunter Breeding, Junior Hunter, or Pony Hunter classes at USEF licensed competitions.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes: 547-10, 548-10, , 550-10, 551-10, 552-10, 553-10, 554-10, 555-10, 556-10, 557-10, 558-10, 560-10, 561-10, 562-

Proponent

Administration and Finance Committee

Action

Withdrawn

Date

1/20/2011

Committee/Organization

Administration & Finance Working Group

Draft: Action-Date

1:No Action

USHJA

1:Disapproved-12/9/2010

National Hunter

1:Approved-12/1/2010

Competition Management

1:No Action

All Committees

1:No Action

Safety

1:Disapproved-11/18/2010

Connemara

1:Tabled-11/8/2010, 1:Disapproved-12/6/2010

National Affiliates Working Group

1:Approved-11/23/2010

Competition Secretaries

1:Disapproved-11/12/2010

Continuing Education

1:Disapproved-11/8/2010

Eventing

1:Approved-12/9/2010

Licensed Officials

1:Approved-1/6/2011

Welsh

1:Disapproved-12/14/2010

Steward-Technical Delegate Committee

1:Approved-12/21/2010

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments:

Safety 11-18-10: The committee does not have enough information to make an educated determination on this PRC.

UPHA Convention, 1-8-11, Draft 1: Group was concerned about whether a trainer would even be able to sign up a member for membership, especially when an amateur; concern about new members going to one show and having to get membership; approved-0; disapproved-majority (50+); abstain-3

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

Board of Directors

Action

Date

USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # 181-10

Draft # 3

Rule: HU108
Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

HU108 Adult Amateur. [Chapter HU. Hunter Division. Subchapter HU-1 Definitions and Eligibility] **Change to read:**

1. ~~Unless USHJA Zone Committees submit their specifications by August 1, t~~ The following specifications will apply for the Adult Amateur Hunter section:

a. To be ridden by amateurs who are no longer eligible to compete as junior exhibitors. ~~Horses and riders entered in Adult Amateur Hunter sections may not compete in the Amateur Owner Hunter section at the same competition. Riders entered in Adult Amateur Hunter sections may not compete in any other class in which obstacles exceed 3'3" 3'5" at the same competition: except equitation and adult amateur jumper and any other sections the rider is eligible for.~~

~~b. Horse/rider combination may not compete in any class in which fence height exceeds 3'3".~~

~~e. b. Horses cannot cross enter into 3'3" or 3'6" Amateur Owner sections at the same competition. may be entered in any other section for which they are eligible. Junior Hunter sections at the same competition if ridden by a member of the same family.~~

~~d.c. Ponies may be ridden by adults, however ponies shown by adults at a Licensed Competition cannot compete in any rated Pony Hunter sections at the same competition with a junior rider.~~

~~e. Classics must have \$500 to count for HOTY points.~~

2. [...]

3. [...]

4. ~~All USHJA zone specifications submitted by August 1st and approved by USHJA and USEF shall be enforced by USEF if not followed.~~

4. ~~When sections are divided offered by age they must be divided into offered as~~ 35 Years and under, 36-49 Years Old and 50 Years and over.

5. ~~Year-end HOTY awards will be presented annually to the three age groups, 35 and under; 36-49; and 50 and over.~~

6. ~~Fence heights to be set at 3'.~~

Proponent: USHJA

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Intent of Proposal:

To further the concept of consistency with the zones' goals of standardized specifications as recommended by membership survey response of 91% in favor of Nationalized Specifications.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

Proponent

USHJA

Action

Withdrawn

Date

1/7/2011

Committee/Organization

National Hunter

Draft: Action-Date

1:No Action, 2:Tabled-12/1/2010, 3:No Action

USHJA

1:No Action, 2:No Action, 3:Referred-12/9/2010

Competition Secretaries

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

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

USHJA 12/9/2010: Refer to next USHJA annual mtg.

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

Board of Directors

Action

Date

USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # 194-10

Draft # 3

Rule: HU110.10
Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

HU110 Pony Hunter. [Chapter HU. Hunter Division. Subchapter HU-1 Definitions and Eligibility] **Add new and renumber:**
10. Commencing the following year, Junior riders who are champion or reserve in any section of the Junior Hunters at Capital Challenge and/or a national qualifying horse show including: Devon, Washington International, Capital Challenge, Pennsylvania National, the National Horse Show and Junior Hunter Finals (East and West) are no longer eligible to compete in any Regular Pony Hunter section at any of those events or the National Pony Finals on a pony not owned or USEF leased by the rider or rider's family. Exception: Green Hunter Ponies. competing on small or medium ponies may not compete in the Junior Hunter division at the same competition.
40. 11. [...]

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Intent of Proposal:

To prevent junior riders who are champion or reserve at national qualifying shows from riding in the pony hunters at the same show the next year.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
USHJA	Withdrawn	12/16/2010
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
National Hunter	1:Tabled-12/1/2010, 2:No Action, 3:No Action	
USHJA	1:No Action, 2:No Action, 2:No Action, 3:Disapproved-12/9/2010, 3:No Action	
Steward-Technical Delegate Committee	1:No Action, 2:No Action, 3:No Action	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

<u>Board of Directors</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
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USEF
Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **193-10**

Draft # **1**

Rule: **HU110.9**

Rule Change Type **Standard**

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

Proposed Change:

HU110 Pony Hunter. [Chapter HU. Hunter Division. Subchapter HU-1 Definitions and Eligibility] **Change to read:**

9. Junior riders showing ponies cannot compete in any class where fences may be set higher than 3'6" at the same competition (Exception Children's Jumpers, Green Pony Hunters, ~~USHJA International Hunter Derby~~, Junior Hunter Classics, and Pony Jumpers)

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Intent of Proposal:

With the increased height of jumps in the Hunter Derbies the task force feels that riders competing on ponies should not compete in the Derbies at the same competition.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
USHJA	Withdrawn	12/16/2010
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
National Hunter	1:Approved-12/1/2010	
USHJA	1:Disapproved-12/9/2010	
Competition Secretaries	1:Approved-11/12/2010	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

<u>Board of Directors</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
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Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule: HU111
Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

HU111 Junior & Children's Hunters. [Chapter HU. Hunter Division. Subchapter HU-1 Definitions and Eligibility] **Change to read:**

13. ~~Unless USHJA Zone Committees submit their specifications by Aug. 1, the following specifications will apply for the Children's Hunter Division section:~~

a. Classes may be divided by height section 3' and 3'3". Rider and Horse may not show in both height sections at the same competition. Horses may compete both height sections with the same competition year.

~~ab. Riders entered in Children's Hunter sections may not compete over fences in any other class at the same competition where fences exceed 3'3". may not cross enter into any rated section over 3'3" compete in any other class in which obstacles exceed 3'5" at the same competition except Equitation, and Children's Jumpers. and Pony Jumpers.~~

~~bc. Horses and ponies entered in Children's Hunter classes may not not cross enter into Junior Hunter sections at the same competition. or Pony Hunter sections any other section for which they are otherwise eligible at the same competition. Ponies shown in Children's Hunter Pony sections may not be shown by an adult at the same competition, except in breeding classes in hand. Horses entered in Children's Hunter classes may be shown in the Amateur Owner Hunter section at the same competition if ridden by a member of the child's family.~~

~~c. Cross entry into other divisions is allowed unless otherwise stated in prize list. Classics must have \$500 to count for HOTY points.~~

~~d. Age splits- When sections are offered by age they must be offered as 14 Years and Under, and 15-17 Years Old.~~

~~e. HOTY awards will be presented annually to Older Children's and Younger Children's 14 and under; 15-17.~~

~~f. Fence height 3' or 3'3".~~

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Intent of Proposal:

To further the concept of consistency with the zones' goals of standardized specifications as recommended by membership survey response of 91% in favor of Nationalized Specifications.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

Proponent

USHJA

Action

Withdrawn

Date

1/7/2011

Committee/Organization

National Hunter

Draft: Action-Date

1:No Action, 2:Tabled-12/1/2010, 3:No Action

USHJA

1:No Action, 2:No Action, 3:Referred-12/9/2010

Competition Secretaries

1:No Action, 2:Disapproved-11/12/2010, 3:No Action

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

USHJA 12/9/2010: Referred to next USHJA annual mtg.

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

Board of Directors

Action

Date

USEF
Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **183-10**

Draft # **3**

Rule: HU112
Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

HU112 Children's Hunter Pony. [Chapter HU. Hunter Division. Subchapter HU-1 Definitions and Eligibility] **Add new rule and renumber:**

1. Unless USHJA Zone Committees submit their specifications by August 1 to the Federation, the following specifications will apply for the Children's Hunter Pony section:

- a. Ponies must be in possession of a valid measurement card.**
 - b. Pony or rider may not cross into any rated section at the same competition**
 - c. Classes may be run as one or split Small/Medium and Large to run at 2', 2'6" respectively.**
 - d. Children's Hunter Pony Riders may not compete in any classes exceeding 3' in height at the same competition.**
 - e. Children's Hunter Pony Riders may compete on a maximum of one additional pony in the regular or green pony hunter section at the same competition.**
 - f. Children's Hunter Pony Riders may compete on a maximum of one horse in the Children's Hunter horse section at the same competition.**
- 2. HOTY awards will be presented annually in the two categories of Small/Medium and Large.**
- 3. Children's Hunter Pony sections may be combined with Children's Hunter Horse sections if less than three (3) entries are in the section.**

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Intent of Proposal:

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Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
USHJA	Withdrawn	1/7/2011
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
National Hunter	1:No Action, 2:Tabled-12/1/2010, 3:No Action	
USHJA	1:No Action, 2:No Action, 3:Referred-12/9/2010	
Competition Secretaries	1:No Action, 2:Disapproved-11/12/2010, 3:No Action	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

USHJA 12/9/2010: Referred to next USHJA annual mtg.

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

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USEF
Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **274-10**

Draft # **1**

Rule: HU112.3

Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

HU122 Type. [Chapter HU. Hunter Division. Subchapter HU-2 Courses] **Change to read:**

~~3. Every course must have at least four different type obstacles. (Exception: see HU146.2). All obstacles must be at least 20' wide or have wings at least 24" wide that are at least 12" higher than the obstacle. (Exception: pen jumps.)~~

3. All obstacles must be at least 8' wide across the jumpable portion.

Proponent: USHJA

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Intent of Proposal:

This proposed rule just reflects what is currently being used.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
USHJA	Withdrawn	12/9/2010
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
National Hunter	1:Disapproved-12/1/2010	
USHJA	1:Disapproved-12/9/2010	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

USHJA Young Professionals 11-15-10: Allow 6' for handies and derbies

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

<u>Board of Directors</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
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USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # 208-10

Draft # 1

Rule: HU125
Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

HU125 Tack. [Chapter HU. Hunter Division. Subchapter HU-4 Attire, Tack and Equipment] **Add new and renumber if necessary:**
4. Plain brown rubber reins are permitted.

Proponent: USHJA

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Intent of Proposal:

For safety reasons, a rider should be allowed to ride with rubber reins in both the equitation and hunter sections.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

Proponent

USHJA

Action

Date

Committee/Organization

National Hunter

USHJA

Safety

Draft: Action-Date

1:Disapproved-12/1/2010

1:No Action

1:Approved-11/18/2010

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

Board of Directors

Action

Date

Rule: HU160.1d**Rule Change Type:** Standard

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

Proposed Change:**HU160 Scheduling.** [Chapter HU. Hunter Division. Subchapter HU-8 Conduct] **Change to read:**

1. "A" rated Hunter sections may be held and judged on one or more days. If held on one day "A" sections would be limited to four classes per section (3 over fences and 1 under saddle). If held on two or more days, four to six performance classes must be offered (Exception: Pony Hunter and Junior Hunter sections).

d. Rated competitions which restrict entries in the rated Hunter sections to juniors and amateurs must be held on a minimum of two consecutive non-school days within the public school system, at the location of the competition, on the same competition grounds.

Professionals may handle entries in Pony Hunter Breeding and Hunter Breeding classes at competitions restricted to Juniors and Amateurs.

Proponent: USHJA

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Intent of Proposal:

Competitions restricted to juniors, amateurs and ponies should be allowed to hold Pony Hunter Breeding classes. Professional handlers often handle ponies in breeding classes and should not be prohibited from doing so in these classes.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11**Linked Rule Changes:****Proponent**

USHJA

Action

Withdrawn

Date

1/22/2011

Committee/Organization

National Hunter

Draft: Action-Date

1:Disapproved-12/1/2010, 2:Disapproved-1/21/2011

USHJA

1:No Action, 2:Approved-12/9/2010

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:**Staff and Committee Comments:****Legal Comments:****Other Comments:****Board of Directors****Action****Date**

Rule: HU170.1**Rule Change Type:** Standard

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

Proposed Change:**HU170 General.** [Chapter HU. Hunter Division. Subchapter HU-10 Measurement] **Change to read:**

1. Management shall not permit an animal to be shown in any Pony Hunter, Children's Hunter Pony, Junior Hunter, or Welsh performance class at a Federation Member Competition unless the person presenting the animal is in possession of a) the original or a copy of a measurement card issued by the Federation bearing the date of August 15, 1991 or thereafter; or b) certified card applied for prior to December 1, 1987; or c) a copy of a valid measurement form. **Exception: Horses shown in the large Junior Hunter section do not require a measurement card.**

Proponent: Steward-Technical Delegate Committee

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Intent of Proposal:

Because of the difficulty in accurately measuring very tall horses, measurements should only be required for horses shows in height restricted sections.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11**Linked Rule Changes:****Proponent**

Steward-Technical Delegate Committee

Action

Withdrawn

Date

1/20/2010

Committee/Organization

National Hunter

USHJA

Draft: Action-Date

1:Disapproved-12/1/2010

1:Disapproved-12/9/2010

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:**Staff and Committee Comments:****Legal Comments:****Other Comments:****Board of Directors****Action****Date**

Rule: HU171.2**Rule Change Type:** Standard

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

Proposed Change:**HU171 Required Measurements and Re-measurements.** [Chapter HU. Hunter Division] **Change to read:**

2. All animals that have been assigned a card prior to August 15, 1991 must be remeasured (except animals with Certified measurement cards applied for prior to December 1, 1987). If the owner, ~~either member or non-member~~, is in possession of a measurement card issued prior to August 15, 1991, there will be no fee for initial remeasurement.

Proponent: Administration and Finance Committee

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Intent of Proposal:

To provide member benefits to all competitors in USEF licensed competitions and to help facilitate a more efficient show office experience by requiring membership credentials for all exhibitors.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes: 547-10, 548-10, , 550-10, 551-10, 552-10, 553-10, 554-10, 555-10, 556-10, 557-10, 558-10, 559-10, 561-10, 562-

Proponent

Administration and Finance Committee

Action

Withdrawn

Date

1/20/2011

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

Administration & Finance Working Group

1:No Action

USHJA

1:Disapproved-12/9/2010

National Hunter

1:Approved-12/1/2010

All Committees

1:No Action

Safety

1:Disapproved-11/18/2010

Connemara

1:Tabled-11/8/2010, 1:Disapproved-12/6/2010

National Affiliates Working Group

1:Approved-11/23/2010

Competition Secretaries

1:Disapproved-11/12/2010

Continuing Education

1:Disapproved-11/8/2010

Eventing

1:Approved-12/9/2010

Licensed Officials

1:Approved-1/6/2011

Welsh

1:Disapproved-12/14/2010

Steward-Technical Delegate Committee

1:Approved-12/21/2010

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:**Staff and Committee Comments:**

UPHA Convention, 1-8-11, Draft 1: Group was concerned about whether a trainer would even be able to sign up a member for membership, especially when an amateur; concern about new members going to one show and having to get membership; approved-0; disapproved-majority (50+); abstain-3

Legal Comments:**Other Comments:**

*Board of Directors**Action**Date*

USEF
Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **158-10**

Draft # **1**

Rule: HU182
Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

HU182 Hunter Breeding. [Chapter HU. Hunter Division. Subchapter HU-11 National Championships] **Change to read:**

1. Rules in the Championship section supersede rating requirements anywhere they conflict with General or Hunter rules.

~~1.~~ **2. [...]**

Proponent: National Hunter Committee

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Intent of Proposal:

Acknowledge and handle any conflict between the division/section rules and Championship rules.

Proposed Effective Date: 4/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
National Hunter Committee		
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
National Hunter	1:Tabled-12/1/2010	
USHJA	1:No Action	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

<u>Board of Directors</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
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USEF
Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **159-10**

Draft # **1**

Rule: **HU183.1**

Rule Change Type **Standard**

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

Proposed Change:

HU183 Pony Hunter. [Chapter HU. Hunter Division. Subchapter HU-11 National Championships] **Change to read:**

1. This competition is designed to encourage the breeding of quality Hunter ponies and proper basic training for them. ***Rules in the Championship section supersede rating requirements anywhere they conflict with General or Hunter rules.***

Proponent: National Hunter Committee

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Intent of Proposal:

Acknowledge and handle any conflict between the division/section rules and Championship rules.

Proposed Effective Date: 4/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
National Hunter Committee		
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
National Hunter	1:Tabled-12/1/2010	
USHJA	1:No Action	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

<u>Board of Directors</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
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USEF
Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **160-10**

Draft # **1**

Rule: **HU184.1**

Rule Change Type **Standard**

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

Proposed Change:

HU184 Junior Hunter. [Chapter HU. Hunter Division. Subchapter HU-11 National Championships] **Change to read:**

1. This competition is designed to encourage and promote the basic training and development of Junior Hunters. ***Rules in the Championship section will supersede rating requirements and anywhere that they conflict with General or Hunter rules.***

Proponent: National Hunter Committee

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Intent of Proposal:

Acknowledge and handle any conflict between the division/section rules and Championship rules.

Proposed Effective Date: 4/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

Proponent

National Hunter Committee

Action

Date

Committee/Organization

National Hunter

USHJA

Draft: Action-Date

1:Tabled-12/1/2010

1:No Action

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

Board of Directors

Action

Date

USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # 195-10

Draft # 2

Rule: HU184.9

Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

HU184 Junior Hunter. [Chapter HU. Hunter Division. Subchapter HU-11 National Championships] **Change to read:**

9. A junior rider who competes at Junior Hunter Finals may not compete a regular small or medium pony at Pony Finals in the same year.

