

Rule Change Type	Effective Date	Draft Received	Board Action
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Rule Change Intent

Green ponies are allowed to cross enter into Hunter and Equitation classes at lower heights than those specified in the Green Pony section, however were restricted from all Jumper classes, even those at lower than regulation Hunter heights. This rule change will allow Green Ponies the option to test their skills in Jumper classes as well, making an even playing field across Hunter, Jumper, and Equitation class options.

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Linked Rules	Comments
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Committee Actions

6. Green Pony Status.

- a. A green pony is a pony not exceeding 14.2 hands of any age, which is eligible to compete in the Green Pony section. A pony's Green Hunter eligibility, regardless of age, begins the first time the pony competes in any over fences class with jumps at 2'3" or higher for small ponies, 2'6" or higher for medium ponies and 2'9" or higher for large ponies in Hunter or Hunter/Jumping Seat Equitation classes or sections held at a Federation or Equine Canada Licensed competition in North America.
- b. A pony is eligible to compete as a Green Pony for a maximum of one (1) year regardless of age or change to measurement status. A pony that has changed height sections in its green year may complete the green year at its new height.
- c. In its first year of showing at regulation height or higher, a green pony may also compete in the Regular Pony Hunter section at its respective height.
- d. Once a pony begins competing in any class that restricts Green status, ***the following restrictions apply for Jumper classes held at a Federation or Equine Canada Licensed competition:*** ~~it may no longer compete in any Jumper class held at a Federation or Equine Canada Licensed competition in North America or it will lose its Green status.~~

1. ***Small Ponies are not permitted to compete in any Jumper classes with fence heights at or above .70 meters or they will lose their green status.***
2. ***Medium Ponies are not permitted to compete in any Jumper classes with fence heights at or above .75 meters or they will lose their green status.***
3. ***Large ponies are not permitted to compete in any Jumper classes with fence heights at or above .85 meters or they will lose their green status.***

- e. A Pony Hunter Green reinstatement may be granted one time. A pony is not eligible for a green reinstatement if it has competed in a USHJA Pony Hunter Derby or the USEF Hunter and/or Jumper Pony Championship.