

RULE BOOK

2022

BYLAWS, RULES & SPECIFICATIONS

COLORADO HUNTER JUMPER ASSOCIATION, INC.

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General Information

- A. "CHJA" refers to the Colorado Hunter Jumper Association.
- B. CHJA's fiscal year is December 1 to November 30.
- C. The CHJA horse show year will be December 1 through November 30. This time frame will be used for CHJA year-end award calculations.
- D. Meetings of the [Board of Directors](#) are open to all members of CHJA in good standing. Non CHJA members may attend Board meetings as a guest of a Board Member.
- E. Anyone wishing to present an issue at a Board meeting must notify the President.
- F. Only Directors may vote at Board meetings.
- G. The President reserves the right to close Board meetings if deemed necessary to conduct the affairs of the Association.
- H. The procedure for horse show approval is outlined in each year's issue of CHJA Rules and Specifications.
- I. The [USEF rules](#) will govern in all instances, except where Colorado Hunter Jumper Association adjusts for local situations.
- J. Any recognized competition which issues its prize list before December 1st and begins its show after December 1st is governed by the rules in effect on December 1st of that year.

BYLAWS

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ARTICLE I. Name

The name of this organization shall be the Colorado Hunter Jumper Association, Inc. ("CHJA")

ARTICLE II. Purpose

CHJA's purposes are:

- A. To promote the sport of horsemanship through sanctioning and sponsoring hunter and jumper competitions.
- B. To promote rider safety, proper caring for animals and good sportsmanship.
- C. To support the rules of USEF and CHJA.
- D. To maintain proper records relating to CHJA-recognized shows.
- E. To approve and/or assign CHJA-recognized show dates.
- F. Pursuant to the provisions of Article Second, Paragraph B of the Association's Certificate of Incorporation, to receive, manage and deal with monies, securities and other property intended for charitable education purposes.
- G. To publish information pertinent to rules and specifications, show conduct or general interest.
- H. To adjudicate questions of violations of the rules and specifications of CHJA, and when necessary, to impose penalties in accordance with those rules and specifications.

ARTICLE III. Membership

CHJA shall have the following classes of members:

SECTION 1. GENERAL MEMBERSHIP

- A. **JUNIOR MEMBERS** – Junior members are those individual members who have not reached their 18th birthdays as of December 1 of the current competition year. A junior member is entitled to one vote at all general meetings.
- B. **ADULT MEMBERS** – Adult members are those individual members who are at least 18 years of age as of December 1 of the current competition year. An adult member is entitled to one vote at all general meetings.
- C. **STABLE OR BUSINESS MEMBERSHIP** – Stable or business memberships are those entities wishing to record horse(s) under that ownership or to be listed in the CHJA Roster for advertising purposes. Owners of stables or businesses must join as individual members in order to receive membership privileges. A stable or business membership is entitled to one vote at all general meetings.
- D. **LIFE MEMBERS** – Life members shall have the rights and privileges as well as responsibilities of individual junior, adult and stable or business members, but shall be exempt from annual dues and assessments. A life member is entitled to one vote at all general meetings.
- E. **OUTREACH MEMBERS** - Outreach members may be Juniors or Adults. An Outreach Member is entitled to one vote at all general meetings.

SECTION 2. MEMBERSHIP QUALIFICATIONS

A member in good standing (hereafter referred to as member) shall be identified as:

- A. A person who is not indebted to CHJA and/or CHJA approved horse show.
- B. A person who is not in violation of CHJA Rules and Specifications.
- C. A person who is not under suspension by USEF.
- D. A person who has not perpetrated a fraud in the name of CHJA or against CHJA.

Individuals not in good standing may not participate as exhibitors, owners or trainers at any CHJA approved show. Points will not accumulate while not in good standing.

SECTION 3. ANNUAL DUES

Dues for each type of membership are determined by the [CHJA Board of Directors](#). Information regarding current dues can be found on the membership application blank or is available from the Membership Chairman. CHJA dues are payable by December 1st of each year. The postmarked date of receipt of bona fide funds in the office of the Membership Chairman or other designated representative shall determine the official date and time of membership.

SECTION 4. MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

The Membership Directory is published on the CHJA Web Site. Members may opt not to be listed in the Directory. The Directory is updated continuously beginning December 1 of each year as membership renewals are received.

SECTION 5. MEMBERSHIP PRIVILEGES

Membership privileges for all except Outreach Members:

- A. An email subscription to the CHJA Newsletter.
- B. Eligibility to compete in the CHJA year- end awards program, Medal Classes, and Medal Finals.
- C. Eligibility to serve on the [Board of Directors](#).
- D. Eligibility to serve on association committees.
- E. Eligibility to vote at the General Election.

Membership privileges for Outreach Members:

- A. An email subscription to the CHJA Newsletter.
- B. Eligibility to compete in the CHJA Outreach Year End Awards Program.
- C. In order for points to count in the CHJA Group I or Group II Year End Awards Program, Outreach Members must upgrade to a regular Junior or Adult Membership.

ARTICLE IV. General Membership Meetings

SECTION 1. ANNUAL MEETING

There shall be an annual meeting of CHJA Members each year, on such date, time and place as shall be determined by the Board of Directors. Notice of the annual meeting shall be delivered to the general membership four weeks prior to the designated date.

SECTION 2. SPECIAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Special meetings may be called by the president, or if requested, by ten percent of the general membership by written request to the Secretary. Ten days written notice must be given to the membership by the Secretary prior to the special meeting. Ten percent of the general membership must be present at the meeting to constitute a quorum.

SECTION 3. VOTING ON ISSUES

Voting on issues shall be by ballot. Proxy voting is not allowed.

SECTION 4. ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR ANNUAL MEETING

- A. Call to order
- B. Election of directors
- C. Business to come to the floor
- D. Adjournment

ARTICLE V. Nominations and Elections

SECTION 1. NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee shall consist of Board members (excluding the president) who are serving the first year of their two year term. The names of the Nominating Committee members and a request for nominations shall be published in the CHJA newsletter and on the CHJA Web Site three months prior to the nomination deadline.

SECTION 2. DUTIES

The committee shall recommend to the Board of Directors candidates for election who are currently Adult CHJA members in good standing and have been since April 15 of the preceding year. The Committee shall recommend a sufficient number of candidates to fill Board vacancies. It is the Nominating Committee's responsibility to include any member recommended by a general member. The slate of candidates shall be received by the general membership four weeks prior to the designated close of balloting.

SECTION 3. ELECTIONS

- A. Election of Directors shall be by written ballot.
- B. The Nominating Committee shall supervise the election process and shall designate dates for the closing of balloting and the person (s) to receive and count ballots. No ballots will be accepted after the closing date.
- C. A plurality vote shall elect. In case of a tie, the choice will be determined by lot.
- D. Any challenge to the nominations or elections shall be filed with the Board of Directors within 30 days after the election results are announced.

ARTICLE VI. Board of Directors

SECTION 1. GENERAL

The business of CHJA shall be managed by the Board of Directors, which shall exercise all of the powers of the Association, except as otherwise provided by statute or by the Articles of Incorporation.

SECTION 2. ELECTION AND TERM

The Board of Directors shall consist of fifteen persons elected to that post by the general membership. Each Board member must be a CHJA member for the length of his or her term. The

term of each Board member shall be two years. In order to provide for a carryover of experienced Board members, eight Board members shall be elected in odd numbered years and seven Board members shall be elected in even numbered years, or a sufficient number to fill Board vacancies.

Persons holding CHJA Paid Positions may not serve on the Board of Directors. This does not preclude the board from offering a financial honorarium to board members who provide volunteer services of an exceptional nature.

SECTION 3. CODE OF ETHICS

CHJA BOARD MEMBERS ARE EXPECTED AND REQUIRED:

- A. To maintain high moral and ethical standards of performance and behavior and to serve as an example to the general membership, especially the junior members.
- B. To support, enforce and strengthen the CHJA Bylaws, CHJA Rules and Specifications.
- C. To support all Board resolutions and decisions that have been passed by at least a majority vote.
- D. To represent the needs and interests of the members in a fair and impartial manner. To contribute and participate frankly and sincerely at the meetings of the Board.
- E. To participate actively in at least one CHJA committee and event. Each Board member will submit, in writing, a report at the final meeting of the year on what committee (s) they worked, and at what CHJA events they donated their time.

SECTION 4. POWERS AND DUTIES

In addition to the functions and duties customarily performed by a corporate Board of directors, and other duties as these bylaws may prescribe, the following specific functions are delegated to the Board.

- A. Establishment and dissolution of committees.
- B. Promulgation and enforcement of CHJA rules and specifications.
- C. Hiring and contracting of any paid position.
- D. Removal from office of any director, chairman or officer, who in the opinion of a majority of the Board, has failed to discharge his or her duties in a manner that is consistent with the best interest of the Association.
- E. Interpreting and deciding all questions or ambiguities which may arise in connection with any bylaw, rule, or policy of CHJA in consultation with appropriate committees if applicable.

SECTION 5. MEETINGS AND CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

Board meetings may be called by the President, who shall instruct the Secretary to forward notice of such meetings, along with the minutes of the last meeting to each Board member no more than a week after the previous adjourned meeting. The President may call a special or emergency Board meeting at any time upon notice to each Board member. Any three Board members may request that a meeting be called by the President who shall call the meeting as quickly as possible. Board meetings may be conducted by conference call.

SECTION 6. QUORUM

A majority of Directors of the Board must be present to constitute a quorum. A majority vote of the Directors present at a meeting in which a quorum exists shall be deemed sufficient to sanction the legitimate business and affairs of the Association, with the exception of changes, additions or deletions of rules, specifications or bylaws which must receive a two-thirds vote of the Directors present at a meeting in which a quorum exists.

SECTION 7. REMOVAL AND VACANCIES

Any Board member missing more than one planned meeting per year shall be subject to review and possible dismissal by the Board. The Board member will be notified by the secretary if he/she has been dismissed. Vacancies on the Board shall be filled by the alternate receiving the highest number of votes from the previous election's vote tally. This person will complete the term of the person vacating the position. Any Board member being removed from the Board for any reason will not be able to run for the Board for one full year.

SECTION 8. Executive Committee

There shall be an Executive Committee of the board composed of the officers who shall have all the powers of the board to transact business between board meetings. Such transactions shall be reported at the next regular board meeting.

ARTICLE VII. OFFICERS

SECTION 1. GENERAL

The officers of CHJA shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. Officers shall be elected by the [Board of Directors](#) from among the Board Members at the first regular Board meeting after the adjournment of the annual meeting. Voting shall be by secret ballot.

SECTION 2. PRESIDENT

The President shall:

- A. Be chief executive of the Association.
- B. Preside at all [Board of Directors](#) and general membership meetings.
- C. Appoint chairman of all committees, except paid positions.
- D. Be an ex-officio member of all committees except the Nominating Committee.
- E. Call any special meeting of the general membership or emergency meeting of the [Board of Directors](#).

SECTION 3. VICE-PRESIDENT

The Vice-President shall:

- A. In the absence of the President, exercise all duties of the President.
- B. Be the parliamentarian.

SECTION 4. SECRETARY

The Secretary shall:

- A. Give written notice of all meetings to all board members within a week of an adjourned meeting.
- B. Keep minutes of all meetings.
- C. Maintain all official records, documents and correspondence.

SECTION 5. TREASURER

The Treasurer shall:

- A. Collect all monies due the Association.
- B. Have the care and custody and responsibility for the funds of the Association.
- C. Keep proper records of the Association account.
- D. Submit a documented report of all Association funds at each Board meeting.
- E. Submit an annual financial statement to the Board for review within 30 days of fiscal year end.
- F. Deposit all checks and pay all bills within 30 days of receipt.
- G. Keep all books ready for review.

SECTION 6. OFFICER VACANCIES

Any position which becomes vacant may be filled by a special election at the next regular or special Board meeting.

SECTION 7. TRANSFER OF DUTIES

All outgoing officers shall ensure the orderly transfer of their duties, responsibilities, records and documents to their successors within 30 days.

ARTICLE VIII. Indemnification

SECTION 1. INDEMNIFICATION

CHJA shall indemnify, to the extent permitted by law, any person who is or was a director, officer, agent, fiduciary or employee of CHJA against any claim, liability or expense arising against or incurred by such persons as a result of actions reasonably taken at the direction of CHJA. CHJA shall further have the authority to the fullest extent permitted by law to indemnify its directors, officers, agents, fiduciaries or employees against any claim, liability or expense arising against or incurred by them in all other circumstances and to maintain insurance providing such indemnification. No director, officer, agent, fiduciary or employee of CHJA shall have any personal liability for monetary damages to CHJA except that this provision shall not eliminate or limit the liability of said director, officer, agent, fiduciary or employee to CHJA for monetary damages for (I) any breach of their duty to loyalty to CHJA, (II) acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, or (III) any transaction from which said person derives an improper personal benefit.

SECTION 2. REPEAL OR MODIFICATION

Any repeal or modification of the foregoing provisions of this article for indemnification or advancement of expenses shall not affect adversely any right or protection stated in such provisions with respect to any act or omission occurring prior to the time of such repeal or modification. If any provision of this article or any part thereof shall be held to be prohibited by or invalid under applicable law, such provision or part thereof shall be deemed amended to accomplish the objectives of the provision or part thereof as originally written to the fullest extent permitted by law and all other provisions or parts shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. INSURANCE

The CHJA Board of Directors shall be responsible to secure insurance for Directors' and Officers' liability coverage for the purpose of indemnification of the individuals and the non-profit corporation. The process for securing the coverage will be to appoint an investigative person or a committee to interview at least three insurance agents, report their findings to the Board and then put the chosen policy into effect by the first day of the policy year.

ARTICLE IX. Committees and Paid Positions

SECTION 1.

Committees may be created by the [Board](#) to serve specific purposes. Committee members and chairman may be non-Board members as well as Board members but must be CHJA members in good standing. Each committee chairman shall provide the Board of Directors with a written report of his activities and accomplishments at the December meeting.

SECTION 2. PAID POSITIONS

The Board of Directors may contract with individuals to accomplish duties on behalf of the association. Duties of the individuals will be determined by the Board and set forth in writing. If a position is available, the position description and amount to be paid shall be posted on the CHJA web site.

ARTICLE X. Parliamentary Authority

The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the proceedings of CHJA meetings in all cases to which it is applicable.

ARTICLE XI. Amendment of Bylaws

SECTION 1. BY THE BOARD

These Bylaws may be amended at any regular or special meeting of the [Board of Directors](#) in which a quorum exists by a two-thirds vote of the Directors present provided that at least seven days previous notice has been given to each Director. A roll call vote may be requested by any member present at the meeting. The general membership shall be notified of all amendments to the Bylaws within 45 days of passage.

SECTION 2. RIGHT OF PETITION BY A MEMBER

Any member wishing to propose an amendment to the Bylaws must present a petition for same to the Board. The petition must contain the signatures of at least ten percent of the general membership. If validated by the Rules and Specs Chair and the Parliamentarian, the amendment(s) shall be submitted to the Board for vote. A two-thirds vote of the Directors present at a meeting in which a quorum exists shall adopt the amendment(s). A roll call vote may be requested by any member present at the meeting. The general membership shall be notified of the amendment(s) within 45 days of passage.

