

2009 ZONE SPECIFICATONS

2009 Zone 1 Specifications

In accordance with GR 1111.4: For CT, MA, RI & VT – Canada & NY. For contiguous state points New York includes New Jersey. For ME & NH - Canada & Zone Locked NY are contiguous states.

Adult Amateur Hunter: To be ridden by Amateurs who are no longer eligible to compete as Junior Exhibitors. Horse/rider combinations are not eligible for any other USEF rated classes. Horses may be shown by a different rider in any other division or class at the same competition. To be judged on performance, soundness, manners, way of going, size of rider to mount, and suitability as an Adult Amateur Hunter. Horses and ponies may be jogged for soundness at Judge's discretion. Height of fences 3', spreads not to exceed height of fence. Ponies may be ridden by adults, suitability to count.

Children's Hunter: Open to Junior Exhibitors who are eligible for Intermediate Equitation as of December 1 of the current show year. Height of fences: 2' for small/medium ponies, 2'6" for large ponies, 3' for horses, spreads not to exceed fence height. The division may be split at the discretion of show management. Same horse/pony-rider combination cannot show in any other rated division except Equitation. Horses may be shown by another rider in any other division or section at the same show except Jr. Hunter. Ponies may not cross enter into the green or regular pony hunter divisions. Children's Hunter riders may not show in any class where the fence heights exceed 3'6" at the same show. Jogging for soundness at the discretion of the judge.

Children's/Adult Hunter Classic: Any competition which offers an Adult Amateur or a Children's Hunter section may also offer an Adult Amateur Classic and/or a Children's Hunter Classic in accordance with HU145. Children's and Adult Amateur Hunter Classics will be awarded points equal to those given in USEF "B" Hunter Classics. Height and spread of fences will be the same as requirements for the respective section. Classics must offer at least \$500 in prize money. Entry fee restrictions do not apply.

Children's Jumper: To be ridden by Exhibitors who have not reached their 18th birthday by December 1 of the current competition year. Fences not to exceed 1.15m (3'9"). Cash winnings do not influence this classification. Horse/rider combination showing in jumper classes where fences are over 1.15m (3'9") are not eligible for Children's Jumpers. Sections may be divided by age of rider or by horse/pony and may also be combined with Adult Amateur if so stated in the prize list.

Adult Amateur Jumper: To be ridden by Exhibitors who are no longer eligible to compete as Junior Exhibitors. All exhibitors must be amateurs in accordance with GR1306 and must show USEF Amateur Certification. Fences not to exceed 1.15m (3'9"). Cash winnings do not influence this classification. Horse/rider combinations showing in Jumper classes where fences are over 1.15m (3'9") are not eligible for Adult Jumpers. Sections may be divided by age of rider or by horse/pony and may also be combined with Children's Jumper if so stated in the prize list.

Pre-Green Hunter: A Pre-Green Hunter is a horse that is not a First Year, Second Year or Regular Hunter under USEF rules. A horse may show as a Pre-Green Hunter for no more than two years once it has reached four years of age. Fence heights 3'. A year end award will be presented annually in this division.

2009 Zone 2 Specifications

In accordance with GR 1111.4: Contiguous states are DE, CT, MA, VT, MD, WV & OH.

Adult Amateur Hunter:

To be shown by riders who are no longer eligible to compete as Junior Exhibitors, in possession of current USEF Amateur Certification. Ponies may be shown by Adults, suitability to count. Fences not to exceed 3'; spreads not to exceed fence height. Riders may not compete in any other classes at the same competition where fences exceed 3'3", except Adult Amateur Jumper. Horses may be shown by a different rider in any other division or class at the same competition. Horses may be jogged for soundness at the discretion of the judge. The maximum number of classes which may be offered in a section is 4 if held on one day, or 5 if held on more than one day, including the under saddle.

