Pony Eligibility

Green Pony Hunter Waivers and Reinstatements

Ponies competing in classes or sections with fences regulation height or higher during the 2020 competition year may retain their green eligibility for a future year if:

1. 2020 is their first year of competing in any Hunter or Hunter/Jumping Seat Equitation class with fences regulation height or higher (2’3” – small, 2’6” – medium, 2’9” – large).
   or
2. The pony previously received a reinstatement and was utilizing the 2020 competition year as the final attempt at green eligibility.

General Information

- **Cost**: $50
- Federation and Equestrian Canada licensed competitions impact green status. See HU139 for more details.
- The pony must have an active recording (lifetime or annual) with the Federation.
- **Green Waivers and Reinstatements for the 2020 competition year must be submitted through the USEF Green Status portal no later than September 15, 2020.** Requests submitted after the September 15th deadline will not be granted. *Please take note of this date, as this is different from the current rules in HU139*
- The pony may no longer compete at the regulation height or higher immediately upon application for a waiver. After the request is granted the horse may not compete in any classes at the regulation height or higher for the remainder of the competition year or it will lose its green eligibility.
- All dates related to competitions which are referenced in this document are based on the actual date the competition begins “start date”, not the date the classes are held.

Refer to the specifications outlined in each section below to determine if your pony is eligible for a green waiver or reinstatement.

**Waivers For Ponies:**

Ponies that have competed in four (4) or more competitions at regulation height or higher prior to June 1, 2020 for the 2020 competition year may retain their green eligibility for a future year with this waiver process.

**Waivers will only be granted if the pony meets all of the following criteria:**

- The pony has not shown in any Hunter or Hunter/Jumping Seat Equitation class with fences regulation height or higher (2’3” – small, 2’6” – medium, 2’9” – large) during any USEF or EC licensed competition with a start date on or after June 1, 2020.
The pony has not competed in a USHJA Pony Hunter Derby or the USEF Hunter and/or Jumper Pony Championship.

The pony has not already competed in any Hunter or Hunter/Jumping Seat Equitation class with fences regulation height or higher during two (2) or more competition years prior to 2020.

(example: The pony received a reinstatement for 2017 competition experience, then competed regulation height or higher during the 2018 competition year)

The request is officially submitted through the USEF Green Status portal by September 15, 2020.

The pony may no longer compete at the regulation height or higher immediately upon application for a waiver. After the request is granted the pony may no longer compete in any classes at the regulation height or higher for the remainder of the competition year or it will lose its green eligibility. The pony may, however, continue to compete in other classes with fences lower than regulation height for the remainder of the year.

Reinstatements for Ponies:

Ponies that have competed in fewer than four (4) competitions at regulation height or higher prior to June 1, 2020 for the 2020 competition year may retain their green eligibility for a future year with this reinstatement process. Because ponies meeting this criteria have not had the opportunity to compete at regulation height during a minimum of four (4) competitions, they are afforded the opportunity to continue to compete at that height during any competition with a start date prior to August 1, 2020 until they reach a maximum of four (4) competitions. At that time ponies must stop competing at regulation height or higher; the pony must not compete at regulation height or higher in any competition starting on or after August 1, 2020. The pony may, however, continue to compete in other classes with fences lower than regulation height for the remainder of the year.

Reinstatements will only be granted if the pony meets all of the following criteria:

• The pony has not shown in any Hunter or Hunter/Jumping Seat Equitation class with fences regulation height or higher (2’3” – small, 2’6” – medium, 2’9” – large) during more than four (4) competitions with a start date between December 1, 2019 and July 31, 2020.

• The pony has not shown at regulation height or higher during any USEF or EC licensed competitions with a start date on or after August 1, 2020.

• The pony has not already competed in any Hunter or Hunter/Jumping Seat Equitation class with fences regulation height or higher during two (2) or more competition years prior to 2020.

(example: The pony received a reinstatement for 2017 competition experience, then competed regulation height or higher during the 2018 competition year)

• The pony has not competed in a USHJA Pony Hunter Derby or the USEF Hunter and/or Jumper Pony Championship.

• The request is officially submitted through the USEF Green Status portal by September 15, 2020.

The pony may no longer compete at the regulation height or higher immediately upon application for reinstatement. After the request is granted the pony may no longer compete in any classes at regulation height or higher for the remainder of the competition year or it will lose its green eligibility.