ARTICLE XII. Rule Changes

SECTION 1. GENERAL

CHJA rules may be amended as follows:

- A. A written proposal for rule changes may be submitted to the Rules Committee by any CHJA member in good standing. This written proposal must be accompanied by the signatures of 10 additional CHJA members in good standing or be submitted by a Board member or committee chairman. The proposal may be withdrawn at any time.
- B. A written proposal may be submitted anytime before August 1st to be considered for the following year. Board members and Committee Chairman may submit rule change proposals until September 1st of the current year.
- C. The Rules Committee will refer proposals received to the appropriate committee for discussion
- D. The membership must be notified of all accepted rule change proposals before such proposals are brought to a vote by the [Board of Directors](#). Members will also be notified of the date, time and location of the meeting at which the rules will be voted on by the Board.
- E. Once the proposal has completed the above process, the Board may accept, amend and accept, or deny the proposal by a two-thirds vote of the Directors present at the previously specified meeting in which a quorum exists. A roll call vote may be requested by any member present at the meeting.
- F. Changes of an editorial nature such as correction of typos, re-numbering, relettering and change of the year on cover pages may be made by the Rules Committee prior to printing of the Rule Book without going through steps A - E.
- G. Rule changes will take effect December 1st of the submitted year.
- H. Changes required to be in compliance with USEF/USHJA/Zone 8 specs may be proposed by the Rules Committee and approved by the board without going through steps A-E. The membership will be notified of any such changes within 45 days.

SECTION 2. EXTRAORDINARY RULE CHANGES

The Board of Directors may entertain extraordinary rule proposals at any time, provided:

- A. The proposal was submitted in writing by a Board member or signed by fifteen CHJA members in good standing.
- B. There is an immediate need to act on the proposal: i.e. for safety reasons, health reasons, or other compelling circumstances.
- C. The proposal is endorsed by at least two directors prior to the meeting.
- D. Once the proposal has completed the above process, the Board may accept, amend and accept, or deny the proposal by a two-thirds vote of the entire Board. The general membership must be notified of the extraordinary rule changes within 45 days.

CHJA Rules and Specifications

Rule 1. Exhibitors

Rule 1.1 Types of Exhibitors

- A. **JUNIOR EXHIBITORS** Junior exhibitors are those who have not reached their 18th birthday as of December 1st of the current competition year.
- B. **ADULT EXHIBITORS** Adult exhibitors are those who are at least 18 years of age as of December 1 of the current competition year. Adult amateurs who wish to show in CHJA

Group 2 and Group 3 classes limited to amateur and/or beginner riders or in CHJA Medals must sign the following statement annually:

CHJA Amateur Certification

As an amateur exhibitor, I understand that any adult who is advertised as a trainer or instructor for horse show purposes; or who regularly acts as a trainer, assistant trainer, and/or instructor for horse show purposes; or who otherwise conducts himself/herself as a professional for horse show purposes; whether or not he/she receives remuneration; is ineligible to ride in any CHJA Group 2 or Group 3 classes which are limited to amateur or beginner riders and is ineligible to ride in any CHJA Medals. An individual who is in possession of a USEF Amateur Card rides under the respective National Federation rules at all CHJA approved shows. I further understand that if I am found to be in violation of my CHJA amateur eligibility, I am subject to the sanctions listed in [Rule 5.3](#) of the CHJA Rules.

Rule 1.2 Horse Recording

In order for points to be counted for CHJA year-end awards, each horse or pony must be recorded. At least one owner must be a member of CHJA and that owner's name must appear on the entry blank. An official lease shall be construed as legal ownership except for classes restricted to amateur owners. A signed copy of the lease must be registered with the Membership Chairman before any points will be counted. A horse or pony must be shown under the name and ownership that appear on the recording form. The Membership Chairman and the Point Counter must be notified of name changes and ownership transfers for points to accumulate.

Rule 1.3 Joining at Shows

If an exhibitor wishes to join CHJA or records a horse at a show, he/she must complete the membership form and pay the membership fees at that show. Points will count starting with the first day of the show. Show Secretaries are responsible for collecting CHJA Membership forms and fees and forwarding to the Member Support Manager.

Rule 1.4 Non-Member Exhibitors

Non-members and horses not recorded with CHJA may exhibit in CHJA approved horse shows but are not eligible to earn points for year end awards or for medal finals.

Rule 2. Show Approval Requirements

Rule 2.1 General

- A. Approval Period-CHJA approved horse shows may be held from December 1 through November 30 each year.
- B. Show Location-The show must be held within the states which comprise [USEF Zone 8](#) or states which are contiguous to Zone 8.
- C. More than one show can be scheduled on the same date if the following mileage distances are met:
 - 1. Two Group I shows-see the current [USEF Rules](#).
 - 2. Two Group II shows-the distances between competitions must be at least 100 miles.
 - 3. One Group I and one Group II show -no minimum distance.
- D. No more than two shows will be approved by CHJA on the same date.
- E. No telephone date requests will be accepted.
- F. Application may be made for a new show date by submitting a Show Application Form to the Show Standards Chair. New dates will be assigned on a first come, first served basis, pending approval by the CHJA [Board of Directors](#) which reserves the right to limit the number of shows to maintain the integrity of the CHJA Show Season. No Group II Show dates may be added after May 1st of the competition year.
- G. Outreach Divisions may be approved as part of a Group II Show Approval or Free Standing Outreach Shows may be approved.

Rule 2.2 Show Seniority

All established horse shows having fulfilled their CHJA obligations and having been found in good standing will have seniority for those same dates for the upcoming year. Shows that have more than five negative evaluations will be investigated by the Show Standards Committee. Findings of the investigation will be submitted to the Board which will determine if the show can retain seniority. In order to preserve seniority, show date applications must be submitted and postmarked by November 1 of each year for the following year's show. Proper approval fee must be included. Any established show failing to submit its application and fee by November 1 or changing its CHJA Rating will lose seniority for those dates. Assignment of dates which open as a result of loss of seniority will be made according to policy established by the Board.

Rule 2.3 Show Cancellation Policy

- A. If a CHJA recognized show is canceled due to weather conditions or catastrophic events which would not allow it to commence, the show will retain seniority but there will be no refund of approval fees.
- B. If a show is canceled for reasons other than stipulated in A, and the cancellation is received less than 60 days prior to the show dates, no refund of show approval fees will be given and the show will lose its seniority for the next show year. Exception: Shows will be allowed a one-time cancellation for insufficient entries without losing seniority. Retention of seniority for shows with insufficient entries two years in a row must be approved by the board.
- C. A show must send written notification of its cancellation to the Show Standards Chairman. Postmark of this communication will be the official date of cancellation for the show.
- D. Cancelled shows may not be rescheduled.

Rule 2.4 Pick Up Policy

Any show manager may ask to pick up a canceled show date through the Show Standards Chairman. When a show manager picks up a canceled show date, he must follow all CHJA show approval procedures.

Rule 2.5 Approval Fees

Approval fees for Group I and Group II shows and fees for CHJA Medals shall be affixed yearly by the CHJA Board of Directors. Show Approval Applications will reflect approval fee for the coming year.

Rule 2.6 Prize List

- A. A copy of the rough draft of the prize list and schedule must be received by the Show Standards Chairman no later than 45 days prior to the show's opening date. If a rough draft is received less than 30 days before the show, the membership will be notified that the show has lost its CHJA approval. In order for the show to receive approval, the prize list must contain the following:
1. Current CHJA Membership Application.
 2. Current Horse Recording Form.
 3. Directions to the show.
 4. Schooling/warm-up policies.
 5. Championships offered.
 6. Starting times.
 7. Show Fees and Refund Policies.
 8. Names of the judge(s), USEF Steward, Course Designer, Veterinarian, EMT, and Show Secretary. If the prize list is published with "To be announced" or "To Be Determined" for any of these officials, the prize list must be updated on the CHJA Web Site with actual names within 7 days prior to the show.
 9. Entry Forms which allow space for CHJA memberships for all riders and owners.
 10. Entry form disclaimer which releases CHJA and its Board from any liability.
 11. Statement "Any returned checks must be paid in cash or certified funds within 10 days".
 12. Closing date for entries if applicable.
 13. Policies regarding non-showing horses.
- B. Any show holding CHJA Group 2 or 3 Classes or CHJA medals must notify the membership a minimum of 30 days prior to the show. Such notification may be in the form of the prize list or a postcard containing name, date and classification of show, a web address where the prize list can be viewed and downloaded and a phone number to request a mailed hard copy of the prize list. Notification may also be made via the show schedule on the CHJA website with a link to download the prize list, or via the show schedule in the CHJA newsletter. Both of these schedules must include the name and telephone number of a contact person to request a mailed copy of the prize list. CHJA mailing labels will be mailed upon request to all approved shows by the Membership Chairman.

Rule 2.7 Liability Insurance

Every show and CHJA sponsored activity must have a minimum of \$1,000,000.00 in general liability coverage from an insurance company authorized to do business in Colorado. The policy must provide coverage for liability claims from spectators, volunteers, employees and show participants ("athletic participants"). The policy must name CHJA and its Board of Directors as an additional Insured. Proof of adequate insurance must be provided to the Show Standards Chairman no later than 14 days prior to the show dates. Failure to provide proof will result in the show's approval being immediately revoked. Exception: USEF approved shows will not be required to show proof of insurance, however, they must name CHJA and its Board of Directors as an additional insured.

Rule 3. Conduct of Approved Shows

Rule 3.1 General

USEF rules will be followed by CHJA approved shows unless amended by these rules. USEF Rule 848 Accidents Involving Competitors will be followed. If a rider falls off, the EMT must be contacted. Show managers should make every effort to maintain safe show conditions for all spectators and show participants. CHJA seeks to provide the safest and highest quality shows possible. The CHJA Rulebook must be available in the show office and each judge should be given a copy of the rule book.

Rule 3.2 Facilities

- A. CHJA adopts all USEF rules and regulations with respect to show standards, facilities, equipment and safety, including:

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- Convenient and ample water facilities must be provided.
- Adequate and sanitary toilet facilities must be provided.
- All competition grounds (where there are divisions that require measurement) must have a level surface area for measurement in accordance with GR507.
- Food must be provided on the grounds.
- A secretary's office with adequate personnel and proper communication between secretary, announcer, in-gate, each ring and stables must be provided.
- Proper schooling and exercise areas must be provided. See Rules GR 834 and 835.
- Subject to local law and contract requirements, any owner or trainer stabled on the grounds of a competition must be permitted to haul in hay, grain and bedding, meeting management's specifications as published in the prize list, for his own use, and use any farrier or veterinarian of his choice.
- Directions to the competition grounds must be posted outside the competition office so that directions can be relayed to the EMS.
- Before the first day of competition, competition management must post the name, address, and telephone number of the closest veterinary emergency and surgical

facility. The competition management must have notified and obtained assurance that such facility can handle competition related emergencies. The name, address, and telephone number of this facility must be posted in the same location as the telephone and/or other emergency call priority system.

- Lighting at sunrise and sunset that provides full and complete visibility is a requirement for the competition ring and schooling area. Horses may not be required to be exhibited in the competition ring or schooled in the designated warmup areas before the official hour of sunrise or after the official hour of sunset unless lighting is provided that assures full and complete visibility
- Competition management is required to make an effort to provide the best possible footing in competition and warm-up areas. Provisions must be made (by having on hand proper equipment and scheduling sufficient breaks in the schedule) to maintain the footing in those areas, e.g. by dragging, watering, and raking, if necessary, throughout the competition.

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- A Licensed Competition must provide a sufficient area for schooling horses. A separate schooling area must be provided for each ring.
 - Adequate lighting must be provided in schooling areas used after dark.
 - In addition to the official schooling area, competitions should designate an exercise area.
 - Competitions offering A rated sections other than hunter and jumper must provide an exercise area at least 80' by 200' or its equivalent. If, due to space limitations, a competition does not have an adequate schooling area or a competition offering an A rated section cannot provide the required exercise area, one ring must be open for a minimum of 5 hours within each 24-hour period
- B. The Show Manager is responsible to ensure compliance with all CHJA rules.

Rule 3.3 Awards

A prize and/or prize money for first place and ribbons through 6th place must be awarded in all CHJA approved classes at Group II Shows. Champion and Reserve Champion must be awarded for all divisions of each show.

Rule 3.4 Food and Beverages

Adequate food and beverages must be available during the hours posted in the prize list.

Rule 3.5 Emergency Plan

An emergency plan which includes emergency phone numbers, directions to the facility, and emergency duty assignments must be posted outside the show office and near all publicly accessible telephones.

Rule 3.6 Length of Competition

A competition may not run more than 14 hours in any 24 hour period of actual performance time. Warm up sessions, judged or un-judged, are included except sessions held at the beginning of the day where no fee is charged.

Rule 3.7 Entry Fee Refund Policies

- A. Any person who becomes ineligible to ride in a Medal Class due to qualification for the finals must be given a refund of class fees.
- B. If a show is cancelled, any fees already paid to the show for classes must be refunded to exhibitors.

Rule 3.8 Duplication of Divisions

More than one of the same division may not be offered at the same show, unless cross entries are prohibited or all divisions at the show are offered an equal number of times.

Rule 3.9 Safety Cups

FEI approved safety cups must be used on the back rail of all oxers in all competition rings, warm up and schooling areas.

Rule 3.10 Ring Delays

No show ring shall remain open for longer than 30 minutes due to delays other than weather, injury, or ring maintenance. If a ring is held for longer than 30 minutes, at the discretion of management the card may be signed and the show may proceed to the next class.

Management will be fined for holds longer than 40 minutes.

Rule 3.11 Splitting of Classes

Classes of 12 or more may be split at the discretion of the Show Manager.

Rule 4. Competition Officials

Rule 4.1 Managers

Show managers of CHJA recognized horse shows must be current members of CHJA in good standing. They are responsible for the conduct of the show and any violation of CHJA rules. Managers or a designated individual serving as manager with full authority and responsibility must be on the show grounds for the duration of the show. Managers are responsible for providing approved stewards per [Rule 4.2](#). Managers may contact the Officials Committee for assistance if needed.

Rule 4.2 Stewards

- A. Every CHJA recognized horse show must have an USEF Licensed Steward or a CHJA Approved Rules Representative. Qualifications and procedures for approval as a CHJA Rules Representative are determined by the CHJA Officials Committee. The Steward/Rules Representative may not be associated with the management of the show, may not have clients exhibiting in the show and may not compete in the show. Free Standing Outreach shows are not required to have a Steward or Rules Representative.
- B. Stewards /Rules Representatives must send copies of CHJA or USEF reports to the Show Standards Chairman within 10 days of the completion of the show. The report should state the start and finish times for the show and include all problems or complaints brought to the attention of the steward during the show, whether actual rule violations occur or not.
- C. If a protest is filed, it must be filed on the show grounds. The Show Steward / Rules Representative must forward this and the protest fee to the Show Standards Chairman within 10 days of completion of the show.