Children's Hunter:

To be shown by junior exhibitors. Fences height to be 3' for horses; 2' for small and medium ponies; 2'6" for large ponies; spreads not to exceed fence heights. **Riders may cross enter in unrated classes, equitation classes not to exceed 3'6", and Children's Jumpers up to 3'9"**. Horses and ponies may cross enter only in unrated classes, Equitation classes not to exceed 3'6", Adult Amateur Hunters, and First Year Green and Second Year Green Hunters, if otherwise eligible. The maximum number of classes which may be offered in a section is 4 if held on one day, or 5 if held on more than one day, including the under saddle. The Children's Hunter Division may be offered in age group sections: Children's Hunter Horse 14 and Under, Children's Hunter Horse 15-17 is recommended. The Children's Hunter division may be offered by height section: Small/Medium Pony and Large Pony. If less than 3 entries in any one section, the division must be combined. If more than 25 are in any one section, the division may be split. Zone awards to be given in each age and height section.

Children's/Adult Amateur Hunter Classic:

Any competition which offers an Adult Amateur Hunter or a Children's Hunter section may also offer an Adult Amateur Classic and/or a Children's Hunter Classic in accordance with HU 145, with the following exceptions:

1.) Bonus points for Zone Horse of the Year Awards will be awarded as follows:

1st - 20, 2nd - 16, 3rd - 14, 4th - 12, 5th - 10, 6th - 8, 7th - 6, 8th - 5, 9th - 4, 10th - 3, 11th - 2, 12th - 1

2.) Classics must offer at least \$500 in prize money; 3.) Height and spread of fences to be the same as the requirements for the respective section; 4.) Riders are not required to wear special attire as described in HU 145.5 but must wear protective headgear in accordance with GR 801.2&3. All current Zone 2 eligibility requirements must be met.

Children's Jumpers:

To be ridden by exhibitors who have not reached their 18th birthday by December 1 of the current competition year. Fence heights to be set in accordance with JP 120 not to exceed 1.15m (3'9"). Riders may not compete in any other class at the same competition where fences exceed 3'9" except the USEF Talent Search Class. Horses may show at 1.40m (4'7") or below with another rider. Cash winnings do not influence this classification. Sections and/or prize money, if offered, may be divided and/or combined with the Adult Amateur Jumpers at the discretion of management.

Adult Amateur Jumpers:

To be ridden by exhibitors who are no longer eligible to compete as Junior Exhibitors. All exhibitors must be Amateurs in accordance with GR 808 and must show USEF Amateur Certification. Fence heights to be set in accordance with JP 119, not to exceed 1.15m (3'9"). Riders may not compete in any other class at the same competition where fences exceed 1.15m (3'9") except the USEF Talent Search Class. Horses may show at 1.40m (4'7") or below with another rider. Cash winnings do not influence this classification. Sections and/or prize money, if offered, may be divided and/or combined with the Children's Jumpers at the discretion of management.

Pre-Green Hunter:

A Pre-Green hunter is a horse of any age in its first 2 consecutive years of showing that has never shown over fences 3'6" or higher. Pre-Green may not be reinstated. To be shown over fences 3' to 3'3". Horses may not cross enter into division with fence heights of 3'6" or higher. To be judged on performance. Horses not to jog. There will not be a zone year end award for the pre-green hunter.

2009 Zone 3 Specifications

In accordance with GR 1111.4: For DE – NJ & PA, for Washington DC – land locked PA, for MD – PA, for NC – GA, SC & TN, for VA – KY, and for WV – PA, KY and OH are contiguous states. For contiguous state points Pennsylvania includes New Jersey.

Adult Amateur Hunter:

To be ridden by an Amateur in possession of a valid Amateur Card. A rider in the Adult Amateur Division is not eligible to compete in any class where fence heights exceed 3'3" with the exception of the Children's/Adult Jumper Division. Course shall consist of no less than eight fences. Fence height shall be 3'; spreads not to exceed height of fence. If the Adult Amateur is split two ways it must be split from 18 to 35 and from 36 and over. To be judged on performance, manners, way of going and soundness. Suitability as an Adult Amateur Hunter to be stressed. Horses to be jogged in accordance with HU131.

