

Dear Competition Secretary:

Thank you for your participation in the International Hunter Derby Program. Below are a few helpful hints for a successful Derby. *This event should be referred to as the USHJA International Hunter Derby Series, 2023 Series Event.* 

#### **Enrollment for the 2023 Series**

Horses <u>must be enrolled</u> in the program to compete in an International Hunter Derby. Exception: Exhibitors may show in one class in the series year without enrollment. Horses will then be eligible for inclusion on the regional and national money won tracking lists. Only money earned by riders on enrolled horses will count toward the regional and national rider money won tracking lists during the 2023 series. Money won in International Hunter Derbies prior to enrollment in the program is not retroactive and does not count toward tracking lists or regional awards. The 2023 International Hunter Derby Championship will not require minimum points/money won to qualify. Enrollment is valid through November 30, 2023. Class entries can be checked against the list of enrolled horses here: <u>https://hjdata.ushja.org/ihd/enrolled-horses</u>

# <u>Please hang the poster in a conspicuous place in the office and help us inform exhibitors about the enrollment program. We have also provided several flyers to be posted ringside or handed out during the riders meeting.</u>

All International Hunter Derby riders must complete and sign the Official International Hunter Derby Declaration Form, for each horse they ride. This is the only document in which riders may declare the section to which their horses' money/points will be credited. The competition must submit the declaration forms to both the USHJA and USEF offices in order for the riders' sections to be credited.

In order for your results to be considered complete we need the following:

1<sup>st</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Place results for the First Round, including declared section 1<sup>st</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Place results for the Second Round, including declared section Champion-12<sup>th</sup> Place overall results, including prize money won and declared section \*All results must also include horse, rider and owner information

Please fax or email the complete list of your results, declaration forms and fee report (if paying by credit card) immediately following your class to USHJA at (859) 258-9033 or hunterdept@ushja.org. Please do not email credit card information. It can be either faxed, mailed, or taken over the phone

(859-225-6700). <u>Please have your show photographer email the photo of the winner mentioned in the host</u> agreement to <u>hunterdept@ushja.org</u> after the conclusion of the competition with the relevant caption and <u>photo credit.</u>

All horses entered in this class must complete the standard entry form you have for your horse show, complete with the USEF required signatures, drug fees, et cetera.

#### **Included Forms:**

• **Biography Form** is to be used to collect biographies that can be read while each horse is on course during the USHJA International Hunter Derby.

- Official Score Sheets are a very useful tool for scoring purposes; created for use by an announcer or a designated scribe rather than the judges of the class, although there are signature lines for the judges next to the overall results should you choose to utilize that page as the official Overall Results Judges Card.
- Riders meeting agenda (suggested)
- Declaration Form
- Fee Report is to be used to calculate the payment due to USHJA (\$50 per entry) within 10 days following the Derby

12 ribbons for each round and overall awards are included.

Thank you again for your help. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at <u>josterman@ushja.org</u> or (859) 225-6703.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Osterman

USHJA Sport Department Managing Director



### USHJA INTERNATIONAL HUNTER DERBY 2023 IHD Series

USHJA will provide the following for each Member Event Series Derby:

(3) Sets of Ribbons to be presented to:

First Round 1<sup>st</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Second Round 1<sup>st</sup>- 12<sup>th</sup> Overall Winners Champion -12<sup>th</sup>

(1) Coolerette to be presented to the Overall Champion

(1) Leather halter to the Overall Champion

### USHJA INTERNATIONAL HUNTER DERBY RIDERS MEETING AGENDA

- I. Welcome
- II. Introduce course designer, judge(s) and steward
- III. Distribute copies of courses
- IV. Enrollment Policy
  - Remind riders that their horses must be enrolled in the IHD Program to compete in the class and for any money they as riders, or their horses earn in this class, to be included on any national or regional money won list.
  - Exception: exhibitors may show in a maximum of one class in the series year without enrollment.
  - Enrollment can be completed online through your Member Portal at ushja.org
  - *New for 2023* there is no minimum points/money won required to qualify for the 2023 International Hunter Derby Championships.
- V. Class Procedures
  - When to start on course (related to scoring of previous competitor)
  - Promptness
  - Schedule (i.e., drag break)
  - Awards presentation
- VI. Sportsmanship
  - Importance of good sportsmanship
  - Public perception
  - Role model for younger riders
- VII. Open floor for questions regarding:
  - Course
  - Judging System
  - Class specifications
  - Other
- VIII. Adjourn and have a great class!



