Rule Change Intent

There is a current Memorandum of Understanding between the USEF and USHJA that establishes a timeframe for submission of USHJA program specifications to USEF. The purpose of this rule change is to remove the timeline for submission of Zone specifications from the rulebook in order to align submission deadlines with the term of the MOU.

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Linked Rules

Comments

Committee Actions
HU138 Adult Amateur
1. Competitions must offer Adult Amateur Hunter sections in accordance with the specifications of the applicable USHJA zone. Unless the USHJA submits their Zone specifications to the Federation by August 1 of the previous year, the following specifications will apply for the Adult Amateur Hunter section unless addressed by specific USHJA Zone specifications (available at www.ushja.org):

   a. To be ridden by exhibitors who have reached their 18th birthday as of December 1 of the current competition year and who hold a current Federation Amateur Status.
   b. Horses and riders entered in the Adult Amateur Hunter sections may not compete in the Amateur Owner Hunter section at the same competition. Riders entered in the Adult Amateur Hunter sections may not compete in any other class in which obstacles are required to exceed 3’9” (1.15m) at the same competition. BOD 9/16/19 Effective 12/1/19
   c. Horses may be entered in Junior Hunter sections at the same competition if ridden by a member of the same family.
   d. Cross entry into other sections is allowed unless otherwise stated in the prize list.

HU143 Children’s Hunter Sections
2. Children’s Hunter Competitions must offer Children’s Hunter sections in accordance with the specifications of applicable USHJA Zone. Unless the USHJA submits their Zone specifications to the Federation by August 1 of the previous year, the following specifications will apply for the Children’s Hunter section unless addressed by specific USHJA Zone specifications (available at www.ushja.org):

   a. To be ridden by exhibitors who have not reached their 18th birthday as of December 1 of the current competition year.
   b. Restrictions:
      1. Riders entered in Children’s Hunter sections may not compete over fences in any other class at the same competition in which obstacles are required to exceed 3’3”. (Exception: USHJA National Hunter Derby).
      2. Horses and ponies entered in Children’s Hunter classes may not cross enter into Junior Hunter 3’6” sections or Pony Hunter sections at the same competition.
      3. Ponies shown in Children’s Hunter Pony sections may not be shown by an adult at the same competition, except in breeding classes in-hand.
      4. Horses entered in Children’s Hunter classes may be shown in the Amateur Owner Hunter section at the same competition if ridden by a member of the child’s family.
      5. Cross entry into other sections is allowed unless otherwise stated in prize list.
      6. Stallions are prohibited from all Children’s Hunter classes.
      7. If two or more sections are offered, horses cannot be entered in more than one section.

HU146 Pony Hunter Breeding
2. Unless the USHJA submits their Zone specifications to the Federation by August 1st of the previous year, the following specifications will apply for the Pony Hunter Breeding Division unless addressed by specific USHJA Zone specifications (available at www.ushja.org):

   a. Ponies in the Pony Hunter Breeding Division are not required to have a measurement card. However, a pony may be subject to measurement by the competition steward to verify a height that does not exceed 14.2 hands.
   b. Division of Classes. Foals (colts, geldings and/or fillies); Yearlings (colts, geldings and/or fillies); Two year-olds (colts, geldings and/or fillies); Three year-olds (colts, geldings and/or fillies); Broodmares (with foal at foot and/ or bred with a breeding certificate); Stallions (three year olds and over); Produce of Dam (two ponies produced by the same mare); Get of Sire (two ponies sired by the same stallion). Animals shown in the Produce or Get classes must be three years of age or younger.