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Board Action: Extraordinary

Extraordinary Change Reason

To protect the integrity of the calendar management process

Rule Change Intent

To protect the integrity of the calendar management process by eliminating the ability for a competition organizer to circumvent Federation competition calendar rules by using cash bonuses or prize money, in-kind gifts leading rider or other series awards, add backs, and exhibition prize money to exceed the maximum amount of prize money permitted for the competition's licensed Hunter rating and/or Jumper level. This in turn negates the boundary requirements by putting the show at a higher Hunter rating and/or Jumper level, conflicting with the rules under which the license was granted.

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Linked Rules
Comments

Committee Actions

Council - Natl Breed & Discipline

Natl Breed & Disciplines Council - Advisory

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New rules in red effective 12/1/2022, this PRC is only for the cross outs to the wording in red.

HJ109 Premier Rated Competitions

1. Must be held and judged over a minimum of five (5) days on the same competition grounds.
2. Number of horse entries required for a Premier rated hunter or HJ competition is a minimum of two hundred (200).
3. A minimum of fifteen (15) “A” Premier rated Hunter sections listed in GR312.6 must be offered.
4. A minimum of ten “A” and/or “C” Premier rated hunter sections listed in GR312.6 must be held and judged, a maximum of four of which can be “C” rated sections. Ladies Side Saddle does not count towards these requirements.
5. Scheduling
   a. A minimum of two performance classes from two different “A” Premier rated Hunter sections must be scheduled and judged on four of the five days.
   b. Classes in recognized sections must run on consecutive days. (Exception: Hunter Classics)
6. The High Performance Hunter section must be offered.
7. Prize Money
   A minimum of $24,000 in prize money, including add back money if any, must be paid in the rated Hunter sections of a Premier competition. A Premier rated competition must pay a minimum of $75,000 $50,001 in prize money in rated hunter sections and classes. If more than the minimum required is guaranteed, the guaranteed amount becomes the minimum required prize money payout. Add backs do not count towards the total prize money requirement. If an add-back is offered, the details must be provided in the prize list.

HJ110 National Rated Competitions

1. Must be held and judged over a minimum of three days on the same competition grounds.
2. Number of horse entries required for a National rated hunter or HJ competition is a minimum of seventy-five (75).
3. A minimum of ten “A” National rated hunter sections listed in GR312.6 must be offered.
4. A minimum of five “A” and/or “C” National rated hunter sections listed in GR312.6 must be held and judged. Ladies Side Saddle does not count towards these requirements.
5. Scheduling
   a. A minimum of two performance classes from two different “A” National rated Hunter sections must be scheduled and judged on each of the three days.
   b. Classes in recognized sections must be held on consecutive days (Exception: Hunter Classics)
6. The High Performance Hunter section must be offered.
7. Prize Money
   Minimum Prize Money paid- A National rated competition must offer a minimum of $5,000 and cannot exceed a maximum of $74,999 in prize money in rated hunter sections and classes. If more than the minimum required is guaranteed, the guaranteed amount becomes the minimum required prize money paid out.

   a. Add backs do not count towards the total prize money requirement. If add backs are offered, the details must be provided in the prize list.

HJ111 National Rated Junior/Amateur Restricted Competitions

1. Must be held on a minimum of two consecutive non-school days within the public school system, at the location of the competition, on the same competition grounds.
2. Two day National Junior/Amateur restricted competitions will have a Horse Entry Number requirement of fifty (50).
3. A minimum of six “A” National rated Hunter sections listed in GR312.6 must be offered.
4. A minimum of three “A” and/or “C” National rated hunter sections listed in GR312.6 must be held. Ladies side saddle does not count towards these requirements.
5. For scheduling see requirements for National Competitions (HJ110.5)
6. At Federation licensed Junior/Amateur competitions, the only rated Hunter sections that may be held are those which are restricted by definition to the participation of juniors and amateurs (example: Junior, Amateur, Children’s,
7. Prize Money
   a. Minimum Prize Money paid- At National competitions restricted to Juniors and/or Amateurs, a minimum of $3,000 in prize money and a maximum of $74,999 in prize money, must be offered in the rated Hunter sections and classes. If more than the minimum required is guaranteed, the guaranteed amount becomes the minimum required prize money paid out.
   b. Add backs do not count towards the total prize money requirement. If add backs are offered, the details must be provided in the prize list.