Proponent: USHJA

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Date Received: 8/25/2010

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Intent of Proposal:

To prevent riders competing at Junior Hunter Finals from competing in the small and medium pony sections at Pony Finals in the same year.

Proposed Effective Date: 7/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
USHJA	Withdrawn	12/16/2010
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
National Hunter	1:Tabled-12/1/2010, 2:No Action	
USHJA	1:No Action, 2:Disapproved-12/9/2010	
Competition Secretaries	1:Approved-11/12/2010, 2:No Action	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

<u>Board of Directors</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
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USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # 184-10

Draft # 1

Rule: HU185.1

Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

HU185 General. [Chapter HU. Hunter Division., Subchapter HU-12, Hunter and Pony Hunter Breeding] **Change to read:**

1. Classes will only accumulate Federation **and USHJA Zone** Horse of the Year Points from January 1 to November 30 of the current show year (see GR1115). ~~(Exception: Pony Hunter Breeding will accumulate Zone Horse of the Year points.)~~

Proponent: USHJA

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Intent of Proposal:

To further the concept of consistency with the zones' goals of standardized specifications.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

Proponent

USHJA

Action

Withdrawn

Date

12/9/2010

Committee/Organization

National Hunter

Draft: Action-Date

1:Tabled-12/1/2010

USHJA

1:No Action

National Affiliates Working Group

1:Approved-11/23/2010

Budget&Finance

1:No Action

Administration & Finance Working Group

1:No Action

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

3 Zone Chairs Disapproved - Zone 3,7, & 8; 1 Zone in Favor - Zone 1; 7 Abstained until zones meet

Hunter Zone Council - recommed refer to 2011 USHJA Annual Meeting

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

Board of Directors

Action

Date

USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # 185-10

Draft # 1

Rule: HU187
Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

HU187 Pony Hunter Breeding. [Chapter HU. Hunter Division., Subchapter HU-12, Hunter and Pony Hunter Breeding] **Change to read:**
~~Unless USHJA Zone Committees submit their specifications by August 1st, t~~ The following specifications will apply for the Pony Hunter Breeding Division.

[...]

3. Conduct. A Competition may not offer more than two Pony Hunter Breeding divisions to count for HOTY ~~Zone~~ awards at any one competition. Each division must be judged by a different judge or judges, with neither judge conferring with the other concerning the judging until the divisions are completed and the cards are turned in. The prize list must clearly state which classes count for Federation **and USHJA** Zone points. Additional classes and division championships may be offered but will not count for Federation **and USHJA** Zone points.

4. Class Specifications.

[...]

d. A Best Young Pony class must be offered and judged as a separate class. Winners in all qualifying classes must show in the best Young Pony Class. Second place winners may return. Federation **and USHJA** Zone Horse of the Year Points will be awarded in the Best Young Pony class regardless of the number of entries.

5. Special Rating Requirements.

a. Classes with combined age groups do not count toward **Federation and USHJA** Zone Horse of the Year Awards. Exception: Best Young Pony Class. See also GR1113.

Proponent: USHJA

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Intent of Proposal:

To further the concept of consistency with the zones' goals of standardized specifications.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
USHJA	Withdrawn	12/9/2010
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
National Hunter	1:Tabled-12/1/2010	
USHJA	1:No Action	
National Affiliates Working Group	1:Approved-11/23/2010	
Budget&Finance	1:No Action	
Administration & Finance Working Group	1:No Action	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Hunter Zone Council - recommend refer to 2011 USHJA Annual Meeting

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

*Board of Directors**Action**Date*

USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **047-10**Draft # **1**

Rule: HU188.6
Rule Change Type Rule Clarification

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

Proposed Change:

HU188 USHJA International Hunter Derby. [Chapter HU. Hunter Division] **Change to read:**

6. Riders, ~~and~~ owners, ~~trainers,~~ ~~and~~ horses must be current active members of USEF and USHJA ~~before the start of the class~~ **on or before the first day of the competition.** **Horses must have an annual USEF or USEF Life Horse Recording and must have a USHJA Horse Registration on or before the first day of the competition.**

Proponent: USHJA

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Intent of Proposal:

Horses must hold an active USEF horse recording and be registered with USHJA in order to participate in a USHJA International Hunter Derby.

Proposed Effective Date: Immediately upon notification **Linked Rule Changes:**

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
USHJA	Withdrawn	4/30/2010
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
National Hunter	1:Approved-5/7/2010	
USHJA	1:No Action	
Budget&Finance	1:No Action	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

<u>Board of Directors</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
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USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **561-10**Draft # **1****Rule:** **JP100.1****Rule Change Type:** **Standard**

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

Proposed Change:**JP100 Eligibility.** [Chapter JP. Jumper Division] **Change to read:**

1. In order to compete in any Jumper classes at licensed competitions as an exhibitor, rider, trainer, or his/her agent(s), a person must be a member of the United States Hunter Jumper Association, Inc., ~~or pay a nonmember fee to the United States Hunter Jumper Association, Inc.~~
Exception: Local Competitions, competitions restricted to a particular breed, and exceptions listed in GR901.9.

Proponent: Administration and Finance Committee**Contact:** Lori Rawls
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Date Received: 9/21/2010**Daytime Phone:**
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To help facilitate a more efficient show office experience by requiring USHJA membership credentials for all exhibitors competing in Jumper, Hunter, Hunter Breeding, Pony Hunter Breeding, Junior Hunter, or Pony Hunter classes at USEF licensed competitions.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11**Linked Rule Changes:** 547-10, 548-10, , 550-10, 551-10, 552-10, 553-10, 554-10, 555-10, 556-10, 557-10, 558-10, 559-10, 560-10, 562-**Proponent**

Administration and Finance Committee

Action

Withdrawn

Date

1/20/2011

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

Administration & Finance Working Group

1:No Action

National Jumper

1:No Action, 1:Disapproved-1/3/2011

USHJA

1:Disapproved-12/9/2010

All Committees

1:No Action

Safety

1:Disapproved-11/18/2010

Connemara

1:Tabled-11/8/2010, 1:Disapproved-12/6/2010

National Affiliates Working Group

1:Approved-11/23/2010

Competition Secretaries

1:Disapproved-11/12/2010

Continuing Education

1:Disapproved-11/8/2010

Eventing

1:Approved-12/9/2010

Licensed Officials

1:Approved-1/6/2011

Welsh

1:Disapproved-12/14/2010

Steward-Technical Delegate Committee

1:Approved-12/21/2010

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:**Staff and Committee Comments:**

Safety 11-18-10: The committee does not have enough information to make an educated determination on this PRC.

UPHA Convention, 1-8-11, Draft 1: Group was concerned about whether a trainer would even be able to sign up a member for membership, especially when an amateur; concern about new members going to one show and having to get membership; approved-0; disapproved-majority (50+); abstain-3

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

Board of Directors

Action

Date

USEF Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # 338-10

Draft # 1

Rule: JP105.1d

Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

JP105 Officials. [Chapter JP. Jumper Division] **Change to read:**

1. Judges.

d. In all classes with prize money of \$5,000 or more and in all classes in the main Jumper ring at USEF Jumper Rating 3 ~~4~~ competitions or higher, a single judge may serve in no more than 2 of the following capacities: Judge, electric timer operator, announcer, or starter.

Proponent: Jumper Committee

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Intent of Proposal:

The change will alleviate this requirement for lower Jumper Rating competitions.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
Jumper Committee	Withdrawn	1/3/2011
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
National Jumper	1:No Action	
USHJA	1:Approved-1/10/2011	
Licensed Officials	1:No Action	
Competition Management	1:Approved-11/29/2010	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

<u>Board of Directors</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
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USEF
Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **348-10**

Draft # **1**

Rule: **JP112.4**

Rule Change Type **Standard**

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

Proposed Change:

JP112 Starting Order. [Chapter JP. Jumper Division] **Change to read:**

4. Moving Ahead in the Order.

- a. To minimize delays, management may permit a rider to compete ahead of his posted order in a class. ~~However, if there is a separate jump-off, (such as Table II, Sec 2(a)), the rider may choose to compete in the jump-off in his originally posted order, but no lower.~~

Proponent: Jumper Committee

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Intent of Proposal:

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

<u><i>Proponent</i></u>	<u><i>Action</i></u>	<u><i>Date</i></u>
Jumper Committee	Withdrawn	9/9/2010
<u><i>Committee/Organization</i></u>	<u><i>Draft: Action-Date</i></u>	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

<u><i>Board of Directors</i></u>	<u><i>Action</i></u>	<u><i>Date</i></u>
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Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule: JP118.1
Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

JP118 Sections/Classes Restricted to Children, Adult Amateur Riders, or Ponies. [Chapter JP. Jumper Division. Subchapter JP-3 Section Specifications] **Change to read:**

1. Children's and Adult Amateur Jumper: Sections are open to Junior and Amateur exhibitors. ~~Unless USHJA Zone Committees submit their specifications 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~~

a. Level of Difficulty. Fence Heights to be set in accordance with JP120 not to exceed 1.15 m (3'9"). ~~If only one section is offered (one height) fences to be set at 1.05m-1.10m. If a Low and a High section are offered, Low to be set at 1.0m-1.05m; High to be set at 1.10m-1.15m with corresponding spreads. Fence Heights to be set at 1.05m-1.15m.~~

b. Dividing and Combining of Sections. Sections may be divided by age of rider ~~or by horse/pony~~ and may also be combined ~~age of rider~~ with Children's sections if so stated in the prize list.

c. ~~Horse/Rider combination and Rider may not cross enter into any other jumper class exceeding class up to 1.20m-1.25m or higher at the same competition with exception of classes which do not offer prize money. Horse may not cross enter into any class 1.35m or higher at the same competition.~~

~~d. Classics must have \$1500 minimum prize money if combined Children's/Adult or \$1000 minimum if split.~~

~~e. The highest money class/classic is to be set at highest height for the section at that competition.~~

~~d. HOTY awards will be presented annually in the two categories, Children's Jumper and Adult Amateur Jumper.~~

Proponent: USHJA

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Intent of Proposal:

To further the concept of consistency with the zones' goals of standardized specifications as recommended by membership survey response of 91% in favor of Nationalized Specifications.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
USHJA	Withdrawn	1/7/2011
<u>Committee/Organization</u>	<u>Draft: Action-Date</u>	
National Jumper	1:No Action, 2:No Action, 3:No Action	
USHJA	1:No Action, 2:No Action, 3:Referred-12/9/2010	
Competition Management	1:No Action, 2:No Action, 3:No Action	

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

USHJA 12/9/2010: Referred to next USHJA annual meeting

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

<u>Board of Directors</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
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USEF
Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **254-10**

Draft # **1**

Rule: JP151.1
Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

JP151 Championship Qualification. [Chapter JP. Jumper Division. Subchapter JP-8 National/International Championships] **Change to read:**

1. Qualifying for Non-Senior FEI Continental and National Championships....

a. FEI North American Junior and Young Rider Championships (NAJYRC) Qualifying criteria must be submitted by each jumper or combined hunter/jumper zone 60 days prior to the start of their qualifying period. ***Qualifying points will be based on GR1132.2.*** Unless Jumper or Combined Hunter/Jumper Zone Committees submit their specifications for the following year on or before 30 days following the previous year's Championship, the following specifications will apply:

(1) NAJC - qualifying criteria will automatically be based on Junior Jumper classes held at 1.35 m (4'5") or above as well as Open Jumper Classes offering \$25,000 or more in prize money between November 1 and June 15. ***Qualifying pPoints*** will be awarded per GR1132.32.

(2) NAYRC - qualifying criteria will automatically be based on Junior and Amateur Owner Jumper classes held at 1.35 m (4'5") and above as well as Open Jumper Classes offering \$25,000 or more in prize money between November 1 and June 15. ***Qualifying pPoints*** will be awarded per GR1132.32.

b. National Junior Jumper Championships. Qualifying criteria for the National Junior Jumper Championships must be submitted in writing to the National Jumper Committee no later than July 15 of the year prior. ***Qualifying points will be based on GR1132.2.*** If no changes are submitted, the qualifying criteria will automatically be based on Junior Jumper classes held at 1.35 m (4'5") or above between September 1 and August 31. Points will be awarded per GR1132.32.

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Intent of Proposal:

To ensure a fair and level playing field with regards to qualifying for these championships and this will increase rider opportunity for qualification.

Proposed Effective Date: 6/15/11

Linked Rule Changes:

Proponent

USHJA

Action

Date

Committee/Organization

Draft: Action-Date

National Jumper

1:No Action

USHJA

1:No Action

Competition Management

1:No Action

Ad Hoc - Awards

1:No Action

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

Effective date: June 15, 2011 to make effective for the 2012 qualifying period

*Board of Directors**Action**Date*

USEF
Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule Tracking ID # **093-10**

Draft # **1**

Rule: MH101 - MH134

Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

[Chapter MH. Miniature Horse Division] **Add new chapter:**

CHAPTER MH
MINIATURE HORSE DIVISION

For further conduct of Miniature Horse competitions, contact the American Miniature Horse Registry, 81B East Queenwood Road, Morton, IL 61550, (309) 263-4044

SUBCHAPTER MH-1 GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS

MH101 Eligibility to Compete

- 1. All entries must be registered with the American Miniature Horse Registry (AMHR). No animal will be allowed to compete or be measured unless the exhibitor can show the original registration paper or a photo static copy of same to the competition secretary.*
- 2. Horses must be entered under the full registered name and registration number of the animal as it is shown on the horse's registration certificate. No substitutions or changes are acceptable.*
- 3. No horse shall be allowed to compete at a licensed competition unless the exhibitor can provide current height verification to the competition secretary.*
- 4. Youth - 17 and Under*
 - a. Youth 13 - 17 may show senior stallions (3 years or older) in youth performance and youth driving classes.*
 - b. Youth 13 years of age or older may show a stallion in Open Halter and Performance classes.*
 - c. Youth under 13 may not show stallions of any age, including junior stallions (weanlings, yearlings, or 2 year olds).*
- 5. Amateur (GR1306)-Horses shown in the Amateur division must be owned or leased by the amateur or the family of that amateur.*
- 6. Adults must be 18 years and older. (GR101)*
- 7. Ladies must be 18 years and older.*
- 8. Gentlemen must be 18 years and older.*
- 9. Golden Age must be 55 years old or older.*
- 10. Cross-entering between Shetland and Miniature classes is not allowed at the same competition.*

MH102 Breed Standard and General Specifications

- 1. General Impression: A small, sound, well-balanced horse which gives the impression of strength, agility and alertness. The disposition should be eager and friendly, not skittish.*
- 2. Size: The American Miniature Horse must measure not more than 34 inches at the base of the last hair on the mane for Under Section, and not more than 38 inches for Over Section. Since the breed objective is the smallest possible perfect horse, preference in judging shall be given to the smallest, if all other factors are equal. In no case shall a smaller horse be placed over a larger horse with better conformation.*
- 3. Head: In proportion to the body; neither excessively long nor short. The eyes should be large, alert, and prominent with no discrimination in color. The ears are open toward the front and carried erect. The teeth should show no signs of parrot mouth or undershot jaw.*
- 4. Neck: Strong and muscular, proportionate to body and the type of horse represented.*
- 5. Body: Well-muscled with good bone and substance, well sprung ribs, level topline, as nearly as possible of equal height in withers and rump, fore and hind quarters well angulated, so that the horse in movement shows a smooth gait.*
- 6. Legs: Straight, clean and sound.*
- 7. Hooves: Round and compact, trimmed as short as practical for an unshod horse, and in good condition.*
- 8. Color: Any color, eye color and/or marking pattern is equally acceptable.*
- 9. Throat-Latch: Clean and well defined, allowing ample flexion at the poll.*
- 10. Shoulder: Long, sloping and well-angulated, allowing a free swinging stride and alert head/neck carriage. Well muscled forearm.*
- 11. Hindquarters: Long, well-muscled hip, thigh and gaskin. Highest point of croup should be same height as withers. Tail-set should be neither excessively high nor low, but smoothly rounding off rump.*
- 12. Animals with complete loss of sight in either eye may be found serviceably sound at the Judge's discretion. (GR841)*

13. Priority in judging shall be in this order:

- a. Soundness
- b. Balance and conformity to the breed standard
- c. Size

14. Disqualifications:

- a. Height in excess of 34 inches for Under Section
- b. Height in excess of 38 inches for Over Section miniatures
- c. Dwarfism
- d. Unsoundness
- e. Cryptorchidism in aged stallions.

15. Horse shall show with full mane and tail (no full roach). Mane and tail length shall be left to the decision and discretion of the exhibitor. Thinning, pulling, shortening, etc., of a mane and tail is permissible.

MH103 Artificial Appliances, Shoeing, and Irritants

1. Any horse showing evidence of the use of ginger or other irritants to produce a higher tail carriage than normal shall be disqualified by the judge.

2. Switches, artificial tails or manes, and high spoon cruppers are prohibited.

- a. Exception: Switches and artificial tails are optional in Park Harness

3. No horse having had surgery for purely cosmetic purposes will be permitted to compete. (Example: ear trimming, ear wiring, docked tails, etc.)

4. Ribbons, braids, all decorative appurtenances and stallion tack in halter conformation classes are not allowed unless otherwise specified in USEF class description. Bits are allowed on stallions.

5. Shod horses are not allowed on the competition grounds. No pads, wedges, chains, or ankle boots are allowed to be used on the grounds of an USEF/AMHR licensed competition.

- a. Exceptions:

- (1) Horses shown in Draft harness classes may be shod with light plate shoes or draft type shoes with toe and heel caulks.

- (2) Horses shown only in Roadster classes have the option of wearing un-weighted bell type boots.

- (3) Horses shown in Roman Chariot Event classes may be shod with light plate shoes.