Rule 4.3 Judges

- A. An individual may not judge more than 25% of the Group II Shows per year.
- B. No member of a judge's family or any of the judge's clients may compete as exhibitor, rider, handler, owner, or lessee in any show unless the relationship is terminated 30 days prior to the competition. Exception: The Jumper Division will follow USEF rules regarding judge's restrictions.
- C. No one may show before a judge that boards, shows, or trains any horse under the exhibitor's ownership or lease, within a period of 30 days prior to the competition. Stud fees and broodmare Board are excluded.
- D. Judges must be approved by the CHJA Officials Committee.

Rule 4.4 Course Designers

The course designer or a designated individual with full authority and responsibility must be present on the show grounds for the duration of the show.

Course Designers must be approved by the CHJA Officials Committee.

Rule 4.5 Show Secretaries

- A. Show secretaries are responsible for collecting CHJA membership forms and the proper fees and mailing the forms to the CHJA Member Support Manager within 5 days. If there are no new memberships, the CHJA Member Support Manager must be notified within five days.
- B. Show secretaries are responsible for reporting show results to the Member Support Manager within 5 days following the close of the show to include:
 - 1. Prize money awarded in any Junior or A/O jumper classes, Stakes or Classics
 - 2. Number of entries in each class.
 - 3. Names of horse show judges.
 - 4. Names of horse, rider, and owners for 1st-6th place.
 - 5. Champion and Reserve Champion for each division.
 - 6. Horse or pony sizes, rider ages, and horse's green status.
 - 7. Name and telephone number of the secretary.

Rule 4.6 EMT

A licensed EMT with no other assigned duties and suitable medical equipment must be present during scheduled schooling sessions over fences and during all scheduled performances. Upon completion of the show, the EMT must furnish show management with a written report of each instance where emergency medical treatment was rendered. A fine will be imposed on CHJA competitions failing to comply with this rule. A second offense will result in the fine and loss of show seniority.

Rule 5. Violations and Sanctions

Rule 5.1 Rule Violations By Horse Shows

A CHJA approved show which violates any CHJA rule is subject to the following sanctions:

- A. Horse shows will be fined for rule violations according to the Fine Schedule established by the CHJA Board. Shows will be notified of the fine by the Show Standards Chair. Shows not paying fines within 30 days after notification will be considered not in good standing and will lose seniority for the following year. For rule violations not specified in the Fine Schedule, the Board will determine the appropriate fine. In addition, the show may be required to provide and/or pay for appropriate trophies, ribbons, and prize money and/or refund entry fees.
- B. In case of violations and failure to pay the associated fines, the show may lose not only seniority, but may also lose the opportunity to apply for any approval for the following year if so determined by the Board.
- C. For violations in the subsequent year, any of the above sanctions may be imposed. In addition, show management may be suspended or permanently barred from eligibility to manage CHJA approved shows.
- D. Violations must be reported within 10 days.

Rule 5.2 Rule Violations By Show Officials

Show officials such as Stewards, Judges, EMTs , and Horse Show Staff shall be subject to the following sanctions for rule violations:

- A. For a first violation, a written warning.
- B. For a second violation, occurring within one year of a violation, a written warning and possible suspension from eligibility to act as a show official.
- C. For a third violation or beyond, show officials may be suspended or permanently barred from eligibility to act as a show official.
- D. Multiple violations at a single show shall be treated as one occurrence.
- E. Violations must be reported within 10 days.

Rule 5.3 Rule Violations by CHJA Members

Members, including directors, officers, and committee chairs, shall be subject to the following sanctions for rule violations:

- A. For a first violation, any or all of the following:
 - 1. A written warning.
 - 2. Cancellation and forfeiture of all points for any class and/or any show and/ or any year with respect to named horse or horses, or for all the members horses.
 - 3. Forfeiture of trophies, ribbons, prize money or any other award received by the person or his or her trainer, rider, horse or horses for whatever classes and horse shows are deemed appropriate, with the requirement that all such forfeited awards be returned to the horse show within 15 days.
- B. For a second violation, occurring within 1 year of a first violation, any sanction appropriate for a first violation and/or suspension of membership.
- C. For a third violation or beyond, occurring within 1 year of the first and second violations, any sanction appropriate for a second violation and/or a member may be expelled from CHJA.
- D. Multiple violations at a single show shall be treated as one occurrence. Appropriate sanction (see A, B, and C above) will be imposed. Violations which do not occur in the same year shall be treated as independent violations.
- E. Violations must be reported within 10 days.

Rule 5.4 Obligation to Report Violations

Horse show stewards, judges, managers and other officials are required to report in writing all violations of CHJA rules observed by them to the Show Standards Chairman within 10 days of the alleged violation. Any CHJA member or any other person witnessing a violation is encouraged to report it in writing to the show steward, or the CHJA Show Standards Chairman within 10 days.

Rule 5. 5 Procedures

If an alleged violation is reported to the Show Standards Chairman or Committee, the following procedures will be followed:

- A. A Show Standards Committee Representative shall notify the alleged violator's immediately, and advise him or her of the alleged violation.
- B. The Show Standards Committee shall review the alleged violation and determine whether, if true, the conduct would constitute a violation of a CHJA rule.
- C. If the conduct, as alleged, would constitute a violation, the Show Standards Committee shall make any investigation that it deems appropriate to corroborate the violations or determine that they are without merit.
- D. If the Show Standards Committee makes a preliminary determination that the allegations have merit, a representative from the committee shall contact the alleged rule violator, advise him or her of the alleged violation, and ask for a response. The alleged violator shall be given a reasonable time to make a response.
- E. Upon receiving a response, the Show Standards Committee shall determine whether the alleged violation was committed and, if so, refer the matter to the Board, specifying the alleged violation and an appropriate sanction as set forth in these rules.
- F. The [Board of Directors](#) may invite witnesses to present testimony if appropriate.
- G. The Board will determine if the allegation has merit and, if so, the determination shall be made in writing and given to the person found to have committed the violation. The decision of the Board is final.

Rule 5.6 Special Violations

The following violations are considered “special violations” and because of their seriousness shall be considered by the Board of Directors:

- A. Falsification of information provided to CHJA or to a CHJA approved horse show.
- B. Riding or exhibiting at a recognized horse show any horse that has been suspended by CHJA or USEF or that is owned by or in the care, training, or custody of a suspended person.
- C. Riding, exhibiting, coaching, or training at a recognized horse show for the benefit or assistance of a suspended person.
- D. Any horse show or horse show official knowingly allowing a suspended person or a suspended horse to participate in a recognized show. Every horse show is charged with the knowledge of all suspensions published by CHJA or [USEF](#).
- E. Failure to pay any obligation due CHJA.

Rule 5.7 Procedures For Special Violations

The following procedures apply to allegations of a “special violation”:

- A. If a special violation is alleged, the President shall review the allegations and determine whether, if true, the conduct alleged would constitute a special violation.
- B. If the conduct, as alleged, would constitute a special violation, the President shall make any investigation which he or she deems appropriate to corroborate the allegations or determine they are without merit.
- C. If the President makes a preliminary determination that the allegations have merit, he or she, or a chosen representative, shall contact the alleged rule violator, advise him or her of the alleged special violation, and ask for a response. The alleged violator shall be given a reasonable time to make a response.

- D. Upon receiving a response, the President shall take such further action as he or she deems necessary to investigate the allegations.
- E. If, after investigation, the President concludes that a special violation has been committed, he or she shall advise the Board of that conclusion and the Board shall conduct a hearing on the matter.
- F. The procedures for the hearing shall be determined by the Board prior to the hearing and shall be disclosed to the alleged violator. At a minimum, the person accused of committing the special violation shall be allowed to appear before the Board and present a defense. If the person denies that the alleged conduct took place, he or she shall have an opportunity to question any witness to the alleged violation. The Vice President or next senior officer present shall preside at the hearing.
- G. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Board shall vote on whether a special violation was committed. The President shall not vote on this issue unless there is a tie vote of the remaining Directors.
- H. If the Board concludes that a special violation was committed, it shall also determine an appropriate sanction. Sanctions available to the Board range from a written warning to permanent expulsion from CHJA. The decision of the Board is final.

Rule 5.8 Filing a Protest

To file a protest an exhibitor must contact the show steward and pay a \$50.00 protest fee. The protest must be in written form. The show steward will forward the protest to the Show Standards Committee within 10 days of the completion of the show. The protest will be taken under consideration and a recommendation will be given to the CHJA [Board of Directors](#) for final disposition.

Rule 5.9 Actions Involving Abuse

CHJA will follow the Yellow Warning Card protocol of USEF and USHJA found in the USEF Rule book GR 1037.

In the event an exhibitor, trainer, or any other person in attendance at a CHJA Approved Horse show is observed performing actions that could be determined to be abuse of a horse or another individual, the following procedure must be followed:

- A. Initial observer will report the alleged abuse to the Show Steward or Rules Representative. After alleged abuse is reported to the Steward or Rules Representative, information will be gathered from witnesses.
- B. If it is determined that abuse has occurred, the Steward or Rules Representative will discuss the issue with the violator. The investigation and discussion will be documented and included in the Show Steward Report.
- C. If actions continue, the Steward or Rules Representative will consult with show management, issue a Yellow Warning Card, and the abuser will be asked to leave the show immediately. The issuance of the Yellow Warning Card and request to leave the show will be documented in the Show Steward Report.
- D. If more than two yellow cards are issued to the same individual within a competition year, the individual will:
 - Lose all points accrued for the year.
 - Pay a fine, the amount of which is determined by the CHJA Board of Directors

- Face a suspension from participation in CHJA Approved shows for a period of time be determined by the CHJA Board of Directors.
- E. An automatic Yellow Warning Card will be issued by the Show Steward or Rules Representative for any of the following infractions:
- Abuse of a horse, including by not limited to: excessive use of stick, punitive jerking of reins, competing a horse with open and obvious wounds.
 - Verbal or physical abuse of another person.
 - Willful and repeated rule violations

Rule 6. Show Classifications and Requirements

Rule 6.1 Group I Shows

- A. Any show approved by CHJA and/or USEF with “AA” (Premier), “A” (National) “B” (Regional), “C” (Regional II) or local rating is defined as a Group I Horse Show.
- B. A CHJA Group I show may utilize classes from Group 1 Divisions as listed in [Rule 7.15](#) and National and CHJA Medals. (See [Rules 11.1](#) and [11.2](#)). A Group I Show may not offer classes from Group 2 and Group 3 Divisions as listed in [Rules 7.16](#) and [7.17](#).
- C. Group 1 year-end award divisions will receive points based on the overall USEF rating of the show. For example, if the show is “A” rated by USEF, Children’s Hunter & AA Hunter, Children’s & AA Jumpers, Equitation, etc. will receive “A” rated points (See [Rule 7.11](#) for year-end point system)

Rule 6.2 Group II Shows

- A. Any show recognized by CHJA but not “rated” and/or “recognized” by USEF is defined as a Group II Horse Show. A CHJA Group II show may offer classes from Group 2 Divisions listed in Rule 7.16 and classes from Group 3 Divisions listed in Rule 7.17 and CHJA Medals.
- B. Group II Horse Shows may not offer classes from Group 1 Divisions or National Medals.
- C. Group II Shows may offer Outreach Divisions.

Rule 6.3 CHJA Ponies

- A. All ponies competing in pony classes must show a valid CHJA or USEF measurement card or be measured by the horse show steward.
- B. CHJA pony measurement cards will be issued only to recorded ponies owned by CHJA members. Non-members, or unrecorded ponies will receive only a copy of measurement form.
- C. An animal must be measured each competition year until it reaches the age of six. Animals five years and under will be issued a Temporary Measurement card designating the year measured. Animals six years and older will be issued a Standard Measurement card which does not have to be renewed. With the exception of animals under 6 years old, once an animal is issued a measurement card, a new card will not be issued unless the height of the animal is protested and upheld, or unless an appeal is made or unless a new measurement request is made by the owner or trainer and the re-measurement

results in the animal moving to a greater height section than that indicated on it's current measurement card.

Rule 7. Year End Awards

Rule 7.1 Rider Eligibility

CHJA members in good standing are eligible for year end awards. Individuals not in good standing may not participate in, exhibit horses or have their horses exhibited at any CHJA or USEF approved show. They also are not eligible to receive points toward year end awards. Riders must provide government-approved proof of age upon request of the Member Support Manager.

Rule 7.2 Horse Eligibility

When a horse is being considered for a year end award, points will only be awarded to horses recorded with CHJA. CHJA member(s) owning a recorded horse must be in good standing with CHJA and USEF. In the case of multiple ownership at least one of the recorded owners must appear on the results and entry blank to receive points.

Rule 7.3 Transfer of Owners of a Recorded Horse

If a transfer of owner(s) takes place during a show year, points will continue counting on the date which the following requirements are met:

- A. The new owner is a CHJA member in good standing.
- B. The transfer is reported to the Membership Chairman and fees are paid.

Rule 7.4 Leased Horse

Leased horses may earn awards if:

- A. The lessee is a CHJA member in good standing.
- B. A copy of the lease is recorded with the Membership Chairman. Effective date of lease recording shall be when the lease is in the hands of the Membership Chairman. All documents should be hand delivered or sent by Certified Mail-Return Receipt Requested, or sent to the Membership Chair via uploading to the CHJA Web Site.
- C. The horse recording fee is paid.

Rule 7.5 Multiple Ownership

Multiple ownerships are permitted. The owner appearing on the entry blank must be a CHJA member.

Rule 7.6 Requirements for Year End Championships, Class and Division Point Counting

- A. In order for a year end championship to be awarded in any division, at least six classes must have been held in that division during the show year. These classes must have been judged by at least two different judges and offered at two different horse shows. In addition, horses and/or equitation riders must have placed in that division at two different horse shows. Exceptions to above rule is the Hunter Breeding Division where only three classes must have been held in the respective age group in order to receive a year end award.
- B. For Championship points to count in Group 1, 2 or 3 Hunter and Equitation divisions there must be 3 or more horses/riders being judged and completing the course in at least two of the regular over fence classes in the division, and 3 or more horses/riders being judged and completing under saddle or flat classes in the division. For championship points to count in Group 1, 2 or 3 Jumper Divisions, there must be 3 or more horses competing in the class in at least 3 regular classes. A horse has competed after entering the ring and receiving a signal to start.
- C. For individual class points to count in Group 1, 2 or 3 Hunter and Equitation (when either part of a division championship or not) there must be 3 or more horses/riders being judged and completing the course for over fence classes, or 3 or more horses / riders being judged and completing under saddle or flat classes.
- D. For individual class points to count in Group 1, 2 or 3 Jumper (when either part of a division championship or not) there must be 3 or more horses competing. A horse has competed after entering the ring and receiving a signal to start.

Rule 7.7 CHJA Year

Points will be accumulated for eligible horses and riders from December 1 to November 30.

Rule 7.8 Presentation of Awards

Awards will be presented at the year end Awards Banquet in January each year. It is the responsibility of the recipient or designated person to pick up his / her award.

Rule 7.9 Awards

Awards will be presented through 6th place.

