

## BYLAWS OF THE OREGON HUNTER JUMPER ASSOCIATION

### ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of this organization shall be "Oregon Hunter Jumper Association," hereinafter referred to as "The Association," "The Corporation," or "OHJA."

### ARTICLE II – PURPOSE

The purpose and objective of this organization shall be: (a) to promote the interests of owners and exhibitors of Hunters, Jumpers and Hunt Seat Equitation; (b) to organize the exhibition of horses of the Hunters, Jumpers, and Hunt Seat Equitation classes; (c) to cooperate with exhibitors and officials of exhibitions and fairs sponsoring or featuring public interest in the support of exhibitions and fairs; (d) to publicize and advertise such exhibitions and fairs in the Northwest; and (e) to encourage and assist owners, exhibitors, and breeders of horses to maintain, develop and improve the qualities and strains of horses of the Hunter, Jumper and Hunt Seat Equitation classes.

This Association shall follow the current rules and regulations of the US Equestrian Federation ("USEF") unless otherwise stated in these Bylaws, and/or accompanying Rules.

### ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP, DUES, AND HORSE REGISTRATION

A. There shall be five (5) classes of membership as follows:

1. Senior Amateur Member: Any person eighteen (18) years of age and over, acceptable to the Board, may become a Senior Amateur member upon filing an application for membership. A Senior Amateur member is entitled to one (1) vote. The fee for a Senior Amateur membership shall be as follows: (a) in the Open System, \$55.00; (b) in the Regional System, \$45.00; and (c) in the Local System, \$25.00.

2. Senior Professional Member: Any person eighteen (18) years of age and over, acceptable to the Board, may become a Senior Professional member upon filing an application for membership. A Senior Professional member is entitled to one (1) vote. A Senior Professional member may accumulate points *as a rider* on clients' horses in both the Open and Regional Systems upon payment of their membership fee. A Senior Professional member may accumulate points *as an owner* upon designating his/her horse in either the Open, Regional, or Local System upon payment of the applicable horse registration fee. The fee for a Senior Professional membership is \$55.00.

3. Junior Member: Any person under eighteen (18) years of age, acceptable to the Board, may become a junior member upon filing an application for membership. A Junior member is entitled to one (1) vote. The fee for a Junior Membership shall be as follows: (a) in the Open System, \$45.00; (b) in the Regional System, \$35.00; and (c) in the Local System, \$25.00.

4. Family Membership: Parents and children under eighteen (18) years of age living at home, acceptable to the Board, may become family members upon filing an application for membership. Each family member is entitled to one (1) vote. Each family member must designate whether he/she will accumulate points in the Open, Regional, or Local system. The Family membership is open to parents who are amateurs or professionals. The fee for a Family membership shall be as follows: (a) if at least one family member designates the Open System, \$70.00; (b) if no family member designates the Open System and at least one family member designates the Regional System, \$60; and (c) if all family members designate the Local System, \$40.00.

5. Affiliate Membership: An Affiliate member is entitled to ride in the OHJA medal classes only. No Affiliate member is eligible for any other year-end awards, nor does an Affiliate member have a vote. The fee for an Affiliate membership is \$20.00.

B. Horse Registration: Horses may be registered under a business name providing one of the owners or principals is a member in good standing. Horses registered under individual or family memberships must be owned or leased by the individual or family. Information needed to register horses includes name and address of owner or lessee (business/farm registration name, if applicable), name of horse, and copy of lease agreement, if applicable. The fee for each horse registration is \$20.00. In the Open and Regional Systems, the fee to (1) transfer the horse's registration to a new owner or lessee is \$20.00, and (2) change a horse's registration name is \$20.00; if a horse's (a) registered owner or lessee and (b) registered name are recorded at the same time, then the total fee is \$20.00. In the Local System, there is no horse registration fee.

For a horse that has been transferred to a new owner or lessee after the start of the membership year, the owner or lessee of record with the OHJA as of the close of that membership year shall receive any applicable year-end division award if no transfer reflecting the new owner or lessee has been recorded with OHJA prior to November 30<sup>th</sup>.

A horse, regardless of rider, can only accumulate points in one system; no horse can accumulate points in the Open, Regional, and Local Systems.

C. Membership Required to Accumulate Points: All owners/lessees and riders must be current members of the OHJA in order to accumulate points toward a year-end division championship.

D. Open System, Regional System, vs. Local System: There are three (3) systems, Open, Regional, and Local, in which members may compete and accumulate points for year-end division championships. All members, other than Senior Professional members showing their own horses, must declare on their membership form in which system they wish to compete and accumulate points.

Generally, members competing within the Open System compete primarily at USEF and Equine Canada rated shows, both within Oregon and its contiguous counties and out-of-state, including but not limited to shows in Washington, California, Arizona, and British Columbia.

Generally, members competing within the Regional System compete primarily at USEF rated shows, as well as a limited number of non-USEF rated OHJA-sanctioned shows, within Oregon and its contiguous counties.

Generally, members competing within the Local System compete primarily at non-USEF rated, OHJA-sanctioned shows, but may also compete at USEF “B” and “C” rated shows and a limited number of USEF “A” and “AA” rated shows within Oregon and its contiguous counties.

A horse and/or rider may change from one system to another during a show year; *however*, unless otherwise provided herein, all points accumulated in the prior system will be lost. A move from one system to another may only occur once per show year. The year-end division championships will be determined pursuant to current OHJA rules.

E. Membership Year: The membership year begins December 1<sup>st</sup> and ends November 30<sup>th</sup>.

#### **ARTICLE IV – MEETINGS**

A. Annual Meeting: The annual meeting of the members of this organization shall be on a day selected by the Board of Directors during January of each year, and if the annual meeting shall not take place at the time fixed, it shall be held within a reasonable time thereafter. The Board of Directors of the Association shall be elected prior to the annual meeting and hold such office for a term of two (2) years or until their successors are elected or appointed by the Board.

B. Special Meetings: Special meetings of the Association may be held at any time upon call of the President. Notice of the time, place, and objective of any special meeting shall be given to all Board members and members in good standing, in writing, by United States Mail or via e-mail not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the date fixed for holding such meeting. The place of such meeting shall be fixed by the Board.

C. Board Meetings: Board meetings may be called by the President at any time. Two-thirds of the board members shall constitute a quorum. The Board shall meet at least six (6) times annually as the Board determines is appropriate; however, the Board shall meet monthly during the first and fourth quarters of the calendar year. The Board shall remain in regular contact via email, conference call, or other means as appropriate to conduct OHJA business throughout the calendar year.

D. Membership Meetings: There may be at least one membership meeting each quarter to give members a chance to voice their opinions on the policies of the Association.

E. Quorum: A quorum of members at any general meeting shall consist of not less than ten (10) members in addition to the majority of the Board of Directors present. Voting may be done by proxy. Each proxy must have a written statement of the exact nature of the issue at the top of each page of signatures and be made available for inspection at the time of the meeting, if requested. Individual members may sign-over their voting privileges to another member.

F. All meetings of the Association and its Board of Directors shall be conducted according to Robert's Rules of Order.

## **ARTICLE V - BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

A. Directors: The officers of the Association, a Hunter Representative, a Jumper Representative, and three (3) members-at-large, acting together, shall constitute the Board of Directors, who shall be current members, elected by the general membership by ballot prior to the annual meeting and to hold office for the term of two (2) years or until their successors are elected or appointed. The Board shall have general supervision and control of all the business and activities of the Association, in accordance with the general policies of the Association. All actions of the Board shall be reported to the entire membership within thirty (30) days or at the next general meeting. Two (2) junior representatives, who do not vote on Board matters, shall be elected each year and will hold the office for one (1) year.

B. Any vacancy in the Board of the Association must be filled by appointment by the Board within thirty (30) days. Consideration should be given to the first runner-up in the previous Board election.

C. Any Board member missing three (3) consecutive meetings may be removed from the Board and a successor will be appointed by the Board to fulfill the term.

## **ARTICLE VI – OFFICERS**

Officers of this Association shall be (a) President, (b) Vice-President, (c) Secretary, and (d) Treasurer.

## **ARTICLE VII - DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

A. President: The President shall preside at all meetings of the Association, and of the Board of Directors, and shall act as the Chairman of the Board of Directors. The President shall vote only in the case of a tie. The President shall be a member ex-officio of all regular and special committees, and shall perform all such other duties as usually pertain to the office. The President must be a member in good standing of the USEF.

B. Vice-President: The Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President in the absence of or at the request of the President at general or special meetings. The Vice-President shall serve as Chairman of the Rules Committee. The Vice-President must be a member in good standing of the USEF.

