## **USHJA POLICY STATEMENT**

**Subject: Competition Standards Charter** 

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## **Competition Standards**

The **Competition Standards Committee** is a Standing Sport Committee that reports to the Board of Directors. Members shall serve terms of four years and are appointed by the President. The Committee shall include Senior Active members of the USHJA including a designee of each Working Group and a minimum of two Athletes, one each from the Jumper and Hunter disciplines.<sup>1</sup>

The work of the Competition Standards Committee supports the USHJA mission, which is to serve our members through educational programs, awards and recognition, communication and rules.

## The committee's goal is to:

• Identify and develop rules and standards that allow for safe, consistent, and fair competition for hunter/jumper competitors.

The purpose of the Competition Standards Committee is to identify, develop, and maintain the standards for hunter/jumper competitions as required by the USEF.

## Responsibilities:

- Review current hunter/jumper standards to ensure that they are applicable, enforceable, and fill a need and recommend changes when necessary.
- Develop standards to maintain a safe and consistent environment for competitors, horses, and officials at USEF licensed competitions.
- Work in conjunction with the Competition Management Committee to recommend improvements to the standards for Federation licensed events.
- Liaise with the newly formed Standards Compliance department of the USEF.
- Submit suggestions for improvement of competition standards for Federation Licensed Competitions to Board of Directors<sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Language from 11.19.18 Policy and Procedure Manual