6. Leg bandages are allowed in Hunter and Jumper classes.

MH104 Conduct and Specifications

1. Dress: It is the tradition of the show ring that handlers and drivers be correctly attired for their classes. (T-shirts, shorts, clothes with logos or monograms are not correct attire and will not be allowed in the show ring. No farm, individual or horse's names or logos may be displayed on exhibitor.) Horse and handler must look their best. In all showmanship classes, boots, hats, gloves and long sleeve shirts or jackets are mandatory.

2. A horse must be handled and shown through an entire class by the same person. Should an additional handler be required due to physical limitation or emergency, approval must be obtained from competition management.

3. Electronic communication devices used for the purpose of coaching, etc., between competitors and individuals outside the ring, shall be prohibited in all classes in the Miniature Horse Division. Exempt from this rule are handicapped riders who have submitted written proof to the Federation steward.

MH105 Height Verification

1. There are two recognized height sections in the Miniature Horse Division:

- a. Under Section

- (1) Horses age 3 and older - 34" & Under

- (2) 2 Year Old - 33" & Under

- (3) Yearling - 32" & Under

- (4) Foal of Current Year - 30" & Under

- b. Over Section

- (1) Horses age 3 and older - over 34" to 38"

- (2) 2 Year Old - Over 33" to 37"

- (3) Yearling - Over 32" to 36"

- (4) Foal of Current Year - Over 30" to 32"

Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

SUBCHAPTER MH-2 MEASUREMENT**MH106 General Rules**

- 1. Exhibitors must carry a current AMHR measurement card or 60 day measurement form for each horse and present to competition management before back numbers will be issued.*
- 2. Exhibitors not in possession of either of the above must have the USEF steward perform a day measurement at that competition before the horse may be shown*
 - a. Stewards must use an official certified AMHR measuring device and record the number of the device on the measurement form. Only devices certified by AMHR may be used for official measuring of miniature horses.*
 - b. Horses may be measured shod or unshod*
 - c. If a horse is measured into a different height division than it is entered, the horse is to be shown in the new height division without additional cost or penalty to the exhibitor.*
 - e. Management has the authority to bar a horse from competing if the owner or agent refuses to have the horse measured.*
 - f. Competitions offering Miniature Horse classes will be provided an AMHR Approved Measurement device by the Federation; to be returned to the Federation offices at the completion of the competition.*

MH107 Measurement Protocol

- 1. In measuring a miniature horse, the head is to be in a normal position.*
 - a. Measure the vertical distance from the base of the last hair on the mane to the measuring surface.*
 - b. The crosspiece, arm or bar must have firm contact with the animal but no additional pressure may be applied.*
- 2. Measurements are to be recorded to the nearest ¼ inch, unless over the required measurement for that division.*
- 3. The Steward should measure the animal and record the height measurement on the accurately completed form.*
- 4. The exhibitor should be made aware by the Steward that measurement was for the purpose of that competition only and the horse must be officially measured and issued an AMHR measurement card for future USEF competitions.*
- 5. If a miniature horse is measured and found to be over 38 inches the Steward shall not allow the horse to compete and shall notify the USEF and AMHR of such findings.*
- 6. In the event of a protest regarding measurement, the Steward will perform a measurement to verify measurement on the card. If the measurement does not match the official AMHR measurement card, said measurement card must be surrendered to the Steward who will forward it to USEF and AMHR for further processing. The horse will not be allowed to compete further until receiving a new AMHR measurement card.*

MH108 Measuring Surface

- 1. The measuring area must be a solid surface and must be level; under no circumstances should animals be measured on dirt or gravel.*
- 2. A concrete slab or other paved surface is most desirable, but when not available, a 4' x 8' sheet of ½ inch or thicker plywood, placed directly on level ground, can be used as an alternative measuring surface. Under no circumstances should the plywood be placed on a frame or raised off the ground.*

MH109 Position of Animal

The animal must be standing squarely on all four feet and should not be permitted to "stretch". The front legs should be on a vertical line directly under the shoulder. The back of the hocks should be in a vertical line with the animal's buttocks. The miniature horse's head must be held low enough to reveal the highest point of the withers and no lower. The animal must be free of blanket, hood, neck wrap and tail set to compare the description on the registration paper to the animal being measured. The handler must not interfere with the animal in any way that will prevent it from standing in this position.

Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

SUBCHAPTER MH-3**HALTER****MH110 General**

1. Horses may be clipped or shown in full coats.
2. Horses may be shown with or without polished hooves.
3. Horses must be serviceably sound, in good condition, and well-groomed. Transmissible weakness and unsoundness to be penalized.
4. Combining sexes in the same class is forbidden in breeding halter classes.
5. Equipment
 - a. Any type halter is permissible.
 - b. No whips and/or crops are allowed
 - c. The biting of stallions is permitted, but no stallion tack is allowed.
6. Changing the coat color of a horse is not permitted but highlighting the mane and tail, and around the eyes, ears, muzzle, etc., is permissible.
7. AMHR papers for Geldings must have been changed from Stallion to Gelding to be eligible to show.
8. Except in Mare and Foal class, a broodmare shall not be allowed in the show ring when her foal is being exhibited and a foal shall not be allowed in the show ring when his/her dam is being exhibited.
9. In all group classes (Get of Sire, Produce of Dam, Mare and Foal, Herd of Four, etc.), horses shall be judged standing still. Horses are not to be asked to move.

MH111 Class Specifications

1. Horses to be shown in halter at a walk and trot. The judge must ask for the horse to walk past them and then trot away. The judge must also ask for the horse to trot away and make an L turn to enable the Judge to view the movement of the horse from the side.
2. The Miniature Horse is to be shown to its best advantage. It is preferred the horse stand square. The judge may ask to have the horse stand square (all four feet flat on the ground and at least one front and one rear cannon bone perpendicular to the ground)
3. MODEL STALLIONS, MARES, GELDINGS: Shall be the first class shown for that sex. Judged 100% on conformation. Horses are never asked to move. Horses entered in a model class must be at least two years old.
4. BROODMARES 3 YEARS OLD AND OLDER, FOAL AT SIDE (WET): May be shown in either Aged class or Broodmare class. First and second place Broodmares are eligible for the Senior Mare Championship class. If a mare is Placed Senior Champion or Reserve, she is then qualified for the Grand Champion and Reserve class.
5. OWNED, BRED, AND SHOWN BY EXHIBITOR: Exhibitor must be listed as the owner and breeder on the registration papers to show a horse in this class
6. YOUTH HALTER
 - a. All youth classes may be split: 7 years and under, 8-12 years, and 13-17 years; or 12 years and under, and 13-17 years.
 - b. Open to miniature mare or gelding, any age, shown by a youth. To be judged on breed, character, conformation, performance, quality, and manners. The exhibitor is to have complete control of the horse throughout the class.
 - (1) For Youth ages 7 & under spotters are permitted, but are there only for safety and must stand two paces from the child and horse.

SUBCHAPTER MH-4**DRIVING****MH112 General**

1. The driving section was founded for the purpose of developing and furthering the art and sport of driving for pleasure. A complete knowledge of and compliance with the rules are essential.
2. All driving horses must be at least 3 years old.
3. Stallions may be driven in all classes.

Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

4. *Attire: Headers, drivers, and passengers should be dressed appropriately. Dress in the show ring is to complement the overall appearance of the unit, not detract. Horses are being shown, not the driver.*
- No strapless dresses in any driving class.*
 - No sandals or open toed shoes to be worn by driver or header.*
 - No T-shirts or shorts.*
 - No farm, individual, or animal names or logos may be displayed.*
- (1) *Exception: Draft harness classes.*
5. *Horse and Equipment:*
- Horses must be serviceably sound.*
 - Horses must show with full manes and tails.*
 - Boots, wraps, etc. of any description are prohibited.*
- (1) *Exception: In Roadster classes un-weighted bell type boots are optional.*
- Driving whips, if used, must be of suitable style, and the tip of the lash must not reach past the shoulder of the horse.*
6. *Stake classes will be known as Championship classes. First place will be Champion and second place will be Reserve Champion. Stake classes will be placed through fifth place.*
- A horse must have been entered, shown, and judged in a qualifying class in order to participate in the corresponding stake class.*
- Example: To show in the Roadster Stake, the horse must show in another roadster class, and cannot qualify for the Roadster Stake by showing in a pleasure class.*
7. *Roman Chariot Event is an optional class and should be judged as a costume driving class, not as a race.*
8. *Cross Entering:*
- Pleasure horses cannot cross-enter into Country Pleasure or Park Divisions at the same show.*
 - Country Pleasure horses cannot cross-enter into Pleasure or Park Divisions at the same show.*
 - Park horses cannot cross-enter into Pleasure or Country Pleasure at the same show.*
 - Pleasure, Country Pleasure, and Park horses can enter Roadster Division at the same show.*
 - The Western Country Pleasure Driving horse may not cross enter into the Country Pleasure, Pleasure Driving, or Park Harness at the same show.*
9. *Division of Classes: Classes in all sections of pleasure driving competitions may be offered for singles, pairs, tandem, unicorns, four-in-hand and etc.*
- Open - no age restriction on drivers or horses, all sexes (except for Youth).*
- (1) *Open classes may be divided by height within each section*
- Adults*
 - Ladies*
 - Gentlemen*
 - Mares, Stallions, Geldings*
 - Height: 32" and under, over 32"-34", and over 34"-38"*
 - Youth*
 - Amateur*
 - Maiden Horses*
 - Novice Driver or Horse*
 - Limit Driver or Horse*

MHI13 Conduct

- The only person to handle the reins, under penalty of elimination, is the driver. No change of driver is permitted during any class.*
- In Youth Driving, an attendant is allowed in the vehicle with the youth, but not required. The youth shall be in full control of the horse without assistance.*
- Exhibitor numbers may be worn on the back of the exhibitor or attached to the back of cart in an easily visible position for Pleasure Driving, Country Pleasure Driving, and Park divisions. Number must be worn on the back of the exhibitor in the Roadster section.*
- It is permissible for a driver to talk to a horse in a subdued tone of voice, although a driver should strive to control the horse's movement with a minimum of vocal aids. Talking loud, whistling, or shouting at a horse is not acceptable.*

Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

MH114 Safety

- 1. All persons involved in driving - drivers, grooms, competition officials, spectators, etc., should place safety first.*
- 2. Horses must never be left unattended while hitched to a vehicle.*
- 3. A driver must never allow passengers to enter a vehicle until the driver is seated with reins in hand and the driver must never dismount while passengers are in the vehicle.*
- 4. Headers (16 years old or older) are required in all youth driving classes. Headers are to enter the ring when the line-up is called, may assist in setting up the animal, and then step back two paces where they are to remain, except in an emergency, until the Judge's card is turned in.*
- 5. Headers are optional in non-youth driving classes.*
- 6. All rules of the road should be observed unless officials direct otherwise.*
- 7. As conditions warrant, excessively large classes may be divided by management or judge.*
- 8. All driving horses shall show on the rail at all times except while passing. Horses shown off the rail shall be penalized.*
- 9. If the class or ring size justifies, the judge may ask the horses to reverse on the diagonal at a walk or collected trot.*
- 10. Any exhibitor may wear protective headgear (Certified ASTM/SEI) in any division or class without penalty from the judge. All youth MUST wear protective headgear (Certified ASTM/SEI) in Roadster. Headgear harness must be secured and properly fitted.*

MH115 Pleasure Driving

1. Equipment and Attire

- a. All pleasure driving vehicles must be of the two wheel type and have a basket. Undue noise created by a vehicle will be a reason to excuse the entry from the ring.*
- b. Harness in the pleasure division must be of the light type with breast collars. No full hames allowed. Round or square blinkers are permissible in pleasure classes. Side or over-checks are required. When shown, the horse must wear blinders and the check must be hooked. No other appliances may be used on a driving horse other than the harness. (Example: no fly nets on the ears, face, or body).*
- c. Bits in the pleasure driving division shall be of the snaffle type. No Liverpool bits, curb chains or curb straps are allowed.*
- d. Martingales are optional.*
- e. Check bits are optional.*
- f. Braids matching the stable colors, one in the foretop and one immediately back of the bridle path as seen on the larger pleasure driving horses are optional.*
- g. Formal wear should not be worn before 5 p.m. unless stake classes are held in an afternoon performance session.*

2. Class Specifications

- a. Pleasure driving horses are to enter the ring counter-clockwise (to the right) at a pleasure trot. To be shown both ways of the arena at a walk, pleasure trot, and extended trot. To stand quietly and rein back.*
- b. To be judged 60% on performance, manners and way of going; 30% on the condition, fit and appropriateness of harness and vehicle; and 10% on neatness, appropriateness of attire, and overall impression.*
- c. Excessive speed will be penalized.*

3. Gait Requirements

- a. Walk: A free, regular and forward moving 4-beat gait. The horse should walk energetically, but calmly, with an even and determined pace.*
- b. Pleasure Trot: The horse should maintain forward impulsion while showing submission to the bit. The trot is slower and more collected, but the horse should indicate willingness to be driven on the bit while maintaining a steady cadence.*
- c. Extended Trot: A clear, but not excessive, increase in gait and length of stride. The horse goes forward freely, engaging the hind legs with good hock action, on a taut but light rein, the position balanced and unconstrained.*

Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

MH116 Country Pleasure Driving

1. Equipment and Attire

- a. Country Pleasure driving is to be shown to a two wheel cart only. Bike tires or wooden wheels are permissible.
- b. Harness in the country pleasure division must be of the light type. Breastcollars or light collars are permissible, but no full hames allowed. Breeching is optional. Side or over-checks are required. When shown, the horse must have blinkers (round or square) and the check must be hooked. No other appliances may be used on a driving horse other than the harness. (Example: no fly nets on the ears, face, or body).
- c. Bits in the pleasure driving division shall be of the snaffle type. No Liverpool bits, curb chains or curb straps are allowed.
- d. Martingales are optional.
- e. Check bits are optional.

2. Class Specifications

- a. Country Pleasure Driving horses are to enter the ring counterclockwise (to the right) at a country pleasure trot. To be shown both ways of the arena at a walk, country pleasure trot and an extended trot. To stand quietly and to rein back. To be judged 60% on performance, manners and way of going, 30% on the condition, fit and appropriateness of harness and vehicle, and 10% on neatness, appropriateness of attire and overall impression. Overchecks and side checks should be slightly loose, not snug. The head set should appear natural for the horse. Excessive knee action and speed to be penalized.

3. Gait Requirements

- a. Walk: A free, regular and forward moving four beat gait. The horse should walk energetically, but calmly, with an even and determined gait.
- b. Country Pleasure Trot: A balanced, easy moving, relaxed two beat gait demonstrating forward movement.
- c. Extended Trot: A clear increase in gait and length of stride. The horse should move freely on a taut, but light rein, while maintaining a balanced gait and forward movement. Excessive knee action and speed shall be penalized.

MH117 Western Country Pleasure Driving

1. A Western Country Pleasure Driving horse should carry himself in a natural balanced position with a relaxed head and neck. His poll should be level with, or slightly above the level of the withers.

2. Equipment

- a. Harness must be of the light type. Breastcollars or light collars are permissible, but no full hames are allowed. Breeching is optional. Side or over checks are required. When shown, the horse must have blinders (round or square) and the check must be hooked. No other appliances may be used on a driving horse other than the harness. (Example: no fly nets on the ears, face, or body).
- b. Overchecks and side checks should be slightly loose, not snug.
- c. Bits shall be of the snaffle type. No Liverpool bits, curb chains, or curb straps are allowed.
- d. Martingales and check bits are optional.

3. Class Specifications

- a. Horses shall enter the ring counterclockwise (to the right) at a Country Pleasure Trot. All horses are to be shown both ways of the arena at a Walk, Country Pleasure Trot and Extended Trot. All gaits to be performed in a smooth, relaxed, balanced manner. Consistently showing too far off the rail and excessive noisemaking by exhibitors during the class shall be penalized according to severity. Each horse shall be required to back readily and straight and stand quietly.
- b. To be judged 60 percent on the horse's performance, manners and way of going, and suitability for assuring a pleasurable drive, 30 percent on condition, fit and appropriateness of harness and vehicle, and 10 percent on neatness, appropriateness of attire and overall impression. Excessive knee action and speed to be penalized.
- c. Maximum credit should be given to a horse with a relaxed head and neck, that carries his poll level with, or slightly above the withers, moves straight, with low strides and with little flexion of knees and hocks, with free movement, manners and a bright expression.
- d. The horse shall be severely penalized if his poll is more than 5 inches above the level of the withers, is behind the vertical, is overflexed, excessively nosed out, the poll is below the withers, exhibits excessive speed or shows lack of control by the exhibitor.

Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

4. Gaits

- a. Walk: A free regular and forward moving four beat gait. The horse should walk freely and calmly, with an even determined gait.*
- b. Country Pleasure Trot: A balanced, easy going, relaxed two beat gait demonstrating forward movement with a flat knee and little hock flexion.*
- c. Extended Trot: A clear increase in gait and length of stride. The horse should move freely on a taut, but light rein, while maintaining a balanced gait and forward movement with low strides and little flexion of knees and hocks.*

5. Attire

- a. Ladies may wear jackets and blouses with slacks and skirts or dresses. No bare shoulders. Hats are optional.*
- b. Gentlemen should wear western attire with or without a western hat.*

MH118 Roadster

- 1. The roadster horse may be of any type, any color of attractive appearance, balanced in conformation, and with manners which make a safe risk in the ring.*
- 2. Horses shall be serviceably sound.*
- 3. The principal gait for the roadster the trot. Horses shall be asked to trot at three different speeds: the slow jog trot, the faster road gait, and at a full extended "drive on" trot.*
- 4. Class Specifications: Roadsters must enter the ring clockwise (to the left) at a jog trot; then show at the jog trot and road gait; reverse, jog trot, road gait and trot at speed. At speed, horse should work in form. Breaks should not be penalized in a horse that demonstrated three distinct trots over a horse that has not demonstrated gait distinction. Performance at all three gaits should be strongly considered. When horses are in the line driver shall not leave vehicle except for necessary adjustments. Headers are allowed in the ring for roadster classes. Horses must not be asked to rein back.*
- 5. Horses should be shown on the rail at all times except when passing. Showing off the rail shall be penalized.*
- 6. Harness shall be appropriate to the vehicle. Martingales are optional. No Liverpool bits are allowed. Harness must have blinkers and have either side check or over-check. The check must be used and be hooked. Harness must be of the light type with breastcollar.*
- 7. Horse shall be shown to a bike (a two-wheeled cart with stirrups and no basket). Road bikes with tire guards closed wheel/arch) are mandatory.*
- 8. Equipment and Attire:**
 - a. Exhibitors are required to wear stable colors, cap and jacket to match, of the type found on the trotting tracks of America. Protective headgear may be worn without penalty.*
 - b. Braids, matching the stable colors, one in the foretop and one immediately back of the bridle path as seen on the larger roadster horses are optional.*
 - c. The exhibitor number must be worn on the exhibitor's back. An optional supplementary number can be placed on the shafts.*
 - d. Un-weighted bell type boots are optional.*
 - e. All youth must wear protective headgear (Certified ASTM/SEI) in Roadster classes. Headgear harness must be secured and properly fitted.*

MH119 Draft Harness

- 1. Classes may be offered for singles, pairs, tandem, unicorns, four-, six- and eight-in-hand.*
- 2. Equipment and Attire**
 - a. Horses must be shown hitched to a suitable 4 wheeled vehicle, except that a cart may be used for single or tandem.*
 - b. All horses must be harnessed with heavy harness (collar with full hames and breeching). The wagon and/or harness may display the owners name, advertising, logo, monograms etc.*
 - c. Braiding of tails and manes in the style used by the larger heavy harness breeds may be used. Docking is optional.*
 - d. Shoeing and bits similar to the type used by the larger heavy harness breeds are permissible.*
- 3. Class Specifications**
 - a. Horses to be shown both ways of the ring at a natural walk and trot. Horses are to stand quietly and back readily, will be worked in a figure eight, right and left. Tandem and unicorn to be worked at the judge's discretion. Headers (16 years of age and older) may be used for safety.*
- 4. Draft driving classes may be divided in the same fashion as in the pleasure driving section.*

Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

MH120 Fine Harness

1. Classes may be offered for singles, pairs, tandems, unicorns, four-in-hand, six-in-hand, or more.
2. Cross-entering between Fine Harness and Pleasure Driving classes will not be allowed at the same competition.
3. Hitches are to enter the show ring at a trot going counter-clockwise (to the right). The horses should be judged both way of the arena, showing at a trot and a flat footed walk. Horses are to stand quietly and rein back at the discretion of the judge.
4. Equipment and Attire
 - a. Horses must be harnessed in fine harness with breast collar or full collar (no full hames or britching) and shown to an appropriate vehicle.
 - b. In tandem classes, whip length should be long enough to touch the front horse.

MH121 Park Harness

1. The horse is to give a brilliant performance with style, presence, finish, balance and cadence.
2. Equipment and Attire
 - a. Park horse is to be neatly trimmed, well groomed, braided with one braid in the foretop and one immediately back of the bridle path. Tail braces and false tails are optional.
 - b. Harness should be of the type used to show in the pleasure division.
 - c. Martingales are optional.
 - d. Park harness horses are shown to a viceroy or a two wheeled vehicle.
3. Horses may not be cross entered between the Park Harness, Pleasure, and Country Pleasure sections at the same competition.
4. Park horses are to enter the show ring at a trot going counter-clockwise (to the right) and be shown both ways of the ring at a walk and park trot. Park horses are not asked to back. To be judged on brilliant performance, presence, quality, manners and conformation.
 - a. Walk: An animated walk is required. The motion should be brisk and vigorous with the horse showing animation and brilliance.
 - b. Park Trot: Extremely animated, cadenced trot, with impulsion and power. The trot is bold and brilliant with knees and hocks snapping high in expansive and dramatic style, creating an illusion of lightness with high-stepping action. Excessive speed shall be penalized.

MH122 Obstacle Driving

1. General:
 - a. The obstacle course must be posted at the Competition Office not less than two hours prior to the class.
 - b. Horses must be at least three years old for obstacle driving.
 - c. No one may show before a judge in classes where the exhibitor has designed the course in that class.
 - d. A horse can only be shown by one exhibitor per class and each exhibitor may show only one horse per class.
 - e. All obstacles must be numbered on the course in order of driving sequence.
 - f. In competitions where more than one obstacle class is offered at least three of the obstacles must be different or the manner of performance through obstacles must be varied for the class.
 - g. Edible treats to encourage an animal to perform one of the obstacles are not allowed.
 - h. All obstacles should be safe for exhibitors as well as for horses.
 - i. Horses shall be shown in a suitable two-wheeled cart with basket.
 - j. Attendants 16 years of age and older, may be allowed in the ring during Youth Obstacle Driving for safety purposes only. Attendant must not interfere with or influence individual's or equine's performance.
2. Class Specifications
 - a. Classes will be judged 100% on the manner of horse's performance through the course.
 - b. There is a sixty second time limit to complete each obstacle. After time is used, the exhibitor will be directed to the next obstacle.
 - c. Refusal of three (3) obstacles shall be cause for disqualification.
 - d. Cantering is penalized in obstacle driving.

e. Obstacle requirements:

- (1) Must be a minimum of five and maximum of eight obstacles.*
- (2) Tires and stair steps are prohibited.*
- (3) Jumps are prohibited.*

f. Off course will result in elimination from the class and no points, ribbons or awards will be presented/disqualification. It is to be the judge's discretion to disqualify.

g. Off course is defined as:

- (1) Taking an obstacle in the wrong direction.*
- (2) Negotiating an obstacle from the wrong side.*
- (3) Skipping an obstacle unless directed by the judge*
- (4) Negotiating obstacles in the wrong sequence.*
- (5) No physically moving, or coercing the horse by touching.*
- (6) Leaving the obstacle course.*

SUBCHAPTER MH-5 JUMPER & HUNTER

MH123 General

1. Courses must be posted at least two hours prior to the scheduled time of the class. Course diagrams must show, with arrows, the direction each obstacle must be taken, and markers or a line must indicate the start and finish of the course.

2. Horses must be at least three years old.

3. The handler cannot jump the course with the horse.

4. May show with braided manes and tails in the manner of their larger counterparts.

5. The Judge(s) and Steward shall walk the course with the Course Designer and exhibitors prior to the start of the class.

6. Jumps

a. There will be a minimum of four fences and a maximum of six fences.

b. The fences can range in height from twelve to twenty-four inches (in the jump-off this will change to a minimum of twelve to a maximum of thirty inches). All jumps must be at least five feet to six feet in width, with a minimum of twenty feet between jumps, except for In and Outs.

c. Jumps should be of attractive design but constructed of a material so as not to cause danger to the horse.

d. All jumps must have a ground pole.

e. Jump standards may not be higher than 40". No wings or additions are allowed outside the jump standards.

f. All jumps used in performance classes must be collapsible.

g. An In and Out jump is considered one obstacle and scored as such. Refusal of one element of an In and Out requires the retaking of both elements. The distance between the two jumps in an In and Out should be 10-12 feet. An In and Out should never be the first jump in the course.

7. Knockdown: an obstacle is considered knocked down when in jumping an obstacle, a horse or handler, by contact, lowers the established height of the fence in any way.

8. Refusal: stopping at an obstacle without knocking it down and without backing, followed by jumping from a standstill is not penalized. However, if the halt continues or if the horse backs even a single step, side steps or circles to retake the fence, a refusal is incurred.

9. Circling: any form of circle or circles whereby the horse crosses its original track between two consecutive obstacles, stops advancing toward the next obstacle, or turns away from the next obstacle, except to retake an obstacle after a disobedience.

Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

MH124 Jumpers

1. Whips may be carried in all jumper classes.

2. Faults and Scoring

a. Jumpers are judged on accumulated faults only.

b. Knockdown..... 4 faults

c. Refusals

1st refusal..... 4 faults

2nd refusal..... 4 faults

3rd refusal..... Elimination

d. Crossing your own path... 3 faults

e. Elimination:

(1) Three (3) refusals

(2) Off course

(3) Fall of horse and/or exhibitor

f. Jump-Off

(1) In the event of a tie, a jump-off will be held over the original course.

(2) The height of the jumps shall be increased not less than one inch and not more than six inches in height.

(a) Only two jumps will be raised in height.

(3) The jump-off will be timed by a stopwatch and the horse which has the fastest time and the fewest faults in the jump off round will be declared the winner.

(4) An elimination in a jump-off does not eliminate the horse from the final placings.

MH125 Hunters

1. Hunters are to be judged on style, manners, and way of going, with preference given to those horses who cover the course at an even pace, with free flowing strides, as in a brisk trot or canter, but must maintain same gait throughout the entire course. Charging fences, or not maintaining the same gait throughout the entire class should be penalized.

2. Circling once upon entering the ring and once upon leaving the ring is permissible.

3. Upon completion of the entire class over jumps finalists will be jogged past the judge(s) for soundness. Any unsound horse will be eliminated. Horses shall not be required to re-jump the course.

4. Fences should simulate those found in hunting, such as natural post and rail, brush, stone wall, white board gate, hedge, oxer, etc.

5. Whips may not be carried.

6. Scoring

a. Elimination

(1) Three (3) refusals

(2) Off Course

(3) Crossing your own path (as in circling between fences, not as in retaking a fence from a refusal or when following a course design).

(4) Fall of horse or exhibitor

(5) Jumping of obstacle by exhibitor

(6) Carrying a whip

(7) An unsound horse

b. Major Faults

(1) Knockdowns

(2) Touches

(3) Refusals

(4) Bucking or Kicking

(5) Spooking or shying

(6) Wringing of tail

(7) Showing an obstacle to horses

(8) Not maintaining an even pace

Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

SUBCHAPTER MH-6**OTHER PERFORMANCE CLASSES****MH126 Obstacle Halter****1. General:**

- a. The obstacle course must be posted at the Competition Office not less than two hours prior to the class.
- b. Horses must be at least one year old.
- c. No one may show before a judge in classes where the exhibitor has designed the course in that class.
- d. A horse can only be shown by one exhibitor per class and each exhibitor may show only one horse per class.
- e. All obstacles must be numbered on the course in order of sequence.
- f. In competitions where more than one obstacle class is offered at least three of the obstacles must be different or the manner of performance through obstacles must be varied for the class.
- g. Edible treats to encourage an animal to perform one of the obstacles are not allowed.
- h. All obstacles should be safe for exhibitors as well as for horses.
- i. Attendants 16 years of age and older, may be allowed in the ring during Youth Halter Obstacle for safety purposes only. Attendant must not interfere with or influence individual's or equine's performance.

2. Class Specifications

- a. Classes will be judged 100% on the manner of horse's performance through the course.
- b. There is a sixty second time limit to complete each obstacle. After time is used, the exhibitor will be directed to the next obstacle.
- c. Refusal of three (3) obstacles shall be cause for disqualification.
- d. Obstacle requirements:
 - (1) Must be a minimum of five and maximum of eight obstacles.
 - (2) Tires and stair steps are prohibited.
 - (3) Jumps are prohibited.
- e. Off course will result in elimination from the class and no points, ribbons or awards will be presented/disqualification. It is to be the judge's discretion to disqualify.
- f. Off course is defined as:
 - (1) Taking an obstacle in the wrong direction.
 - (2) Negotiating an obstacle from the wrong side.
 - (3) Skipping an obstacle unless directed by the judge
 - (4) Negotiating obstacles in the wrong sequence.
 - (5) No physically moving, or coercing the horse by touching.
 - (6) Miniature leaving the obstacle course.

MH127 Liberty Class

1. Liberty is demonstrating the natural beauty of the miniature horse. Horses are to be judged on style, grace, animation, gaits, presence, and ease of catching. The liberty horse is expected to perform at both a canter and a trot.

2. Time

- a. It is the responsibility of the ring master to time Liberty classes and to be in possession of a stopwatch.
 - b. Timing will begin when the halter is dropped (not when the music starts) and the show announcer will announce TIME when the 1½ minutes performance time has ended to signal the exhibitor that they can begin the catch. Continue to time the catch. When the 2 minute catch time has elapsed, the show announcer will announce TIME to signal the end of the catch if the animal has not been caught.
 - c. If the catch is not completed in the 2 minute allotted time frame, the exhibitor is disqualified.
3. Only the exhibitor and one assistant will be allowed in the arena with the horse. Whips and shaker bottles are allowed, but touching the horse with aids or hands will result in disqualification.
4. Only the exhibitor or his assistant can touch the horse during the catch. The horse must be caught and haltered by the exhibitor only within 2 minutes or be disqualified. The assistant may not touch the horse at any time.
5. Music is required.
6. No deliberate interference with the horse from outside the ring. An announcement should be made prior to the class that no outside assistance is allowed.
7. All horses must be at least one year old.
8. Exhibitor and assistant should wear appropriate, tasteful attire. A safe costume or theme outfit is allowed for exhibitor and assistant only. The horse must be shown natural with no costume, no glitter, and no ribbons.
9. Entry will be disqualified if the horse falls during the performance.
10. Entry will be disqualified if the horse leaves the ring during competition or catch time.

Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

MH128 Costume Class

1. Class Specifications

- a. Costume classes are to be judged 75% on originality of costume and 25% on presentation.
- b. To be shown at a walk both ways of the arena and lined up in the middle of the arena for final judging.
2. Costume entries may be led, ridden, or driven and may utilize one or more handlers, horses and/or other animals.
3. Attendants 16 years of age and older may be allowed in the ring during Youth Costume classes. Attendant must not interfere or influence the individual's or equine's performance.
4. Costumes must be considered safe.

MH129 Versatility Class

1. The horse will be shown as a driving horse, in halter, and as a hunter, in that order. Once the horses come in to the line-up, grooms/headers are allowed in. At the end of the two minute period, grooms shall leave the arena with all tack and equipment. The horses will then be asked to follow the direction of the Ringmaster as they line up for the halter portion of the class. When their halter inspections are completed, they will again follow the Ringmaster in the same order and proceed over the hunter course. When all horses have completed the hunter course, they must trot for soundness before the judge(s).
2. All three portions of the class are to count equally.
3. Before competitors are allowed two minutes to un-tack and groom, it should be announced that horses are to remain in the same order as they go on the rail, both for the halter and hunter portions of the class.
4. Horses may not leave the arena between portions of the class.
5. The hunter requirements for judging, faults, elimination, and fences are to meet the same requirements as specified under MH128. There shall be two to four fences.
6. Horses must complete all three divisions, without disqualification, to be eligible for a ribbon.
7. Open to Pleasure, Country Pleasure, and Park horses.

MH130 Roman Chariot Event

1. General

- a. This class is intended as a display of horsemanship. To be shown as a team of horses hitched to a Roman style chariot, with emphasis on the authenticity of the chariot, harness and drivers apparel.
- b. There were several different types used for chariots in that era, such as fighting vehicles, racing, parades and transportation for royalty. Any of these themes may be used as a reenactment of this era.
- c. The origin of parading of horses before a race or competition was said to have originated with the chariot horses at the time. Therefore, at the discretion of management and allotment of time, entries may be permitted to parade their horses and rigs in the arena before the beginning of the class. Banners, flags and capes, represent stables, sponsors, etc. may be displayed and carried by the drivers at this time. All entries may parade at this time at a collected trot only for the audience to inspect. The entries will exit the arena, shed their robes, banners, flags, etc. and will be ready for competition. No flags or banners are allowed in or around the arena at the time of
2. Horses are to enter the ring counter clockwise (to the right) at a collected trot. To be shown both ways of the arena at a collected trot, slow canter, hand gallop and walk. Horses to reverse at a walk on the diagonal. Horses must be called to a walk after a hand gallop and line up for final inspection. Header in at this time. Must stand quietly and are not required to back. To be judged 50% on manners and performance and 50% on fit and appropriateness of vehicle and harness, and overall appearance. Inappropriate attire to be severely penalized.
3. Gaits
 - a. Walk: A free, regular and forward moving four beat gait. Horses must appear calm and well mannered.
 - b. Collected trot: Horses to give an airy appearance while also showing that they have perfect manners, good mouths and under control at all times.
 - c. Slow Canter: Horses must demonstrate a slow canter in unison, be calm and light mouthed
 - d. Hand Gallop: Horses must do a hand gallop in unison, not at full speed or racing or giving the appearance of being out of control. Manners are most important at this gait and unruly horses or unsafe driving will result in disqualification.
4. Manners and safety are of utmost importance in this class. Judge may disqualify any entry that is deemed unsafe or unruly.
5. Drivers must be 16 years old or older.
6. Drivers may talk to their horse(s) as long as it does not interfere with other horses.

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7. *Horses in the team must show in the same gait (not one trotting and the other cantering or walking).*
8. *Horses may be light shod.*
9. *Open to 38" & Under. Class may be divided 34" & Under and 34" to 38" if four entries of each division are entered.*
10. *Headers are encouraged.*
11. *Equipment*
 - a. *Chariots must be safe and should resemble Roman chariots. Chariots deemed unsafe by Competition Management, Steward, or Judge may be disqualified.*
 - b. *No weapons allowed on the chariots, drivers or horses*
 - c. *Chariots and harness may have logos, farm names or sponsor names displayed.*
 - d. *Whips of appropriate size are permissible. No bullwhips, etc.*
 - e. *Open bridles are permissible. Side or over checks are permitted.*
12. *Only four chariots may be in the ring at one time and must stay well spaced and on the rail.*
13. *Judge may bring in the top qualifying chariots, four at a time for final workout.*
14. *Attire should resemble the Roman era and will be judged accordingly.*
15. *Single Roman Chariot*
 - a. *Chariot to be pulled by a single horse with class requirements and judging to be the same as the Roman Chariot hitch team specifications.*
 - b. *Drivers to be 13 years old and older.*

MH131 Leadline

Horse to be 38" and under. Rider to be six years old or younger. Leader must be 16 years of age or older. Horse to be led both ways of the ring, line up, and stand quietly. To be judged on rider's ability to handle and aid the horse. Mares and geldings only. Entry is made in the name of the rider.

