USHJA 3'3" JUMPING SEAT MEDAL SPECIFICATIONS

Effective August 2 to August 1 of the current competition year.

I. Minimum Eligibility Requirements

A. A USHJA 3'3" Jumping Seat Medal may be offered at USEF Licensed competitions.
B. Competition management will collect and remit to USHJA the $5 per competing entrant fee within ten (10) days of the conclusion of the competition. The competing entrant fee may be added to the entry fee.
C. Competition management will remit complete results to USHJA and USEF within ten (10) days of the conclusion of the competition.
D. Any rider that has jumped 1.30m or above, competed in a USEF Show Jumping Talent Search 2* or 3* class is prohibited from competing in a USHJA 3'3" Jumping Seat Medal class within the same competition year.
E. Riders are prohibited from competing in a USEF Show Jumping Talent Search 2* or 3* class and a USHJA 3'3" Jumping Seat Medal class at the same competition.

II. Membership and Participation Requirements

A. USHJA 3'3" Jumping Seat Medal is open to Junior Active Members of the Federation and USHJA who have not reached their 18th birthday (per USEF rules).
B. Any rider in his or her final Junior year may not compete in any classes held at a competition with a start date after August 1 of that competition year.
C. Riders must be current Active members of USEF and USHJA prior to the start of the class (see GR202).
D. Foreign residents who are also members of USEF and USHJA will be eligible to compete.

III. Judging Requirements and Judging System

A. The USHJA 3'3" Jumping Seat Medal shall be judged on the rider's equitation style, technical merit, judgment and execution of an efficient, time saving pace and track.
B. One (1) point will be subtracted from the rider's score for each commenced second over the time allowed and four (4) points will be deducted for each knockdown on course.
C. Judges are asked to walk the course when possible and where there are striding options, the judges are asked not to penalize an option that might be used to achieve the best result appropriate to the track taken and the individual horse/rider combination.
D. JP134 (The competition round) and JP135 (Timing) will apply.
E. A minimum of three (3) and maximum of twelve (12) riders will return for a flat phase. Riders are to show at a working walk, collected trot sitting, working trot rising, working trot demonstrating a lengthening of stride, working canter, collected canter, working canter demonstrating a lengthening of stride and counter canter. Riders may be asked to perform advanced flatwork including but not limited to, turn on the haunches, shoulder-in and leg yielding.
F. Two refusals will incur elimination.

IV. Tack and Saddlery Restrictions

A. Blinkers are forbidden.

B. Running martingales used in the conventional manner are permitted. Standing martingales, draw reins or restricted running martingales are prohibited.

C. See EQ105.5b for tack and saddlery restrictions.

V. **Award Presentation**

A. Judges are required to pin to eighth place should eight (8) or more riders complete the course.

B. A minimum of three (3) riders must complete the course for points to count for this class.

C. If fifty (50) or more entries compete, the class will be pinned with two firsts, two seconds, two thirds, and so on through two eighths, will full points going to each placing.

VI. **Points**

A. Full points will be awarded in qualifying classes providing at least eight (8) or more riders complete the course.

B. If there are fewer riders, points will be awarded on a reduced scale based on the maximum number of ribbon winners.

Point scale:

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

VII. **USHJA 3'3" Jumping Seat Medal Year-End Awards**

A. USHJA will award ribbons to the top twelve (12) riders in both the Eastern and Western League of the USHJA 3'3" Jumping Seat Medal.

1. The Eastern League includes all of the riders whose point states as of the date of their membership renewal of the current competition year are within:

Alabama	Louisiana	North Carolina
Arkansas	Maine	Ohio
Connecticut	Massachusetts	Pennsylvania
Delaware	Maryland	Rhode Island
District of Columbia	Michigan	South Carolina
Florida	Minnesota	Tennessee
Georgia	Mississippi	Vermont
Illinois	Missouri	Virginia
Indiana	New Hampshire	West Virginia
Iowa	New Jersey	Wisconsin
Kentucky	New York	

2. The Western League includes all of the riders whose point states as of the date of their membership renewal of the current competition year are within:

Alaska	Montana	South Dakota
Arizona	Nebraska	Texas
California	New Mexico	Utah
Colorado	Nevada	Wyoming
Hawaii	North Dakota	Washington
Idaho	Oklahoma	
Kansas	Oregon	

B. A rider who is otherwise eligible and has earned points, but resides outside the United States, will be placed in the league in which they first earned points in the USHJA 3'3" Jumping Seat Medal. For example, if they first earned points at a competition in California – they would be in the Western League. See II.c above.

VIII. **USHJA Contact Information**

Please contact USHJA with questions pertaining to the USHJA 3'3" Jumping Seat Medal that cannot be answered by the Show Steward or Management based on the class specifications provided.

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