#### Judging the

## **USHJA International Hunter Derby**

- Hunter Derby classes are judged using accepted judging principles for hunters as well as incorporating a system of bonus points.
- The different types of fences and more difficult courses are designed to enhance our judging system of rewarding great jumping style, and athletic ability, as well as bold hunter riding.
- Horses will be judged and numerically scored on quality, movement, jumping style, manners and way of going. Pace and brilliance are to be rewarded.
- In all rounds of the Hunter Derby there must be four option fences set at a minimum of 4' in height. Each judging panel must award an Option Bonus Score of one additional point for EACH of the higher option fences jumped by the rider in each round. The additional one point for each higher option fence jumped must be awarded even if there is a refusal, rail down, or loss of good jumping style at that higher option fence. First Example If a rider jumps only one higher option fence, but has that rail down, his score would go from a 45 to a 46. Second Example If a rider jumps only one higher option fence a possible score of 65 to a score of 66. Third Example If a rider attempts only one higher option fence, but has a refusal, followed by a successful second attempt at the same higher option fence, his score would go from a possible score of 40 to 41.
- In the Classic Hunter Style Round of the Hunter Derby, each judging panel will give their base score for each horse-and-rider combination based on accepted hunter judging principals. This score and the Option Bonus Score will be announced separately, and then added together to determine the total score of each judging panel for this round.
- The Handy Hunter Round shall be judged on jumping style and efficiency while maintaining style and form, way of going, and overall flow. Pace and brilliance are to be rewarded. Each judging panel will give their base score for each horse-and-rider combination based on accepted handy hunter judging principles. Then, each judging panel will give their Option Bonus Score consisting of one additional bonus point for every higher height option fence jumped. These two scores will be announced separately and then added together to determine the Handy Hunter Round total from each judging panel. *\*Please note that Handy Bonus Points have been removed beginning in 2023*.

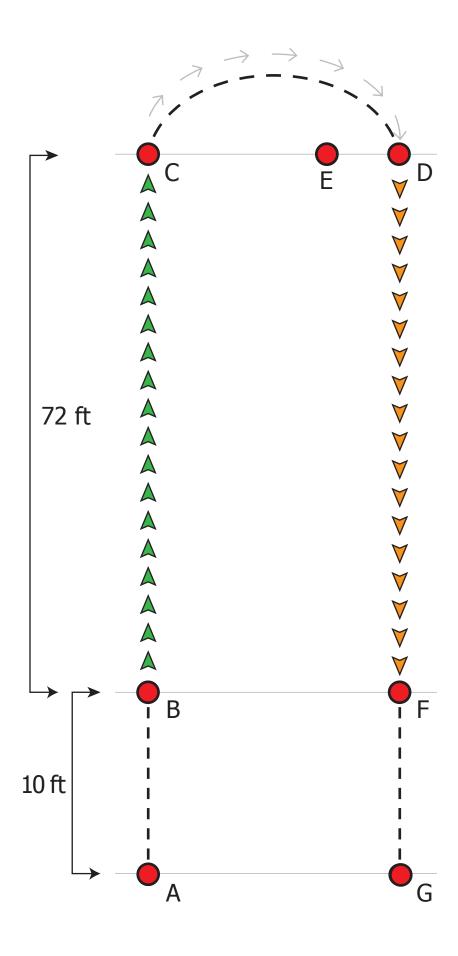
- The total scores of each horse-and-rider combination from each judging panel are added together to determine that entrant's total score in each round.
- The total scores of each horse-and-rider combination in each round will be added together to determine their final overall Hunter Derby score. This score will determine the final overall standings of the Hunter Derby class.

If you have any questions on the judging procedures or class specifications, please contact:

Jennifer Osterman (USHJA Sport Department Managing Director)

(859)225-6703





- Walk from Point **A** to Point **B**.
- Trot from Point **B** to Point **C**.
- Walk from Point C in a clockwise direction around Point E to arrive at Point D.
- Trot from Point **D** to Point **F**.
- Walk from Point **F** to Point **G**.

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## <u>USHJA</u> INTERNATIONAL HUNTER DERBY

## **BIOGRAPHY FORM**

Horse Name:	Age:Sex:Breed:
Sire:	Dam:
Owner Name:	Hometown:
Rider Name:	Hometown:

**RIDER BIOGRAPHY:** 

HORSE BIOGRAPHY/AWARDS:

#### **HIGHLIGHT OF CURRENT SHOW YEAR:**

\*\*Please provide information to announcer for use while horse is in the ring\*\*

## USHJA International Hunter Derby Declaration Form

I am competing in the USHJA International Hunter Derby at the	Horse Show
held on the following dates:	, 20

\*\*\*Please note: Riders MUST complete and sign this form to receive points/money. Horse show management may not complete this form.

I would like my points/money credited to the following section:

\*Please note Green Conformation Hunter 3'6 and High Perf. Conformation Hunter no longer applicable per HU191.4

Entry #	Horse USEF #	Horse Name	<b>Point Section</b>	<b>Rider Signature</b>	Date