

**USHJA ZONE 7
2023 HUNTER, JUMPER AND EQUITATION SPECIFICATIONS**

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(AR, KS, LA, MO, OK, TX)

In accordance with GR1111.4: All members may compete for Zone Awards or money in any state contiguous to Zone 7: MS, TN, KY, IA, IL, NE, CO & NM.

JUDGING FOR ALL HUNTER SECTIONS:

- To be judged on performance and soundness, suitability to count.
- Horses and Ponies are not required to jog for soundness in the Adult Amateur Hunter, Children's Hunter Horse, and Children's Hunter Pony sections.

ELIGIBILITY FOR ADULT AMATEURS: HUNTER, JUMPER AND EQUITATION:

- To be ridden by exhibitors who have reached their 18th birthday as of December 1 of the current competition year and who hold a current USEF Amateur certification. Open to horses and ponies. State rules **MAY** prohibit entry of ponies.

ELIGIBILITY FOR CHILDREN'S SECTIONS: HUNTER, JUMPER AND EQUITATION:

- To be ridden by exhibitors who have not reached their 18th birthday as of December 1 of the current competition year. State rules **MAY** prohibit entry of ponies.

ADULT AMATEUR HUNTER

Sections offered and requirements:

- Adult Amateurs – may be split into three (3) sections

Cross Entry:

Riders:

The rider may compete on a different horse or pony at the same competition in any other division or sections for which the rider/horse or pony are eligible.

Horses:

The horse or pony may be shown by a different rider in any other division or section at the same competition except Amateur Owner Hunter or a different age group in Adult Amateur Hunter Exception: A state association may adopt more (but not less) restrictive cross entry rules.

Horse and Rider Combination:

The same horse (pony)-and-rider combination may not compete at the same competition in Amateur Owner 3'3" or any class in which fence heights exceed 3'3" Exception: Equitation and USHJA National Hunter Derby

Fence Height:

- 3'0" with spreads not to exceed the fence height.
- Courses will not be adjusted for ponies.
- Combinations will be permitted

Combining/Dividing Sections:

MAY be split into three sections:

- Adult Amateurs 18 – 35
- Adult Amateurs 36 – 49
- Adult Amateurs 50 & over

If any of the Adult Amateur sections have fewer than six (6) entries, they may, but are not required to combine with other section(s).

If there are fewer than six (6) entries in the entire section, the Adult Amateur entries may, but are not required to combine with Children's Hunter Horse, but not the Children's Hunter Pony. One award will be offered for the combined sections.

Awards:

Zone Horse of the Year Awards will be presented annually to the following sections:

- Adult Amateur Hunter 18- 35
- Adult Amateur 36- 49
- Adult Amateur 50 & over

LOW ADULT AMATEUR HUNTER

Eligibility:

Open to exhibitors who have reached their 18th birthday as of December 1 of the current competition year.

Cross Entry:

Riders:

Riders may not cross enter into any class or section at the same competition where fences exceed 1.15m or 3'9".

Horses:

N/A

Horse and Rider Combination:

Horse and Rider combinations may not cross enter into any class or section at the same competition where fences exceed 2'9"

Fence Height:

- 2'6"

Combining/Dividing Sections:

The Low Adult Amateur Hunter and Low Children's Hunter sections may be combined if there are fewer than three (3) entries in either section.

Awards:

Zone Horse of the Year Awards will be presented annually to the following section:

- Low Adult Amateur Hunter

ADULT AMATEUR JUMPER

Classes to be scored under Table I; Table II, Section 1, Sections 2(a), 2(b), 2(c), or 3; or Table IV (Optimum Time)

Sections offered and requirements:

- Low Adult Amateur Jumper
- High Adult Amateur Jumper

Cross Entry:

Competition Management may restrict cross entries between High and Low sections at the same competition if stated in the prize list.

Rider:

If a High Adult Amateur Jumper classic is offered in the Children's or Adult Amateur Jumpers and the rider has jumped above 1.30m at that show then they are not eligible for any Classic in the Children's/ Adult Amateur Jumper sections.