C. Secretary: The Secretary shall keep a true record of all the meetings of the members and Board of Directors. The Secretary shall notify the members and the Board of Directors of all meetings pertaining to them. The Secretary shall have the custody of the records of the Association. The Secretary shall have a current list of all OHJA members from the Points & Membership Chairperson. The Secretary is responsible for notifying horse show management of horse show date confirmation and mailing any pertinent information requested.

D. Treasurer: The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds of the Association and shall place the same in such bank or banks as may be approved by the Board. Such money shall only be withdrawn by check signed by the Treasurer or President and for the payment of only such bills as shall have been previously approved by the Board. The Secretary shall deliver to the Treasurer a list of all members and all dues and fees collected. The Treasurer shall keep an accurate account of all his/her transactions and render a detailed report, with vouchers, at any meeting of the Board, when requested, and an annual report to the members of the Association at its annual meeting.

E. Points & Membership Chairperson: The Board shall appoint a Points & Membership Chairperson; however, the Points & Membership Chairperson is not an officer of the OHJA or a member of the OHJA Board. All membership applications, horse registrations, and horse name changes shall be filed with the Points & Membership Chairperson. The Points & Membership Chairperson is responsible for collecting all fees and dues and remitting the same to the Treasurer, as well as keeping a current list of point standings. The Points & Membership Chairperson shall not advise any member as to which system, Open, Regional, or Local, he/she should join in order to compete and accumulate points, and shall advise any member with such an inquiry to consult with his/her trainer.

## **ARTICLE VIII – ELECTIONS**

A. There will be a nine (9) senior member and two (2) junior member Board of Directors. These members will be elected by the membership. Every year, three (3) Board members and two (2) junior members will be elected.

B. The Board will appoint the Nominating Committee for new Board members. It will consist of three (3) members, one (1) of whom must be an outgoing Board member and two (2) members from the ranks of the general membership. Nominees must be presented to the general membership not less than thirty (30) days prior to the elections. Members wishing to be on the ballot must submit their names and a biography to the Secretary for inclusion.

C. The Board will elect its officers: President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. All officers must be selected from current Board members. The President may not be selected from Board members serving their first year. The Board may appoint committees as necessary.

## **ARTICLE IX - STANDING COMMITTEES**

A. Rules Committee: The Board of Directors will select a committee of three (3) or more members to serve as a Rules Committee. Committee members must be current members of USEF. The Rules Committee may review the bylaws and the rules of the Association and recommend any changes to the Board prior to presentation to the members. Substantive rule changes will be voted on by the membership and results will be presented at the first general meeting of the new year held in January.

B. Show Approval Committee: The Board of Directors will constitute the Show Approval Committee. The Board will suggest any changes to the horse show management and will approve and rate, or disapprove, submitted shows according to the rules of the Association. The Committee will provide show management with those forms and materials (member labels, OHJA medals and ribbons) provided by the Association and required for operation of a show under OHJA rules.

C. Year-End Show Committee: To be approved by the Board of Directors whose duty it shall be to organize a OHJA Year-End Show or, if such a show is deemed inadvisable, shall select and coordinate with an existing show to conduct the OHJA Medal Finals and such other classes as may be appropriate.

D. Awards Banquet Committee: The Board of Directors will select a committee whose duty it shall be to organize the annual OHJA Awards Banquet.

E. Scholarship Committee: The Board of Directors will select a Scholarship Committee. The Scholarship Committee's duties shall include: (a) reviewing applications from potential OHJA scholarship recipients; (b) in conjunction with the Board, voting on applicants to determine finalists for consideration; (c) conducting interviews with finalists; and (d) in conjunction with the Board, selecting up to three (3) applicants to receive the OHJA scholarships. All finalists will be interviewed when the finalists can reasonably be expected to attend (i.e., summer, school vacations, etc.).

F. Special Committees: The Board of Directors may select a committee for any purpose or function as requested by three (3) or more members.

G. Reporting to the Board: All committees must report quarterly to the Board.

## **ARTICLE X – AMENDMENTS**

The OHJA Bylaws and/or Rules may be amended, repealed, or altered in whole or in part, by a fifty-one percent (51%) affirmative vote of the members present or represented by proxy at a meeting designated for such purpose, or responding to a mailed ballot, provided that a copy of any proposed change shall be mailed to the last recorded address of each member at least fifteen (15) days prior to the date set to act on said proposed changes. The proxies must have a written statement of the exact nature of the issue at the top of each page of signatures and be made available for inspection at the time of the meeting, if requested. Individual members may sign-over their voting privileges to another member.

## **ARTICLE XI - DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS**

The provision for distribution of assets on dissolution or final liquidation is: all assets to be distributed and paid-over to the United States Equestrian Team.

## **ARTICLE XII – PROTESTS**

Protests must be made to the OHJA Board of Directors and accompanied by a seventy-five dollar (\$75.00) fee. All protests will be reviewed according to the review process as stated in Rule VI of the USEF manual.

## **ARTICLE XIII - GENERAL STANDARDS FOR DIRECTOR CONDUCT**

Directors shall discharge their duties, including duties as a member of any committee: (1) in good faith; (2) with the care an ordinary prudent person in a like position would exercise under similar circumstances; and (3) in a manner the Director reasonably believes to be in the best interest of the Corporation. In discharging the duties of a Director, a Director is entitled to rely on information, opinions, reports or statements, including financial statements and other financial data, if prepared or presented by: (1) one or more officers or employees of the Corporation whom the Director reasonably believes to be reliable and competent in the matters presented: (2) legal counsel, public accountants, or other persons as to matters the Director reasonable believes are within the person's professional or expert competence; and (3) a committee of which the Director is not a member as to matters within its jurisdiction, if the Director reasonably believes the committee merits confidence. A Director is not acting in good faith if the Director has knowledge concerning the matter in question that makes reliance otherwise permitted unwarranted. A Director is not liable to the Corporation, any member, or any other person for any action taken or not taken as a Director, if the Director acted in compliance with this section. In addition, even if so liable, the Director's liability for monetary damages shall be limited as stated in the Articles of Incorporation. A Director shall not be deemed to be a trustee with respect to the Corporation or with respect to any property held or administered by the Corporation, including without limit, property that may be subject to restrictions imposed by the donor or transferor of such property.

## **ARTICLE XIV - OFFICER LIMITATION OF LIABILITY; INDEMNIFICATION AND ADVANCEMENT OF EXPENSES IN CONNECTION WITH LITIGATION**

An officer of the Corporation who serves the Corporation without compensation for personal services as an officer shall be considered a "qualified director" within the meaning of that term as used in these Bylaws. An uncompensated officer of the Corporation shall be entitled to indemnification and advancement of litigation-related expenses to the same extent as a qualified Director. As officer of the Corporation who receives compensation for personal services to the Corporation shall receive such indemnity, limitation of liability, and advancement for suit related expenses as shall be consistent with the laws of the State of Oregon, these Bylaws, and the extent the Board of Directors, in its sole discretion, determines such limitation on liability, indemnification, advancement of expenses, or any combination thereof, to be reasonable.

## **ARTICLE XV - AUTHORITY TO INDEMNIFY DIRECTORS; ADVANCEMENT OF EXPENSES FOR DIRECTORS**

If any Director of the Corporation is made a party to a proceeding because that individual is or was a director, the Corporation shall indemnify that individual against liability or damages to the

full extent provided by ORS 65.391, 65.394, and 65.404, as amended. It shall be proper for the Corporation to pay for or reimburse reasonable expenses incurred by a Director who is a party to a proceeding, in advance of final disposition in that proceeding, if the Board so authorizes and the Director complies with the provisions of ORS 65.398, as amended.

#### **ARTICLE XVI - LIABILITY OF QUALIFIED DIRECTORS**

Civil liability of a qualified Director of the Corporation for the negligent performance of duties shall be limited to acts of gross negligence, intentional acts, or both, and shall also be limited by any limitation on monetary damages set forth in the Articles of Incorporation. The term "qualified Director," as used in these Bylaws, means a person who serves as a Director without compensation for personal services as director. An otherwise qualified Director shall not be considered to be compensated if the Director receives payments only for actual expenses incurred in attending meetings or performing Director's duties or receives a stipend which is paid only to compensate the Director for average expenses incurred over the course of a year.

#### **ARTICLE XVII - INDEMNIFICATION OF EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS**

In its sole discretion, by general or specific action, the Board of Directors may indemnify and advance expenses to any employee or agent of the Corporation to the extent allowed by applicable law.

***END OF BYLAWS***

## **OREGON HUNTER JUMPER ASSOCIATION RULES**

### **RULE I – DEFINITIONS**

#### **Section A - Horse Show Year**

The horse show year shall begin December 1 and end November 30.

#### **Section B - Medal Classes**

The term "Medal Class," as used in these rules, denotes an equitation class in which the rider competes in order to qualify for a "Medal Final" at the end of the year. To qualify, a rider must accumulate a minimum of ten (10) points as set forth in Rule V, Section C.3.