HJ112 Multi-Day Regional I-Rated Competitions

1. Number of horse entries required for a Regional I rated hunter or HJ competition is a minimum of fifty (50). A multi-day Regional rated competition is limited to a maximum of three (3) days. The Federation may waive or amend the three-day restriction if circumstances warrant.

2. At least three (3) “B” Regional rated Hunter sections must be offered. (Exception: competitions exclusively offering Hunter and/or Jumping Seat Equitation or Hunter Breeding classes). One Children’s Hunter or one Adult Amateur Hunter section may be substituted for two required “B” sections. Divided sections count as a single section.

3. No more than two (2) one-day Regional I rated competitions may be held consecutively, or one (1) multi-day Regional competition may be held by the same licensee or any entity associated with the same licensee during any calendar week (Monday through Sunday). If the licensee is a business entity, this provision includes all persons listed as principals of the business entity. The Federation may waive or amend the restriction on the number of Regional rated competitions held in a calendar week if circumstances warrant.

4. Prize Money
   a. At Multi-Day Regional competitions a minimum of $0 and a maximum of $24,999 in prize money, must be offered in the rated and miscellaneous hunter sections and classes. If more than the minimum required is guaranteed, the guaranteed amount becomes the minimum required prize money paid out.
   b. Add backs do not count towards the total prize money requirement. If add backs are offered, the details must be provided in the prize list.

HJ113 One-Day Regional II Rated Competitions

1. Number of horse entries required for a Regional II rated hunter or HJ competition is a minimum of twenty-five (25).

2. At least two (2) “C” Regional rated sections must be offered. (Exception: competitions exclusively offering Hunter and/or Jumping Seat Equitation or Hunter Breeding classes). Divided sections count as a single section. Competitions restricted to side saddle may offer a Ladies Hunter Side-Saddle Section as the only “C” rated Hunter section.

3. No more than two (2) one-day Regional II rated competitions may be held consecutively, or one (1) multi-day Regional competition may be held by the same licensee or any entity associated with the same licensee during any calendar week (Monday through Sunday). If the licensee is a business entity, this provision includes all persons listed as principals of the business entity. The Federation may waive or amend the restriction on the number of Regional rated competitions held in a calendar week if circumstances warrant.

3. Prize Money
   a. At One-Day Regional (“B”) competitions a minimum of $0 and a maximum of $24,999 in prize money, must be offered in the rated and miscellaneous hunter sections and classes. If more than the minimum required is guaranteed, the guaranteed amount becomes the minimum required prize money paid out.
   b. Add backs do not count towards the total prize money requirement. If add backs are offered, the details must be provided in the prize list.

HJ116 Prize Money
### Total Prize Money in Rated Hunter Sections

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1. Prize money offered in the open sections must be awarded on an escalating scale related to the height of fences.
2. No more than 60% of the prize money in the required classes for an “A” Premier or National rated section may be offered on any one day when the division is held on two or more days, exception: “A” Premier or National rated sections in which all required classes are held on one day. Prize money offered in Model classes and Classics at Premier rated competitions including add-back money, if any, in rated Hunter sections, does not count toward the minimum prize money required for a section’s rating nor is it considered for purposes of determining 60% to be offered.
3. *Prize money in all rated classes at all licensed competitions must be distributed as follows: a minimum of 30% for 1st, 22% for second, 15% for 3rd, with the balance to be distributed at competition management’s discretion.*
4. Ribbon winners must receive the applicable prize money offered for those placings.
5. *Add backs do not count towards the total prize money requirement. If add backs are offered, the details must be provided in the prize list.*