Horse/Pony:

n/a

Horse and Rider Combination:

Cross entry into any class at 1.20m and above is not permitted for the same horse/rider combination at the same competition. Low Adult Amateur Jumper horse/rider combinations may cross enter into the High Adult Amateur Jumpers at the same competition. High Adult Amateur Jumper horse/rider combinations may cross enter into the Low Adult Amateur Jumpers at the same competition. Horse/rider combinations may enter only one classic, if both Low and High are offered.

Fence Height:

- Low Adult Amateur Jumper 1.00m to 1.05m
- High Adult Amateur Jumper 1.10m to 1.15m

Combining/Dividing Sections:

A combined Adult Amateur/Children's Jumper section may be offered, and if entries warrant, may thereafter be split into separate sections.

If only one section of the Children's/Adult Amateur Jumper is offered or if the Low and High sections are combined, the classes will be conducted at the height appropriate for each section (1.00m- 1.05m for Low and 1.10m- 1.15m for High).

Awards:

Zone Horse of the Year Awards will be presented annually to the following sections:

- Low Adult Amateur Jumper
- High Adult Amateur Jumper

AGE GROUP EQUITATION: ADULT SECTION

Sections Offered:

- Adult Equitation 18- 35
- Adult Equitation 36- 49
- Adult Equitation 50 & Over

Cross Entry:

No cross entry restrictions.

Fence Height:

- 3'0" with spreads not to exceed fence height
- Combinations will be permitted

Combining/Dividing Sections:

The Equitation sections may be combined if there are fewer than six (6) entries in a section.

Awards:

Zone Horse of the Year Awards will be presented annually to the following section:

- Adult Equitation (combined)

CHILDREN'S HUNTER HORSE

Sections offered and requirements:

- Children's Hunter Horse 14 & Under
- Children's Hunter Horse 15- 17

Cross Entry:

Rider:

The rider may compete on a different horse or pony at the same show in any other division or section for which the rider/ horse/pony are eligible.

Horses/Ponies:

The horse or pony may be shown by a different rider in any other division or section at the same show except Junior Hunter or a different age group in Children's Hunter
Exception: A state association may adopt more (but not less) restrictive cross entry rules.

Horse and rider combination:

The same horse (pony)-and-rider combination may not compete at the same competition in any class in which fence heights exceed 3'3" or any Junior Hunter Section

Exception: Equitation and USHJA National Hunter Derby.

Fence Height:

- 3'0" with spreads not to exceed fence height
- Combinations will be permitted
- Distances will not be adjusted for ponies.

Combining/Dividing Sections:

If there are fewer than six (6) in the Children's Hunter Horse section or fewer than four (4) entries in the Children's Hunter Pony, the sections may, but are not required to be combined. One award will be offered for the combined section.

The Children's Hunter Horse section may, but are not required to be combined with the Adult Amateur section if there are fewer than six (6) in either section or with the Children's Hunter Pony if there are fewer than four (4), but may not be combined with both sections.

Awards:

Zone Horse of the Year Awards will be presented annually to the following sections:

- Children's Hunter Horse 14 & Under
- Children's Hunter Horse 15- 17

LOW CHILDREN'S HUNTER HORSE

Eligibility:

Open to exhibitors who have not yet reached their 18th birthday as of December 1 of the current competition year.

Cross Entry:

Riders:

Riders may not cross enter into any class or section at the same competition where fences exceed 1.15m or 3'9".

Horses/Ponies:

N/A

Horse and Rider Combination:

Horse/Pony and Rider combinations may not cross enter into any class or section at the same competition where fences exceed 2'9"

Fence Height:

- 2'6"

Combining/Dividing Sections:

The Low Children's Hunter section and Low Adult Amateur Hunter section may be combined if there are fewer than three (3) entries in either section.

Awards:

Zone Horse of the Year Awards will be presented annually to the following section:

- Low Children's Hunter Horse

CHILDREN'S HUNTER PONY

Sections offered and requirements:

- Small/Medium Children's Pony
- Large Children's Pony
- Prize Money: No minimum prize money is required.