Children's Hunter Horse 14 & Under:

Open to horses only. To be shown by Junior Exhibitors, 14 years of age and under. A rider in the Children's Hunter Division is not eligible to compete in classes where fences exceed 3'3", except age group Equitation, Medal classes, Children's/Adult Jumper and Pony Jumper Classes. Course shall consist of no less than eight fences. Fence height shall be 3'; spreads not to exceed fence height. To be judged on performance, manners, way of going and soundness. Suitability as a Children's Hunter to be stressed. Horses to be jogged in accordance with HU 131.

Children's Hunter Horse 15 - 17:

Open to horses only. To be shown by Junior Exhibitors, 15 – 17 years of age. A rider in the Children's Hunter Division is not eligible to compete in classes where fences exceed 3'3", except age group Equitation, Medal classes, Children's/Adult Jumper and Pony Jumper Classes. Course shall consist of no less than eight fences. Fence height shall be 3'; spreads not to exceed fence height. To be judged on performance, manners, way of going and soundness. Suitability as a Children's Hunter to be stressed. Horses to be jogged in accordance with HU 124.

Children's Hunter Pony – Small & Medium - not to exceed 13.2 hands:

Open to ponies not showing in a rated division, ridden by a rider not showing over fences exceeding 3' at that show. To be judged on performance and soundness. Small and medium ponies to jump 2'. Ponies to be jogged in accordance with HU 124.

Children's Hunter Pony – Large – over 13.2 hands, not to exceed 14.2 hands:

Open to all ponies not showing in a rated division, ridden by a rider not showing over fences exceeding 3' at that show. To be judged on performance and soundness. Large ponies to jump 2'6". Ponies to be jogged in accordance with HU 124.

Children's/Adult Jumpers:

Open to Juniors and Adults holding a USEF Amateur Card. Riders in this division are not eligible to show in any other jumper classes where fence height exceeds 1.15m (3'9") except equitation or Pony Jumper classes. Fence heights to be set at 3'6" or 1.05m; however the highest money class or Classic may be offered at 1.15m (3'9").

Pre-Green Hunter:

A Pre-Green hunter is a horse in his 1st or 2nd year of showing over fences 3' or higher at Regular Member Competitions or Combined Training Events. A 1st year horse must jump 3' and a 2nd year horse must jump 3'3". A horse cannot show in the Green Hunter Division or show over fences 3'6" or higher and still be eligible for Pre-Green. Reinstatement rules are the same as for Green Hunters. If a horse has been reinstated from 1st year green, it must show as a 2nd year pre-green horse. (Exception: Horses that have shown over 3' as a Three Year-Old are eligible as 1st year pre-green the following year that they show.) This section will receive C-rated points. Zone awards will be presented annually in each section.

2009 Zone 4 Specifications

In accordance with GR. 1111.4: For AL Contiguous state is zone locked LA, for FL - Zone locked NC, for GA - NC, for MS - AR, LA, for SC - NC, for TN - NC, VA, KY, AR, MO are contiguous states.

Adult Amateur Hunter:

Adult Amateur classes are for amateurs 18 years of age or older showing horses and/or ponies. To be judged on performance, soundness, manners, way of going, and suitability. The Adult Amateur section may be divided by age of rider and/or height of fences. Adult Amateur classes to be shown over fences at either 3' or 3'3". Riders in this section may enter any Equitation class. Riders who compete in the Amateur Owner Hunter or Jumper classes may show one horse that they own in Adult Amateur Hunter classes. Horses and ponies exhibiting in this Division may cross enter multiple sections of Adult Amateur Hunter and any classes where eligible. **Note: The horse may only be shown by one rider in the Adult Amateur Hunter Classic and that rider must be declared prior to the first round of the Classic.** Points for Zone Awards earned in a hunter classic will be awarded points as follows: 35, 30, 25, 20, 15, 10, 6, 5. Horses are not required to be jogged for soundness, but may be jogged at management's discretion. Zone awards will be offered annually to the Adult Amateur 18-35 section and to the Adult Amateur 36 and over section.