MH132 Specialty Classes

Specialty classes may be offered at a competition. If any of these classes are offered, a class description must be given in the prize list.

MH133 Showmanship

1. *Exhibitors are to show to the presiding judge.*
2. *Only the handler is to be judged.*
3. *Management must choose and post the showmanship patterns. The pattern must be posted two hours prior to the start of the class.*
4. *Attire: Hat, boots, long sleeved shirt, and gloves are required.*
5. *Scoring*
 - a. *Appearance of Exhibitor: 10 points - clothes and person should be neat and clean.*
 - b. *Appearance of Horse: 40 points - conformation not to be a factor.*
 - (1) *15 Points - conditioning*
 - (2) *15 points - grooming of horse*
 - (3) *5 points - trimming*
 - (4) *5 points - tack*
 - c. *Showing horse in ring: 50 points. Judge will discuss the selected pattern with contestants prior to class.*
 - d. *Leading: 15 points*
 - (1) *Enter ring leading animal at an alert walk in a counter-clockwise direction. Walk on animal's left side, holding lead shank in right hand near halter. The remaining portion of the lead is held neatly and safely in left hand. Animal should lead readily at a walk. After Judge has lined up the class in front of spectators, the judge will call on each exhibitor individually to move his or her horse. When moving the horse, the Judge must get a clear, unobstructed view of the horse's action. The horse should be allowed sufficient lead to move freely the required distance, stop, and be turned to the right with the handler walking around the horse. Handler should perform the showmanship pattern as directed by the Judge or Ring Steward.*

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e. Presentation: 15 points

(1) When presenting the horse, the handler should stand toward the front facing the horse, but always in a position where the handler can keep an eye on the Judge. Pose the horse with his feet squarely under him. Most of the showing should be done with the lead strap. It is forbidden to touch or kick the horse's leg into position. Crowding should be severely penalized and handler should maintain adequate space between his/her entry and surrounding entries. When Judge is observing other entries, the entry should stand in a relaxed manner, with handler in a state of awareness. Over and maneuvering are considered examples of showmanship faults.

f. Poise, alertness, and merits: 20 points

(1) The handler should be aware of the position of the judge at all times and be careful not to become distracted by persons or things outside the ring. The animal must be ready to be shown at all times. Courtesy and sportsmanlike behavior must be exhibited at all times. Ideal showmanship performance consists of a poised, confident and appropriately attired exhibitor leading a well-groomed and conditioned horse that quickly and efficiently performs the requested pattern and maneuvers in a safe and efficient manner. A Judge may ask an exhibitor questions (Example: exhibitor number, horse's age, body parts of horse, etc.) At his/her discretion a Judge may ask an exhibitor for an additional test after completion of one of the three set patterns.

6. The half system method will be used. Exhibitor must be on the opposite half of the horse from the judge. When the judge is in position 1 then the exhibitor should be in position 1, when the judge is in position 2 then the exhibitor should be in position 2, etc.

Pattern # 1

Walk to the Judge in a straight line. Stop and set up the horse. Upon acknowledgement from the judge, a 180 degree turn is performed. Trot in a straight line, past the line-up, stop. Do a 180 degree turn. Walk horse forward to the original place in the line-up (where you were when you started the pattern) and represent the horse.

Pattern # 2

Walk toward the Judge in a straight line. Stop ½ way between the line-up and the Judge and do a 360 degree pivot and stop. All pivots are to be to the right. Continue at a walk (in a straight line) toward the judge. Stop and present the horse. Upon acknowledgement from the judge, do a 180 degree pivot. Trot in a straight line, past the line-up and stop. Do a 180 degree pivot. Walk horse forward to the original place in the line and represent the horse.

Pattern #3

Walk (in a straight line) to the judge, Stop and set up the horse. Upon acknowledgement from the judge, do a 180 degree pivot. All pivots are to be to the right. Trot (in a straight line) toward the line-up. Stop ½ way between the judge and the line-up and do a 360 degree pivot and stop. Continue at a trot in a straight line, past the line-up and stop. Do a 180 degree pivot. Walk horse forward to the to the original place in the line and represent the horse.

MH134 Physically or Mentally Challenged (PMC) Classes

1. PMC classes may be split for Youth and Adults.

2. In order to show in the Physically/Mentally Challenged (PMC) Division, exhibitors must have a doctor diagnosed/permanent disability and have gone through the dispensation process as defined in GR1313. This rule also applies to Handlers. Exhibitors who are not disabled may not compete in these classes.

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Intent of Proposal:

Adds Miniature Horses to the Rule Book

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/10

Linked Rule Changes:

Proponent

AMHR

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Date

9/21/2010

Committee/Organization

National Affiliates Working Group

Draft: Action-Date

1:No Action

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

Board of Directors

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Date

USEF
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Draft # **1**

Rule: NS105.7

Rule Change Type Standard

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

Proposed Change:

NS105 General. [Chapter NS. National Show Horse Division] **Add new:**

7. A judge licensed in the Arabian and/or Saddlebred Division may officiate.

Proponent: National Show Horse Registry

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Intent of Proposal:

Widen the pool of eligible judges

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes:

<u>Proponent</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
National Show Horse Registry	Withdrawn	9/15/2010
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Budget and Finance Committee Comments:

Staff and Committee Comments

Legal Comments:

Other Comments:

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Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

Rule: SB101.2 - .3**Rule Change Type:** Standard

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

Proposed Change:**SB101 Eligibility.** [Chapter SB. Saddlebred Horse Division] **Change to read:**

2. A copy of the registration papers showing recorded ownership, or a copy of the registration papers with a Certificate of Eligibility to Show issued by the American Saddlebred Registry must be submitted with entry form at the time of making entry or presented to competition office before competition number will be released unless the competition, at their discretion, confirms registration electronically with the American Saddlebred Registry or the Canadian Livestock Records Corporation; competition management is responsible for notifying exhibitors of this requirement. See GR1309.2a(5). Exception: Horses shown in any USEF Regular Competition prior to December 31, 1979, and Saddle bred-type ponies. The ASR will provide the Federation with a monthly report of affidavits filed in violation of this Article. A copy of the registration papers will be returned when exhibitors pick up their numbers, if requested. In the event a person files a false affidavit or an affidavit to show change of ownership or change of name without having taken steps to make the change with the ASHA, the Federation will levy a fine against that person in the amount of \$200. See GR1302.2a(5), GR907.3, and GR1309.2b. If the foregoing \$200 fine is not paid within 30 days of receipt of the Federation's notice of fine, said person and any horses owned by him/her or his/her stable will be automatically suspended until the fine is paid. If the person disputes that the fine is not properly owing, he/she can request a hearing of these issues before the Hearing Committee provided a written statement specifying the grounds for the hearing is received at the Federation's office within 30 days of receipt of the Federation's notice of fine. The request must be accompanied by a deposit of \$100 made by a Federation member or the parent of a junior exhibitor member ~~or \$200 if made by a non-member~~ (check payable to the Federation). Said deposit will be refunded in the event the hearing is resolved in the favor of the member/~~non-member~~.

3. Owners and trainers of horses participating at Federation licensed competitions rated "A" in all Saddlebred sections must be current members in good standing with the American Saddlebred Horse Association, Inc. or the American Saddlebred Horse Association of Canada and provide an original or copy of the ASHA or ASHA of Canada membership card unless the competition, at their discretion, confirms membership electronically with the ASHA or the ASHA of Canada office. Lessees are considered owners in connection with this membership requirement. In the event of an entry under multiple ownership, only one owner need be a member.

a. If the ASHA membership card is not available, the exhibitor, or his or her agent, must sign the ASHA membership affidavit giving his or her name, address, the fact that he or she is in possession of the proper credentials and the reason the information is not available. In the event a person files a false affidavit to prove membership with the ASHA, the Federation will levy a fine against that person in the amount of \$200. See GR1302.2a(5), GR1302.2c, GR907.3, and GR1309.2b. If the foregoing \$200 fine is not paid within 30 days of receipt of the Federation's notice of fine, said person and any horses owned by him/her or his/her stable will be automatically suspended until the fine is paid. If the person disputes that the fine is not properly owing, he/she can request a review of these issues before the Hearing Committee, provided a written statement specifying the grounds for the review is received at the Federation's office within 30 days of receipt of the Federation's notice of fine. The request must be accompanied by a deposit of \$200 made by a Federation member or the parent of a junior exhibitor member ~~or \$200 if made by a non-member~~ (check payable to the Federation). Said deposit will be refunded in the event the review is resolved in favor of the member/~~non-member~~.

Proponent: Administration and Finance Committee

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Intent of Proposal:

To provide member benefits to all competitors in USEF licensed competitions and to help facilitate a more efficient show office experience by requiring membership credentials for all exhibitors.

Proposed Effective Date: 12/1/11

Linked Rule Changes: 547-10, 548-10, , 550-10, 551-10, 552-10, 553-10, 554-10, 555-10, 556-10, 557-10, 558-10, 559-10, 560-10, 561-

Proponent

Administration and Finance Committee

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Date

1/20/2011

Committee/Organization

Administration & Finance Working Group

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Saddlebred

1:Approved-12/13/2010

All Committees

1:No Action

Safety	1:Disapproved-11/18/2010
Connemara	1:Tabled-11/8/2010, 1:Disapproved-12/6/2010
Saddle Seat Eq	1:Tabled-11/19/2010
National Affiliates Working Group	1:Approved-11/23/2010
Competition Secretaries	1:Disapproved-11/12/2010
Continuing Education	1:Disapproved-11/8/2010
Eventing	1:Approved-12/9/2010
Licensed Officials	1:Approved-1/6/2011
Welsh	1:Disapproved-12/14/2010
Steward-Technical Delegate Committee	1:Approved-12/21/2010

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:***Staff and Committee Comments:***

Safety 11-18-10: The committee does not have enough information to make an educated determination on this PRC.

UPHA Convention, 1-8-11, Draft 1: Group was concerned about whether a trainer would even be able to sign up a member for membership, especially when an amateur; concern about new members going to one show and having to get membership; approved-0; disapproved-majority (50+); abstain-3

Legal Comments:***Other Comments:***

Board of Directors**Action****Date**

Rule: SB104.2**Rule Change Type:** Standard

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Proposed Change:**SB104 Appointments.** [Chapter SB, Saddlebred Horse Division] **Change to read:**

2. Electronic communication devices used for purposes of coaching, etc., between competitors and individuals outside the ring shall be prohibited in all classes in the Saddlebred Division. ~~Exempt from this rule are riders and drivers who have been granted a presidential modification in accordance with GR151.~~ **Exception: A handicapped participant may use electronic devices if, prior to the class, he/she presents to the Federation Steward written justification from accredited treating personnel setting forth the necessity of the equipment.**

Proponent: Saddlebred Committee

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Rule was changed effective 4-1-09 to require presidential modification at the same time another rule change was passed to not require them for breed competitions. Changing in order clarify and standardize procedure among breed divisions.

Proposed Effective Date: Immediately upon notification**Linked Rule Changes:****Proponent**

Saddlebred Committee

Action

Withdrawn

Date

1/21/2011

Committee/Organization

Saddlebred

Draft: Action-Date

1:Approved-11/18/2009, 2:No Action

Legal Review

1:No Action, 2:Disapproved-1/21/2011

Steward-Technical Delegate Committee

2:No Action

Licensed Officials

2:Disapproved-1/6/2011

Safety

2:Approved-1/21/2011

Budget and Finance Committee Comments:**Staff and Committee Comments:**

LOC: Draft 2; 1-6-11: need better terminology, rather than 'handicapped participant.'

Legal Comments:**Other Comments:**

Deemed not EO on 1-6-10. Will go as standard for 2010 cycle.

Board of Directors**Action****Date**

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Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

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Draft # **1**

Rule: WL101 - WL147

Rule Change Type: Standard

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Proposed Change:

[Chapter WL. Welsh Pony and Cob Division] **Reorganize chapter:**

**CHAPTER WL
WELSH PONY AND COB DIVISION**

(For rules pertaining to Welsh Cobs, see WL128-WL140)

Subchapter WL-1 SECTIONS A AND B General Qualifications

WL101 Eligibility

1. All **animals** ponies must be registered in the stud book of the Welsh Pony and Cob Society of America, Inc. or the Welsh Pony and Cob Society of Canada and must be entered under their full registered name, or, if under one year, be eligible for registration.
2. A registered Welsh Pony, **Cob, or Half-Welsh** recorded with the Federation under a different name, must show in Welsh classes for high score award points under its **full** Welsh name. Welsh points will be awarded if its correct USEF registration number is used and its registered Welsh name is cross-referenced on the USEF certificate.
3. Registered Half-Welsh and Purebred Welsh may only show together in trail, equitation and carriage driving classes.
4. The Welsh Pony and Cob Division Rules are supplemented by the official Welsh Pony and Cob Society of America, Inc. Sanctioned Show Rules Book. Federation rules take precedence. It is the responsibility of judges, stewards, exhibitors and officials to comply with the criteria and intent of the WPCSA Sanctioned Show Rules Book. A current copy of the WPCSA Sanctioned Show Rules Book may be obtained from: WPCSA, 720 Green Street, Stephens City, VA 22655.
5. Before a pony may be issued a number or enter the ring, the Show Secretary must have a copy of the Welsh Certificate of Registration in the current owner's name. If the pony is under one year of age and not yet registered, submit a copy of dam's Certificate of Registration, the registration number and registered name of the sire and the proposed registration name of entry. **Unnamed foals may not be shown.**

WL102 Height

1. **Whenever possible, classes should be divided by height.** Section A ponies may not exceed 12.2 hands. Section B ponies may not exceed 14.2 hands. **Section C, Welsh Pony of Cob Type, may not exceed 13.2 hands. Section D, Welsh Cob, exceeds 13.2 hands with no upper height limit.** Measurements to be conducted per HU, HU169-HU180.
2. Management shall not permit an animal to be shown in any Welsh, **Half-Welsh, or Welsh Cob** performance class at a Federation Licensed Competition unless the person presenting the animal is in possession of one of the following:
 - a. A measurement card issued by the Federation bearing the date of August 15, 1993 or thereafter; or
 - b. A certified measurement card applied for prior to December 1, 1987; or
 - c. a copy of a valid measurement form. Competition management may, at its discretion, confirm any of the foregoing information electronically with the Federation Office.
3. At Regular Competitions, management may not give out an exhibitor's number for an animal showing in a Welsh Pony, **Cob, or Half-Welsh** performance class before the above requirements have been complied with, and charges of rule violations for hearing and determination to Chapters GR6 and GR7 shall result for failure of compliance with this Rule.
4. ~~Whenever possible, performance classes should be divided by height. Classes to be divided in to 12.2 hands and under, over 12.2 hands but not exceeding 14.2 hands~~
4. 5. Section A and Section B ponies may be shown together. ~~unless there are (8) eight or more ponies of each height section, then the class must be split and the prize money doubled.~~ **Section C and Section D cobs may be shown together in breeding and performance classes.**
 - a. **Section C and Section D cobs may not be shown with Section A or Section B ponies except in the following classes:**
 - (1) **Welsh Trail**
 - (2) **Welsh Draft Harness Pony**
 - (3) **Welsh Carriage Driving**
 - (4) **Welsh Pony Leading Rein**
 - (5) **Welsh Child's First Pony**
5. **If there are eight or more of each section in a performance class, the class must be split and the prize money doubled.**

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WL103 Section A and Section B Type and Conformation.

1. The Welsh Pony is a strong, proud going pony and his competition ring training should be aimed at developing his natural and characteristic action to its best expression. Suitability of the pony and its action for the type of job at hand is essential. General character is hardy, spirited and pony-like.

2. Any color except piebald and skewbald; head small and clean cut, well set on and tapering to the muzzle, a slight dish is desirable; eyes bold, set wide apart, ears well-placed, small and pointed, well up on head, **proportionately close**; nostrils prominent **and open**; jaws and throat clean and finely cut. Neck shall be lengthy, well carried and moderately lean in the case of mares but inclined to be cresty in the case of **mature** stallions; shoulders long and sloping well back; withers moderately fine but not “knifey”, the humerus upright so that the foreleg is not set in under the body. Forelegs should be set square and true, not tied in at the elbow, with long, strong forearms, well developed knee and short flat bone below. Back and loins should be muscular, strong and well-coupled; girth deep and ribs well-sprung; hindquarters lengthy and fine, not cobby, ragged or goose rumped, with tail well set on and carried gaily; the hindlegs should have large hocks, flat and clean with points prominent, to turn neither inward nor outward, the hindlegs not to be bent, hocks not to be set behind a line from the point of the quarter to the fetlock joint. Pasterns should have ~~medium~~ **proportionate** slope and length, feet well-shaped and round, hoofs dense.

3. **Action should be quick, free, and straight from the shoulder, well away in front. Hocks should be well-flexed with straight and powerful leverage and well under the body.**

WL130 104 Section C and Section D Type and Conformation.

General Character: **1. The Welsh Cob is strong and proud going and his competition ring training should be aimed at developing his natural and characteristic action to its best expression. Suitability of the Cob and its action for the type of job at hand is essential.**

2. Strong, hardy and active with pony character and as much substance as possible. Color: Any color except piebald or skewbald. Head: Full of quality and pony character. A coarse head and Roman nose is most objectionable. Eyes: Bold, prominent and set widely apart. Ears: Neat and well set. Neck: Lengthy and well carried. Moderately lean in the case of mares but inclined to be cresty in the case of **mature** stallions. Shoulders: Strong but well laid back. Forelegs: Set square and not tied in at the elbows. Long strong forearms. Knees well developed with an abundance of bone below them. Pasterns of proportionate slope and length. Feet well shaped. Hooves dense. **When in the rough**, a moderate quantity of silky feather is not objected to but coarse, wiry hair is a definite objection. Middlepiece: Back and loins, muscular, strong and well-coupled. Deep through the heart and well ribbed up. Hindquarters: Lengthy and strong. Ragged or drooping quarters are objectionable. Tail well set on. Hindlegs: Second thighs, strong and muscular. Hocks large, flat and clean, with points prominent, turning neither inward nor outward. The hindlegs must not be too bent and the hock not set behind a line falling from the point of the quarter to the fetlock joint. Pasterns of proportionate slope and length. Feet well shaped. Hooves dense. Action: Free, true and forceful. The knee should be bent and the whole foreleg should be extended straight from the shoulder and as far forward as possible in the trot. Hocks flexed under the body with straight and powerful leverage.