Rule 7.10 Year End Award Ties

In the event that a Hunter or Equitation division ends in a tie, the winner is the one who has the most over fence points. In the Jumper Division, tied horses must remain tied.

Rule 7.11 Point Counting for Group I Classes

Points will be tabulated using the following point system based on the USEF rating of the show.

Number of Exhibitors	3-8	9-15	16-25	26+
"C" Rated				
1st	15	20	25	30
2nd	10	15	20	25
3rd	5	10	15	20
4th	4	5	10	15
5th	3	4	5	10
6th	2	3	4	5
"B" Rated				
1st	20	25	30	40
2nd	15	20	25	35
3rd	10	15	20	30
4th	5	10	15	25
5th	4	5	10	20
6th	3	4	5	15
"A" Rated				
1st	30	40	50	60
2nd	25	35	45	55
3rd	20	30	40	50
4th	15	25	35	45
5th	14	24	34	44
6th	13	23	33	43
"AA" Rated				
1st	40	50	60	70
2nd	35	45	55	65
3rd	30	40	50	60

4th	25	35	45	55
5th	24	34	44	54
6th	23	33	43	53

Division Champion to be awarded 2.0 times the total first place point value of the first class over fences in that section. Division Reserve Champion to be awarded 1.2 times first place point value of the first class over fences in that section.

Rule 7.12 Determination of Group I Jumper Year End Awards

Junior & Amateur Owner Jumper year end awards will be determined by money won for the competition year. All other Group 1 jumper division year end awards will be determined by points.

Rule 7.13 Point Counting for Group 2 and Group 3 Classes

Points will be tabulated using the following point system:

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

Division Champion to be awarded 2.0 times the total first place point value of the first class over fences in that section. Division Reserve Champion to be awarded 1.2 times the total first place point value of the first class over fences in that section.

Rule 7.14 Classics, Stakes & Prix

Bonus points will be awarded as per show rating for Classics, Stakes & Prix that fulfill the specifications of a CHJA year end award division. Classics must be conducted as a 2 round class. Designated classes may be counted as the first round of a classic. The second round must be held as a separate round. Points will be awarded to 12th place. 1st - 20pts, 2nd - 16pts, 3rd - 14 pts, 4th - 12 pts, 5th - 10 pts, 6th - 8 pts, 7th - 6 pts, 8th - 5 pts, 9th - 4 pts, 10th - 3 pts, 11th - 2pts, 12th - 1 pt. "A" rated Classics, Stakes & Prix will receive 4X the points listed. "AA" rated Classics, Stakes & Prix will receive 5X the points listed.

Rule 7.15 Group 1 Divisions

HUNTER

Performance Hunter

High Performance Working
Performance Working 3'6" - 3'9"
Performance Working 3'3"

Green Hunter

3'
3'3"
3'6"
3'9"

Junior Hunter 3'3":

Large 15 & Under
Large 16 - 17
Small 15 & Under
Small 16 - 17

Junior Hunter 3'6":

Large 15 & Under
Large 16 - 17
Small 15 & Under
Small 16 - 17

Children's Hunter

14 & Under
15 - 17

A/O Hunter 3'3"

18-35
36 & Over

A/O Hunter 3'6"

18-35
36 & Over

A/A Hunter

18-35
36-49
50 & over

Green Pony Hunter

Small
Medium
Large

Pony Hunter

Small
Medium
Large

Children's Pony Hunter

Small/Medium
Large

High Performance Conformation Hunter

Conformation Hunter

Green Conformation Hunter 3'6

Hunter Breeding

Yearlings
Two year olds
Three year olds

Pre-Adult Hunter(18 yrs & over)

Pre-Children's Hunter (17 yrs.& under)

Stirrup Hunter

Short Stirrup Hunter (11 & under)
Long Stirrup Hunter (12-17)
Rusty Stirrup Hunter (18 and over)

EQUITATION

Amateur Equitation

18-35
36 & over

Junior Equitation

11 & under
12-14
15-17

Stirrup Equitation

Short
Long
Rusty

Pony Equitation

JUMPER

1.3m & above Jumper

1.15-1.25 m Jumper

Junior/AO Jumper High & Low

Junior Jumper

High Junior Jumper
Low Junior Jumper

A/O Jumper

High A/O Jumper
Low A/O Jumper

Children's Jumper:

Low Children's Jumper
High Children's Jumper

Adult Amateur Jumper:

Low Adult Amateur Jumper
High Adult Amateur Jumper

Modified Jumper:

Modified Child/Adult Jumper
Modified Junior/Amateur Jumper

Pony Jumper

Rule 7.16 Group 2 Divisions

HUNTER

CHJA 3' Open Hunter

CHJA 3'3 - 3'5 Open Hunter

CHJA Green Hunter

CHJA Adult Hunter

18-35
36 & Over

CHJA Children's Hunter

14 & Under
15 - 17

CHJA Pony Hunter

Large
Medium
Small

EQUITATION

CHJA Adult Equitation

18-35
36 & over

CHJA Children's Equitation

14 & under
15-17

CHJA Pony Equitation

JUMPERS

CHJA 1.15M Jumper (Formerly CHJA Open Jumpers 3'9")

CHJA 1.10M Jumper (Formerly CHJA High Training Jumper 3'6")

CHJA 1.0M Jumper (Formerly CHJA Low Training Jumper 3'3")

CHJA .9M Jumper (Formerly CHJA Low Jumper 3')

CHJA .85M Jumper (Formerly CHJA Schooling Jumpers 2'9")

CHJA .85M Pony Jumper (Formerly CHJA Pony Jumpers 2'9")

Rule 7.17 Group 3 Divisions

HUNTER

CHJA 2'3 - 2'6 Open Hunter

CHJA 2'6 - 2'9 Open Hunter

CHJA Low Children's Hunter

14 & Under
15 - 17

CHJA Low Adult Hunter

CHJA Modified Children's/Adult Hunter 2-3''-2'6

17 & Under
18 & Over

CHJA Stirrup Hunter

Short
Medium
Long

EQUITATION

CHJA Low Children's/Adult Equitation

14 & under
15-17
18-35
36 & over

CHJA Modified Children's/Adult Equitation 2-3''-2'6

17 & Under
18 & Over

CHJA Stirrup Equitation

Short
Medium
Long

JUMPER

CHJA .75M Jumper (Formerly Puddle Jumpers 2'3" to 2'6")

Rule 7.18 Duplication of Year End Awards

A year-end award recipient of Champion and/or Reserve Champion loses eligibility for any year-end award in a like division of lesser precedence. Exception: A Group 3 Beginner Rider of any age shall have his points tallied toward a Championship at year-end even though the horse/ pony is shown by a different rider at the Group 2 level. This rule does not apply to [Special Year End Awards](#).

EQUITATION

(Higher Precedence to Lower Precedence)

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3
11 & U	CHJA Children's Equitation 14&U	CHJA Low Children's Equitation 14&U CHJA Modified Children's/Adult Equitation CHJA Short Stirrup Equitation
12 - 14	CHJA Children's Equitation 14&U	CHJA Low Children's Equitation 14&U CHJA Modified Children's/Adult Equitation CHJA Short Stirrup Equitation
15 - 17	CHJA Children's Equitation 15-17	CHJA Low Children's Equitation 15-17 CHJA Modified Children's/Adult Equitation CHJA Medium Stirrup Equitation
18 - 35	CHJA Adult Equitation 18-35	CHJA Low Adult Equitation CHJA Modified Children's/Adult Equitation CHJA Long Stirrup Equitation
36 - 45 46 & over	CHJA Adult Equitation 36 and over	CHJA Low Adult Equitation CHJA Modified Children's/Adult Equitation CHJA Long Stirrup Equitation
Pony Equitation Short, Long & Rusty Stirrup	CHJA Pony Equitation	CHJA Short, Medium, Long Stirrup Equitation

HUNTER

(Higher Precedence to Lower Precedence)

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3
Junior Hunter	CHJA Children's Hunter	CHJA Low Children's

Children's Hunter Children's Pony Hunter		Hunter CHJA Modified Children's/Adult Hunter CHJA Short Stirrup Hunter CHJA Medium Stirrup Hunter
A/O Hunter A/A Hunter	CHJA Adult Hunter	CHJA Low Adult Hunter CHJA Modified Children's/Adult Hunter CHJA Long Stirrup Hunter
Green Hunter Performance Hunter Green Conformation Hunter High Performance Conformation Hunter	CHJA Green Hunter CHJA 3' Open Hunter CHJA CHJA 3'-3'5 Open Hunter	CHJA Low Children's Hunter CHJA Low Adult Hunter CHJA Modified Children's/Adult Hunter CHJA 2'3-2'6 Open Hunter CHJA 2'6-2'9 Open Hunter
Pony Hunter Green Pony Hunter	CHJA Pony Hunter	
Pre-Adult Hunter Pre-Children's Hunter		CHJA Low Children's Hunter CHJA Low Adult Hunter CHJA Modified Children's/Adult Hunter
Short, Long, Rusty Stirrup Hunter		CHJA Short, Medium, Long Stirrup Hunter

Jumper

(Higher Precedence to Lower Precedence)

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3
1.30m & above Jumper 1.15-1.25 Jumper Junior AO High Jumper Junior AO Low Jumper Children's/AA Jumper	CHJA 1.15M Jumper CHJA 1.10M Jumper CHJA 1.0M Jumper CHJA .9M Jumper CHJA .85 Jumper	CHJA .75M Jumper
Low Children's/ AA Jumper	CHJA 1.0M Jumper CHJA .9M Jumper CHJA .85 Jumper	CHJA .75M Jumper
Pony Jumper	CHJA .85M Pony Jumper	CHJA .75M Jumper

Rule 7.19 Finalizing Results

Exhibitors will have 30 days after points are posted to notify the Member Support Manager, in writing, of any discrepancies. After 30 days, points will stand as posted. Exception: If the final show of the year is less than 30 days before November 30, points will be finalized on November 30.

Rule 8. Hunter Division

Rule 8.1 Courses

- A. Obstacles must simulate those found in the hunting field such as natural post and rail, brush, stone wall, white Board fence or gate, chicken coop, aiken, hedge, oxer, etc.
- B. Chicken coops hinged at the top and free at the bottom, triple bars and hogs backs, striped rails, targets, any spread over 4 feet and square oxers are prohibited. Spread of fences not to exceed fence height.
- C. Courses must consist of a minimum of 8 fences.

Rule 8.2 Show Championships

- A. In order to offer a hunter division championship, a minimum of two over fences classes and one under saddle class must be completed.
- B. A class is considered completed if three or more horses complete the course. A horse has completed an over fence class when the horse completes the posted course and a score is recorded on the judge's card. A horse failing to complete the entire course is not eligible to receive points, awards or prize money, nor will it be counted in the number of entries necessary to fill a class or division. A horse has completed an under saddle class when the horse has executed all of the gaits required and remains in the ring until the class has lined up.
- C. Shows with a minimum of two completed hunter over fence classes and one completed hunter under saddle must give a hunter championship.
- D. Hunter championships at each show are to be calculated based on the following point system: 1st place = 10 points, 2nd place = 6 points, 3rd place = 4 points, 4th place = 2 points, 5th place = 1 point, 6th place = ½ point. For the purpose of calculating hunter show championships, the top four (4) horses over fences will have their under saddle points counted.
- E. In the case of a tie for Champion or Reserve Champion, the award goes to the horse with the most points over fences. If the tied horses have an equal number of points over fences, they will remain tied.

Rule 8.3 Group 1 Class Definitions

The following specifications are for Group 1 year end award classes. For complete class definitions see USEF rules.

Rule 8.3.A Performance Hunter

A Performance Working Hunter is a horse of any age and is not restricted by previous showing.

High Performance Working Hunter

Performance Working Hunter 3'6"-3'9"

Performance Working Hunter 3'3"

Rule 8.3.B Green Hunter

3'

3'3"

3'6"

3'9"

Rule 8.3.C Junior Hunter

Junior Hunter 3'3

- Large 15 & Under
- Large 16-17
- Small 15 & Under
- Small 16-17

Junior Hunter 3'6

- Large 15 & Under
- Large 16-17
- Small 15 & Under
- Small 16-17

Rule 8.3.D Children's Hunter

Sections Offered:

Children's Hunter Horse 14 & Under

Children's Hunter Horse 15-17

Cross Entry: Rider: Children's Hunter Horse riders may not cross enter into any hunter class with fences exceeding 3'6" nor any jumper class with fences exceeding 1.20m (3'11") at the same show (exception: USHJA International Hunter Derby). A rider may cross enter into the USHJA International Hunter Derby with a different horse. Horses/Ponies: The horse may cross enter into the USHJA International Hunter Derby with a different rider. Horse and rider combination: The horse-and-rider combination is restricted from showing in both Junior Hunter and Children's Hunter Horse sections at the same show. The same horse and rider combination competing in the Children's Hunter Horse may not cross enter into a USHJA International Hunter Derby.

Fence Height: Horses 3'0" with spreads not to exceed fence height. Combinations will be permitted.

Combining/Dividing Sections: At Premier and National rated competitions, the Children's Hunter Horse section must be offered divided by age as follows: Children's Hunter Horse 14 & Under, Children's Hunter Horse 15-17. If there are fewer than four (4) entries in either age group, the two groups must be combined. In the event that, after combining the two age groups, there are still fewer than three (3) entries; management must combine the Children's Hunter Horse section with the Adult Amateur Hunter section. Regional I and Regional II rated competitions are not required to offer the section divided, but may do so at management's discretion.

Rule 8.3.E Amateur Owner Hunter

A/O 3'3"

- 18-35
- 36 & over

A/O 3'6"

- 18-35
- 36 & over

If entries exceed 40 the division must be split by age of rider. Horses may not cross enter between A/O 3'3" and A/O 3'6". Cross entry of riders between A/A and A/O 3'3" is determined by [Zone 8 specs](#).

Rule 8.3.F Adult Amateur Hunter

Sections offered:

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

Cross Entry: Riders: Adult Amateur Hunter riders may not cross enter into any hunter class with fences exceeding 3'6" nor any jumper class with fences exceeding 1.20m (3'11") at the same show (exception: USHJA International Hunter Derby). A rider may cross enter into the USHJA International Hunter Derby with a different horse. Horses: The horse may cross enter into the USHJA International Hunter Derby with a different rider. Horse and Rider Combination: The horse-and-rider combination is restricted from showing in both Amateur Owner and Adult Amateur Hunter sections at the same show. The same horse and rider combination competing in the Adult Amateur Hunter may not cross enter into a USHJA International 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 At Premier and National rated competitions, the Adult Amateur Hunter section must be offered divided by age as follows: Adult Amateur 18- 35, Adult Amateur 36- 49 Adult Amateur 50 & over. If there are fewer than four (4) entries in any age group, that group must be combined with another. In the event that after combining all three age groups, there are still fewer than three (3) entries; management must combine the Adult Amateur Hunter section with the Children's Hunter Horse section. Regional I and Regional II rated competitions are not required to offer the section divided, but may do so at management's discretion.