### **RULE II – FACILITIES**

The following are mandatory for all OHJA Non-Rated shows:

1. Stabling - for all Non-Rated multi-day shows, and single-day Non-Rated shows offered the same weekend as a Rated Show, at least twenty (20) stalls, on site, must be available for use by show participants. For all other single-day Non-Rated Shows, management is encouraged, but not required, to provide at least twenty (20) available stalls, on site, for use by show participants.
2. Parking - ample parking for trailers, cars, and/or recreation vehicles
3. Suitable warm up and exercise areas
4. First aid/medic
5. Eating facility(ies)
6. Safe and suitable footing
7. Restrooms
8. Water facilities
9. Telephone for public use
10. Insurance coverage of at least \$500,000 for liability for personal injury, bodily injury, and property damage, and providing OHJA with a copy of the policy naming the OHJA as co-insured. Management is encouraged, but not required, to provide such coverage for at least \$1,000,000.

11. Entry forms – for all Non-Rated shows, all entry forms must include the OHJA-approved waiver of liability and release language.

### **RULE III – BENEFIT PROGRAMS**

#### **A. Scholarship Program**

The OHJA may award scholarships to three (3) applicants yearly. Applications must be made to the OHJA Secretary and be postmarked at least ten (10) days prior to the interview date as published in "Flying Changes" or similar official publication. The amount of the scholarship will be based on the funds available. Scholarships are to be used for continuing education. The Scholarship Committee will review the applications and they, along with the OHJA Board, will vote on applicants to determine finalists for consideration. All finalists will be interviewed. The OHJA Board and the Scholarship Committee will determine recipients of the award. Monies will be paid directly to the school of the recipient's choice. A recipient may only receive one (1) scholarship. There will be a limit of two (2) years in which to collect scholarship monies.

#### **B. Junior Equestrian Fund (JEF)**

JEF was established to give money to young riders, twenty-one (21) years of age and under, who compete at Medal Finals or in other Finals classes, including the Young Rider and USET. Riders will participate in fundraising activities to add money to this fund. For consideration of monies to be awarded, the applying young rider must have actively participated in the fundraising activities that current year and must make a formal application to the OHJA Board.

### **RULE IV - GENERAL RULES FOR SHOW**

#### **Section A - Registration/Sanctioning**

##### **1. Rated Shows:**

Any and all horse shows that are USEF or Equine Canada rated are approved for OHJA point accumulation as "Rated Shows"; no application for Rated Show approval by OHJA is required.<sup>1</sup>

In lieu of payment of an application fee, all Rated Shows approved for OHJA point accumulation must pay OHJA one-half (1/2) of all entry fees received from the OHJA medal classes. OHJA will supply ribbons and medals for OHJA medal classes.

Before permitting any rider to compete in an OHJA Medal class, show management must confirm the rider's membership status by (1) checking the current membership list, (2) requiring the rider to provide his/her current membership card, or (3) requiring the rider to provide proof of payment of the applicable OHJA membership fee. *From each non-member owner, trainer,*

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<sup>1</sup> This definition of a "Rated Show" applies throughout the 2011 OHJA Rule Book.

*and rider, show management at each Oregon and SW Washington show shall collect a \$5.00 non-member fee, and pay to OHJA all such non-member fees collected.*<sup>2</sup>

2. Non-Rated Shows:

All non-USEF rated shows in Oregon or its contiguous counties that are OHJA sanctioned and approved for point accumulation, regardless of duration, are “Non-Rated Shows.”<sup>3</sup> For a single-day Non-Rated Show, only two (2) over fences and one (1) under saddle class per recognized OHJA division may count for points.

a. Standard Application Fee: All Non-Rated Shows sanctioned by OHJA must pay a fee of forty dollars (\$40.00) per day of the show, to be paid prior to OHJA approval and which is non-refundable upon approval. The application fee is subject to doubling if not submitted at least sixty (60) days in advance as provided in Section IV.3.c below.

b. Limit on Number of Non-Rated Shows: Show management is limited to conducting four (4) Non-Rated Shows per competition year offering hunter/hunt seat equitation classes, and four (4) Non-Rated Shows per competition year offering jumper classes; if both hunter/hunt seat equitation and jumper classes are offered at the same show, that show counts as one show for each discipline.

c. Approval Procedure:

i. Deadline for Submitting Application and Fee: Applications for sanctioning of Non-Rated Shows for the calendar year must be made to the OHJA Secretary at least sixty (60) days prior to the show. The OHJA Secretary will notify show management if the dates are acceptable and the show is approved. At the time of application for Non-Rated Show approval, show management must submit (1) a completed Non-Rated Show Approval application form, and (2) the applicable approval fee. If the OHJA Board does not receive show management’s application for Non-Rated Show approval and the applicable approval fee at least sixty (60) days prior to the applicable show, the show approval fee shall be doubled.

ii. Applying for Multiple Non-Rated Shows: Show management may apply for multiple dates at one time; *however*, payment of the approval fee for all dates requested is required at the time of application.

iii. Proof of Insurance: Show management shall provide to the OHJA Board, at least two (2) weeks prior to the commencement of the Non-Rated Show, proof of insurance as required by the OHJA Rules. If proof of insurance is not provided as required, show management shall pay to OHJA a one hundred seventy-five dollar (\$175.00) fine in order to retain Non-Rated Show approval of the show. Until the one hundred seventy-five dollar (\$175.00) fine is paid, the OHJA Board shall not approve, or shall revoke approval of, any shows conducted by show management for the competition year. If proof of insurance is not provided

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<sup>2</sup> Until further notice, OHJA is not implementing the non-member fee.

<sup>3</sup> This definition of a “Non-Rated Show” applies throughout the 2011 OHJA Rule Book.

as required, the OHJA Board shall revoke Non-Rated Show approval of show management's show(s) for the competition year until proof of insurance for the applicable show is provided, and without refund of any applicable approval fee(s). Show management must notify all Regional and Local System members that its show(s) is/are not OHJA Non-Rated Show approved.

iv. Change of Show Date(s) and/or Location: If, for any reason, show management changes the date(s) and/or location(s) of any Non-Rated Show previously approved by the OHJA Board, show management must reapply for Non-Rated Show approval; however, no additional approval fee(s) shall be due for such show(s). To reserve its show date(s) for the following competition year, show management that has historically held its show(s) on the same date(s) in prior years (i.e., Memorial Day weekend) must submit its application(s) by December 1<sup>st</sup>. After December 1<sup>st</sup>, all applications will be considered for approval on a 'first come, first serve' basis. If a Rated Show offers "Opportunity" classes run in accordance with USEF rules, OHJA may approve a Non-Rated Show at another location on the same date(s) as such Rated Show. Otherwise, OHJA shall not approve more than one Non-Rated Show within a fifty (50) mile radius for the same date(s).

d. Prize Lists: Show management must mail or email approved show prize lists to all members on the OHJA Regional and Local System mailing list, which list can be provided by the Point & Membership Chairperson upon request. As an alternative to mailing or emailing show Premiums, show management may post the show prize lists on its own website or the OHJA website. Regardless of whether prize lists are mailed, emailed, or posted on a website, show management must make prize lists available to the membership of the OHJA Regional and Local System at least thirty (30) days prior to the show date. Prize lists must list classes and class specifications exactly as submitted to and approved by OHJA. All classes in which horses and riders may compete and accumulate points for Regional or Local System year-end division championships must be named and conducted according to OHJA specifications. Non-approved classes must be identified as such in the Premiums. OHJA will supply ribbons and medals for OHJA medal classes.

e. Rule Book and Membership Applications: During the show, show management must (a) have a copy of OHJA Rules available for reference, and (b) make OHJA membership applications available for show participants. Upon request, the OHJA Secretary will mail copies of the OHJA Rules and membership applications to the show management.

f. Show Results to Points & Membership Chairperson: Within ten (10) days after the show, show management shall provide the OHJA Points & Membership Chairperson with the following: (1) complete, typed show results, including the correct names of the horse, rider, and owner/lessee; (2) all OHJA membership applications and fees received at the show; (3) for combined age group classes, the correct age group of the rider; and (4) a copy of the show's prize list. If show results are not provided to the OHJA Points & Membership Chairperson as required, show management shall pay to OHJA a two hundred fifty dollar (\$250.00) fine in order to retain Non-Rated Show approval of the show. Until the two hundred fifty dollar (\$250.00) fine is paid, the Board shall not approve, or shall revoke approval of, any shows conducted by show management for the competition year.

g. Confirming OHJA Membership for Medal Classes: Before permitting any rider to compete in an OHJA Medal class, show management must confirm the rider's membership status by (1) checking the current membership list, (2) requiring the rider to provide his/her current membership card, or (3) requiring the rider to provide proof of payment of the applicable OHJA membership fee.

h. Sanctioning for Noncompliance: If show management for a Non-Rated Show fails to comply with OHJA and USEF rules and conditions regarding the sanctioning or conduct of the show, the OHJA Board may impose any and all sanctions against show management as provided under the USEF rules.

