# HU171.9 Tracking #251-22 Draft #1 Active

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## Rule Change Intent

This rule change proposal is in response to the International Hunter Derby & Incentive's vote to remove the USHJA International Hunter Derby Welcome Stakes as a class in the 2024 competition year. The Welcome is not utilized amongst competition managers and members do not seek it out. The regular IHD class, Regional Championships, and annual Championships fulfill the needs of the program.

The IHD Regional Championships were not yet on the list for membership requirements, so this change will replace the Welcome Stakes with the Regional Championships on line item number 9.

The additional rules listed removes references to the IHD Welcome Stakes.

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Linked Rules	Comments
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## **HU171** Membership Requirements

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9. USHJA International Hunter Derby Regional Championship Welcome Stake;

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21. USHJA Zone Stirrup Cup Championships.

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#### **HU 173 National Horse of the Year Point Values**

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2. International Hunter Derby Points to be credited to each horse's respective section as declared at the time of entry. Only Juniors and Amateurs may declare for the applicable Junior or Amateur Owner section. Points may not be credited toward the HOTY awards for the Green Conformation Hunter 3'6" or the High Performance Conformation Hunter. The money won and points won in the USHJA International Hunter Derby and International Hunter Derby Welcome Stake will only be awarded towards a declared Hunter section for HOTY points if a horse competes in the declared section a minimum of five (5) times during the competition year.

#### **HU 174 Hunter Classics**

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15. A horse may not compete in more than one classic per section but may compete in an open classic, a USHJA National Hunter Derby, a USHJA International Hunter Derby Welcome Stake or a USHJA International Hunter Derby at the same competition. A horse is limited to competing in a maximum of two classics or derbies or combination of classics and derbies per competition. The USHJA International Hunter Derby Welcome Stake is considered a "Derby" for the purposes of this rule. (Exception: Leagues approved by the Federation in accordance with HJ124).

## **HJ114 Stand-Alone International Hunter Derby Competitions**

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2. A stand-alone International Hunter Derby Competition must offer an International Hunter Derby. In addition, these competitions may only offer the following classes and one unrated warm-up class per Derby offered: USHJA International Hunter Derby, USHJA Pony Hunter Derby.

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# **GR 1132** Hunter and Equitation Divisions

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3. In the Hunter division, points are calculated according to the Hunter Division Point Chart. .... The national Points Awards will be calculated according to the Hunter Division Point Chart. Both money won and points won in hunter classics, the USHJA International Hunter Derby, and the USHJA Green Hunter Incentive Stake will be included. The money won and points won in the USHJA International Hunter Derby and USHJA International Hunter Derby Welcome Stakes will only be awarded towards a declared Hunter section for HOTY points if a horse competes in the declared section a minimum of five (5) times during the competition year. The money won and points won in the USHJA Green Hunter Incentive Stake will only be awarded toward a declared Hunter section for HOTY points if a horse competes in the declared section a minimum of three (3) times during the competition year.

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