Rule 8.3.G Pony Hunter

Small fences 2'3"

Medium fences 2'6"

Large fences 2'9" - 3'

Rule 8.3.H Green Pony

A green pony is a pony of any age not exceeding 14.2 hands that has not been Show over fences the regulation height or higher for its respective section at a Regular Member Competition of the USEF or CEF (Canadian Equestrian Federation) prior to December 1st of the previous year.

Small fences 2'3"

Medium fences 2'6"

Large fences 2'9"

Green Pony shall be governed by current [USEF rules](#).

Rule 8.3.I Conformation Hunter

Green Conformation Hunter 3'6"

High Performance Conformation Hunter 3'9"

Open to all horses.

Rule 8.3.J Hunter Breeding

Rule 8.3.K Pre-Adult Hunter

Open to Adult Amateur riders 18 years and older. The same horse / rider Combination is restricted from showing in both Pre Adult and [Adult Amateur](#) Divisions at the same show. Riders may not cross enter into any division or class exceeding 3' at the same show.

Fences 2'6"-2'9"

Rule 8.3.L Pre-Children's Hunter

Open to Junior riders 17 years and under. The same horse / rider combination is restricted from showing in both Pre Children's and [Children's Hunter](#) Divisions at the same show. Riders may not cross enter into any division or class exceeding 3' at the same show.

Fences 2'6"-2'9"

Rule 8.3.M Children's Pony Hunter

Sections offered:

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

Cross Entry: Rider may not cross enter into any other class at the same competition where the fences exceed 2'9". A rider on a Children's Hunter Pony may NOT cross enter into the Pony Hunter section or Green Pony Hunter section at the same competition. The cross entry restrictions do not apply in the under saddle, but juniors must ride in the under saddle. Horse/Pony n/a Horse and Rider Combination The pony-and-rider combination is restricted from showing in both Regular Pony Hunter, Green Pony Hunter and Children's Hunter Pony at the same horse show.

Fence Height: Small/Medium Ponies: 2'0" with spreads not to exceed height of fence. Large Ponies: 2'6" with spreads not to exceed height of fence. Combinations will not be permitted. The spread of any oxer must be measured including flowers, brush and ground lines.

Combining/Dividing Sections: The Children's Hunter Pony section must be offered and run by itself and may not be combined with the Children's Hunter Horse or any other section at Premier and National rated competitions. If there are fewer than three (3) entries in the Children's Hunter Pony section at any Regional I and Regional II rated competition, it may be combined with the Children's Hunter Horse section. In this case, in-and-outs are prohibited.

Rule 8.3.N Short Stirrup Hunter

Open to junior riders 11 years and under. Riders may not cross enter into any division or class exceeding 2'6" or any rated division or class at the same show with the exception of USHJA 2' and USHJA 2'3" Hunters, age group, maiden, novice, limit equitation or flat classes.

Fences not to exceed 2'3". No in and outs. No oxers.

Rule 8.3.P Rusty Stirrup Hunter

Open to amateur riders 18 and over. Riders may not cross enter into any division or Class exceeding 2'6" or any rated division or class at the same show with the exception of USHJA 2' and USHJA 2'3" Hunter, age group, maiden, novice, limit equitation or flat classes.

Fences not to exceed 2'3". No in and outs. No oxers.

Rule 8.3.S Long Stirrup Hunter

Open to junior riders 12-17. Riders may not cross enter into any division or class exceeding 2'6" or any rated division or class at the same show with the exception of USHJA 2' and USHJA 2'3" Hunter, age group, maiden, novice, limit equitation or flat classes.

Fences not to exceed 2'3". No in and outs. No oxers.

Rule 8.4 Group 2 Class Definitions

The following specifications are for Group 2 year end award classes.

Rule 8.4.A CHJA Children's Hunter

Fences 3'- 14 & under

Fences 3'- 15-17

Open to all Junior riders. May be combined with CHJA Adult Hunter

Rule 8.4.B CHJA Adult Hunter

Fences 3'- 18-35

Fences 3'- 36 & over

Open to all Amateur riders 18 years of age and older. May be combined with CHJA Children's Hunter

Rule 8.4.C CHJA Green Hunter

Fences 3'

Open to horses in their first two years of showing at 3' and who have never shown higher than 3'5" at USEF or CHJA approved shows.

May be combined with CHJA 3' Open Hunters and/or CHJA 3'3"-3'5" Open Hunter

Rule 8.4.D CHJA 3'3" to 3'5" Open Hunter

Fences 3'3" - 3'5"

Open to any horse and rider. May be combined with CHJA Green Hunter and/or CHJA 3' Open Hunter

Rule 8.4.E CHJA Children's Pony Hunter

Fences 2' Small and Medium

Fences 2'6" Large

Distances will not be adjusted.

Open to ponies of any age not exceeding 14.2 hands.

Open to junior riders 17 and under.

Rule 8.4.F CHJA 3' Open Hunter

Fences 3'

Spread of fences not to exceed fence height.

May be combined with CHJA Green Hunter and/or CHJA 3'3" - 3'5" Open Hunter

Rule 8.5 Group 3 Class Definitions

The following specifications are for Group 3 year end award classes.

Rule 8.5.A CHJA Low Adult Hunter

Fence Height 2'6" - 2'9" No in and outs.

Open to horses/ponies ridden by adult amateur riders. The same horse/ rider combination may not cross enter into classes 3', .90m or higher at the same show. The course will NOT be adjusted for ponies. May be combined with CHJA Low Children's Hunter

Rule 8.5.B CHJA 2'6"-2'9 Open Hunter

Fence Height 2'6" - 2'9" No in and outs.

Open to any horse and rider. The course will NOT be adjusted for ponies.

Rule 8.5.C CHJA Low Children's Hunter

Fence Height 2'6" - 2'9" - 14 & U

Fence Height 2'6" - 2'9" - 15 - 17

No in and outs.

Open to horses/ponies ridden by junior riders. The same horse/rider combination may not cross enter into classes 3', .90m or higher at the same show. The Course will NOT be adjusted for ponies. May be combined with CHJA Low Adult Hunter

Rule 8.5.D CHJA 2'3-2'6 Open Hunter

Fence height 2'3' - 2'6"

No in and outs.

Open to horses and ponies. No in and outs. Adults may ride ponies. Spread of fences not to exceed fence height. Courses will not be adjusted for ponies.

Rule 8.5.E CHJA Modified Children's/Adult Hunter 2-3"-2'6"

17 and under

18 and over

No in and outs.

The horse/rider combination may not cross enter into any divisions or classes 3' or 0.90m or higher at the same show.

Age groups may be combined

May be combined with CHJA Low Children's/Low Adult Hunter

Rule 8.5.F CHJA Stirrup Hunter

Fences not to exceed 2'3"

No in and outs. No Oxers.

The same horse/rider combination may not cross enter into any other CHJA classes or divisions at the same show except [Stirrup Equitation](#), Under Saddle and Flat classes and the [Stirrup Medal](#). Cross Entry into Outreach Classes is permitted.

CHJA Short Stirrup Hunter open to riders 11 and under

CHJA Medium Stirrup Hunter open to riders 12-17

CHJA Long Stirrup Hunter open to amateur riders 18 and over

Rule 8.5.G Arapahoe Hunter Derby

To be shown over 8-10 fences at the maximum height of 2'9". Courses will simulate fences found in the hunting field such as brush, wall, in and out, oxer, post and rails, gate, aiken, bank, coop and panels. Course should simulate riding over trappy hunt country and should include handy options such as: tight turns, different track options, clever options for jump approaches, hand gallop a jump, trot a lowered obstacle, lead over an obstacle, halt and/or back, open gate while mounted, dismount and mount. Will be judged on performance and soundness. To be judged on safe jumping style, brilliance of pace and handiness of round. Open to Juniors, Amateurs and Professionals. Winners at each show will receive a special prize provided by the [Arapahoe Hunt](#). All participants in this class will be given an Arapahoe Hunt button. Points will accumulate throughout the competition year and the winner will be awarded the Arapahoe Hunter Derby trophy at the CHJA awards banquet as well as a one year membership to the [Arapahoe Hunt](#). Points will not be included for purposes of determining other year end hunter awards.

Rule 9. Jumper Division

Rule 9.1 Championships

- A. In order to offer a jumper division championship, a minimum of three jumper classes must be completed.
- B. Shows with at least three completed jumper classes must give a Jumper Championship.
- C. Championships will be decided on the basis of points unless it is stated in the prize list that championships are based on money won. Jumper championships at each show are calculated on the following point system: 1st Place = 10 pts, 2nd Place = 6 pts, 3rd Place = 4 pts, 4th Place = 2 pts., 5th Place = 1 pt., 6th Place = 1/2 pt. Ties for champion and reserve champion remain tied.

Rule 9.2 Order of Classes Held

In all jumper divisions, a Table I class, if offered, must be the first class of the division.

Rule 9.3 Group 1 Class Definitions

The following specifications are for Group 1 year end awards divisions. For complete class definitions see the [USEF rules](#).

Rule 9.3.A 1.30 M & Above Jumper

Fences per [USEF](#) or 1.30 meters or above. Only non-restricted jumper classes to count. Classics, Stakes and Prix will be awarded points per [CHJA rule 7.14](#).

Rule 9.3.B 1.15- 1.25 M Jumper

Fences per [USEF](#) or 1.15 - 1.25 meters. Only non-restricted jumper classes to count. Classics, Stakes and Prix will be awarded points per [CHJA rule 7.14](#).

Rule 9.3.C High & Low Junior Jumper

High Junior Jumper Fences per [USEF](#)

Low Junior Jumper Fences per [USEF](#)

Open to Junior riders. The same horse and rider combination may not cross enter into Children's Jumper at the same show. Junior Jumper classes at 1.30 m or below will be given points in the Low Junior Jumper category for the purposes of year end awards. May be combined with [High and Low Amateur Owner Jumper](#).

Rule 9.3.D High & Low Amateur Owner Jumper

High Amateur Jumper Fences per [USEF](#)

Low Amateur Jumper Fences per [USEF](#)

Open to Amateur Owner riders. The same horse and rider combination may not cross enter into Adult Amateur Jumper at the same show. Amateur Owner Jumper classes at 1.30 m or below will be given points in the Low AO category for year end awards. May be combined with High and Low Junior Jumper.

Rule 9.3.E Children's Jumper

Sections offered:

Low Children's Jumper

High Children's Jumper

Cross Entry: Rider: The Low Children's Jumper rider may cross enter into any class at the same competition for which they are eligible on different horse. A Low Children's Jumper rider may not cross enter in classes above 1.15m at the same competition. The High Children's Jumper rider may cross enter into any class at the same competition for which they are eligible on different horse. If a High Children's Jumper classic is offered in the Children's or Adult Amateur Jumpers and the rider has jumped above 1.20m at that show then they are not eligible for any Classic in the Children's/Adult Amateur Jumper sections. Horse and Rider Combination: The same Low Children's Jumper horse/rider combination may not cross enter into any class held above 1.15m at the same competition. Horse/rider combination may enter only one classic, if both Low and High classics are offered. The same High Children's Jumper horse/rider combination may not cross enter into any class held above 1.20m at the same competition. Horse/Rider combination may enter only one classic, if both Low and High classics are offered.

Fence Height: Low Children's Jumper 1.00m to 1.05m. High Children's Jumper 1.10m to 1.15m

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Combining/Dividing Sections: Low Children's and Low Adult Amateur Jumper sections must combine if there are fewer than 3 in either section and may combine if there are fewer than 6 in

either section. If after combining the Low sections there are fewer than 3 entries then competition management must further combine the Low sections with the High sections, allowing each section to compete at their respective height. If sections are combined a horse can only compete at one height. High Children's and High Adult Amateur Jumper sections must combine if there are fewer than 3 in either section and may combine if there are fewer than 6 in either section. If after combining the High sections there are fewer than 3 entries then competition management must further combine the High sections with the Low sections, allowing each section to compete at their respective height. If sections are combined a horse can only compete at one height.

Rule 9.3.F Adult Amateur Jumper

Sections offered :

Low Adult Amateur Jumper

High Adult Amateur Jumper

Cross Entry: Rider: The Low Adult Amateur Jumper rider may cross enter into any class at the same competition for which they are eligible on different horse. A Low Adult Amateur Jumper rider may not cross enter in classes above 1.15m at the same competition. The High Adult Amateur Jumper rider may cross enter into any class at the same competition for which they are eligible on different horse. If a High Adult Amateur Jumper classic is offered in the Children's or Adult Amateur Jumper and the rider has jumped above 1.20m 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: The same Low Adult Amateur Jumper horse/rider combination may not cross enter into any class held above 1.15m at the same competition. Horse/Rider combination may enter only one classic, if both Low and High classics are offered. The same High Adult Amateur Jumper horse/rider combination may not cross enter into any class held above 1.20m at the same competition. Horse/Rider combination may enter only one classic, if both Low and High classics 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: Low Children's and Low Adult Amateur Jumper sections must combine if there are fewer than three (3) in either section and may combine if there are fewer than six (6) in either section. If after combining the Low sections there are fewer than three (3) entries then competition management must further combine the Low sections with the High sections, allowing each section to compete at their respective height. High Children's and High Adult Amateur Jumper sections must combine if there are fewer than three (3) in either section and may combine if there are fewer than six (6) in either section. If after combining the High sections there are fewer than three (3) entries then competition management must further combine the High sections with the Low sections, allowing each section to compete at their respective height. If sections are combined a horse can only compete at one height.

Rule 9.3.G Modified Jumper

Modified Child Adult Jumper Fences .9 to .95M

Modified Junior Amateur Jumper Fences 1.15 to 1.2M

No entry restrictions.

Rule 9.3.H Pony Jumper

Fences per [USEF](#)

Open to Junior riders. Pony Jumpers may not be ridden by an adult in any division at the same competition. The same pony/rider combination may not cross enter into [Junior Jumper](#) at the same show.

Rule 9.4 Group 2 Class Definitions

The following specifications are for Group 2 year end awards divisions.

Rule 9.4.A CHJA 1.15 M Jumper (3'9")

Open to all riders.

May be combined with CHJA 1.10M and 1.0M Jumper

Rule 9.4.B CHJA 1.10 M Jumper (3'6")

Open to all riders.

May be combined with CHJA 1.15M and 1.0M Jumper

Rule 9.4.C CHJA 1.0M Jumper (3'3")

Open to all riders.

May be combined with CHJA 1.15M and 1.0M Jumper

Rule 9.4.D CHJA .90M Jumper (3')

Open to all riders.

May be combined with .85 M Jumper.

Rule 9.4.E CHJA .85M Jumper (2'9")

Open to all riders.

Rule 9.4.F CHJA .85M Pony Jumper (2'9")

Combinations are not required.

Open to Junior riders..

Rule 9.5 Group 3 Class Definitions

Rule 9.5.A CHJA .75M Jumper (2'6")

Open to horse/rider or pony/rider combination who have not shown .90M (3') or higher in any show approved by USEF or CHJA. Horse /rider or pony/rider combination loses eligibility for the division immediately upon showing .90M or higher in any USEF or CHJA Horse Show.

