

CHAPTER HB HUNTER BREEDING DIVISION

WHEN A SUBJECT IS NOT ADDRESSED IN THESE RULES, IT MUST BE ADDRESSED BY THE APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE AND THAT COMMITTEE'S INTERPRETATION WILL STAND AS THE RULE UNTIL THE NEXT YEAR WHEN AN APPROPRIATE RULE CHANGE WILL BE SUBMITTED.

HB100 Eligibility to Compete.

In order to compete in any Hunter Breeding classes at licensed competitions as an exhibitor, rider, trainer, or his/her agent(s), a person must be a member of the United States Hunter Jumper Association, Inc., or pay a nonmember fee to the United States Hunter Jumper Association, Inc. Exception: Local Competitions, competitions restricted to a particular breed, and exceptions listed in GR901.9 and GR207.2.i.

HB101 Eligibility.

1. The Hunter Breeding Division is open to horses only. Horses shown as a Thoroughbred must possess either their Jockey Club certificate of registration, the acceptance of their Jockey Club application for registration or a Jockey Club tattoo. Proof of registration must be submitted at time of entry. For competition purposes only in Hunter Breeding Divisions, an unregistered Thoroughbred is a horse that is the progeny of a registered Thoroughbred stallion and a registered Thoroughbred mare, but does not possess Jockey Club registered papers or tattoo. See also GR907.1. Once a filly or mare has been shown in a Federation recognized registered/unregistered Thoroughbred Division, any of her progeny sired by a registered Thoroughbred stallion must be shown in a registered/unregistered Thoroughbred Division.
2. Hunter Breeding classes will only accumulate Federation Horse of the Year Points from January 1 to November 30 of the current show year (see GR1115).

HB102 Division of Classes.

Breeding classes may be divided as to a) thoroughbred/unregistered thoroughbred, and b) other than thoroughbred and include: Foals (colts, geldings and/or fillies); Yearlings (colts, geldings and/or fillies); Two-year-olds (colts, geldings and/or fillies); Three-year-olds; Mares (3 years old or over, with or without foal); Mares (3 years old or over, without foal but having been bred); Broodmares (with foal at foot; 50% mare and 50% foal or 75% mare and 25% foal); Stallions (3 years old and over); Stallion (with 1, 2 or 3 of get; 50% stallion and 50% get or 75% stallion and 25% get).

HB103 Conduct.

1. Hunter Breeding classes must be offered as printed in the prize list. Classes may not be combined however they may be split if the number of entries warrant.
2. A competition may not offer more than two Hunter Breeding divisions to count for HOTY awards at any one competition. Each division must be judged by a different judge or judges, with neither judge conferring with the other concerning the judging until the divisions are completed. The prize list must clearly state which classes count for Federation points. Additional classes and division championships may be offered but will not count for Federation points.
3. Ribbons in all Hunter Breeding classes must be presented to the winners while in the ring.
4. No more than one person may present a horse at any one time to the judge or judges.

HB104 Class Specifications.

1. Breeding classes are judged on conformation, way of moving, quality, substance, soundness and suitability to become or in the case of sires and dams apparent ability to produce or beget hunters. Possible inheritable conformational defects are only to be considered in the case of sires and dams or prospective sires and dams. Horses are to be judged for conformation before being walked and/or jogged. Broodmares and weanlings are to walk. Yearlings, Two year-olds and Three year-olds are to walk and jog. Horses that are not sound are ineligible for an award. If the section has only one judge and thus one set of

points, the entries should be lined up in the order of preference before the ribbons are pinned. If this is a two-judge section, with two sets of points, the entries are not lined up in the order of preference until both judges have turned in their cards. The announcer or ringmaster will line up Judge #1's entries in his/her order of preference before awarding the ribbons. After the entries have been pinned for the first judge, Judge #2's entries will line up in his/her order of preference before the awarding of ribbons.

2. Foals in Breeding classes may wear leather halters. All animals of yearling status and older must be shown in a bridle.
3. Four classes must be offered consisting of Yearlings, Two-year-olds, Three-year-olds and Best Young Horse. Classes may not be combined. Classes may be divided by sex and/or breeding and competition management is encouraged to divide classes where entries warrant. Only these classes will count for Federation Horse of the Year Awards.
4. A Best Young Horse class must be offered and judged as a separate class. Winners in all qualifying classes may show in the Best Young Horse class. Second place winners may return. Federation Horse of the Year points will be awarded in the Best Young Horse class regardless of the number of entries.

HB105 Special Rating Requirements.

1. Classes with combined age groups do not count toward the Horse of the Year Awards. Exception: Best Young Horse class. See also GR1111.

2. Points will be based on the number of horses in the class as follows:

Number in Class	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	
1	1				(*)
2	2	1			(*)
3 -10	5	3	2	1	
11 +	10	6	4	2	

(*) If a horse which competes in a qualifying class with less than three entries becomes Best Young Horse or Reserve Best Young Horse at that competition, they will receive full points for the qualifying class (i.e. 5 pts. for 1st, 3 pts. for 2nd).

3. Championship points based on the aggregate number of horses in the rated classes of the Hunter Breeding section.

Aggregate Number	Champion	Reserve
1-14	5 points	3 points
15 or more	10 points	6 points

HB106 Special Points for the National Championship.

1. In order to compete in the USEF National Hunter Breeding Championship, the horse and owner must be recorded with USEF on or before the first day of the competition.
2. Points to be awarded for the Federation National Hunter Breeding Championship for Yearlings, Two Year olds and Three Year olds will be awarded as follows:

Number in Class:	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
1	2					
2	4	2				
3-10	10	6	4	2		
11+	20	12	8	4	3	2

Championship Points:

Aggregate Number	Champion	Reserve
1-14	10	6
15 or more	20	12