WL104/105 Artificial Appliances and Irritants.

Any pony, **Cob, or Half-Welsh** wearing turnbuckles, equipment or devices other than those permitted in specific classes and any pony, **Cob, or Half-Welsh** showing evidence of the use of ginger or other irritants to produce a higher tail carriage than the natural position shall be disqualified from the class in which it is competing.

WL105/106 Shoeing Regulations.

1. Ponies, **Cobs, and Half-Welsh** may be shown barefoot. Foals and yearlings must be shown barefoot. In Breeding classes when Two-Year-Olds are shod, the shoes must be unweighted and the foot natural with frog close to ground; pads and additional weight of any description shall disqualify. **In all classes the foot should be natural in appearance with the frog close to the ground.**

2. The length of toe for Section “A” and “B” ponies **12.2 hands and under** must not exceed 4”; the shoe excluding nails but including pad must not weigh more than 10 oz. The length of toe for Section “B” ponies **over 12.2 hands** must not exceed 4” **4.5”**; the shoe excluding nails including pads must not weigh more than 12 oz. These measurements and weights will in most cases be less depending on the actual size of a pony and the type of competition (See General Rules Chapter 5 and GR804.1.)

3. **The length of the toe for Section “C” and “D” cobs must be proportional to the size of the animal. The shoe excluding nails but including pad must not weigh more than 18 oz. These measurements and weight will in most cases be less depending on the actual size of a Cob and the type of competition**

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WL106107 Ring Procedures.

1. Only one person shall be allowed in the ring with each ~~pony~~ **animal** except in driving classes where each ~~pony~~ **animal** may be headed by one attendant properly attired. The attendant must take no action that would affect the performance of any ~~pony~~ **animal**.
2. Passengers are allowed in Driving Classes. ***Drivers under 12 years of age must be accompanied by an adult.***
3. Assistance in showing from outside the ring is prohibited.
4. Unruly ~~ponies~~ **animals** must be excused from the ring.
5. Exhibitors shall be suitably attired.
6. Judges must severely penalize any ~~pony~~ **animal** that shows any indication of instability or weakness or any evidence of labored action due to faulty conformation, training, long toes, heavy shoes or improper shoeing.
7. When ponies are shown standing, the toe of at least one hind foot should be no farther back than the point of the rump. Ponies are not to be stretched. ***When Cobs are shown standing, the toe of at least one hind foot should be no farther back than the point of the quarter. Stretched Cobs must be disqualified.***
8. ***Courses for Trail classes must be posted near the in gate of the ring in which the classes are to be held at least one hour prior to the class.***

WL107108 Attire (General).

1. In all classes ***cases***, handlers, riders and drivers should be appropriately attired. ("Short" shorts, bare midriffs and flimsy footwear are not acceptable). Those persons who, in the opinion of the judge, are inappropriately attired may be excused from the ring. Protective headgear may be worn in all classes without penalty. See GR801.
2. ***Driving Attire and Appointments***
 - a. ***Gentlemen to wear suit or slacks and jacket, shirt, tie, hat, gloves, apron and carry a whip. Ladies to wear slacks, blouse and jacket or tailored suit or dress, hat, gloves and apron, whip must be carried.***
 - b. ***Junior and adults riding in the competition may wear riding clothes in driving classes but must have gloves, apron and whip.***
 - c. ***Failure to follow the above rules will be penalized.***
 - d. ***Period dress is allowed only in Antique Vehicle classes.***
 - e. ***NOTE: In case of extreme heat, jackets may be removed at the discretion of the judge. Appropriate rain gear is permissible.***

WL108 Driving Attire and Appointments.

~~Gentlemen to wear suit or slacks and jacket, shirt, tie, hat, gloves, apron and carry a whip. Ladies to wear slacks, blouse and jacket or tailored suit or dress, hat, gloves and apron, whip must be carried. Junior and adults riding in the competition may wear riding clothes in driving classes but must have gloves, apron and whip. Failure to follow the above rules will be penalized. Period dress is allowed only in Antique Vehicle classes. Drivers under 12 years of age must be accompanied by an adult. Drivers may carry passengers. NOTE: In case of extreme heat, jackets may be removed at the discretion of the judge. Appropriate rain gear is permissible.~~

WL109 Performance Championships.

1. When three or more classes are offered in a section, the Championship must be awarded on a point basis, using 5, 3, 2 and 1 values for first through fourth places.
2. Ribbons won in classes with specifications restricting ponies, ***Cobs, or Half-Welsh*** in any manner shall not count toward any Championship unless such classes are complementary and have the same conditions.
3. When a Championship is offered, management shall keep a score card of winnings throughout the competition which shall be prominently displayed. The Champion and Reserve titles shall be awarded to the two of the four ~~ponies~~ **animals** which have acquired the most points in Open Performance classes. In addition to these points, only these four ~~ponies~~ **animals** shall receive half points for ribbons won in Model Classes.
4. At the discretion of competition management, ties (except hunter) may either be settled by the flip of a coin or animals may be worked off on the rail using the same judging specifications as in the classes offered in the division. In case of a tie in the hunter division, the championship or reserve will be awarded to the animal that accumulated the most points over fences. If animals have an equal number of points over fences, they must be shown at a walk, trot and canter using the same judging specifications as in the classes offered in the division.

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WL110 Model Classes.

1. A Model class open to all *Section A and Section B* Welsh ponies is prohibited. One may be offered, however, in each of the classifications listed below. The Model class must be offered in addition to the required number of the classes for the section and will receive half points. To be shown in halter or bridle without quarter boots. To be judged on type, conformation and finish. To be moved on the line.
2. *A Model class open to all Welsh Cobs is prohibited. One may be offered, however, in each of the classifications listed below. The Model class must be offered in addition to the required number of classes for the section and will receive half points. To be shown in halter or bridle without quarter boots. To be judged on type, conformation and finish. To be moved on the line. Suitability to be emphasized in all classes.*

SUBCHAPTER WL-2 SECTIONS A AND B BREEDING CLASSES.

WL111 General.

1. *Animals to enter at the beginning of the class at a trot, on the rail, in a clockwise direction. Animals will line up and will then be called to be judged individually.* Ponies to be shown In-Hand at a walk and trot except in Group classes. To be judged 85% on breed type, conformation, quality and substance; 15% on way of going, disposition and manners.
2. Stallions three years old and over must have all the fully developed physical characteristics of a stallion. Mature stallions must be masculine in appearance. Any question in this regard shall be determined by the official veterinarian.
3. ~~Ponies~~ *Animals* must be serviceably sound, in good condition and well groomed. ~~To be shown in halter or bridle.~~ Transmissible weakness and unsoundness to be counted against in Breeding classes. *If not shod, ponies should be appropriately trimmed. Judge must severely penalize any Cob that shows any indication of instability or weakness or any evidence of laboring action due to fault conformation, training, long toes, heavy shoes, or improper shoeing.*
4. Classes will be divided into A and B sections. Ponies will be shown in Section A or Section B based on their registration with the Welsh Pony and Cob Society. Section A and Section B ponies may not be shown together in breeding classes, however they may be shown together in performance and model classes.
5. *To be shown in halter or bridle. Cob stallions may be shown in tack.*
6. Turnout.
 - a. *Cobs may be shown with full, natural or evened mane. The entire mane may not be braided, however, one single braid behind the ear is permissible. Cobs may be presented in the manner they will show in performance classes that day.*
 - b. *Cobs to be shown with tail unset and ungingered. A bridle path, if necessary, shall not exceed two inches. Any Cobs wearing spoon cruppers, quarter boots, humane tail braces, switches and wigs or any Cobs whose tails have been docked, nicked, gingered or put in a tail set for the class entered shall be disqualified.*
 8. *No animal, except geldings, may be shown in a group class unless it is being shown in a single breeding class at the same competition. Sire and dam need not be present. Additional rules to be determined by the individual competitions.*
9. *Actual age to be taken into consideration in judging Cob foals and yearlings.*
10. *Emphasis for Cobs shall be on breed characteristics. Natural reaching action is desired.*

WL112 Section A and Section B Junior and Senior Breeding Classes.

1. *Junior Breeding Classes.* Open to ponies two years old and under. Section A ponies are to wear natural, unbraided or evened mane and natural, unset, ungingered tail. The long hair of the ears may be clipped. Braiding is optional for Section B ponies. Actual age to be taken into consideration in judging foals and yearlings. Section A ponies are to wear natural, unbraided or evened mane and natural, unset, ungingered tail.
2. *Senior Breeding Classes.* *Open to ponies three years old and over. Ponies may be presented in the same manner as they are in classes of the Welsh section in which they perform except that the length of the toe shall not exceed the maximum. (See WL106). However, any ponies wearing spoon cruppers, quarter boots, humane tail braces, switches and wigs or any ponies whose tails have been nicked, gingered or put in a tail set for the class entered shall be disqualified. Stallions may be shown in tack. Emphasis shall be on breed characteristics. Natural reaching action is desired.*

WL113 Senior Breeding Classes.

Open to ponies three years old and over. Ponies may be presented in the same manner as they are in classes of the Welsh section in which they perform except that the length of the toe shall not exceed the maximum. (See WL105). However, any ponies wearing spoon cruppers, quarter boots, humane tail braces, switches and wigs or any ponies whose tails have been nicked, gingered or put in a tail set for the class entered shall be disqualified. Stallions may be shown in tack. Emphasis shall be on breed characteristics. Natural reaching action is desired.

WL114/13 Recommended Classes.

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SUBCHAPTER WL-3 SECTIONS A AND B PERFORMANCE CLASSES.

WL115/14 General.

1. Stallions may be shown in Ladies and Junior Exhibitor classes unless the prize list stipulated otherwise.
2. Classes for adult riders must be offered separately from those for junior riders. In all driving classes, Sections C and D classes, and Half-Welsh classes juniors and adults may compete together. Suitability is *essential and* to be emphasized in all classes.
3. Classes are open to stallions, mares and geldings. To be judged 75% on performance, manners, *movement* and style; 25% on breed type, conformation, quality and finish with emphasis in the order listed under recommended classes unless otherwise specified. Working classes are to be judged 100% on performance, *conformation not to count*. See *WPCSA Sanctioned Show Rules—Performance Division*.
4. To be eligible for any Stake class, an ~~pony~~ *animal* must have been entered, shown and judged in at least one qualifying class judged under the same specifications.
5. All *Section A and Section B* performance classes will be divided by height. Refer to WL102.21.
6. *The Pleasure and Hunter sections for all sections and Half-Welsh may be divided by the riders' age as long as both complementary divisions are offered. The two age divisions are defined as riders 12 and under, and riders 13 to 17 years.*
7. *Two of the classes in each performance division must be judged as conformation classes. Exception: Carriage Driving.*

WL116/15 Qualifying Gaits.

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4. *Gallop: Faster and lower to the ground than the canter.*

WL117/16 Welsh Pleasure Pony Section.

1. ~~Ponies~~ *Animals* to wear unset, ungingered tail. Hunter braiding is optional. *Any animal wearing a spoon crupper, showing evidence of ginger or set tail shall be disqualified.*
2. To be shown with a natural foot and unweighted shoes. Pads may be used but additional weight of any description is prohibited. Any *animal* ~~pony~~ wearing a spoon crupper, showing evidence of ginger or set tail, or whose feet and shoes exceed the limits as set forth in WL105106 shall be disqualified. ~~To be judged 75% on performance, manners, movement and style; 25% on breed type and conformation.~~
3. *Up to three of the following tests may be chosen for use in any of the working classes. Judges may use their discretion. Adult classes may be asked to counter canter/lope or do turns on the forehand or haunches at the discretion of the show committee and/or judge.*
 - a. *Halt on rail*
 - b. *Halt on rail and back four steps*
 - c. *Canter/lope on correct lead from trot/jog*
 - d. *Canter/lope on correct lead from halt*
 - e. *Perform figure eight at the trot/jog. If riding English, the entrant will switch diagonals at the center of the figure.*
 - f. *Perform figure eight at the canter/lope demonstrating a simple change of lead at the center of the figure. (This is a change whereby the animal is brought back into a walk or trot/jog and restarted into a canter/lope on the opposite lead.*
 - g. *Side passes are an optional test for Western pleasure.*
4. *Tack*
 - a. *English Pleasure ponies, Cobs, and Half-Welsh to be shown in regulation snaffles, pelhams, or full bridles all with cavesson nosebands. Non-conventional bits or nosebands may be penalized at the judge's discretion.*
 - b. *Western*
 - (1) *Western ponies, Cobs, and Half-Welsh will show with a stock or side saddle, but silver equipment will not count over a good working outfit.*
 - (2) *Entries may use any standard Western bit. A standard Western bit is defined as having a shank with a maximum overall length of 8.5 inches. The mouthpiece will consist of a metal bar 3/8 inches to 3/4 inches varying from the straight bar to a full spade. Jointed mouthpieces are permitted.*
 - (3) *Entries may use a standard snaffle bit only if animals are five years old and under. A standard snaffle bit is defined as a center jointed single, rounded, unwrapped smooth mouthpiece of 3/8" to 3/4" in diameter metal as measured from ring to 1" in from the ring with a gradual decrease to the center of the snaffle. The rings may be from 2" to 4" outside diameter of either the loose type, eggbutt, dee or center mounted without cheeks. If a curb strap or chain is used, it must be attached below the reins. Also, it must lie flat, be at least 1/2" in width and have no wire, rawhide, or other substance used with it.*

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(4) Hackamores are permitted in any class on animals five years old and under. A hackamore consists of a bosal round in shape and constructed of braided rawhide or leather and must have a flexible non-metallic core. Attached reins may be of hair, rope or leather. No other material of any kind is to be used in conjunction with a hackamore (i.e. steel, metal, or chains). (Exception: smooth plastic electrical tape is acceptable.)

(5) A leather chin strap or curb chain is mandatory on any bit with a shank. The must lie flat and be at least ½" in width. Rolled leather chin straps or twisted curb chains are strictly prohibited. No wire, rawhide, metal or other substance may be used in conjunction with or as part of the leather chin strap or curb chain. Rounded, rolled, braided, or rawhide curb straps are prohibited.

(6) Reins may be any standard Western rein; however, any rein design which increases the effect length of the shank of a standard Western bit is prohibited.

(7) Only one hand may be used on the reins and hands may not be changed except to negotiate and obstacle in a trail class. Hand is to be around the reins. When using split reins, the ends are to fall on the side of your reining hand. One finger is permissible between the reins. When using romal reins or when ends split reins are held in the hand not being used for reining, no finger between reins is permissible. The position of the hand not being used for reining is optional, but it should be kept free of the animal and equipment and held in a relaxed manner. Reins are to be carried immediately above or slightly in front of the saddle horn. When hackamores or snaffle bits are used, rider may use both hands. Both hands must be visible to the judge.

(8) Prohibited Bits/Equipment: roping bits with both reins connected to a single rein at center of cross bar; snaffle bits on any pony aged six or older; slip bits; gag bits; rigid donut mouthpiece bits; flat polo mouthpiece bits; hackamore bits; bosals on any pony aged six or older; cavesson type nosebands; martingales; tie does; bandages or boots of any type.

5. Attire to correspond with type of saddle used.

a. Western riders to wear a long-sleeved shirt or top with a visible collar. A zipper is permissible under the shirt post with the buttons or snaps being visible on the shirt post. A one piece long-sleeved equitation suit is acceptable provided it includes any type of collar. Trousers or pants are to be worn with a belt under the loops. Riders to wear protective headgear (required for juniors) or western hats. Protective headgear need not be of western type. Boots of western style to be worn. Gloves and western chaps are strongly suggested. Spurs are optional. A vest, jacket, coat, and/or sweater may also be worn.

6. The Western pleasure pony, Cob, or Half-Welsh should move freely with a stride length that is appropriate to its type, conformation and structure. Movements of the animal should appear smooth and without effort. The animal should have a balanced, free flowing motion. The head and neck should be in a normal and relaxed position. The poll should be level with or slightly above the level of the withers. The face should not be carried behind the vertical, indication possible intimidation, nor should it be nosed out, as that gives the appearance of resistance. The head should be level, nose slightly ahead of the vertical with a pleasant expression and alert ears. The animal should work on a reasonably loose rein, be relaxed and respond readily to all the rider's cues. Transitions and extension or collection of gaits should be smooth and the animal should move at an even pace. Stops and turns should be smooth, balanced and collected. Maximum credit should be given to the even moving, balanced and willing animal in good condition that appears to be a pleasant to ride.

7. Western Pleasure Gaits

a. Walk: A natural, flat-footed, lateral four beat, ground covering gait. The walk should be free flowing, straight, and true. The stride should be of adequate length and is influenced by type, conformation, and size of the animal.

b. Jog: A two beat diagonal gait with the animal working from one pair of diagonals to the other. The jog should be smooth, balanced and straight. Knee action should not be high or over flexed. Animals walking behind and jogging in front are not performing the true gait. When extended the jog should be ground covering, free and easy.

c. Lope: A free moving, natural three beat gait that should appear smooth and relaxed. Animals moving in a four beat gait are not considered to be traveling in a correct lope. Excessive speed is to be penalized.