Classes must be run under Table IV, Optimum Time Classes, with no time penalties. At least two of the classes must be run under separate sections of Table IV.

Rule 10. Equitation Division

Rule 10.1 Show Championships

- A. In order to offer an equitation division championship, a minimum of two over fences classes and one flat class must be completed.
- B. A class is considered completed if three or more riders complete the course. A rider has completed an over fence class when the rider completes the posted course and a score is recorded on the judges card.

A rider failing to complete the entire course is not eligible to receive points, awards or prize money, nor will the rider be counted in the number of entries necessary to fill a class or division. A rider has completed a flat class when the rider has executed all of the gaits required and remains in the ring until the class has lined up.

- C. Shows with a minimum of two completed equitation over fence classes and one completed equitation flat class must an Equitation Championship.
- D. Equitation championships at each show are calculated on the following point system: 1st place = 10 points, 2nd place = 6 points, 3rd place = 4 points, 4th place = 2 points, 5th place = 1 point, 6th place = ½ point.

- E. In case of a tie for the Champion or Reserve Champion, the award goes to the rider with the most points over fences. If the tied riders have an equal number of points over fences, they will remain tied.

Rule 10.2 Group 1 Class Definitions

The following are the Group 1 year end awards divisions.

Rule 10.2.A Adult Equitation

Sections Offered:

Adult Equitation 18-35
Adult Equitation 36 +

Cross Entry: No cross entry restrictions

Fence Height: 3' with spreads not to exceed fence height. Combinations will be permitted.

Combining/Dividing Sections: If there are less than three (3) entries in either age group, the two age groups must be combined. If, after combining, there are still less than three (3) entries, the Adult Equitation section may be combined with any other equitation age group. If combined with the 12-14 or 15-17, combinations are optional. If combined with any age group that includes Equitation 11 & Under, then combinations are prohibited. When combined, Adult Equitation entries must jump their proper height of 3'0".

Rule 10.2.B Children's/Junior Equitation

Sections Offered:

Equitation 11 & Under
Equitation 12-14
Equitation 15-17

Cross Entry: No cross entry restrictions

Fence Height: Equitation 11 & Under - 2'3"- 2'6" with spreads not to exceed fence height. Combinations are prohibited. Equitation 12-14 - 3'0"- 3'3" with spreads not to exceed fence height. Combinations are optional. Equitation 15-17 - 3'0"- 3'3" with spreads not to exceed fence height. Combinations are optional.

Combining/Dividing Sections: Equitation 11 & Under: Age group sections may be combined to meet the three (3) entry minimum requirement for points to be awarded. If 11 & Under and 12-14, or all three age groups combined, each age group section must jump their respective height; combinations are prohibited. Equitation 12- 14: Age group section may be combined to meet the three (3) entry minimum requirement for points to be awarded. If the 12-14 and 15-17 are combined each age group section must jump their respective height; combinations are optional. Equitation 15- 17: Age group section may be combined to meet the three (3) entry minimum

requirement for points to be awarded. If the 12-14 and 15-17 are combined each age group section must jump their respective height; combinations are optional.

Rule 10.2C Pony Equitation (flat & over fences)

Fences Small - 2'3"

Fences Medium - 2'6"

Fences Large - 3'

[USEF rules](#) governing ages of pony riders will apply.

Rule 10.2D Stirrup Equitation (flat & over fences)

SHORT STIRRUP EQUITATION

Open to junior riders 11 years and under. Riders may not cross enter into any division or class exceeding 2'6" or any rated division or class at the same show with the exception of USHJA 2' and USHJA 2'3" Hunters and may not cross enter into any other equitation division or class at the same show. Fences not to exceed 2'3" No in and outs. No oxers.

LONG STIRRUP EQUITATION

Open to junior riders 12-17. Riders may not cross enter into any division or class exceeding 2'6" or any rated division or class at the same show with the exception of USHJA 2' and USHJA 2'3" Hunters and may not cross enter into any other equitation division or class at the same show. Fences not to exceed 2'3" No in and outs. No oxers.

RUSTY STIRRUP EQUITATION

Open to amateur riders 18 and over. Riders may not cross enter into any division or class exceeding 2'6" or any rated division or class at the same show with the exception of USHJA 2' and USHJA 2'3" Hunters and may not cross enter into any other equitation division or class at the same show. Fences not to exceed 2'3" No in and outs. No oxers.

Rule 10.3 Group 2 Class Definitions

The following are the Group 2 year end awards divisions.

Rule 10.3.A CHJA Adult Equitation

Fences 3' - 18-35

Fences 3' - 36 & over

May be combined with CHJA Children's Equitation

Rule 10.3.B CHJA Children's Equitation

Fences 3' - 14 & under

Fences 3' - 15 - 17

May be combined with CHJA Adult Equitation

Rule 10.3.C CHJA Pony Equitation (flat & over fences)

Fences Small and Medium 2'

Fences Large 2'6"

Distances will not be adjusted.

Rule 10.3.D Deborah L. Donoghue Memorial Open Equitation Class

Fences 3'3"

This class is open to all Junior and Amateur members of CHJA. The class may be offered at both Group I and Group II horse shows. Competitors must use the same horse in both phases. Stallions are permitted. The class is judged 60% over fences and 40% on the flat. The over fence phase will be held first and will be conducted over a course of at least eight (8) fences at 3'3" in height with a maximum spread of 3'3". Exhibitors will show over a course that must include a double and/or a triple combination with at least one oxer. Two (2) other oxers are required elsewhere on the course. A water type obstacle is strongly recommended. Time allowed will be figured at 360 yards per minute: may be timed either electronically or manually. Time and jumping faults should be taken into consideration in the judges evaluation of the rider. A maximum of 12 riders who complete the over fence phase will be required to work on the flat. Riders must show at the working walk, the working trot sitting and rising, working canter, counter canter and demonstrate lengthening of stride in both directions. Judges may require additional tests and are not confined to [USEF tests 1 - 17](#). To fill a class, three (3) properly attired competitors must complete the course. SADDLERY: 1) There are no restrictions on saddles. 2) Change of bridle is permissible between phases. 3) Blinkers are forbidden. 4) No martingales of any kind are permitted in the flat phase. 5) Only running martingales used in the conventional manner are permitted in the over fences phase. Standing martingales, draw reins, or restricted running martingales are prohibited. 6) Reins must be attached to the bit(s) or directly to the bridle. Gags and hackamores are allowed except in the flat phase. This class accumulates points towards a special year end award and will not be included for purposes of determining other year end equitation awards. At year end, a perpetual trophy will be presented to the winner.

Rule 10.4 Group 3 Class Definitions

The following are the Group 3 year end awards divisions.

Rule 10.4.A CHJA Modified Children's/Adult Equitation 2'3"-2'6"

17 and under

18 and over

No in and outs.

The rider may not cross enter into any divisions or classes 3' or .90m or higher at the same show.

May be combined with Low Children's/Adult Equitation

Rule 10.4.B CHJA Low Children's/Adult Equitation

Fences 2'6" - 2'9" - 14 and under

Fences 2'6" - 2'9" - 15 - 17

Fences 2'6" - 2'9" - 18 - 35

Fences 2'6" - 2'9" - 36 & over

No in and outs; courses will not be adjusted for ponies. Age groups may be combined. Riders may not cross enter into any classes 3', .90m or higher at the same show.

Rule 10.4.C CHJA Stirrup Equitation

Fences not to exceed 2'3"

No ins and outs; no oxers; courses will not be adjusted for ponies.

CHJA Short Stirrup Equitation 11 & under

CHJA Medium Stirrup Equitation 12-17

CHJA Long Stirrup Equitation amateurs 18 & over

Age groups may be combined. The same rider may not cross enter into any other CHJA classes or divisions at the same show except [Stirrup Hunters](#), Under Saddle and Flat classes, and the [Stirrup Medal](#). Cross Entry into Outreach Classes is permitted.

Rule 11. Medals

Rule 11.1 CHJA Medals for Group I & Group II Shows

A. The following medals may be held at any CHJA Group I or Group II show. Each medal may be awarded only once per show.

1. [CHJA Junior Medal - 3'3"](#)
2. [CHJA Adult Medal - 3'3"](#)
3. [Columbine Junior Medal - 2'9"](#)
4. [Columbine Adult Medal - 2'9"](#)
5. [Col. R. L. Robertson Medal - 3'](#)
6. [Ruth C. Ayres Medal - 3'](#)
7. [Dorothy Roberts Memorial Medal - 3' 8.](#)
8. [CHJA Pony Medal Sm & Med - 2' Lrg - 2'6"](#)
9. [CHJA Short Stirrup Medal- 2'3"](#)
10. [CHJA Medium Stirrup Medal-2'3"](#)
11. [CHJA Long Stirrup Medal-2'3"](#)

Rule 11.2 Medals for Group I Shows

A. The following medals are recognized and/or approved by other organizations and can be held only at Group I Shows.

1. Nationally recognized 3'3" and 3'6" Junior and Adult Medals and Equitation Classes.
2. Nationally recognized 3' Junior and Adult Medals and Equitation Classes.
3. Nationally recognized Pony Medals and Equitation Classes.
4. USEF Jumping Talent Search

Rule 11.3 Medal Class Specifications

At least three riders must complete the entire course for qualifying points to count in all medal classes.

Riders competing in the class, but not completing the course are not counted in the three.

Rule 11.3.A CHJA Junior Medal

Fences 3'3"

This medal is open to all Junior riders. Exhibitors will show over a course of not less than eight fences at 3'3". The course must include one combination (double or triple) containing an oxer, and two changes of direction after the first fence. Two or more tests ([USEF tests 1 - 17](#)) of at least 3 contestants are required. Three properly attired competitors must complete the course in order for qualifying points to count. The first place rider will receive a CHJA Medal. Distances will not be adjusted for ponies. May be combined with [CHJA Adult Medal](#).

Rule 11.3.B CHJA Adult Medal

Fences 3'3"

This medal is open to all Adult Amateur riders. Exhibitors will show over a course of not less than eight fences at 3'3". The course must include one combination (double or triple) containing an oxer, and two changes of direction after the first fence. Two or more tests ([USEF tests 1 - 17](#)) of at least 3 contestants are required. Three properly attired competitors must complete the course in order for qualifying points to count. The first place rider will receive a CHJA Medal. Distances will not be adjusted for ponies. May be combined with [CHJA Junior Medal](#).

Rule 11.3.C Columbine Junior Medal

Fences 2'9"

This medal is open to all Junior riders who have not shown 3' or higher in any CHJA or USEF approved show during the current medal qualification period. Exhibitors who subsequently show 3' or higher during the current medal qualification period are no longer eligible to ride in this medal and may not compete in the Finals for this medal. Exhibitors will show over a course of not less than 8 fences. The course must include an oxer and two changes of direction after the first fence. No in and outs. Two or more tests ([USEF tests 1- 8](#)) of at least 3 contestants are required. Three properly attired competitors must complete the course in order for qualifying points to count. The first place rider will receive a CHJA Medal. Distances will not be adjusted for ponies.

May be combined with [Columbine Adult Medal](#).

Rule 11.3.D Columbine Adult Medal

Fences 2'9"

This medal is open to all Amateur Adult riders who have not shown 3' or higher in any CHJA or USEF approved show during the current medal qualification period. Exhibitors who subsequently show 3' or higher during the current medal qualification period are no longer eligible to ride in this medal and may not compete in the Finals for this medal. Exhibitors will show over a course of not less than 8 fences. The course must include an oxer and two changes of direction after the first fence. No in and outs. Two or more tests ([USEF tests 1- 8](#)) of at least 3 contestants are required. Three properly attired competitors must complete the course in order for qualifying points to count. The first place rider will receive a CHJA Medal. Distances will not be adjusted for ponies.

May be combined with [Columbine Junior Medal](#).

Rule 11.3.E Col. R. L. Robertson Medal

Fences 3'

This medal is open to Junior riders. Exhibitors will show over a course of not less than eight fences at 3'. The course must include one double combination containing an oxer and two changes of direction after the first fence. Two or more tests ([USEF tests 1 - 17](#)) of at least 3

contestants are required. Three properly attired competitors must complete the course in order for qualifying points to count. The first place rider will receive a CHJA Medal. Distances will not be adjusted for ponies.

May be combined with the [Ruth Ayres Medal](#).

Rule 11.3.F Ruth C. Ayres Medal

Fences 3'

This medal is open to Amateur Adult riders . Exhibitors will show over a course of not less than eight fences at 3'. The course must include one combination (double or triple) containing an oxer and two changes of direction after the first fence. Two or more tests ([USEF tests 1 - 17](#)) of at least 3 contestants are required. Three properly attired competitors must complete the course in order for qualifying points to count. The first place rider will receive a CHJA Medal.

Distances will not be adjusted for ponies.

May be combined with the [Col. Robertson Medal](#)

Rule 11.3.G Dorothy Roberts Memorial Medal

Fences 3'

This medal is open to Amateur and Junior riders. Exhibitors will show over a course of not less than eight fences at 3'. The course must include at least one option fence, a combination containing an oxer, and two changes of direction after the first fence. Two or more tests ([USEF Tests 1-17](#)) shall be included in the course. Three properly attired competitors must complete the course in order for qualifying points to count. The first place rider will receive a CHJA Medal.

Distances will not be adjusted for ponies

Rule 11.3.H CHJA Pony Medal

Open to all Junior riders on a pony. USEF rules governing age of rider apply. Exhibitors to show over a course of not less than eight (8) fences at the following fence heights and recommended distances:

Small and Medium 2'

Large 2'6"

Distances will not be adjusted.

The course must include two changes of direction after the first fence. Two or more tests ([USEF 1-8](#)) shall be included in the course. Three properly attired competitors must complete the course in order for qualifying points to count. The first place rider will receive a CHJA Medal.

Rule 11.3.I CHJA Stirrup Medals

CHJA Short Stirrup Medal open to riders 11 and under
CHJA Medium Stirrup Medal open to riders 12-17
CHJA Long Stirrup Medal open to amateur riders 18 and over.

These medals are open to juniors and amateurs who have not shown 2'6" or higher in any CHJA or USEF approved show during the current medal qualification period. Exhibitors who subsequently show 2'6" or higher during the current medal qualification period are no longer eligible to ride in this medal and may not accumulate points for this medal. Exhibitors will show over a course of not less than 8 fences. The course must include two changes of direction after the first fence. No in and outs. Two or more [USEF Tests 1-8](#) must be included in the course. Distances will not be adjusted for ponies. Three properly attired competitors must complete the course in order for points to count. The first place rider will receive a CHJA Medal. The class accumulates points toward a special year end award. At year end a perpetual trophy will be presented to the winner.

Any stirrup medal may be combined with any other stirrup medal.

Rule 12. Medal Finals

Rule 12.1 General

- A. The Medals Finals are considered a CHJA sanctioned event and must comply with all applicable rules governing a CHJA approved horse show.
- B. In all finals, Phase I must be held first.
- C. All medal finals must be judged by an USEF "R" judge(s) who has been approved by the Equitation Committee.
- D. Location for all Medal Finals will be determined by the Equitation Committee.
- E. Medal Finals will be held at or near the close of the show season.
- F. No schooling will be allowed over the prescribed medal courses, however riders will be permitted to walk the course.
- G. Trainers must be CHJA members in order for their clients to compete in Medal Finals.