Cross Entry:

Rider:

Rider may enter any Equitation classes.

The rider may compete on a different horse or pony at the same competition in any other division or section where the jumps do not exceed 3'0".

Horse/Pony:

Ponies competing in Children's Hunter Pony may not cross enter into the regular pony section.

Horse and Rider Combination:

n/a

Fence Height:

- Small ponies: 2'0" with spreads not to exceed fence height
- Medium Ponies: 2'3" with spreads not to exceed fence height
- Large Ponies: 2'6" with spreads not to exceed fence height
- Combinations will not be permitted

Combining/Dividing Sections:

The Children's Hunter Pony and the Children's Hunter Horse sections may, but are not required to be combined if there are fewer than four (4) entries in the Children's Hunter Pony and fewer than six (6) in the Children's Hunter Horse section.

Children's Hunter Pony may not be combined with Adult Amateur Hunter.

Awards:

Zone Horse of the Year Awards will be presented annually to the following sections:

- Children's Hunter Pony- Small/Medium
- Children's Hunter Pony- Large

Required Distances for the Children's Hunter Pony Sections:

If the distance between related fences is fewer than 100' (including in and outs), the distance must be adjusted for small, medium and large ponies.

- Small Children's Pony – 9'9"
- Medium Children's Pony – 10'3"
- Large Children's Pony – 11'

CHILDREN'S JUMPER

Classes to be scored under Table I; Table II, Section 1, Sections 2(a), 2(b), 2(c), or 3; or Table IV (Optimum Time).

Sections offered and Requirements:

- Low Children's Jumper
- High Children's Jumper

Cross Entry:

Competition Management may restrict cross entries between High and Low sections at the same competition if stated in the prize list.

Rider:

n/a

Horse/Pony:

n/a

Horse and Rider Combination:

Cross entry into any class at 1.20m and above is not permitted for the same horse/rider combination at the same competition. Low Children's Jumper horse/rider combinations may cross enter into the High Children's Jumpers at the same competition. High Children's Jumper horse/rider combinations may cross enter into the Low Children's Jumpers at the same competition. Horse/rider combinations may enter only one classic, if both Low and High are offered.

Fence Height:

- Low Children's Jumper 1.00m to 1.05m
- High Children's Jumper 1.10m to 1.15m

Combining/Dividing Sections:

A combined Adult Amateur/Children's Jumper section may be offered, and if entries warrant, may thereafter be split into separate sections. If only one section of the Children's/Adult Amateur Jumper is offered or if the Low and High section are combined, the classes will be conducted at the height appropriate for each section (1.00m- 1.05m for Low and 1.10m- 1.15m for High).

Awards:

Zone Horse of the Year Awards will be presented annually to the following section:

- Low Children's Jumper section
- High Children's Jumper section

AGE GROUP EQUITATION: CHILDREN'S/JUNIOR SECTION

To be judged on performance and soundness, suitability to count.

Sections Offered:

- Junior Equitation 14 & Under
- Junior Equitation 15- 17

Cross Entry:

Rider:

n/a

Horse:

n/a

Horse and Rider Combination:

A horse rider combination may not cross enter between height sections.

Fence Height:

- Junior Equitation 14 & Under: 3'0" with spreads not to exceed fence height
- Junior Equitation 15- 17: 3'6" with spreads not to exceed fence height
- Combinations will be permitted

Combining/Dividing Sections:

The Equitation sections maybe combined if there are fewer than six (6) entries in a section.

Awards:

Zone Horse of the Year Awards will be presented annually to the following sections:

- Equitation 14 & Under
- Equitation 15- 17

USHJA COMPETITIVE PROGRAMS

For more information regarding the following programs please click on the links below:

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Zone Horse of the Year Championships

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Zone Jumper Team Championships

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1.0/1.05m Child/Adult Zone Jumper Championship

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SPECIAL CLASSES

3'3" Jumping Seat Medal

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3'3" Hunter Seat Medal

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