2—8. WELSH PLEASURE PONIES ENGLISH EQUIPMENT-CONFORMATION ENGLISH PLEASURE, WORKING ENGLISH PLEASURE, CONFORMATION ENGLISH PLEASURE STAKE. To be shown at a walk, trot and canter **on light contact** both ways of the ring without martingale. **Animals are to be pleasurable and obedient with smooth transitions.** To be judged 75% on performance, manners, movement and style; 25% on breed type and conformation. **Working classes to be judged 100% on performance. Penalties to be assessed for extreme speed, extreme laziness, resistance shown by not responding to the required gait or not backing in the lineup, excessive chewing, tongue lolling, sour ears, wringing tail, rearing, balking, breaking gait or changes leads unnecessarily, incomplete equipment or attire. Up to three tests may be asked for.**

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9. WELSH COB PLEASURE ENGLISH EQUIPMENT-CONFORMATION ENGLISH PLEASURE, WORKING ENGLISH PLEASURE, CONFORMATION ENGLISH PLEASURE STAKE. *To be shown at a walk, trot and canter on light contact both ways of the ring without martingale. Animals are to be pleasurable and obedient with smooth transitions. To be judged 75% on manners, performance and style; 25% on breed type and conformation. Working classes to be judged 100% on performance. Penalties to be assessed for extreme speed, extreme laziness, resistance shown by not responding to the required gait or not backing in the lineup, excessive chewing, tongue lolling, sour ears, wringing tail, rearing, balking, breaking gait or changes leads unnecessarily, incomplete equipment or attire. Up to three tests may be asked for.*

3 10. WELSH PLEASURE PONIES WESTERN EQUIPMENT-CONFORMATION WESTERN PLEASURE, WORKING WESTERN PLEASURE, CONFORMATION WESTERN PLEASURE STAKE. *To be shown at a walk, jog-trot and lope both ways of the ring **without a martingale** on a reasonably loose rein without undue restraint. **Conformation classes** To be judged on performance, with emphasis on manners 65%; breed type and conformation 25%; appointments 10% (See Rules WS104 and WS105). **Working classes to be judged 100% on performance. Up to three tests may be asked for in the working class (see WL117.3).***

11. WELSH COB PLEASURE WESTERN EQUIPMENT-CONFORMATION WESTERN PLEASURE, WORKING WESTERN PLEASURE, CONFORMATION WESTERN PLEASURE STAKE. *To be shown at a walk, jog-trot and lope both ways of the ring without a martingale on a reasonably loose rein without undue restraint. Conformation classes to be judged on performance, with emphasis on manners 65%; breed type and conformation 25%; appointments 10% (See Rules WS104 and WS105). Working classes to be judged 100% on performance. Up to three tests may be asked for in the working class (see WL141.3).*

WL118/17 Welsh Trail Ponies.

WELSH TRAIL—1. Class to be divided into Junior and Adult To Ride. Registered ponies, cobs, and Half Welsh are eligible to compete together.

2. Exhibitors may show in English or Western tack and attire. Attire should match the seat being *to be* ridden.

3. To be shown over and through a minimum of 6 obstacles *and a maximum of eight obstacles, except in the case of damaged obstacles* at a walk, *optional* trot or jog and *optional* canter or lope. Junior Exhibitors may not side pass or canter/lope over loose rails. To be judged on performance 100%. Penalties are assessed for fussiness, extreme tension, rearing; not changing leads, extra lead changes; spooking when carrying objects; refusals; failure to maintain gaits; off course will result in no score and elimination.

4. *No animal may enter the trail course area until the course and judge are ready.*

5. *Riders will be permitted to inspect the course on foot during the judge's instructions prior to the start of the class.*

6. *Tests which may be required*

a. Negotiating the gate

b. Carrying objects from one part of the arena to another

c. Riding through water

d. Riding over logs or simulated brush

e. Riding down into and up out of ditch without lunging

f. Crossing a bridge (no rocking or moving bridges permitted)

g. Backing through obstacles

h. Sidepassing

i. Mounting and dismounting from either side

j. Performing over any reasonable conditions encountered along the trail

7. *Unnatural objects such as fire extinguishers, perforated plywood in water boxes, exotic animals or unsafe elements such as hay bales, should be avoided.*

WL119/18 Welsh Pleasure Driving Ponies.

1. *To be shown to a suitable two- or four-wheeled vehicle, four-wheeled vehicle for Pairs but not a viceroy, racing sulky or Fine Harness rig.*

2. Tack & Equipment

a. It is the driver's responsibility to see that the harness is in good condition, is clean and fits properly.

b. Bridles should fit snugly to prevent catching on the vehicle or other pieces of harness. A throatlatch and a noseband or cavesson are mandatory.

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c. Black harness is considered appropriate for painted vehicles and natural wood vehicles having black trim, i.e., shaft coverings, iron work, dash or upholstery. Brown or russet harness is considered appropriate on natural wood finished vehicles trimmed in brown or any child's conveyance.

d. All metal furnishing should match, be secure and polished.

e. Breast collars are appropriate with lightweight vehicles.

f. Full collars are suggested for heavy carriages such as coaches, brakes, phaetons, dog carts, etc. A correctly fitting harness saddle is important for the comfort of the animal. A wider saddle is suggested for two-wheeled vehicles as more weight rests on the animal's back. Narrower saddles are more appropriate for four-wheeled vehicles.

g. Martingales are permitted only if appropriate for a vehicle being used (i.e. standing martingales are only appropriate for a Stanhope Gig or George V. Phaeton). Side checks are optional in all pleasure driving classes. Overcheck not allowed in pleasure driving.

h. Snaffle bits and other types of traditional driving bits are allowed. Bits may be covered with rubber or leather.

i. An appropriate whip shall be carried at all times while driving. The thong on the whip must be long enough to reach the shoulder of the farthest animal. A driver not in compliance with the above shall be severely penalized.

3. Tying of tongue is prohibited.

4. The driver should be seated comfortably on the box so as to be relaxed and effective. Either the one or two handed method of driving is acceptable. Common to both methods, the elbows and arms should be close to the body with an allowing, but steady hand enabling a consistent feel with the animal's mouth. Drivers should not be penalized or rewarded for using one style over another.

5. Only the driver may handle the reins, whip or brake during a competition. The penalty for noncompliance is elimination. Drivers receiving outside assistance after the judging has begun will be disqualified at the judge's discretion unless that assistance has specifically been allowed (assistance of groom/passenger heading an animal).

6. Drivers and passengers should be dressed conservatively according to the style of the present day. Any attempt to introduce period costumes or gaudy trappings is discouraged. Gentlemen must wear a coat or jacket while appearing in any class unless excused from doing so by the judge. Ladies must wear a conservative dress, tailored suit or slacks. Floppy hats are discouraged. Unless otherwise specified, the driver shall wear a hat, an apron, and gloves. Sandals or other flimsy footwear are not acceptable. Drivers and passengers that are inappropriately attired may be penalized at the judge's discretion.

7. If shod, animals should be suitable shod for pleasure driving. Braiding of the mane is optional. Any mane, tail or fetlock trimming should conform to Welsh standards. Any application of artificial hair in the mane or tail is prohibited.

8. Excessive use of the voice, shouting, or whistling to the animal may be penalized at the judge's discretion. The driver should strive to control the animal's movements with minimum use of vocal aids. If necessary, it is permissible to talk to the animal in a subdued tone of voice. Cluck for starting, "walk on," "trot" and "whoa" are the more accepted terms.

9. Gaits.

a. Walk: a free, regular and unconstrained walk of moderate extension is required. The animals should walk energetically, but calmly, with even and determined pace.

b. Working Trot: This is a slower, more rounded pace than the trot on. The animals go forward freely and straight; engaging the hind legs with good hock action; on a taut, but light rein; the position being balanced and unconstrained. The steps should be as even as possible. The hind feet touch the ground in the foot prints of the forefeet. The degree of energy and impulsion displayed at the working trot denotes clearly the degree of suppleness and balance of the animal.

c. Trot-on: This is a clear, but not excessive, increase in pace and lengthening of stride while remaining well balanced and showing appropriate lateral flexion on turns. Light contact to be maintained. Excessive speed will be penalized.

d. Halt: Animals and vehicle should be brought to a complete square stop without abruptness or veering. At the halt, animals should stand attentively, motionless and straight with the weight evenly distributed over all four legs and be ready to move off at the slightest indication from the driver.

e. Rein back: defined as a backward movement in which the legs are raised and set down simultaneously in diagonal pairs with the hind legs remaining well in line. To be performed and judged in two parts:

(1) The animal must move backward at least four steps in an unhurried manner with head flexed and straight, pushing the carriage back evenly in a straight line. The driver should use quiet aids and light contact.

(2) Move forward willingly to former position using the same quiet aids.

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10. Penalties may be assessed for the following:

- a. *Animal not on the bit or resisting the bit*
- b. *Not demonstrating a variation in gaits.*
- c. *Loss of collection and balance resulting from extreme speed*
- d. *Sour ears, excessive chewing, wringing of the tail, rearing, balking*
- e. *Pulling with the jaw and neck rather than leaning into the collar and allowing propulsion from the hind quarters*
- f. *Resistance in the rein back indicated by raising the head and opening mouth.*

11. CONFORMATION PLEASURE DRIVING, WORKING PLEASURE DRIVING, CONFORMATION PLEASURE DRIVING STAKE. To be shown to a suitable two- or four-wheeled vehicle, four-wheeled vehicle for Pairs but not a viceroy, racing sulky or Fine Harness rig. To be shown both ways of the ring at a walk, working trot and trot on and stand quietly and except for tandems, to back readily. Maiden ponies animals shall be asked to do a walk and working trot. *Entries chosen for a workout may be worked both ways of the arena at any gait requested by the judge and may be asked to execute a figure eight.* To be judged 75% on performance, manners, movement and style; 25% on breed type and conformation.

WL120119 Welsh Roadster Pony Section.

1. *At all speeds Roadster Ponies should work in form, with their chins set and their legs working beneath them, going collectedly. At the trot, a pony whose action features folding of the knees, flexing of the hocks, with straight true action of front legs and with hocks carried close together and with motions coordinated, is executing a balanced trot. Animation, brilliance and show ring presence should characterize the Roadster in working at a jog-trot or road gait. When asked to drive on, the pony must show speed and go in form. Pacey gaited or mixed gaited ponies shall be penalized.*

1. 2. Ponies must be 12.2 Hands and under.

3. Ponies to wear long, natural mane and long, unset, ungingered tail. The foretop and first strand behind ear may be braided. To be shown with a natural foot with appropriate shoes for proper balance and speed. Quarter boots or bell boots may be worn. Any pony showing evidence of ginger or a set tail or whose feet and shoes exceed the limits as set forth in WL105 will be disqualified.

4. Harness, equipment, attire and procedure shall conform to the Roadster Division (Chapter RD) except round reins and round traces are optional.

2.—5. WELSH ROADSTERS PONIES TO BIKE-CONFORMATION ROADSTER TO BIKE, WORKING ROADSTER TO BIKE, CONFORMATION ROADSTER TO BIKE STAKE. To be shown to a miniature two-wheeled bike. Driver to wear stable colors. To be shown at a jogtrot, road gait and then at speed. To be judged 75% on performance, manners, movement, and style; 25% on breed type and conformation.

WL121120 Welsh Formal Driving Pony Section.

1. Ponies to wear long, natural mane and long, natural unset, ungingered tail. The foretop and first strand behind ears may be braided. ~~The foot must be natural with unweighted shoes. Pads may be used but additional weight of any description is prohibited.~~ Any pony wearing quarter boots, a spoon crupper, humane tail brace or false tail, showing evidence of ginger or a set tail or whose feet and shoes exceed the limits as set forth in WL105 shall be disqualified.

2. *The foot must be natural with unweighted shoes. Pads may be used but additional weight of any description is prohibited. Any animal whose feet and shoes exceed the limits set forth in WL106 shall be disqualified.*

3. To be shown to a suitable four-wheeled vehicle. Type of harness is optional but must include a cavesson.

4. *Attire should be appropriate to the vehicle and match the time of day, bearing in mind that this is a formal class.*

5. Penalties

- a. *Resistance on the rail or in the line-up*
- b. *Fighting the bit, opening the mouth excessively, tossing of the head*
- c. *Not performing the required gait*

2. 6. WELSH FORMAL DRIVING PONIES-CONFORMATION FORMAL DRIVING, WORKING FORMAL DRIVING, CONFORMATION FORMAL DRIVING STAKE. To be shown both ways of the ring at animated, natural trot and animated walk. To stand quietly and, except for Tandems, to back readily. To be judged 75% on performance, manners, movement and style; 25% on breed type and conformation. *Faulty or laboring action to be severely penalized.*

Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

WL122/121 Welsh Fine Harness Pony Section.

1. *A Welsh Fine Harness Pony may be described as the "peacock" of the show ring. Its collected motion should be lofty, airy, balanced, and reaching. The pony should possess presence, elegance, and refinement, with energy directed toward animation rather than speed.*

2. *Open to Section A and Section B ponies only.*

1-2. Ponies to wear long, natural mane and long, unset, ungingered tail. The foretop and first strand behind the ears may be braided. A spoon crupper or humane tail brace and wig or switch are optional.

3. *Hooves should not be excessively long and shoes should not be excessively heavy.* Quarter boots may be worn.

4. To be shown to a viceroys or miniature fine harness rig. Light harness with snaffle bit and over check is required. *Roadster type harness without thimbles should be used.*

5. *One attendant may head each entry, but may not interfere with the performance of the pony.*

6. *Ladies' attire should consist of a conservative dress, tailored suit or jacket with coordinating slacks, non-floppy hat, and gloves. Gentlemen should wear a suit or jacket with coordinating trousers, shirt, tie, hat, and gloves. A riding habit is acceptable. Driving apron and whip are optional, but should not be used in evening formal classes.*

7. *Penalties shall be assessed for:*

a. *Tossing the head, fighting the bit, carrying the head to one side, or opening the mouth*

b. *Bucking, rearing, balking, kicking*

c. *Resistance on the rail, in the line up, or while backing*

d. *Not performing the required gait*

8. *A pony suitable for open classes may not be suitable as a Ladies or Junior Exhibitor's fine harness entry.*

2-9. WELSH FINE HARNESS PONIES-CONFORMATION FINE HARNESS, WORKING FINE HARNESS, CONFORMATION FINE HARNESS STAKE. *To enter the ring counterclockwise at a free animated park trot, work at an animated walk, reverse across the ring at the walk, and then work at the park trot. To be shown at a free animated park trot, extreme speed at the park trot to be penalized, and at an animated walk. To stand quietly and back readily. To be judged 75% on performance, manners, movement and style; 25% on breed type and conformation.*

WL123/122 Welsh Draft Harness Pony Section.

1. Utilitarian usefulness is stressed for ponies ~~animals~~, harness and wagon.

2. ~~Ponies~~ *Animals* to wear long natural mane and tail. Braiding with decorations optional. Tails not to be docked. Clipping of fetlocks optional. If shod, shoeing must conform with WL105106.

3. To be shown to a suitable four-wheeled vehicle except a cart may be used for singles and tandems. Heavy draft type harness with collars and breeching is *required*. Full harness and lead bars on lead teams optional. *Pleasure-type harness with collars is not considered to be appropriate draft harness. In a single hitch, the point of the shafts should not extend in front of the chest where there is a risk of bit or rein catching. The animal should fit the harness and vehicle; one should not overwhelm the other.*

4. *Animals connected with other than a singletree, doubletree, neck yoke or spreader bar will be penalized.*

5. No one may assist the driver in any way except in the event of an emergency. Passengers are permitted. Sections A, B, C and D may be combined within a hitch and within a class.

6. *12.2 hands and under and 12.2 to 14.2 hands may be combined within a hitch.*

7. *The following individual maneuvers that may be requested include:*

a. *One or two figures of eight, beginning and concluding at the center of each figure eight*

b. *Halt from a walk or trot, rein straight back four steps and move forward into the former position.*

c. *Swing (fan) to the right and to the left keeping the vehicle as stationary as possible while the front wheels are positioned between two pylons or markers.*

d. *Reverse and roll back on the rail in lieu of reversing on the diagonal.*

8. *Each entry much perform with responsiveness and maneuverability. Each pony on the rail must work uniformly with its mate and is expected to slightly lengthen its stride on the corners. The action should be prompt, spring and snappy with no visible sign of unsoundness.*

9. *All ponies showing evidence of lameness must be excused.*

10. *Each pony should have equal draft at either gait.*

11. *In a six pony hitch, front leaders, center swingers, and rear wheelers should graduate in size and be judge similarly to the four pony hitch.*

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12. Penalties include:

- a. *Ponies not on the bit or resisting the bit.*
- b. *Not working as a unit with teammate(s)*
- c. *Sour ears, wringing of the tail, rearing, bulking*
- d. *Pulling with the jaw and neck rather than leaning into the collar and allow propulsion from the hindquarters*
- e. *Resistance on the turns, reverse, or rein back*

2. ~~13. WELSH DRAFT HARNESS PONIES CONFORMATION DRAFT, WORKING DRAFT, CONFORMATION DRAFT STAKE.~~ Single and multiple hitches (2,3,4) may not compete together in the same class. Separate divisions may be offered for 2, 3 and 4 hitches (2, 3, 4).

3. ~~14. WELSH DRAFT HARNESS PONIES CONFORMATION DRAFT, CONFORMATION DRAFT STAKE.~~ For Singles, Pairs, Tandem, Unicorn, four pony hitch, six pony ~~animal~~ hitch. To be shown both ways of the ring at a working trot and flat footed walk. To Halt, stand quietly and back readily. Individual maneuvers may be requested. To be judged 75% on manners, usability and performance; 25% on breed type, suitability and conformation. Fancy equipment not to count over a neat suitable working outfit.

15. **WELSH DRAFT HARNESS – WORKING DRAFT.** *For Singles, Pairs, Tandem, Unicorn, four animal hitch, six animal hitch. To be shown both ways of the ring at a working trot and flat footed walk. To Halt, stand quietly and back readily. Individual tests may be required. To be judged 100% on performance.*

WL124123 Welsh Carriage Driving Section.

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WL125124 Welsh Hunter and Jumper Pony Section.

1. The rules of the Open Hunter Pony Division and the Open Hunter Division shall apply to all Welsh Hunters Ponies except that breed type shall be considered in Conformation classes and stallions may be shown, and championships will be awarded based on WL109.