Rule 12.2 Medal Finals Warm Up Class

A Warm Up class may be offered prior to any Medal Final. Only medal finalists may compete. Riders may go one time on each horse or pony that they are showing in the medal finals. If the rider is qualified in more than one medal and is riding the same horse or pony in both, they may ride in only one Warm Up. Schooling over the Warm Up course is permitted. Upon approval of the Equitation Committee a medal finalist may designate another Junior or Amateur to ride their horse in the Warm Up should the medal finalist be unable to compete in the Warm Up for reasons approved by the Equitation Committee.

Rule 12.3 Qualification Period

The qualification period begins the day after the end of Medal Finals each year and ends the day after the end of the CHJA Classic Finale Horse Show the following year.

Rule 12.4 Colorado National Medal Finals Qualification Requirements

Qualification for Colorado National Medal Finals is based on accumulation of points earned in the various medal classes: Points are based on the ***number of entries completing the class (see Rule 10.1 for definition of completing)*** and will be awarded as follows:

	5+ riders completing	4 riders completing	3 riders completing
1st	10	6	4
2nd	6	4	2
3rd	4	2	1
4th	2	1	-

- A. To qualify for the Colorado National Junior Medal Finals, a rider must accumulate 10 points in a nationally recognized 3'6" Junior Medal within the qualifying period for the current year. If the qualifying points are from a non-CHJA approved show the qualifier must notify the Member Support Manager in writing within 30 days of the win, stating the show, it's Secretary and the Secretary's address.
- B. To qualify for the Colorado National Amateur Medal Final, a rider must accumulate 10 points in a nationally recognized 3'3" or higher Amateur Medal within the qualifying period of the current year. If the qualifying points are from a non-CHJA approved show, the qualifier must notify the Member Support Manager, in writing, within 30 days of the show stating the show, it's Secretary and the Secretary's address.
- C. To qualify for the Colorado National Adult Medal Finals, a rider must accumulate 10 points in any of the nationally recognized 3' Adult Medal. If the qualifying points are from a non-CHJA approved show, the qualifier must notify the Member Support Manager, in writing, within 30 days of the win stating the show, the secretary and the secretary's address.
- D. To qualify for the Colorado National Children's Medal Finals, a rider must accumulate 10 points in any of the nationally recognized 3' Junior or Children's Medals. If the qualifying points are from a non-CHJA approved show, the qualifier must notify the Member Support Manager, in writing, within 30 days of the show stating the show, it's Secretary, and the Secretary's address.
- E. To qualify for the Colorado National Pony Medal Finals, a rider must accumulate 10 points in a nationally recognized Pony Medal within the qualifying period for the current year. If the qualifying points are from a non-CHJA approved show, the qualifier must notify the Member Support Manager, in writing, within 30 days of the win, stating the show, the secretary, and the secretary's address.
- F. Colorado National Junior Medal Finals and Colorado National Amateur Medal Finals may be combined if there are not at least 3 competitors in each.
- G. Colorado National Children's Medal Finals and Colorado National Adult Medal Finals may be combined if there are not at least 3 competitors in each.
- H. Riders may not compete in both the Colorado National Junior Medal Finals and the Colorado National Children's Medal Finals. The rider must choose the Final in which she/he wishes to participate.

Rule 12.5 Colorado National Medal Finals Class Format

- A. In order to hold a Colorado National Medal Final Class there must be a minimum of 3 properly attired competitors.
- B. The Colorado National Medal Finals will be run in a three phase format. Phase I is a jumping round counting 40% of each exhibitors total score. Failure to complete Phase I does not preclude the exhibitor from competing in Phase II or III. Phase II is a flat portion which counts 20% of an exhibitors score. Phase III is a jumping round counting 40% of each exhibitors score. Failure to complete Phase II does not preclude the exhibitor from competing in Phase III. After the completion of Phase I, II, and III the judge will ask a minimum of the top 4 riders, if available, to perform additional testing, [USEF tests 1-19](#). A trophy will be presented to the champion and ribbons will be presented through eighth place.
- C. The fence heights will be as follows: not to exceed 3'6" for the Colorado National Junior Medal Final, not to exceed 3'3" for the Colorado National Amateur Medal Finals, and not to exceed 3' for the Colorado National Children's and Adult Medals.
- D. [USEF](#) age restrictions and fence heights for pony's respective size division will apply for the Colorado National Pony Medal Final

Rule 12.6 CHJA Medal Finals Qualifications

CHJA Medal Finals are restricted to qualified riders who have not participated in a Colorado National Medal Final, a Zone 8 Equitation Final, or a Regional Equitation Final during the current qualification period or during the current Medal Finals. Contestants who earn 12 points in any [CHJA Junior Medal](#), [CHJA Adult Medal](#), [Col. R.L. Robertson Medal](#), [Columbine Junior Medal](#), [Columbine Adult Medal](#), [CHJA Pony Medal](#), or [Ruth C. Ayres Medal](#) will qualify for the medals finals of that medal. ***Points are based on the number of entries completing the class, not to include entries who compete but do not complete*** and will be awarded as follows:

	10+ riders completing	5-9 riders completing	4 riders completing	3 riders completing
1st	12	10	8	6
2nd	10	8	6	4
3rd	8	6	4	2
4th	6	4	2	-
5th	4	2	-	-
6th	2	-	-	-

Once 25 or more points have been accumulated, riders may not participate in that medal class for the remainder of the current year.

Dorothy Roberts Memorial Medal - Contestants earning 12 points, OR the top ten earning points should less than ten riders have 12 points, will qualify for the medal finals. Points are awarded according to the chart above. Riders may continue to participate in this medal regardless of the number of points earned.

Stirrup Medal Class at Medal Finals - Riders must have competed in at least three Stirrup Equitation Classes or at least three Stirrup Medal Classes during the qualification period.

Rule 12.7 CHJA Medal Finals Class Format

In order to hold a CHJA Medal Final Class, there must be a minimum of 3 properly attired competitors. The CHJA medal finals will be run in a three phase format. Phase I is a jumping round counting 40% of each exhibitors total score. Failure to complete Phase I does not preclude the exhibitor from competing in Phase II or Phase III. Phase II is a flat portion which counts 20% of each exhibitors total score. Failure to complete Phase II does not preclude the exhibitor from competing in Phase III. Phase III a jumping round counting 40% of each exhibitors score. After the completion of Phase I, II, and III, the judge will request additional testing. The number of riders called back for additional testing is determined by the judge.

- A. **CHJA Junior Medal Finals - 3'3"** Riders called back by the judge will be required to do additional testing, USEF tests 1-15. A trophy will be awarded to the champion and ribbons will be presented through eighth (8th) place May be combined with CHJA Adult Medal Finals
- B. **CHJA Adult Medal Finals - 3'3"** Riders called back by the judge will be required to do additional testing, USEF tests 1-15. A trophy will be awarded to the champion and ribbons will be presented through eighth (8th) place. May be combined with CHJA Junior Medal Finals.
- C. **Columbine Junior Medal Finals - 2'9"** Riders called back by the judge will be required to do additional testing, USEF test 1-8. A trophy will be awarded to the champion and ribbons will be pre- sented through eighth (8th) place. A rider must have CHJA Beginner status at the time of the medal final to be eligible to compete. May be combined with Columbine Adult Medal Finals
- D. **Columbine Adult Medal Final - 2'9"** Riders called back by the judge will be required to do additional testing, USEF test 1-8. A trophy will be awarded to the champion and ribbons will be pre sented through eighth (8th) place. A rider must have CHJA Beginner status at the time of the medal final to be eligible to compete May be combined with Columbine Junior Medal Finals.
- E. **Col. R. L. Robertson Medal Finals - 3'** Riders called back by the judge will be required to do additional testing, USEF test 1-15. A trophy will be awarded to the champion and ribbons will be presented through eighth (8th) place. May be combined with the Ruth Ayers Medal Final.
- F. **Ruth C. Ayres Medal Finals - 3'** Riders called back by the judge will be required to do additional testing, USEF tests 1-15. A trophy will be awarded to the champion and ribbons will be presented through eighth (8th) place. May be combined with the Col. Robertson Medal
- G. **Dorothy Roberts Memorial Medal Finals - 3'** Riders called back by the judge will be required to do additional testing, USEF tests 1-15. A trophy will be awarded to the champion and ribbons will be presented through eighth (8th) place.
- H. **CHJA Pony Medal Finals - Sm - 2' Md - 2' Lrg - 2'6"** Distances will not be adjusted. Riders called back by the judge will be required to do additional testing, USEF test 1-15. USEF rules governing age of pony riders apply. A trophy will be awarded to the champion and ribbons will be presented through eighth (8th) place.
- I. **Stirrup Medal Class at Medal Finals** Short, Medium, and Long Stirrup Medal classes will be held at Medal Finals. The classes will consist of one round over fences which has two or more USEF tests 1-9 included in the course and a flat phase. Additional testing may be required at the discretion of the judge. Ribbons will be presented through eighth (8th) place and double points toward the Stirrup Medal Year End Award will be awarded through sixth (6th) place.

Rule 13. CHJA Outreach Program

Rule 13.1 CHJA Outreach Program Awards

Participants in the Outreach Program will be awarded Gold, Silver and Bronze Certificates at the end of the Show Year when they have earned 100, 75, and 50 points In any one Outreach Division.

Points for Outreach Classes will be awarded 10,6,4,2,1,1/2 for 1,2,3,4,5,6 place respectively. No bonus points will be given for Champion and Reserve Champion.

Rule 13.2 CHJA Outreach Program Divisions

Outreach Classes are restricted to Juniors and Amateurs. Professional may ride as a No Judge in Outreach Classes.

Outreach Walk Trot

Outreach Pile of Poles Walk Trot

Outreach Cross Rails

Outreach 18"—no oxers

Outreach 2'—no oxers

Outreach 2'3"—no oxers

Outreach 2'6"—oxers optional

CHJA .70M Jumper -- no oxers. No in and outs.

Width of oxers not to exceed height of jumps.

Jumper classes must be run under Table IV, Optimum Time Classes, with no time penalties. At least two of the classes must be run under separate sections of Table IV.

Rule 13.3 CHJA Outreach Program Classes

Each Outreach Division, with the exception of Walk/Trot, shall consist of a minimum of 1 Hunter O/F, 1 Equitation O/F, 1 Hunter U/S or Pleasure and 1 Equitation Flat. Walk Trot Divisions shall consist of at least 1 Hunter U/S or Pleasure and 1 Equitation Flat Class. Outreach Jumper Division shall consist of 3 Classes to be run under at least two different USEF Jumper Tables.

Rule 13.4 EMT

A licensed EMT with no other assigned duties and suitable medical equipment must be present during scheduled schooling sessions over fences and during all scheduled performances. Upon completion of the show, the EMT must furnish show management with a written report of each instance where emergency medical treatment was rendered. A fine will be imposed on CHJA competitions failing to comply with this rule. A second offense will result in the fine and loss of show seniority. A signed report from the EMT must be submitted to the Show Standards Chair.

Rule 13.5 Proper Attire

Proper attire is required for all Outreach classes. This will be a boot with a heel, breeches and a collared shirt. An ASTM certified helmet will be required. Attire meeting minimum requirements may not be penalized.

Rule 13.6 Proper Tack

Proper tack as outlined by USEF will be required for all Outreach Divisions.

Rule 14. Nomination for Affiliate Championships

In order to be considered for a CHJA Nomination for Affiliate Championships, the horse or rider must have shown in their respective divisions at a minimum of two CHJA Approved Horse Shows. The rider must be a CHJA member, the horse must be CHJA recorded at the time of showing, and the trainer must be a CHJA member.

Special Awards

Special Year End Awards for Group 1 Classes

- A. **Horse of the Year Award.** The Ruth C. Ayres Memorial Trophy. The Horse of the Year will be selected by the Board of Directors voting by Secret Ballot from among the winners of Hunter of the Year, Jumper of the Year, Junior Horse of the Year, and Amateur Owner Horse of the Year. The trophy was donated by Liz Jensen-Olde.
- B. **Hunter of the Year Award** The Riff Raff Trophy. The Hunter of the Year will be selected from among the Year End Champions of the [Performance Working Hunter](#), [High Performance Conformation Hunter](#), [3'6" Green Hunter](#), [3'9" Green Hunter](#) and [Green Conformation Hunter 3'6"](#). The determination will be made by dividing the number of points earned in qualifying classes by the number of points that could have been earned by winning every class in that one division. The trophy was donated by Sandy and Wilson Dennehy
- C. **Jumper of the Year Award.** The Dion Dana Memorial Trophy. The Jumper of the Year will be selected from among the Year End Champions of the [1.15 - 1.25 M Jumper](#) and the [1.3 M and Above Jumper](#). The determination will be made by dividing the number of

points earned in qualifying classes by the number of points that could have been earned by winning every class in that one division. The trophy was donated by Nicki Wilcox.

- D. **Junior Horse of the Year Award.** The “Pinocchio” Perpetual Trophy. The Junior Horse of the Year shall be determined in the same manner as the Hunter of the Year, but will be selected from among the Year End Champions of the [Junior Hunter](#) 15 years and Under (large and small), and [Junior Hunter](#) 16-17 (large and small) and [High and Low Junior Jumper](#). The trophy was donated by the Byrne Family.
- E. **Amateur Owner Horse of the Year Award.** The Benchmark Perpetual Trophy. The Amateur Owner Horse of the Year shall be determined in the same manner as the Hunter of the Year, but will be selected from among the Year End Champions of the [Amateur Owner 3'3](#) and [3'6 Hunter](#) and the [High and Low Amateur Owner Jumper Divisions](#). The trophy was donated by Jennifer Singer
- F. **Pony of the Year Award** The “Farnley Fashion” Grand Pony Hunter Perpetual Trophy shall be awarded to the pony earning the highest number of points in Group 1 Pony Hunter Divisions ([Pony](#) or [Green Pony](#)) throughout the year. The trophy was donated by Shane Brier.
- G. **The Best Young Child Rider Award.** The “Best Friends” Perpetual Trophy. The Best Young Child Rider shall be awarded to the 11 and under, horse-pony/rider combination earning the highest number of points in the qualifying Group 1 divisions throughout the year. The award will be calculated by adding the highest number of hunter points in one qualifying hunter division and the highest number of equitation points in one qualifying equitation division. Qualifying divisions shall be: [Junior Equitation 11 & under](#), [Junior Hunter](#), [Children's Hunter](#), [Pony Hunter](#), [Green Pony Hunter](#), [Children's Pony Hunter](#), [Pony Equitation](#), [High and Low Junior Jumper](#), and [Children's](#) and [Low Children's Jumper](#) The trophy was donated by Jenny Middleton.
- H. **CHJA Spirit of Excellence Award** in Memory of Jamie Lynn Collins. A perpetual trophy will be awarded to the Colorado resident who accumulates the most points in the USEF [Small or Large Junior Hunter Divisions](#) (one horse/rider combination) and an [USEF Equitation Division](#) (no medal classes to count). In addition, a named scholarship in honor of the winner will be donated to the [Colorado Hunter Jumper Foundation Scholarship Fund](#). Points will be counted per the current year end award point system. The trophy was donated by the 1999 Banquet Committee.
- I. **High Point Junior Equitation Rider.** The C'est La Vie Trophy. To be eligible a rider must be a junior member of CHJA (points earned while not a member will not count). A member becomes eligible by winning a nationally recognized 3'6” Medal or Equitation Class sometime during the current qualifying year for the medals. Points will count from the following Group 1 classes: Equitation flat and over fences (all ages) and/or a Nationally Recognized 3'6” Medal or Equitation Class at CHJA approved shows. Points will be retroactive after winning qualifying medal class. Points will be counted as in [Rule 7.11](#). The trophy was donated by Gwynneth Bauer.
- J. **High Point Adult Equitation Rider.** The Cider Jug Trophy. To be eligible a rider must be an adult member of CHJA (points earned while not a member will not count). A member becomes eligible by winning a Nationally Recognized 3'3” Medal or Equitation Class sometime during the current show year. Points will count from the following classes: Group 1 Equitation flat and over fences, any Adult Medal at a USEF rated show and any Adult Medal classes listed under [rule 11.2](#). Points will be retroactive after winning a qualifying medal class. Points will be counted as in [Rule 7.11](#). The trophy was donated by Betty Weber.
- K. **Performance Working Hunter Championship Year End Award.** The “Lanny Hill/High Roller” Perpetual Trophy. The Performance Working Hunter Champion shall be determined in the same manner as the Hunter of the Year. Qualifying Group 1 divisions shall be: [High Performance Working Hunter](#), [Performance Working Hunter 3'6”-3'9”](#) and [Performance Working Hunter 3'3”](#). The trophy was donated by Sally Goldstein.