### **Section B - Stakes Classes**

1. See USEF rule book.
2. All stakes classes in Non-Rated Shows must have a minimum purse of thirty dollars (\$30.00). All add-back money must be in addition to the purse for hunter classes.

### **Section C - Point Accumulation**

1. Open System:

Open System horses and riders *may compete* in any Rated and Non-Rated horse shows. However, Open System horses and riders *may accumulate points only* at Rated Shows. If the show hosting the OHJA Medal Finals is a USEF "B" or "C" Rated Show, double points will be offered if such show is a benefit for OHJA. *However*, if the show hosting the OHJA Medal Finals is a USEF "AA" or "A" Rated Show, double points *will not* be offered, regardless of whether such show is a benefit for OHJA.

Out of state horses and riders must accumulate points in three (3) or more Oregon shows to be eligible for the OHJA year-end awards. An out of state horse is one that is owned or leased by an OHJA member who is neither an Oregon resident nor a resident of county contiguous to Oregon. An out of state rider is neither an Oregon resident nor a resident of a county contiguous to Oregon.

The horse, legal owner (or lessee), and rider must all be members of OHJA at the time the horse is shown to accumulate points. Members submitting registration at the horse show are deemed to have registered effective the first day of classes for that show.

Points in the hunter, hunt seat equitation, and jumper divisions are calculated according to the USEF increment system, excluding bonus points. In addition, derbies, classics, and similar classes will count based on the current Zone increment system. For USHJA International and National Derbies, the horse owner or rider must declare the division in which the horse's points, if any, will accumulate. However, no points will be earned in any classes restricting entries, e.g., Zone Qualifying classes, Hunter Championship classes, etc. Double points will be offered at the horse show hosting the OHJA Medal Finals when that horse show is a benefit for OHJA.

Points for 1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> place are accumulated based upon the number of exhibitors competing according to the USEF “C”, “B”, “A,” and “AA” Hunter Increment System as follows:

***USEF “C” RATED SHOWS***

<b><i>Number of Exhibitors</i></b>	<b><i>3-8</i></b>	<b><i>9-15</i></b>	<b><i>16-25</i></b>	<b><i>26+</i></b>
1 <sup>st</sup>	20	25	30	40
2 <sup>nd</sup>	15	20	25	35
3 <sup>rd</sup>	10	15	20	30
4 <sup>th</sup>	5	10	15	25
5 <sup>th</sup>	4	5	10	20
6 <sup>th</sup>	3	4	5	15

***USEF “A” AND “B” RATED SHOWS***

<b><i>Number of Exhibitors</i></b>	<b><i>3-8</i></b>	<b><i>9-15</i></b>	<b><i>16-25</i></b>	<b><i>26+</i></b>
1 <sup>st</sup>	30	40	50	60
2 <sup>nd</sup>	25	35	45	55
3 <sup>rd</sup>	20	30	40	50
4 <sup>th</sup>	15	25	35	45
5 <sup>th</sup>	14	24	34	44
6 <sup>th</sup>	13	23	33	43

***USEF “AA” RATED SHOWS***

<b><i>Number of Exhibitors</i></b>	<b><i>3- 8</i></b>	<b><i>9 – 15</i></b>	<b><i>16 – 25</i></b>	<b><i>26+</i></b>
1 <sup>st</sup>	40	50	60	70
2 <sup>nd</sup>	35	45	55	65
3 <sup>rd</sup>	30	40	50	60
4 <sup>th</sup>	25	35	45	55
5 <sup>th</sup>	24	34	44	54
6 <sup>th</sup>	23	33	43	53

2. Regional System:

Regional System horses and riders *may compete* in any Rated and Non-Rated horse shows. However, Regional System horses and riders *may accumulate points only* at the following shows *within Oregon and its contiguous counties*: (1) the first three (3) Non-Rated Shows in which the horse and/or rider accumulates points; and (2) any and all Rated Shows. If the show hosting the OHJA Medal Finals is a USEF “B” or “C” Rated Show, double points will be offered if such show is a benefit for OHJA. *However*, if the show hosting the OHJA Medal Finals is a USEF “AA” or “A” Rated Show, double points *will not* be offered, regardless of whether such show is a benefit for OHJA.

***Out of state horses and riders are not eligible for OHJA points in the Regional System.*** An out of state horse is one that is owned or leased by an OHJA member who is neither an Oregon resident nor a resident of a county contiguous to Oregon. An out of state rider is neither an Oregon resident nor a resident of a county contiguous to Oregon.

The horse, legal owner (or lessee), and rider must all be members of OHJA at the time the horse is shown to accumulate points. Members submitting registration at the horse show are deemed to have registered effective the first day of classes for that show.

Points in the hunter, hunt seat equitation, and jumper divisions are calculated according to the USEF increment system, excluding bonus points. In addition, derbies, classics, and similar classes will count based on the current Zone increment system. For USHJA International and National Derbies, the horse owner or rider must declare the division in which the horse’s points, if any, will accumulate. However, no points will be earned in any classes restricting entries, e.g., Zone Qualifying classes, Hunter Championship classes, etc. Double points will be offered at the horse show hosting the OHJA Medal Finals when that horse show is a benefit for OHJA.

Regional System horses and riders will accumulate points as follows: (1) for USEF “AA” Rated Shows, using the current USEF “AA” Hunter Increment point system noted *above*; (2) for USEF “A” and “B” Rated Shows, using the current USEF “A” Hunter Increment point system noted *above*; and (3) for USEF “C” Rated Shows, using the current USEF “B” Hunter Increment point system noted *above*; and (4) for Non-Rated Show, using the current USEF “B” Hunter Increment point system *below*:

<b><i>Number of Exhibitors</i></b>	<b><i>NON-RATED SHOWS<sup>4</sup></i></b>			
	<b><i>3-8</i></b>	<b><i>9-15</i></b>	<b><i>16-25</i></b>	<b><i>26+</i></b>
1 <sup>st</sup>	20	25	30	40
2 <sup>nd</sup>	15	20	25	35
3 <sup>rd</sup>	10	15	20	30
4 <sup>th</sup>	5	10	15	25
5 <sup>th</sup>	4	5	10	20

<sup>4</sup> This reference to Non-Rated shows applies only to the Regional System; horses and riders in the Open System may not accumulate points in Non-Rated shows.

6<sup>th</sup>                    3                    4                    5                    15

3.     Local System:

Local System horses and riders *may compete* in any and all Rated and Non-Rated Shows. However, Local System horses and riders *may accumulate points only* in Oregon and its contiguous counties: (a) Non-Rated Shows, (b) Rated Shows that are USEF “B” or “C” rated, and (c) up to three (3) Rated Shows that are USEF “AA” or “A” rated. *Unless otherwise provided herein, only points from the first three (3) USEF “AA” or “A” Rated Shows in which the Local System member and/or horse accumulates points will count toward year-end championship awards.* USEF “AA” and “A” Rated Shows in which the member and/or horse accumulates points *only* in USEF “Opportunity” classes over fences less than 2’ in height do not count toward such limit; *however*, points accumulated in classes over fences 2’ or higher will count toward such limit. Once the member and/or horse accumulates points in three (3) USEF “AA” and/or “A” Rated Shows as provided herein, no additional points will accumulate unless and until the member and/or horse is upgraded to the Regional System and all applicable Regional System membership and horse registration fees are paid. If the member upgrades to the Regional System, credit will be given for Local System membership fees previously paid and all points previously accumulated will follow the member/horse to the Regional System and be recalculated under the Regional System increment rules. If the show hosting the OHJA Mini Medal Finals is USEF “B” or “C” rated, double points will be offered if such show is a benefit for OHJA. *However*, if the show hosting the OHJA Mini Medal Finals is a USEF “AA” or “A” Rated Show, double points *will not* be offered, regardless of whether such show is a benefit for OHJA.

The horse, legal owner (or lessee), and rider must all be members of OHJA at the time the horse is shown to accumulate points. Members submitting registration at the horse show are deemed to have registered effective the first day of classes for that show.

Regardless of the number of exhibitors in a class, Local System horses and riders will accumulate points as follows:

1st–10            2nd–6            3rd–4            4th–3            5th–2

4.     Recording and Reporting of Points Accumulated:

The Board will appoint a Points & Membership Chairperson to maintain a year-to-date accounting of points toward year-end division championships. The Points & Membership Chairperson shall be compensated at a rate determined by a vote of the Board.

