

## 2009 Zone Specifications

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Zone 8 chooses no contiguous states.

#### Adult Amateur Hunter

Open to horses and ponies to be ridden by Amateurs who are no longer eligible to compete as Junior Exhibitors. The horse/rider combination is restricted from showing in both Amateur Owner and Adult Amateur Hunter Divisions at the same show. Fence heights: 3', spreads not to exceed the fence height. Ponies may be ridden by adults. In and outs will not be adjusted for ponies. Horses and Ponies will not be jogged for soundness. The Adult Amateur Hunter Division shall be offered at competitions split by age as follows: 18-35, 36-49 and 50 and over. These age sections may be combined at show management's discretion. B and C shows are not required to split the division. There will be Zone year-end Awards for each of the three age divided sections of this division.

#### Children's Hunter

Open to horses and ponies to be ridden by a Junior Exhibitor. The horse/rider combination is restricted from showing in both Junior Hunter and Children's Hunter sections at the same show. Fence heights: 3', spreads not to exceed fence height. Horses and/or ponies will not be jogged for soundness. The Children's Hunter Division shall be offered at competitions split by age as follows: 13 & Under and 14-17. These sections may be combined at the show management's discretion. B and C shows are not required to split the Division. There will be a zone year end award will be awarded for Children's Hunter Horse 13 & Under, Children's Hunter Horse 14-17 and Children's Hunter Pony. If a separate Children's Pony Hunter Division is offered, fences must be 2' for small and medium ponies. Large ponies to jump 2'6"; spreads may not exceed fence height. The pony/rider combination is restricted from showing in both Regular Pony Hunter and Children's Pony Hunter at the same horse show. Ponies will not be jogged for soundness.

#### Children's/Adult Amateur Hunter Classics

Any competition which offers an Adult Amateur Hunter, a Children's Hunter section or a Children's Pony Hunter Section may also offer a Hunter Classic in accordance with USEF HU 145, with the following exceptions: **1)** Bonus points for Zone 8 Horse of the Year Awards will be awarded as follows: 1<sup>st</sup> - 10 points, 2<sup>nd</sup> - 8 points, 3<sup>rd</sup> - 7 points, 4<sup>th</sup> - 6 points, 5<sup>th</sup> - 5 points, 6<sup>th</sup> - 4 points, 7<sup>th</sup> - 3 points, 8<sup>th</sup> - 2 points. **2)** Classics must offer at least \$500 in prize money. **3)** Height and spread of fences to be the same as the requirements of the respective section. **4)** Riders are not required to wear special attire as described in USEF HU145.5, but must wear protective headgear in accordance to USEF GR 801.2 & 3. All current Zone 8 eligibility requirements must be met. Horses and ponies will not be jogged for soundness.

#### Pre-Green Hunter

Open to horses that will be eligible to show in the First Year Green division in a subsequent year. A horse may show in the Pre-Green Hunter Section of an USEF Recognized Competition for no more than two years. Fence Heights: 3' and/or 3'3". Show management may offer two sections of Pre-Green Hunter. Management may offer Pre-Green Hunter 3' and/or Pre-Green Hunter 3'3". Zone 8 Committee recommends offering both sections. If management offers both sections of Pre-Green Hunter, exhibitors may enter either section, but not both sections at the same show. Zone awards will be presented annually as one section.

#### Pre-Green Hunter Classics:

Classics counting for year end Zone 8 awards may be offered for Pre-Green Hunters with bonus points being awarded as per HU 136 using "B" points. Classics may either be held as a separate two round class, or a class in the division may count as one round of the classic. Height and spread of fences will be the same as required for the respective section. Classics must offer at least \$500 in prize money. Horses will not be jogged for soundness.

#### Adult/Amateur Jumper

To be ridden by exhibitors who are no longer eligible to compete as Junior Exhibitors. The same horse and rider combination may not cross enter Junior-A/O Jumper classes at the same horse show. Riders competing in a Grand Prix are not eligible to ride in the Adult Amateur Jumper division at the same horse show. Fences: 3'6"

#### Children's Jumpers:

To be ridden by Exhibitors who have not reached their 18th birthday by December 1 of the current competition year. The same horse/rider combination may not cross enter into Junior-A/O Jumper classes at the same horse show. Riders competing in a Grand Prix are not eligible to ride in the Children's Jumper division at the same horse show. Fences: 3'6"