Children's Hunter:

Children's classes are for exhibitors under the age of 18 showing horses. To be judged on performance, soundness, manners, way of going, and suitability. The section may be divided by age of rider, and/or height of fences. The Children's Hunter section may be combined with the Children's Pony section when there are less than three entries in either section. Children's horses to show over fences at either 3' or 3'3". Riders in this section may enter any Equitation class, but may not show in the Junior Hunter section at the same show. Horses and ponies exhibiting in this Division may cross enter multiple sections of Children's Hunter and any classes where eligible. **Note: The horse may only be shown by one rider in the Children's Hunter Classic and that rider must be declared prior to the first round of the Classic.** Points for Zone Awards earned in a hunter classic will be awarded points as follows: 35, 30, 25, 20, 15, 10, 6, 5. Horses are not required to be jogged for soundness, but may be jogged at management's discretion. Zone awards will be offered annually as two sections, Children's Hunter 14 & Under, Children's Hunter 15-17.

Children's Hunter Pony:

Children's Hunter Pony classes are for exhibitors under the age of 18 showing ponies. To be judged on performance, soundness, manners, way of going, and suitability. Suitability (size) of pony to rider is of particular importance. The Small/Medium Children's ponies to show over fences at 2' and Large Children's ponies to show over fences at 2'6". The section may be divided at managements' discretion. The Children's Hunter section may be combined with the Children's Pony section when there are less than three entries in either section. Rider age restrictions as found in "Regular Pony" sections do not apply. Riders may ride one pony at 2' and/or one pony at 2'6" of the Children's Pony section when also competing in the Regular Small, Medium or Large Pony sections. Riders may cross enter into the Green Pony division. Riders cannot cross enter into any class where fences exceed 3'3". **Exception: May show in Pony Jumpers.** Ponies exhibiting in Children's Pony may cross enter into any class where otherwise eligible. Points for Zone Awards earned in a hunter classic will be awarded points as follows: 35, 30, 25, 20, 15, 10, 6, 5. Ponies are not required to be jogged for soundness, but may be jogged at management's discretion. Zone awards will be offered annually as two sections, Children's Pony Sm/Med, Children's Pony Lg.

Pre-green Hunter:

A Pre-Green Hunter is a horse that has not shown in any class that requires horses to jump 2'9" or higher at Regular Competitions or Eventing Competitions of the Federation or Equine Canada or any national or international competition. A Pre-Green Hunter is eligible for two **competition** years from the time it first competes in an USEF Pre-Green Hunter class as a 5 year old or older; a horse competing in the Pre-Green Hunter as a 4 year old or younger is eligible to compete for two years once it competes as a 5 year old or older. A horse competing in a Pre-Green class may not compete in a class with fences over 3'3" at the same show. To be judged on performance, soundness, manners, way of going, and suitability. Fences at either 3' or 3'3". The section may be divided by height of fences and pinned as one section or offered and pinned as two sections. Horses are not required to be jogged for soundness, but may be jogged at management's discretion if so stated in the prize list. Points for Zone Awards earned in a hunter classic will be awarded as follows: 35, 30, 25, 20, 15, 10, 6, 5. Zone awards will be presented annually for each height section, 3' and 3'3".

Children's/Adult Amateur/Pre-Green Hunter Classic:

Any USEF "A" "B" or "C" rated competition which offers a Pre-green, Adult Amateur Hunter, a Children's Hunter or a Children's Hunter Pony division may also offer a corresponding Classic in accordance with HU145, with the following exceptions;

- 1.) Bonus points for Zone Horse of the Year Awards will be awarded as follows: 1st - 35, 2nd - 30, 3rd - 25, 4th - 20, 5th - 15, 6th - 10, 7th - 6, 8th - 5;
- 2.) Entries may be jogged at management's discretion;
- 3.) Riders are not required to wear formal attire;
- 4) \$500 in money is required;
- 5.) Entry fee restrictions are inapplicable; and
- 6.) A Classic must be conducted as a two round class. A designated class of the specified Hunter section may be counted as the first round of the Classic. The second round of the Classic must not be a part of a Hunter section. Each round of a Classic is to count 50%. Classics may be combined.