Any discrepancies in point accumulations noted by a member shall be reported to the Points & Membership Chairperson, who will research and correct the reported discrepancy as appropriate. Point standings shall be posted on the OHJA website, and other public site(s), and updated at least every two (2) months. Any member may request a printed copy of point standings by submitting a written request to the Points & Membership Chairperson. No member may make more than three (3) such requests per show year.

Exhibitors attending shows outside of Oregon and contiguous counties must provide the Points & Membership Chairperson with their points and a letter stating that their official points are being forwarded from the horse show management. Upon receipt of the official points, the Points & Membership Chairperson will notify the exhibitor.

## **RULE V – YEAR END DIVISION AWARDS**

### **A. Open System:**

OHJA Open System offers year-end championships in those divisions (a) having at least five (5) members, regardless of whether such members are registered in the Open or Regional System, accumulating points in any division at three (3) or more shows in Oregon, and (b) in which the leading horse/rider accumulates at least twenty-five (25) points. The exceptions shall be the following divisions, which will offer a year-end championship *if* at least three (3) members accumulate points over fences in any division at two (2) or more shows:

#### ***Open/Professional Divisions***

3' Pre-Green Hunter  
3'3" Pre-Green Hunter  
Green Working Hunter  
Performance Hunter, 3'6" – 3'9"  
Conformation Hunter  
High Performance Hunter, 4' – 4'6"

#### ***Junior/Amateur Divisions:***

Green Pony Hunter  
Pony Working Hunter  
Junior Working Hunter  
Amateur Owner Working Hunter 3'3"  
Amateur Owner Working Hunter

*However*, the leading horse/rider must still accumulate at least twenty-five (25) points. In each division, Champion, Reserve Champion, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> place ribbons will be awarded.

USEF-rated amateur and junior divisions (i.e., Children's, Junior, Adult Amateur, Amateur Owner) cannot be combined with one another for year-end championships. However, if the division does not otherwise qualify for a year-end championship award as set forth above, OHJA reserves the right to (a) combine age groupings among amateurs and among juniors in any USEF-rated divisions conducted under the same class specifications (i.e., Children's 13 & Under and Children's 14 – 17 combined, Adult Amateur 36 – 40 and Adult Amateur 41 & Over combined), and (b) combine divisions, regardless of rider age, in any non-USEF-rated divisions conducted under the same class specifications (i.e., Pre-Children's and Pre-Adult combined). The OHJA Board reserves the right to combine the separate Small, Medium, and Large Pony Working Hunter divisions into one or more Pony Working Hunter division(s).

The Board has discretion to award year-end championships in divisions that do not meet the criteria set forth above. However, OHJA welcomes sponsors of divisions that do not meet the criteria set forth above. The deadline for sponsorships of division that do not meet eligibility requirements is October 31 of the current show year. Sponsorship costs will be arranged with the OHJA Board.

B. Regional System:

OHJA Regional System offers year-end championships to those divisions (a) having at least three (3) members, regardless of whether such members are registered in the Open or Regional System, acquiring points in any division at two (2) or more shows, and (b) in which the leading horse/rider accumulates at least twenty-five (25) points. In each division, Champion, Reserve Champion, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> place ribbons will be awarded.

USEF-rated amateur and junior divisions (i.e., Children's, Junior, Adult Amateur, Amateur Owner) cannot be combined with one another for year-end championships (i.e., no Junior/Amateur Owner Hunter, no Children's/Adult Amateur Hunter). However, if the division does not otherwise qualify for a year-end championship award as set forth above, the OHJA Board reserves the right to (a) combine age groupings among amateurs and among juniors in any USEF-rated divisions conducted under the same class specifications (i.e., Children's 13 & Under and Children's 14 – 17 combined, Adult Amateur 36 – 40 and Adult Amateur 41 & Over combined), and (b) combine divisions, regardless of rider age, in any non-USEF-rated divisions conducted under the same class specifications (i.e., Pre-Children's and Pre-Adult combined). The OHJA Board reserves the right to combine the separate Small, Medium, and Large Pony Working Hunter divisions into one or more Pony Working Hunter division(s).

The Board has discretion to award year-end championships in divisions that do not meet the criteria set forth above. However, OHJA welcomes sponsors of divisions that did not meet the criteria set forth above. The deadline for sponsorships of division that do not meet eligibility requirements is October 31 of the current show year. Sponsorship costs will be arranged with the OHJA Board.

C. Local System:

Generally, the Local System will award two types of awards at the end of the competition year: (1) merit awards for divisions with fences less than 2' in height, and (2) year-end championships for divisions with fences between 2' and 3' in height. No hunter or equitation divisions or classes higher than 3' in height will be eligible for Local System points or year-end championships. No jumper divisions or classes higher than 0.95m in height will be eligible for Local System points or year-end championships.

Unless specifically listed in this Section V.C, no classes or divisions that are open to professional riders are eligible for year-end championships.

1. Certificate of Merit Divisions:

OHJA will recognize rider achievements through the Certificate of Merit program. Members who earn at least twenty-five (25) points in Certificate of Merit divisions will earn a Certificate of Merit, based on the following point system, to be presented at the Year-End Awards Banquet. Points are accumulated according to the Local System rules set forth above. Divisions that count toward the Certificate of Merit are those divisions and classes limited to non-professionals as follows:

<b><i>Junior/Amateur Hunter Classes</i></b>	<b>LOCAL</b>
Flat Hunter	CM
Trot a Pole Hunter	CM
Trot a Course Hunter, Under 12”	CM
Trot a Course Hunter, 12” – 15”	CM
Beginning Rider Hunter	CM
Green Rider Hunter	CM
<b><i>Junior/Amateur Equitation Classes</i></b>	
Flat Equitation	CM
Trot a Pole Equitation	CM
Trot a Course Equitation, Under 12”	CM
Trot a Course Equitation, 12” – 15”	CM
Beginning Rider Equitation	CM
Green Rider Equitation	CM

For points to count toward the Certificate of Merit, the classes or divisions must be (1) offered at a Non-Rated Show or (2) “Opportunity” classes run in accordance with USEF rules at a Rated Show. There will be a point system of Gold, Silver, and Bronze levels:

Gold = 75 and up  
Silver = 50-74  
Bronze = 25-49

***Certificate of Merit Hunter Specifications:***

*Flat Hunter:* Points from any and all flat hunter classes not otherwise eligible for a division championship at a Non-Rated or Rated Show to count toward Certificate of Merit, including but not limited to English Pleasure, Walk/Trot, and Walk/Trot/Canter.

*Trot a Pole Hunter:* Points over poles and under saddle to count toward Certificate of Merit.

*Trot a Course Hunter, Under 12”:* Fence height less than 12”. May include cross rails. No oxers or in and outs. Points over fences and under saddle to count toward Certificate of Merit.

*Trot a Course Hunter, 12” – 15”:* Fence height 12” – 15”. May include cross rails. No oxers or in and outs. Points over fences and under saddle to count toward Certificate of Merit.

Beginning Rider Hunter: Fence height 12” – 15”. May include cross rails. No oxers or in and outs. Open to riders in their first two (2) years of showing. Points over fences and under saddle to count toward Certificate of Merit.

Green Rider Hunter: Fence height 18” – 23”. May include cross rails. No oxers or in and outs. Open to riders in their first two (2) years of showing. Points over fences and under saddle to count toward Certificate of Merit.

### ***Certificate of Merit Equitation Specifications:***

Flat Equitation: Points from any and all flat equitation classes not otherwise eligible for a division championship at a Non-Rated or Rated Show to count toward Certificate of Merit, including but not limited to Walk/Trot and Walk/Trot/Canter.

Trot a Pole Equitation: Points over poles and on the flat to count toward Certificate of Merit.

Trot a Course Equitation, Under 12”: Fence height less than 12”. May include cross rails. No oxers or in and outs. Points over fences and on the flat to count toward Certificate of Merit.

Trot a Course Equitation, 12” – 15”: Fence height 12” – 15”. May include cross rails. No oxers or in and outs. Points over fences and on the flat to count toward Certificate of Merit.

Beginning Rider Equitation: Fence height 12” – 15”. May include cross rails. No oxers or in and outs. Open to riders in their first two (2) years of showing. Points over fences and on the flat to count toward Certificate of Merit.

Green Rider Equitation: Fence height 18” – 23”. May include cross rails. No oxers or in and outs. Open to riders in their first two (2) years of showing. Points over fences and on the flat to count toward Certificate of Merit.

### ***Certificate of Merit Jumper Specifications:***

Beginning Rider Jumper: Fence height 12” – 15”. May include cross rails. No oxers, in and outs, or combinations. Open to riders in their first two (2) years of showing. All classes to be run as Clear Round classes in accordance with USEF JP 143.1, Table II.