2. Braiding is optional. *Animals to wear unset, ungingered tail. To be shown with a natural foot and unweighted shoes. Pads may be used but additional weight of any kind is prohibited.*

3. Fence Heights.

a. ~~In Hunter and Jumper classes~~ *Section A and Section B* ponies not exceeding 13.2 hands shall jump 2', ponies exceeding 13.2 hands shall jump 2'6". ~~A course is a minimum of six fences with eight jumping efforts.~~

b. Fence heights for Section C's (not exceeding 13.2) shall be 2'0"; for Section D's exceeding 13.2 shall be 2'6".

c. *Distances between fences (lines) should be set on multiples of 12'.*

4. *A course is a minimum of six fences with eight jumping efforts.*

5. Junior riders in all classes cannot have reached their 18th birthday as outlined in General Rules, GR126.

2. 6. For "A" and "B" rated Hunter sections a competition must offer two Over Fences and one Under Saddle Class. Two of the performance classes must be judged 25% on conformation and breed type. *Under saddle classes to be judged 75% on performance, manners, movement and style; 25% on breed type and conformation.* Minimum prize money for an "A" rated section is \$150 and for a "B" rated section is \$50.

WELSH HUNTER PONY—WORKING HUNTER OVER FENCES, CONFORMATION HUNTER STAKE OVER FENCES, CONFORMATION HUNTER UNDER SADDLE.

3. 7. In the Conformation Hunter Under Saddle class, exhibitors may be required to hand gallop one way of the ring, but no more than eight ponies ~~animals~~ at one time.

4. 8. ~~Ponies~~ *Animals* shown in a Welsh Hunter section may also be shown by an Adult in a Welsh Adult to Ride section at the same competition.

5. 9. Refer to HU135 for a list of faults scored according to the judge's opinion and depending on severity or division may be considered minor or major faults.

10. *Suitability is determined by the height and weight of the rider as related to the size of the animal.*

WL126125 Welsh Pony Leading Rein Class.

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Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

WL127126 Welsh Child's First Pony Class.

Open to Sections A, B, C and Half-Welsh. Mare or Gelding, 12.2 hands and under, to be ridden by junior exhibitors, at least four but not more than ten years of age. To be shown on light contact. Ponies to be shown at a walk and trot in both directions. Riders to be suitably dressed in Hunt, Saddle or Western attire. Ponies to be judged on performance and soundness. Conformation, way of going, manners, suitability and turnout to be emphasized. If entries are sufficient, classes may be divided 12 hands and under and over 12 hands but not exceeding 12.2 hands. *There are no restrictions on competing in other divisions or classes for the pony or rider.*

SUBCHAPTER WL-4 SECTIONS C AND D WELSH COB.**WL128 Eligibility.**

All must be registered in the Stud Book of the Welsh Pony and Cob Society of America, Inc. or the Welsh Pony and Cob Society of Canada and must be entered under their full registered name, or, if under one year, be eligible for registration. Registered Half Welsh and Purebred Welsh may only show together in trail, equitation, and carriage driving classes.

WL129 Height.

1. Whenever possible, classes should be divided by height. Classes to be divided into Section C, referred to as Welsh Pony of Cob Type not to exceed 13.2 hands and Section D, referred to as Welsh Cob exceeding 13.2 hands with no upper limit. Measurements to be conducted per Chapter HU, HU169 – HU180.
2. Management shall not permit an animal to be shown in any Welsh Cob performance class at a Federation Licensed Competition unless the person presenting the animal is in possession of one of the following:
 - a. A measurement card issued by the Federation bearing the date of August 15, 1993 or thereafter; or
 - b. Certified measurement card applied for prior to December 1, 1987; or
 - c. A copy of a valid measurement form. Competition management may, at its discretion, confirm any of the foregoing information electronically with the Federation Office.
3. At Regular Competitions, management may not give out an exhibitor's number for an animal showing in a Welsh Pony performance class before the above requirements have been complied with, and charges of rule violations for hearing and determination to Chapters GR6 and GR7 shall result for failure of compliance with this Rule.
4. Section C and Section D cobs may be shown together in breeding and performance classes but may not be shown with Section A or Section B ponies.
 - a. Exceptions:
 - (1) Welsh Trail
 - (2) Welsh Draft Harness Pony
 - (3) Welsh Carriage Driving
 - (4) Welsh Pony Leading Rein
 - (5) Welsh Child's First Pony
5. If there are eight or more of each section in a performance class, the class must be split and the prize money doubled.

WL130 Type and Conformation.

General Character: Strong, hardy and active with pony character and as much substance as possible. Color: Any color except piebald or skewbald. Head: Full of quality and pony character. A coarse head and Roman nose is most objectionable. Eyes: Bold, prominent and set widely apart. Ears: Neat and well set. Neck: Lengthy and well carried. Moderately lean in the case of mares but inclined to be cresty in the case of stallions. Shoulders: Strong but well laid back. Forelegs: Set square and not tied in at the elbows. Long strong forearms. Knees well developed with an abundance of bone below them. Pasterns of proportionate slope and length. Feet well shaped. Hooves dense. A moderate quantity of silky feather is not objected to but coarse, wiry hair is a definite objection. Middlepiece: Back and loins, muscular, strong and well coupled. Deep through the heart and well ribbed up. Hindquarters: Lengthy and strong. Ragged or drooping quarters are objectionable. Tail well set on. Hindlegs: Second thighs, strong and muscular. Hocks large, flat and clean, with points prominent, turning neither inward nor outward. The hindlegs must not be too bent and the hock not set behind a line falling from the point of the quarter to the fetlock joint. Pasterns of proportionate slope and length. Feet well shaped. Hooves dense. Action: Free, true and forceful. The knee should be bent and the whole foreleg should be extended straight from the shoulder and as far forward as possible in the trot. Hocks flexed under the body with straight and powerful leverage.

Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

WL131 Artificial Appliances and Irritants.

Any Cob wearing turnbuckles, equipment or devices other than those permitted in specific classes and any Cob showing evidence of the use of ginger or other irritants to produce a higher tail carriage than the natural position shall be disqualified from the class in which it is competing.

WL132 Shoeing Regulations.

Cobs may be shown barefoot. Foals and yearlings must be shown barefoot. In all classes the foot should be natural in appearance with the frog close to the ground. The length of the toe for Section "C" and "D" cobs must be proportional to the size of the animal. The shoe excluding nails but including pad must not weigh more than 18 oz. These measurements and weight will in most cases be less depending on the actual size of a Cob and the type of competition.

WL133 Ring Procedure.

1. Only one person shall be allowed in the ring with each Cob, except in driving classes where each Cob may be headed by one attendant, properly attired. The attendant must take no action that would affect the performance of any Cob.
2. Assistance in showing from outside the ring is prohibited.
3. Passengers are allowed in driving classes.
4. Unruly Cobs must be excused from the ring.
5. Judges must severely penalize any Cob that shows any indication of instability or weakness or any evidence of laboring action due to faulty conformation, training, long toes, heavy shoes, or improper shoeing.
6. When Cobs are shown standing, the toe of at least one hind foot should be no farther back than the point of the quarter. Stretched Cobs must be disqualified.

WL134 Attire (General).

In all cases, handlers, riders and drivers should be appropriately attired. Those persons who in the opinion of the judge are inappropriately attired, may be excused from the ring. Protective headgear may be worn in all classes without penalty. See General Rules, GR801.

WL135 Driving Attire and Appointments.

Gentlemen to wear suit or slacks and jacket, shirt, tie, hat, gloves, apron and carry a whip. Ladies to wear slacks, blouse and jacket or tailored suit or dress, hat, gloves and apron, and carry a whip. Junior and adults riding in the competition may wear riding clothes in driving classes but must have gloves, apron and whip. Failure to follow the above rules will be penalized. Period dress is allowed only in Antique Vehicle classes. Drivers under 12 years of age must be accompanied by an adult. In case of extreme heat, jackets may be removed at the discretion of the judge. Appropriate rain gear is permissible.

WL136 Championships.

Ribbons won in classes restricting Cobs in any manner shall not count toward any Championship unless such classes are complementary and have the same conditions. When a Championship is offered, management shall keep a score card of winnings throughout the competition which shall be prominently displayed. The Champion and Reserve titles shall be awarded to the two of the four Cobs which have acquired the most points in Open Performance classes. In addition to these points, only these four Cobs shall receive half points for ribbons won in Model classes. In case of a tie, the Champion or Reserve shall be awarded to the Cob that has accumulated the highest number of points in performance classes. If the scores remain tied, the Champion or Reserve shall be worked off on the rail using the same judging specifications as in the Open classes.

SUBCHAPTER WL-5 SECTIONS C AND D WELSH COB BREEDING CLASSES.**WL137 General.**

1. Cobs to be shown In-Hand at a walk and trot except in group classes. Stallions three years old and over must have all the fully developed physical characteristics of a stallion. Mature stallions must be masculine in appearance. Any question in this regard shall be determined by the official veterinarian.
2. Cobs must be serviceably sound, in good condition and well groomed. To be shown in halter or bridle. Stallions may be shown in tack. Transmissible weakness or unsoundness to be counted against in Breeding classes. No Cob, except geldings, may be shown in a Group class unless it is being shown in a Singles Breeding class at the same competition. Actual age to be taken into consideration in judging foals and yearlings. Cobs may be shown with full, natural or evened mane. The entire mane may not be braided, however, one single braid behind the ear is permissible. Tail to be unset and ungingered. A bridle path, if necessary, shall not exceed two inches. Any Cobs wearing spoon cruppers, quarter boots, humane tail braces, switches and wigs or any Cobs whose tails have been docked, nicked, gingered or put in a tail set for the class entered shall be disqualified.

Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

3. Emphasis shall be on breed characteristics. Natural reaching action is desired. To be judged 85% on breed type, conformation, quality and substance; 15% on way of going, disposition and manners.

WL138 Recommended Classes.

1. Filly foals; Yearling Fillies; Two-year-old Fillies; Junior Champion Filly.
2. Colt foals; Yearling Colts; Two-year-old Colts; Junior Champion Colt.
3. Three- and Four-year-old Mares; Broodmare Five and Over with foal in current year; Bred Mare Five and Over without foal in current year; Yeld mare Five and over; Senior Mare Champion.
4. Three- and Four-year-old Stallions; Stallions Five and Over, Senior Stallion Champion.
5. Grand Champion (Junior Champions and Reserves and Senior Champions and Reserves).
6. Supreme Champion (Grand Champions and Reserves from all sections).
7. Geldings Two and Under, Geldings Three and Over; Champion Gelding, Supreme Champion Gelding.
8. Get of Sire—three animals by the same sire, combined ownership permitted; Produce of Dam—two animals out of the same Dam, combined ownership permitted; Breeder's Herd—stallion and three mares, all the property of exhibitor, all to be Two-year-olds and Over.
9. Show Champions and Reserve Champions shall be selected as outlined in GR810.3.
10. See WPCSA Sanctioned Show Rules—Breed Division.

SUBCHAPTER WL-6 SECTION C AND D WELSH COB PERFORMANCE CLASSES.

WL139 General.

1. The Welsh Cob is strong and proud going and his competition ring training should be aimed at developing his natural and characteristic action to its best expression. Suitability of the Cob and its action for the type of job at hand is essential. Open to Stallions, Mares and Geldings.
2. To be judged 75% on performance, manners, and style; 25% on breed type, conformation, quality, and finish with emphasis in the order listed under recommended classes unless otherwise specified. Working classes are to be judged 100% on performance. See WPCSA Sanctioned Show Rules—Performance Division. Stallions may be shown in Ladies and Junior Exhibitor classes unless the prize list stipulates otherwise.
3. To be eligible for any Stake class, a Cob must have been entered, shown and judged in at least one qualifying class judged under the same specifications. When three or more classes are offered in a section, the Championship must be awarded on a point basis, using 5, 3, 2 and 1 values for first through fourth places.
4. A Model class open to all Welsh Cobs is prohibited. One may be offered, however, in each of the classifications listed below. The Model class must be offered in addition to the required number of classes for the section and will receive half points. To be shown in halter or bridle without quarter boots. To be judged on type, conformation and finish. To be moved on the line. Suitability to be emphasized in all classes.
5. If separate classes in the Section C and D Welsh Cob division are not offered for Junior and Adult riders, then they may show together. Juniors and Adults may also compete together in driving and Half-Welsh classes.

WL140 Qualifying Gaits

1. Walk: True, fast, flat-footed, elastic and showy.
2. Trot: Square, straight, open, reaching and powerful. Extreme speed penalized.
3. Canter: Smooth, slow, collected and straight on both leads.

WL141 Welsh Cob Pleasure Section.

1. Cobs to wear unset, ungingered tail. Hunter braiding is prohibited.
2. To be shown with a natural foot and unweighted shoes. Pads may be used but additional weight of any description is prohibited. Any Cob wearing a spoon crupper, showing evidence of ginger or set tail, or whose feet and shoes exceed the limits as set forth in WL132 shall be disqualified. To be judged 75% on manners, performance and style; 25% on breed type and conformation.
1. WELSH COB PLEASURE ENGLISH EQUIPMENT CONFORMATION ENGLISH PLEASURE, WORKING ENGLISH PLEASURE, CONFORMATION ENGLISH PLEASURE STAKE. To be shown at a walk, trot and canter both ways of the ring without martingale. To be judged 75% on manners, performance and style; 25% on breed type and conformation.
2. WELSH COB PLEASURE WESTERN EQUIPMENT CONFORMATION WESTERN PLEASURE, WORKING WESTERN PLEASURE, CONFORMATION WESTERN PLEASURE STAKE. To be shown at a walk, jog trot and lope both ways of the ring on a reasonably loose rein without undue restraint. To be judged on performance, with emphasis on manners 65%; breed type and conformation 25%; appointments 10% (See Rules WS104 and WS105).

Proposed Rule Change/Bylaw Change

WL142 Welsh Cob Trail

WELSH COB TRAIL—Class to be divided into Junior and Adult to Ride. Sections A, B, C, D, and registered Half Welsh are eligible to compete together. Exhibitors may show in English or Western tack and attire. Attire should match the seat to be ridden. To be shown over and through obstacles at a walk, trot or jog and canter or lope. Junior Exhibitors may not side pass or canter/lope over loose rails. To be judged on performance 100%. Penalties are assessed for fussiness, extreme tension, rearing; not changing leads, extra lead changes; spooking when carrying objects; refusals; failure to maintain gaits; off course will result in no score and elimination.

WL143 Welsh Cob Pleasure Driving

CONFORMATION PLEASURE DRIVING, WORKING PLEASURE DRIVING, CONFORMATION PLEASURE DRIVING STAKE. To be shown to a suitable two- or four-wheeled vehicle, four-wheeled vehicle for Pairs but not a viceroi, racing sulky or Fine Harness rig. To be shown both ways of the ring at a walk, working trot and trot on and stand quietly and except for tandems, to back readily. Maiden Cobs shall be asked to do a walk and working trot.

WL144 Welsh Cob Formal Driving Section.

1. Cobs to wear long, natural mane and long, natural unset, ungingered tail. The foretop and first strand behind ears may be braided. The foot must be natural with unweighted shoes. Pads may be used but additional weight of any description is prohibited. Any Cob wearing quarter boots, a spoon crupper, humane tail brace or false tail or showing evidence of ginger or a set tail or whose feet and shoes exceed the limits as set forth in WL132 shall be disqualified. To be shown to a suitable fourwheeled vehicle. Type of harness is optional but must include a cavesson.

2. ~~WELSH COB FORMAL DRIVING CONFORMATION FORMAL DRIVING, WORKING FORMAL DRIVING, CONFORMATION FORMAL DRIVING STAKE.~~ To be shown both ways of the ring at animated, natural trot and animated walk. To stand quietly and, except for Tandems, to back readily. To be judged 75% on performance, manners and style; 25% on breed type and conformation.

WL145 Welsh Cob Draft Harness Section

Utilitarian usefulness is stressed for Cobs, harness and wagon. Cobs to wear long natural mane and tail. Braiding with decorations optional. Tails not to be docked. Clipping of fetlocks optional. If shod, shoeing must conform with WL132. To be shown to a suitable four wheeled vehicle except a cart may be used for singles and tandems. Heavy draft type harness with collars and breeching is required. Full harness and lead bars on lead teams optional. No one may assist the driver in any way except in the event of an emergency. Passengers are permitted. Sections A, B, C, D may be combined within a hitch and within a class. ~~WELSH COB DRAFT HARNESS CONFORMATION DRAFT, WORKING DRAFT, CONFORMATION DRAFT STAKE.~~ Single and multiple hitches (2,3,4) may not compete together in the same class. Separate divisions may be offered for 2, 3, and 4 hitches. For Singles, Pairs, Tandem, Unicorn, four pony hitch, six pony hitch. To be shown both ways of the ring at a working trot and flat footed walk. To halt, stand quietly and back readily. Individual maneuvers may be requested. To be judged 75% on manners, usability and performance; 25% on breed type, suitability and conformation. Fancy equipment not to count over a neat suitable working outfit.

WL146 Welsh Carriage Pleasure Driving Section.

Carriage Pleasure Driving classes held in the Welsh Division are to be conducted in accordance with Carriage Pleasure Driving Division Chapter CP.

WL147 Welsh Cob Hunter and Jumper Section.

1. The rules of the Open Hunter Pony Division and the Open Hunter Division shall apply to all Welsh Hunter Cobs except that breed type shall be considered in Conformation classes and stallions may be shown. Braiding is optional.

2. Fence heights for Sections C and D cobs shall conform to the rules of the Open Hunter Pony Division except fence heights for Section C's (not exceeding 13.2) shall be 2'0"; for Section D's exceeding 13.2 shall be 2'6". A course is a minimum of six fences with eight jumping efforts.

3. ~~WELSH COB HUNTER WORKING HUNTER OVER FENCES, CONFORMATION HUNTER STAKE OVER FENCES, CONFORMATION HUNTER UNDER SADDLE.~~ For "A" and "B" rated Hunter sections a competition must offer two Over Fences and one Under Saddle class. Two of the performance classes must be judged 25% on conformation. In the Conformation Hunter Under Saddle class, exhibitors may be required to hand gallop one way of the ring, but no more than eight ponies at one time.

4. Refer to HU135 for a list of faults scored according to the judge's opinion and depending on severity or division may be considered minor or major faults.

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