Children's/Adult Amateur Jumper:

Open to horses and ponies. The combination horse/rider and rider are not eligible to compete in any jumper class above 1.15m (3'9") at the same show. Once a horse/rider combination has competed over 1.15m (3'9"), the same horse/rider combination cannot show in a Children/Adult Jumper Classic offering \$2,500 or more for 30 days. A rider may show only one additional horse in the Children's/Adult Amateur Jumper division in addition to those horses owned or USEF leased by the rider. Fences at 1.10m (3'7") to 1.15m (3'9").

2009 Zone 5 Specifications

In accordance with GR 1111.4: Canada, IA, WI, MO, TN, VA, WV, PA are contiguous states.

Adult Amateur Hunter:

To be ridden by Amateurs who are no longer eligible to compete as Junior Exhibitors. Riders may not compete in any other classes at the same competition where fences exceed 3'3", except the Adult Amateur Jumper and Amateur Owner Hunter. Any rider showing in the Amateur Owner Hunter division may compete 1 different horse in the Adult Amateur Hunter division and must own or have an USEF registered lease of said horse. Fences to be set between 2'9" to 3'; spreads not to exceed fence height. Ponies may be shown by Adults, suitability to count. Entries need not be jogged for soundness. An unrestricted Children's/Adult Hunter division may be offered and be open to all Amateurs and Juniors and fences are not to exceed 3'3".

Children's Hunter:

Open to horses and ponies. To be ridden by a Junior Exhibitor. Neither horses nor riders may cross enter into the Junior Hunter section at the same show. Riders may not cross enter into any classes in which fences exceed 3'3" at the same show, except Medal classes, age group equitation classes and Children's Jumper classes. Ponies may not compete in the Children's section if also entered in the pony division at the same show. Fence heights 2'9" to 3'; spreads not to exceed fence heights. Entries need not be jogged for soundness. An unrestricted Children's/Adult Hunter division may be offered and be open to all Amateurs and Juniors and fences are not to exceed 3'3".

Children's Hunter Pony:

Open to ponies ridden by a Junior Exhibitor. The combination pony/rider is not eligible for USEF rated classes at the same show. To be judged on performance, soundness, manners, way of going, size of rider to mount, and suitability as a Children's Hunter Pony. To be offered at two heights: fences 2' for small and medium and 2'6" for large ponies; spreads not to exceed height of fence. Ponies need not be jogged for soundness. Zone award will be presented annually as one section.

Children's Jumper:

Open to horses and ponies. To be ridden by a Junior exhibitor. Horse/rider combinations may not cross enter into any Junior Jumper section at the same show. Riders may cross enter into Low Junior Jumper section if offered on a different horse at the same show. Riders may not compete above 1.30m (4'3") in any open class at the same show. Sections may be divided by age of rider or by horse/pony and may also be combined with the Adult Amateur Jumper section, if so stated in the prize list. Fences to be set at 3'6" or 1.10m; however shows may offer one class at 1.15m (3'9").

Adult Amateur Jumpers:

Open to horses and ponies to be ridden by exhibitors who are no longer eligible to compete as Junior Exhibitors. All exhibitors must be Amateurs in accordance with GR1306 and must show USEF Amateur certification. Horse/rider combinations may not cross enter into any Amateur Owner Jumper section at the same show. Riders may cross enter into the Low Amateur Owner Jumper section if offered on a different horse at the same show. Riders may not compete above 1.30m (4'3") in any open class at the same show. Sections may be divided by age of rider or by horse/pony and may be combined with the Children's Jumper section, if so stated in the prize list. Fences to be set at 3'6" or 1.10m; however shows may offer one class at 1.15m (3'9").