Green Rider Jumper: Fence height 18” – 23”. May include cross rails. No oxers, in and outs, or combinations. Open to riders in their first two (2) years of showing. All classes to be run as Clear Round classes in accordance with USEF JP 143.1, Table II.

## **2. Year-End Championship Divisions:**

OHJA Local System offers year-end championships to those divisions (a) having at least three (3) members acquiring points in any division at two (2) or more shows, and (b) in which the leading horse/rider accumulates at least twenty-five (25) points. In each division, Champion, Reserve Champion, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> place ribbons will be awarded.

For 2011, the following have been added to the list of divisions for which a Local System year-end championship may be offered:

***Open/Professional Divisions***

Baby Green Hunter  
 Small Working Hunter  
 Large Working Hunter  
 3' Pre-Green Working Hunter

***Junior/Amateur Divisions:***

Children's Working Hunter, 17 & Under  
 Adult Amateur Working Hunter, 18 & Over  
 Restricted Equitation, 17 & Under  
 Amateur Equitation, 18 & Over

The Board has discretion to award year-end championships in divisions that do not meet the criteria set forth above. However, OHJA welcomes sponsors of divisions that did not meet the criteria set forth above. The deadline for sponsorships of division that do not meet eligibility requirements is October 31 of the current show year. Sponsorship costs will be arranged with the OHJA Board.

**D. Year End Division Championships:**

1. Hunters: Subject to the conditions set forth above, the following hunter divisions will receive year-end championship awards. *As noted above, all divisions over courses with fences less than 2' are eligible for merit awards only; these divisions are not eligible for year-end championships.* Divisions not defined by USEF are defined at the end of this list.

<b><i>Professional/Open Hunter Divisions</i></b>	<b>OPEN</b>	<b>REGIONAL</b>	<b>LOCAL</b>
Baby Green Hunter	X	X	X
Large Working Hunter	X	X	X
Small Working Hunter	X	X	X
3' Pre-Green Hunter	X	X	X
3'3" Pre-Green Hunter	X	X	-
Green Working Hunter	X	X	-
Conformation Hunter	X	X	-
Performance Hunter 3'3"	X	X	-
Performance Hunter 3'6" – 3'9"	X	X	-
High Performance Hunter, 4' – 4'6"	X	X	-

<b><i>Junior/Amateur Hunter Divisions</i></b>	<b>OPEN</b>	<b>REGIONAL</b>	<b>LOCAL</b>
Short Stirrup Hunter	X	X	-
Long Stirrup Hunter	X	X	-
Short Stirrup/Long Stirrup Hunter	-	-	X
Pre-Children's Working Hunter	X	X	-
Pre-Adult Working Hunter	X	X	-

Pre-Children's/Pre-Adult Working Hunter	-	-	X
Children's Working Hunter Pony	X	X	X
Green Working Pony Hunter	X	X	-
Small Pony Working Hunter	X	X	-
Medium Pony Working Hunter	X	X	-
Large Pony Working Hunter	X	X	-
Modified Children's/Adult Amateur Hunter	-	-	X
Children's Working Hunter, 13 & Under	X	X	-
Children's Working Hunter, 14 – 17	X	X	-
Children's Working Hunter, 17 & Under	-	-	X
Adult Amateur Working Hunter, 18-35	X	X	-
Adult Amateur Working Hunter, 36-40	X	X	-
Adult Amateur Working Hunter, 41 & Over	X	X	-
Adult Amateur Working Hunter, 18 & Over	-	-	X
Modified Junior/Amateur Hunter	X	X	-
Small Junior Working Hunter, 15 & Under	X	X	-
Small Junior Working Hunter, 16 – 17	X	X	-
Large Junior Working Hunter, 15 & Under	X	X	-
Large Junior Working Hunter, 16 – 17	X	X	-
Amateur Owner Working Hunter 3'3"	X	X	-
Amateur Owner Working Hunter	X	X	-

***Hunter Division Specifications:***

*Small Working Hunter:* A horse under 16 hands. At Rated Shows, fence height not to exceed 3'3"; at Non-Rated Shows, fence height not to exceed 3'.

*Large Working Hunter:* A horse 16 hands and over. At Rated Shows, fence height not to exceed 3'3"; at Non-Rated Shows, fence height not to exceed 3'.

*Baby Green Hunter:* A horse or pony in its first year of showing, regardless of age. A baby green pony may be shown by a professional, however, may not be shown by a child in any other division at the same show. Cross entry into the Pre-Green division is permitted, but uses up one (1) year of the horse's "Pre-Green" status. Fence height not to exceed 2'9".

*Pre-Green Working Hunter:* A horse in its first two (2) consecutive years of showing, regardless of age, that has never been shown at 3'6". Fence height not to exceed 3' – 3'3". Pre-Green horses may not be reinstated.

Pre-Children's/Pre-Adult Working Hunter: At Rated Shows, fence height 2'3" – 2'9". At Non-Rated Shows, fence height not to exceed 2'6" and no in and outs. If cross entry between 2'6" and 3' divisions is allowed by horse show management, a rider obtaining points in both the 2'6" and 3' divisions at the same show will forfeit any points accumulated in the 2'6" division at that show. Horses and ponies may be ridden by a different rider in a 3' division without forfeiting 2'6" points. Specifications for this division are to be written in the prize lists. Horse show management is encouraged to split Pre-Children's/Pre-Adult Working Hunter at 20 entries. At the OHJA Board's discretion, the two (2) divisions may be combined for year-end championship awards in the Open and Regional Systems; *however*, the divisions shall be combined in the Local System for year-end championship awards.

Short Stirrup/Long Stirrup Hunter: At Rated Shows, fence height 2' – 2'3". At Non-Rated Shows, fence height not to exceed 2' and no oxers or in and outs. Show management is encouraged to split Short/Long Stirrup as long as entries warrant. Specifications for this division are to be written in the prize lists. At the OHJA Board's discretion, the two (2) divisions may be combined for year-end championship awards in the Open and Regional Systems; *however*, the divisions shall be combined in the Local System for year-end championship awards.

Children's Hunter Pony: Open to any pony. At Rated Shows, small ponies jump 2'; medium ponies jump 2'3"; large ponies jump 2'6". At Non-Rated Shows, small ponies jump 2'; medium and large ponies jump 2'3" to 2'6".

Modified Children's/Adult Amateur Hunter: Fence height is 2'6" – 2'9". Cross-entry from the Pre-Children's, Pre-Adult, Children's, and Adult Amateur hunter divisions is allowed. This division only counts toward a year-end championship in the Local System; *however*, Rated Shows may, and are encouraged to, offer classes in this division.

Children's Working Hunter: Fence height at Non-Rated Shows is 2'9"-3'. At Non-Rated Shows, if Children's and Adult Amateur Working Hunter divisions are combined due to less than three (3) entries in either division, points count toward year-end championship awards if show management provides the exhibitor age group in the official show results.

Adult Amateur Working Hunter: Fence height at Non-Rated Shows is 2'9"-3'. At Non-Rated Shows, if Children's and Adult Amateur Working Hunter divisions are combined due to less than three (3) entries in either division, points count toward year-end championship awards if show management provides the exhibitor age group in the official show results.

Modified Junior/Amateur Hunter: Fence height 3'3". Cross-entry from the Children's, Adult Amateur, Junior, and both Amateur Owner hunter divisions is allowed.

Junior Working Hunter: Fence height at Non-Rated shows is 3'3"-3'6". Junior Working Hunters will be split Small and Large and 15 & Under and 16 – 17 for year-end awards. For year-end championship awards, if any divisions do not meet the requirements to fill, they will be combined first by age groups and then by Small/Large.

Amateur Owner Working Hunter 3'3": Fence height is 3'3". Riders *may* cross-enter between the Amateur Owner Working Hunter divisions at the same show; *however*, horses *may not* cross-enter between the divisions.

Amateur Owner Working Hunter: Fence height is 3'3"-3'6".

2. Equitation: Subject to the conditions set forth above, the following equitation divisions will receive year-end championship awards. Divisions not defined by USEF are defined at the end of the list.

<b><i>Equitation Divisions</i></b>	<b>OPEN</b>	<b>REGIONAL</b>	<b>LOCAL</b>
Short Stirrup Equitation	X	X	-
Long Stirrup Equitation	X	X	-
Short Stirrup/Long Stirrup Equitation	-	-	X
Pre-Children's Equitation	X	X	-
Pre-Adult Equitation	X	X	-
Pre-Children's/Pre-Adult Equitation	-	-	X
Pony Equitation	X	X	-
Modified Children's/Adult Amateur Equitation	-	-	X
Restricted Equitation, 13 & Under	X	X	-
Equitation, 13 & Under	X	X	-
Restricted Equitation, 14 – 15	X	X	-
Equitation, 14 – 15	X	X	-
Restricted Equitation, 16 – 17	X	X	-
Restricted Equitation, 17 & Under	-	-	X
Equitation, 16 – 17	X	X	-
Amateur Equitation, 18 & Over	X	X	X

***Equitation Division Specifications:***

Short Stirrup/Long Stirrup Equitation: At Rated Shows, fence height 2' – 2'3". At Non-Rated Shows, fence height 2' and no oxers or in and outs. Points accumulated both over fences and on the flat to count toward year-end championship award. This division shall be combined in the Local System for year-end championship awards.

