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The following rule changes were approved by the Executive Committee November 16, 2004. The effective date is noted after each rule change.

Article 410. Equine Drugs and Medications, The Therapeutic Substance

Provisions. (Approved EC 11/16/04) (Effective 12/1/04)

4. Restrictions concerning the nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs are as follows:
- The maximum permitted plasma concentration of diclofenac is 0.005 micrograms per milliliter.

Article 1214. Prize Lists. (Approved EC 11/16/04) (Effective 12/1/04)

2. If the prize list is not received *forty (40)* days prior to the competition, the Federation shall levy a fine of \$200. If the fine is not paid, it shall be added to the amount of dues for the ensuing year and future competition dates will not be awarded until both penalty and dues have been paid. For the second consecutive offense, the competition will be suspended.

Article 1504. Membership and Document Requirements. (Approved EC 11/16/04) (Effective 12/1/04)

2. Memberships completed at the competition must be forwarded to the Federation office within *ten (10)* days of the close of the competition *as part of the full competition results, which are defined in Article 1217.1*. The member's copy of the application is valid for 45 days or until *his/her* membership card is received from the Federation.
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Article 1704. Participation. (Approved EC 11/16/04) (Effective 1/1/05)

3. YOUNG RIDERS. An Organizer may offer a competition for Young Riders at Tests, at Horse Trials at the *Preliminary and Intermediate* levels and at *One Star and Two Star* Events. Competitors shall compete as Young Riders from the beginning of the calendar year in which they reach the age of 16 until the end of the calendar year in which they reach the age of 21.

Article 1704. Participation. (Approved EC 11/16/04) (Effective 1/1/05)

6.4 An Organizing Committee may offer a section that includes dressage and jumping at a higher level and cross country at the level below, e.g. *Advanced Intermediate*. For purposes of competition qualifications and high score awards, these competitions will be considered in accordance with the level of the cross country being run.

6.5 An Organizing Committee may offer a section for Young Horses. For *Beginner Novice through Training Level* this shall be open to horses 4-5 years of age. For *Preliminary Level* this shall be open to horses 5-6 years of age. For the *Intermediate and Advanced Level* this shall be open to horses 6-7 years of age.

Article 2200. Eligibility to Compete. (Approved EC 11/16/04) (Effective 12/1/04)

In order to compete in any Hunter Seat Equitation classes at recognized 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 and classes listed in GR1401.9. Exception: Breed restricted Hunter Seat Equitation Classes.*

Article 3917. Penalties - Cow Work. (Approved EC 11/16/04) (Effective 12/1/04)

2. For each length horse runs past cow. *A length by is 1 horse length of daylight between the cow's head and the top of the horse's tail.*
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