Pre-Green Hunter

A Pre-Green Hunter is a horse of any age in it's first or second year of showing over 3' to 3'3" fences at USEF Regular Member or Canadian Equestrian Federation or any national or international competition. Fences not to exceed 3'3". **A 3' section must be offered and a 3'3" section may be offered. Horses may only compete in one height section at a show but may alternate from one show to another.** Once a horse has shown 3'6" he is not eligible the following year to compete in that division, regardless of age. There will not be an annual award for this division.

2009 Zone 6 Specifications

In accordance with GR 1111.4: All members may compete for Zone Awards or money in any state contiguous to Zone 6; MT, WY, CO, KS, MO, IL and Manitoba.

Children's Hunter Horse:

Open to horses ridden by Junior Exhibitors. To be judged on performance and soundness with emphasis on manners. Extreme speed to be penalized. Fence heights not to exceed 3'; spreads not to exceed height of fence. Horses are not required to jog for soundness. If entries warrant, it is recommended that this division be split by age into two sections: riders 13 and under, and 14 through 17. Horse/rider combinations entered in this division may not cross enter into the Junior Hunter division at the same show unless it is the rider's first year of showing in the Junior division. Riders entered in the Children's Hunter may not cross enter at the same show in classes in which the jumps exceed 3'6". Year End Zone Awards to be split by age; 13 and under and 14-17.

Children's Hunter Pony:

Open to ponies shown by a junior rider. **Riders may not cross enter into USEF rated classes at the same show with the exception of Hunt Seat Equitation classes where the height of fences does not exceed 2'9". They may enter unrated classes where fence heights do not exceed 2'9".** To be judged on performance, soundness, manners, way of going, size of rider to mount and suitability as a Children's Hunter Pony. To be offered at two fence heights: 2' for small and medium ponies and 2' 6" for large ponies. Ponies need not be jogged. Zone Award presented annually as one section.

Low Children's Jumper

Open to junior riders. Riders in Low Children's Jumper may not cross enter into any classes held above 1.15m (3'9") at the same show. Horse/rider combinations may cross enter into the High Children's Jumpers at the same show, but not on the same day as showing in Low Children's Jumpers. Horse/rider combinations may enter only one classic, if both Low and High are offered. 1.0m (3'3")

High Children's Jumper

Open to junior riders. Horse/Rider combinations in High Children's Jumper may not cross enter into any classes held above 1.15m (3'9") at the same show. Horse/rider combinations may cross enter into the Low Children's Jumpers at the same show, but not on the same day as showing in High Children's Jumpers. Horse/rider combinations may enter only one classic, if both Low and High Children's Jumper are offered. Riders may cross enter into Junior Jumper classes above 1.15m (3'9") on a different mount(s) provided they have not competed in the Low Children's Jumper at the same show. If a show offers both Low and High Junior Jumper sections, riders in High Children's Jumper may not cross enter into the High Junior Jumper. 3'6" **or 1.05m**

Low Adult Amateur Jumper

Open to amateur riders, USEF Amateur certification required. Riders in Low Adult Amateur Jumper may not cross enter into any classes held above 1.15m (3'9") at the same show. Horse/rider combinations may cross enter into the High Adult Amateur Jumper at the same show, but not on the same day as showing in Low Adult Amateur Jumpers. Horse/rider combinations may enter only one classic, if both Low and High are offered. 1.0m (3'3")

High Adult Amateur Jumper

Open to amateur riders, USEF Amateur certification required. Horse/Rider combinations in High Adult Amateur Jumper may not cross enter into any classes held above 1.15m (3'9") at the same show. Horse/rider combinations may cross enter into the Low Adult Amateur Jumper at the same show, but not on the same day as showing in High Adult Amateur Jumpers. Horse/rider combinations may enter only one classic, if both Low and High Adult Amateur Jumpers are offered. Riders may cross enter into Amateur Owner Jumper classes above 1.15m (3'9") on a different mount(s) provided they have not competed in the Low Adult Amateur Jumper at the same show. If a show offers both Low and High Amateur Owner Jumper sections, riders in High Amateur Owner Jumper may not cross enter into the High Adult Amateur Jumper. 3'6" **or 1.05m**