Pre-Children's/Pre-Adult Equitation: At Rated Shows, fence height 2'3" – 2'9". At Non-Rated Shows, fence height 2'3" - 2'6" and no in and outs. Points accumulated both over fences and on the flat to count toward year-end championship award. May not cross enter into Restricted Equitation, Equitation, or Amateur Equitation. This division shall be combined in the Local System for year-end championship awards.

Pony Equitation: Fence heights shall be the same as those used in the USEF-rated Pony Hunter division. Points accumulated both over fences and on the flat to count toward year-end championship award.

Modified Children's/Adult Amateur Equitation: Fence height 2'6" – 2'9". Points accumulated in both classes over fences and on the flat to count toward year-end championship award. This division shall be combined in the Local System for year-end championship awards. This division only counts toward a year-end championship in the Local System; *however*, Rated Shows may, and are encouraged to, offer these classes/divisions.

Restricted Equitation, 13 & Under: Fence height 2'9" - 3'. May not cross enter into any class at the same competition higher than 3'/0.93m except the USEF Medal and the ASPCA/Maclay classes. Excludes Maiden, Novice, Limit, or other classes otherwise restricted by entries. Points accumulated both over fences and on the flat to count toward year-end championship award. Riders accumulating points in both the Equitation, 13 & Under and Restricted Equitation, 13 & Under are eligible for only one year end championship award for equitation, which shall be awarded in the division in which the rider has achieved the highest overall placing in the year end standings.

Equitation, 13 & Under: Fence height 2'9" – 3'. May not cross enter into any Restricted Equitation classes at the same competition. Excludes Maiden, Novice, Limit, or other classes otherwise restricted by entries. Points accumulated both over fences and on the flat to count toward year-end championship award. Riders accumulating points in both the Equitation, 13 & Under and Restricted Equitation, 13 & Under are eligible for only one year end championship award for equitation, which shall be awarded in the division in which the rider has achieved the highest overall placing in the year end standings.

Restricted Equitation, 14 – 15: Fence height 3'. May not cross enter into any class at the same competition higher than 3'/0.93m except the USEF Medal and the ASPCA/Maclay classes. Excludes Maiden, Novice, Limit, or other classes otherwise restricted by entries. Points accumulated both over fences and on the flat to count toward year-end championship award. Riders accumulating points in both the Equitation, 14 - 15 and Restricted Equitation, 14 - 15 are eligible for only one year end championship award for equitation, which shall be awarded in the division in which the rider has achieved the highest overall placing in the year-end standings.

Equitation, 14 – 15: Fence height 3' – 3'6". May not cross enter into any Restricted Equitation classes at the same competition. Excludes Maiden, Novice, Limit, or other classes otherwise restricted by entries. Points accumulated both over fences and on the flat to count toward year-end championship award. Riders accumulating points in both the Equitation, 14 - 15 and Restricted Equitation, 14 – 15 are eligible for only one year end championship award for equitation, which shall be awarded in the division in which the rider has achieved the highest overall placing in the year-end standings.

Restricted Equitation, 16 – 17: Fence height 3'. May not cross enter into any class at the same competition higher than 3'/0.93m except the USEF Medal and the ASPCA/Maclay classes. Excludes Maiden, Novice, Limit, or other classes otherwise restricted by entries. Points

accumulated both over fences and on the flat to count toward year-end championship award. Riders accumulating points in both the Equitation, 16 - 17 and Restricted Equitation, 16 - 17 are eligible for only one year-end championship award for equitation, which shall be awarded in the division in which the rider has achieved the highest overall placing in the year-end standings.

Equitation, 16 – 17: Fence height 3' – 3'6". May not cross enter into any Restricted Equitation classes at the same competition. Excludes Maiden, Novice, Limit, or other classes otherwise restricted by entries. Points accumulated both over fences and on the flat to count toward year-end championship award. Riders accumulating points in both the Equitation, 16 - 17 and Restricted Equitation, 16 – 17 are eligible for only one year end championship award for equitation, which shall be awarded in the division in which the rider has achieved the highest overall placing in the year-end standings.

Amateur Equitation, 18 & Over: At Rated Shows, fence height minimum of 3'. At Non-Rated Shows, fence height not to exceed 3'. Points accumulated in both classes over fences and on the flat to count toward year-end championship award.

### 3. OHJA Medal Classes:

Year-end championships will be awarded in all OHJA Medal classes. All OHJA Medal Class participants must be junior or amateur members in good standing of the OHJA. A minimum of three (3) riders must complete the course for the class to count toward the OHJA Medal Finals and for the medal to be awarded. There must be a "ride-off" in each medal class between at least the top two (2) riders with four (4) recommended. In each of the OHJA Medal Finals, prizes shall be awarded through tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) place, entries permitting.

To qualify for the Medal Finals, riders must accumulate ten (10) points in medal classes. Points are accumulated toward the Medal Finals as follows: (a) 1<sup>st</sup> – 10 points; (b) 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6 points; (c) 3<sup>rd</sup> – 4 points; (d) 4<sup>th</sup> – 3 points; and (e) 5<sup>th</sup> – 2 points. After the close of entries for the show holding the OHJA Medal Finals, the Board gives show management the option to invite up to ten (10) additional riders based on number of points accumulated to date, starting with the highest, that have not yet reached the ten (10) point minimum. There will be a written test that will be taken by all participants in the OHJA Medal Finals classes. The score from this test will count toward the combined score for each competitor in the OHJA Medal Finals.

OHJA Mini Medal: Fence height not to exceed 2'6". At Non-Rated Shows, no less than two (2) fences on course must be 2'6" in height. No cross entry with 3' medals. No one or two stride in-and-outs are permitted on course. *Riders who win a qualifying class may continue to compete until they accumulate twenty-five (25) points.* Medal winners in Mini Medal classes may compete in Children's or Adult medal classes; *however*, if they qualify for the Children's Medal Finals or Adult Medal Finals, they forfeit their right to compete in the Mini Medal Finals. In *qualifying classes* at Non-Rated Shows, show management is encouraged to limit the 'ride-off' to flat work in accordance with USEF Rule EQ 113(5), and/or horsemanship questions in accordance with USEF Rule EQ 113(8); *however*, at Rated Shows the judge may use any test(s) listed in USEF Rule EQ 113. In the *Mini Medal Finals*, the "ride-off" shall not include any testing over fences.

If entries in the Mini Medal Finals warrant, show management may, and is encouraged, to split the class into separate “Mini Medal Finals – Children” and “Mini Medal Finals – Adult” classes.

*OHJA Children's Medal:* Fence height not to exceed 3'. Riders entered in a Children's Medal class may not cross enter into junior hunters, junior jumpers, or any 3'6" medal class at the same show; *however*, a rider competing in the Children’s Medal Finals may cross enter into any division for which the rider is otherwise qualified. *Riders who win a qualifying class may continue to compete until they accumulate twenty-five (25) points.* Medal winners in Children's Medal classes may compete in Junior Medal classes; *however*, if they qualify for the Junior Medal Finals, they forfeit their right to compete in the Children's Medal Finals. If there are less than three (3) Children’s riders in a qualifying class or at the Medal Finals, the class may be combined with the Adult Amateur Medal qualifying class and at the Adult Amateur Medal Finals.

*OHJA Junior Medal:* Fence height 3'6". Riders competing in Junior Hunter divisions are only eligible to compete in the Junior Medal classes. *Riders who win a qualifying class may continue to compete until the Junior Medal Finals.* In the Junior Medal Finals, if there are less than three (3) junior riders, the Junior and Senior Medal Finals shall be combined.

*OHJA Adult Amateur Medal:* Fence height not to exceed 3'. *Riders who win a qualifying class may continue to compete until the Adult Amateur Medal Finals.* If there are less than three (3) Adult Amateur riders in a qualifying class or at the Medal Finals, the class may be combined with the Children’s Medal qualifying class and at the Children’s Medal Finals.

*OHJA Senior Medal:* Fence height 3'6". *Riders who win a qualifying class may continue to compete until the Senior Medal Finals.* In the Senior Medal Finals, if there are less than three (3) senior riders, the Senior and Junior Medal Finals shall be combined.

3. Jumpers: Subject to the conditions set forth above, the following jumper divisions will receive year-end championship awards. Divisions not defined by USEF are defined at the end of the list.