- L. **Grand Champion Adult Amateur Hunter Year End Award.** The "Virginia Gentleman" Perpetual Trophy shall be awarded to the horse earning the highest number of points in Group 1 [Adult Amateur Hunter](#) divisions through out the year. The trophy was donated by Mary Barnes.
- M. **Grand Green Hunter Champion** The December Perpetual Trophy. Awarded to the Green Hunter Accumulating the most year-end points at USEF shows in [Green](#) or [Green Conformation Hunter Divisions](#). The trophy was donated by Ann Pritzlaff and The Horse Shoe Ltd.
- N. **Grand Champion Hunter** The Camilla Z Trophy. Awarded to the horse accumulating the most points in one Qualifying hunter division. Qualifying divisions include: [Junior Hunter](#), [Amateur Owner Hunter 3'6"](#), [Amateur Owner Hunter 3'3"](#), [Green Hunters](#), and [Performance Hunter](#). The trophy was donated by Mary Dunahay.
- O. **Amateur Owner or Junior Jumper Award** The Gershwin Memorial Trophy. Award for the horse accumulating the most year-end points at Group I shows in the [High and Low Amateur Owner Jumper](#) or [High and Low Junior Jumper](#) divisions. The trophy was donated by Sue Pietrzak and Karen Stone.
- P. **Large Pony Hunter of the Year Award** The Judge William J. Nelson Memorial Trophy. Award for the Large Pony accumulating the most points in the [Large Pony Hunter Division](#). The trophy was donated by Heather Christie.
- Q. **The Playmaker Memorial Trophy.** Award for the horse earning the highest number of points in Group 1 [3' Green Hunters](#), [3'3" Green Hunter](#). The trophy was donated by Sydney Ayers and Sara Ayers.
- R. **Adult Amateur Jumper Award** The Bally Banion Perpetual Trophy. Award for the horse earning the highest number of points at Group I shows in the [High and Low Adult Amateur Jumper Division](#). The trophy was donated by Lori Oakley.

Special Year End Awards for Group 2 and Group 3 Classes

- A. **CHJA Hunter of the Year Award.** The Top Honor Trophy. The CHJA Hunter of the Year will be determined from among the Year End Champions of the CHJA Green Hunter, CHJA 3' Open Hunter 3'3"-3'5" and CHJA 3'-3'5" Open Hunter. The determination will be made by dividing the number of points won in the qualifying classes by the number of points that could have been earned by winning every class in that one division throughout the year. Divisions that were combined will contribute to this calculation as the class could have been held in the combined division. The trophy was donated by Claudia Wilson.
- B. **CHJA High Point Junior Equitation Rider** The Fox Pointe Trophy. To be eligible the rider must be a junior member of CHJA (points earned while not a member will not count). Champion and Reserve Champion of the High Point USEF Junior Equitation Rider will be ineligible for this award. A member becomes eligible by winning a CHJA Junior Medal, CHJA Pony Medal or Col. R. L. Robertson Medal sometime during the show year. Points will count from the Following Group 2 classes: CHJA Children's Equitation (all ages), CHJA Pony Equitation flat and over fences, and the Deborah L. Donoghue Equitation classes. Points will be retroactive after winning the qualifying medal class. Points will be counted as per current rules. The trophy was donated by Kathy Hobstetter.
- C. **CHJA High Point Adult Equitation Rider** The London Fog Trophy. Champion and Reserve Champion of the High Point Group 1 Adult Equitation Rider will be ineligible for this award. A member becomes eligible by winning a CHJA Adult Medal, Dorothy Roberts Memorial Medal or a Ruth C. Ayres Medal some time during the current show year (points earned while not a member will not count). Points will count from the following classes: Group 2 CHJA Adult Equitation and Deborah L. Donoghue Equitation

classes. Points will be retroactive after winning the qualifying medal class. Points will be counted as per current rules. The trophy was donated by Julie Harrington.

- D. **CHJA Children's Hunter of the Year** The Just Enough Trophy. The CHJA Children's Hunter of the Year shall be determined in the same manner as the CHJA Hunter of the Year, but will be selected from among the Year End Champions of the CHJA Children's Hunter or CHJA Children's Pony Hunter. The trophy was donated by Yvonne Wilson.
- E. **CHJA Adult Hunter of the Year** The Saturday's Warrior Trophy. The CHJA Adult Horse of the Year shall be the Year End Champion of the CHJA Adult Hunter. The trophy was donated by Hobby Horse Farms.
- F. **Best Beginner Child Rider** The Superfudge Trophy. The Best Beginner Child Rider shall be awarded to the 17 and under horse-pony/rider combination earning the highest number of points in the qualifying Group 3 divisions throughout the year. The award will be calculated by adding the highest number of hunter points in one qualifying hunter division and the highest number of equitation points in one qualifying equitation division. Qualifying divisions shall be: CHJA Low Children's Hunter, CHJA Low Children's/Adult Equitation, CHJA Short and Medium Stirrup Hunters, CHJA Short and Medium Stirrup Equitation. The trophy was donated by Nancy and Amy Burgess.
- G. **Best CHJA Child Rider** The Rebel Affair Trophy. The Best CHJA Child Rider shall be awarded to the 17 and under horse-pony/rider combination earning the highest number of points in the qualifying Group 2 divisions throughout the year. The award will be calculated by adding the highest number of hunter points in one qualifying hunter division, and the highest number of equitation points in one qualifying equitation division. Qualifying divisions shall be CHJA Children's Hunter, CHJA Children's Pony Hunter, CHJA Children's Equitation and CHJA Pony Equitation. The trophy was donated by the Brevard Family.
- H. **Best CHJA Adult Rider.** The Nightline Trophy. The Best CHJA Adult Rider shall be awarded to the adult amateur rider/horse combination earning the highest number of points in the qualifying Group 2 divisions throughout the year. The award will be calculated by adding the highest number of hunter points in one qualifying hunter division, and the highest number of equitation points in one qualifying equitation division. Qualifying divisions shall be: CHJA Adult Hunter and CHJA Adult Equitation. The Trophy was donated by the Brevard Family.
- I. **Best Beginner Adult Rider** The Centerfold Perpetual Trophy. The Best Beginner Adult Rider shall be awarded to the adult horse/rider combination earning the highest number of points in the qualifying Group 3 divisions throughout the year. The award will be calculated by adding the highest number of hunter points in one qualifying hunter division and the highest number of equitation points in one qualifying equitation division. Qualifying divisions are CHJA Low Adult Hunter, CHJA Long Stirrup Hunter, CHJA Low Children's/Adult Equitation, and CHJA Long Stirrup Equitation.
- J. **The Quartermaster Grand Pony Hunter Award.** This Perpetual trophy is awarded to the pony earning the highest number of points in the CHJA Children's Pony Hunter Division throughout the year. The trophy was donated by the Quartermaster Farm and the Zakroff Family.
- K. **CHJA Short Stirrup Champion** The Silent Running Perpetual Trophy awarded to the year-end Champion in The CHJA Short Stirrup Hunter division. The trophy was donated by the Brevard Family.
- L. **CHJA Jumper of the Year** The Miss Bessie Trophy. The CHJA Jumper of the Year will be determined from among the Year End Champions of the CHJA Group 2 and Group 3 Jumper Divisions. The determination will be made by dividing the number of points won in the qualifying division by the total number of points that could have been earned by winning every class in that one division throughout the year. Divisions that were combined will contribute to this calculation as the class could have been held in the combined division. The Trophy was donated by Jennifer Vann and Cascade Farms.

- M. **CHJA Spirit of Excellence Award** A perpetual trophy will be awarded to the Colorado resident who accumulates the most points in a CHJA Children's Hunter Division (one horse/rider combination) and in a CHJA Children's Equitation Division (no medal classes to count). In addition, a named scholarship in honor of the winner will be donated to the [Colorado Hunter Jumper Foundation](#) Scholarship Fund. Points will be counted per the current year-end award system. The winner of the CHJA Spirit of Excellence Award in memory of Jamie Lynn Collins is not eligible to win the CHJA Spirit of Excellence Award in the same year. The trophy was donated by Meg O'Meara.
- N. **High CHJA Junior/Amateur Jumper Award** Awarded to the junior or amateur horse/rider combination accumulating the most points in Group 2 Jumper Classes 1.0 M (3'3") and higher
- O. **Low CHJA Junior/Amateur Jumper Award** Awarded to the junior or amateur horse/rider combination accumulating the most points in Group 2 and Group 3 Jumper Classes 0.91 (3') and under.
- P. **Stirrup Medal Awards** The Just A Little Farm trophies are awarded to the riders accumulating the highest number of points in the CHJA Short, Medium, and Long Stirrup Medals. The trophies were donated by Laurie Grayson.
- Q. **CHJA Modified Adult Hunter Champion.** The Shelley Voorhees Trophy. Award for the Year End Champion of the Group II Modified Adult Hunter Division. The trophy was donated by Bob Voorhees.

Other Special Awards

- A. **Best Group I Show of the Year** The Award shall be determined by a vote of the CHJA General membership. The winner will receive the perpetual trophy at the Annual Awards Banquet.
- B. **Best Group II Show of the Year** The award shall be determined by a vote of the CHJA General membership. The winner will receive the perpetual trophy at the Annual Awards Banquet.
- C. **Marvin W. Luttges CHJA Adult Amateur Sportsmanship Award** This award is presented annually to the CHJA Adult Amateur who best exemplifies Marv's attitude toward this sport he so loved. Recipients to be nominated by the membership and trainers with final selection to be made by the Board. The trophy was donated by Nancy Luttges.
- D. **Lifetime Contribution Award** Nominations are accepted from the membership with the final selection being made by the Board of Directors.
- E. **Betty Weber Award** Established by the Board of Directors to recognize an individual who has made sustained contributions to CHJA as an officer, board member, committee chair, committee member or event volunteer.
- F. **Keiri Kaneps Professional Hunter Rider of the Year** This award recognizes a professional hunter rider who exemplifies the integrity, horsemanship, and beautiful skills that made Keiri so special. Selection is made by the Board of Directors. The trophy was donated by Colorado Hunter Jumper Foundation and Friends of Keiri Kaneps.
- G. **The Okay By Me high Point Thoroughbred Award** Presented to the CHJA recorded thoroughbred earning the highest number of points in Group 1,2 and 3 Hunter and Jumper Classes. The winner will receive a perpetual trophy and a donation will be made to a thoroughbred organization to be chosen by the rider of the winning horse and Kristina McCombie. The trophy was donated by Kristina McCombie.
- H. **The Grace Hillary Jean Horsemanship Award** A perpetual trophy awarded annually to the CHJA Amateur, Junior, or Professional who demonstrates outstanding horse care on and off the show grounds. This individual always puts the horse first before competition goals and their efforts are recognized by their barn mates and horse show peers.

Nominations are received from CHJA members, and the recipient is selected by the Board of Directors. The trophy was donated by Sarah Watson.

Retirement of Perpetual Trophies

Unless otherwise specified, all CHJA Perpetual Trophies, including year end special awards and those awarded at the Copper Penny Horse Show, the Estes Park Hunter Jumper Festival Horse Shows, and the CHJA Medal Finals, will be retired if there is no longer any room on the trophy for engraving. The donor of the trophy, if available will be contacted and given the option of continuing the award and supplying a new trophy or discontinuing the award. The donor will also be asked their preference regarding the disposition of the retired trophy. If the original donor cannot be contacted, the CHJA Board will make the determination.

USEF Tests 1-15

1. Halt (4 to 6 seconds) or halt and back and then continue forward at the walk.
2. Hand gallop. A hand gallop may be used on the approach to a jump.
3. Figure eight at trot, demonstrating change of diagonals. At left diagonal, rider should be sitting the saddle when left front leg is on the ground; at right diagonal, rider should be sitting the saddle when right front leg is on the ground; when circling clockwise at a trot, rider should be on left diagonal; when circling counterclockwise, rider should be on the right diagonal.
4. Figure eight at canter on correct lead, demonstrating simple change of lead. This is a change whereby the horse is brought back into a walk or trot (either is acceptable unless the judge specifies) and restarted into a canter on the opposite lead. Figures to be commenced in center of two circles so that one change of lead is shown.
5. Work collectively or individually at a walk, trot and/or canter.
6. Jump low obstacles at a trot as well as at a canter. The maximum height for a trot jump is six (6) inches lower than class requirements. Oxers may only be used as a trot jump in classes listed at 3'6" or higher. The maximum spread for trot fences is 3' for horses.
7. Question(s) regarding basic horsemanship, tack and equipment and conformation.
8. Ride without stirrups, riders must be allowed option to cross stirrups.
9. Turn on the forehand done from the halt.
10. Figure eight at canter on correct lead demonstrating flying change of lead.
11. Execute serpentine at a trot and/or canter on correct lead demonstrating simple or flying changes of lead. (See EQ113.4 for simple change.)
12. Change leads on a line demonstrating a simple or flying change of lead. (See EQ113.4 for simple change.)
13. Change horses. (Note: this test is the equivalent of two tests.) Obstacles jumped in this equitation test must have been included in the original course or test.
14. Canter on counter lead. (Note: no more than twelve horses may counter canter at one time.) A canter on the counter lead may be used on the approach to a jump
15. Turn on the haunches from the walk.