<b><i>Jumper Divisions</i></b>	<b>OPEN</b>	<b>REGIONAL</b>	<b>LOCAL</b>
Low Children’s Jumper	X	X	-
Low Adult Amateur Jumper	X	X	-
Low Children’s/Adult Amateur Jumper	-	-	X
Beginning Jumper	X	X	X
High Children’s Jumper	X	X	-
High Adult Amateur Jumper	X	X	-
Pony Jumper	X	X	X
Modified Junior/Amateur Jumper	X	X	-
Junior/Amateur Owner Jumper	X	X	-

0.70 m. – 0.80 m. Jumper	-	-	X
0.85 m. – 0.95 m. Jumper	-	-	X
0.85 m. – 1.00 m. Jumper	X	-	-
0.85 m. – 0.90 m. Jumper	-	X	-
0.95 m. – 1.00 m. Jumper	-	X	-
1.05 m. – 1.10 m. Jumper	X	X	-
1.15 m. – 1.20 m. Jumper	X	X	-
1.25 m. – 1.30 m. Jumper	X	X	-
1.35 m. – 1.50 m. Jumper	X	X	-
Young Jumper	X	X	-

***Jumper Division Specifications:***

*Low Children’s/Adult Amateur Jumper:* Fence height – 0.80m – 1.05m. At Non-Rated Shows, fence height not to exceed 0.95m and show management is encouraged, but not required, to run all classes as Optimum Time in accordance with USEF Rule JP146 Table IV. Open to any rider. Horse may cross-enter into High Children/Adult Amateur Jumper. Horse may not cross-enter into Modified Junior/Amateur Jumper or Junior/Amateur Owner Jumper. To be eligible for Low Children’s/Adult Amateur Jumper points, a class offered at 1.05m must be designated as a *Low Children’s/Adult Amateur Jumper* class. All points count toward year-end championship awards.

*Beginning Jumper:* Fence height 0.75m – 0.95m. Horse/rider combinations cannot accumulate points toward a year-end championship award in any jumper division with fences 1.00m or higher. Classes may be open to all horses and riders; *however*, only points for horses ridden by juniors or amateurs to count toward year-end championship awards. At Non-Rated Shows, show management is encouraged, but not required, to have professionals ride these classes only as schooling rounds.

*High Children’s/Adult Amateur Jumper:* Fence height – 1.05m – 1.15m. Open to any rider. Horse may cross enter into Low Children’s/Adult Amateur Jumper or Modified Junior/Amateur Jumper. Horse may not cross enter into Junior/Amateur Owner Jumper division. To be eligible for High Children’s/Adult Amateur Jumper points, a class offered at *1.05m* must be designated as a *High Children’s/Adult Amateur* class (not Low Children’s/Adult Amateur), and a class offered *1.15m* must be designated as a High Children’s/Adult Amateur Jumper class (not Modified Junior/Amateur). All points count toward year-end championship awards.

*Modified Junior/Amateur Jumper:* Fence height – 1.15m – 1.20m. Cross-entry with High Children’s/Adult Amateur Jumper and Junior/Amateur Owner Jumper permitted. To be eligible for Modified Junior/Amateur Jumper points, a class must be designated as a Modified Junior/Amateur Jumper class. All points count toward year-end championship awards.

*Junior/Amateur Owner Jumper:* Fence height – 1.20m – 1.40m. All points accumulated in 1.20m, 1.25m, 1.30m, 1.35m, and 1.40m classes restricted to Junior/Amateur Owner horses

count toward year-end championship awards. Cross-entry with Modified Junior/Amateur Jumper permitted. Classes restricted to Junior/Amateur Owner horses, *but offered at heights lower than 1.20m*, count for the Modified Junior/Amateur Jumper year-end championship award, and not the Junior/Amateur Owner Jumper year-end championship award.

*Pony Jumper:* Fence height – 0.70m – 1.10m. At Non-Rated Shows, fence height not to exceed 0.95m, and show management is encouraged, but not required, to run all classes as Optimum Time in accordance with USEF Rule JP146, Table IV. Open to any pony and junior rider. However, ponies may not cross enter into High Children's/Adult Amateur Jumper, Modified Junior/Amateur Jumper, or Junior/Amateur Owner Jumper divisions. All points count toward year-end championship awards.

*0.70m – 0.80m Jumper:* All points won in open 0.70m, 0.75m, and 0.80m classes count toward year-end championship awards. Points won in Pony Jumper, Low Children's/Adult Amateur Jumper, and Beginning Jumper classes not to count toward year-end championship awards. At Non-Rated Shows, show management is encouraged, but not required, to run all classes as Optimum Time in accordance with USEF Rule JP146, Table IV.

*0.85m – 0.90m Jumper:* All points won in open 0.85m and 0.90m classes count toward year-end championship awards. Points won in Pony Jumper, Low Children's/Adult Amateur Jumper and Beginning Jumper classes not to count toward year-end championship awards. The OHJA Board reserves the right to combine this division with the 0.95m – 1.00 Jumper division for year-end championship awards.

*0.85m – 0.95m Jumper:* All points won in open 0.85m, 0.90m, and 0.95m classes count toward year-end championship awards. Points won in Pony Jumper, Low Children's/Adult Amateur Jumper, and Beginning Jumper classes not to count toward year-end championship awards. At Non-Rated Shows, show management is encouraged, but not required, to run all classes as Optimum Time in accordance with USEF Rule JP146, Table IV.

*0.85m. – 1.00m. Jumper:* All points won in open 0.85m, 0.90m, 0.95m, and 1.00m classes count toward year-end championship awards. Points won in Pony Jumper, Low Children's/Adult Amateur Jumper, Beginning Jumper, and High Children's/Adult Amateur Jumper classes not to count toward year-end championship awards. The OHJA Board reserves the right to award separate year-end championship awards for (a) 0.85m – 0.90m Jumper, and (b) 0.95m – 1.00m Jumper.

*0.95m – 1.00m Jumper:* All points won in open 0.95m and 1.00m classes count toward year-end championship awards. Points won in Pony Jumper, Low Children's/Adult Amateur Jumper, Beginning Jumper, and High Children's/Adult Amateur Jumper classes not to count toward year-end championship awards. The OHJA Board reserves the right to combine this division with the 0.85m – 0.90m Jumper division for year-end championship awards.

*1.05m – 1.10m Jumper:* All points won in open 1.05m and 1.10m classes count toward year-end championship awards. Points won in Pony Jumper and High Children's/Adult Amateur Jumper classes not to count toward year-end championship awards.

1.15m – 1.20m Jumper: All points won in open 1.15m and 1.20m classes count toward year-end championship awards. Points won in Modified Junior/Amateur Jumper and Junior/Amateur Owner classes not to count toward year-end championship awards.

1.25m – 1.30m Jumper: All monies won in open 1.25m and 1.30m classes, including Mini Prix or Grand Prix classes, count toward year-end championship awards. Monies won in Junior/Amateur Jumper classes not to count toward year-end championship awards.

1.35m – 1.50m Jumper: All monies won in open 1.35m, 1.40m, 1.45m, and 1.50m classes, including Grand Prix classes, count toward year-end championship awards. Monies won in Junior/Amateur Owner Jumper classes not to count toward year-end championship awards.

Young Jumper: Open to horses with papers indicating a foaling date five, six, seven, or eight years previous to the current calendar year. Classes to be scored and fence heights set in accordance with USEF Rule JP116 for Five, Six, Seven, and Eight-Year-Old Jumpers.

In accordance with USEF Jumper Rules, OHJA fence heights are as follows:

<i>Fence Height (Meters)</i>	<i>Level under 2009 OHJA Rules</i>	<i>Fence Height (Approx. Feet)</i>	<i>Spreads (Feet)</i>
0.85		2'9"	2'11" – 3'3"
0.90		2'11"	3'1" – 3'5"
0.93	1	3'	3'2" – 3'8"
0.95		3'1"	3'3" – 3'7"
1.00	2	3'3"	3'5" – 3'9"
1.05		3'5"	3'7" – 3'11"
1.08	3	3'6"	3'8" – 4'
1.10		3'7"	3'9" – 4'1"
1.15	4	3'9"	3'11" – 4'3"
1.20		3'11"	4'1" – 4'5"
1.23	5	4'	4'2" – 4'6"
1.25		4'1"	4'3" – 4'7"
1.30	6	4'3"	4'5" – 4'9"
1.35		4'5"	4'7" – 4'11"
1.38	7	4'6"	4'8" – 5'
1.40		4'7"	4'9" – 5'1"
1.45	8	4'9"	4'11" – 5'3"
1.50		4'11"	5'1" – 5'5"
1.53	9	5'	5'2" – 5'6"

**END OF RULES**

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