



2019 USEF National Junior Jumper Championships Harrisburg, PA October 10-12, 2019

The USEF National Junior Jumper Championships will be held in conjunction with the Pennsylvania National Horse Show in Harrisburg, PA. A Team Championship and an Individual Championship will be offered.

The Team Championship will be based on a modified Nation's Cup format and the Individual Championship will be a multi-round competition. Fence heights will be up to 1.45m.

I. MINIMUM ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

- A. Athletes wishing to participate in the 2018 USEF National Junior Jumper Championships must be U.S. citizens.
- B. The athlete must be a current USEF Junior member in good standing (see GR128) from time of application until conclusion of event.
- C. The athlete must be a current USHJA member (see JP 100.1) from time of application until conclusion of event.
- D. The zone of each athlete is determined by the athlete's point state as recorded with USEF as of December 1, 2018 (See JP 100.5).
- E. The horse must be recorded with USEF pursuant to USEF GR 1102, in good standing under USEF rules, and shown under the owner of record.
- F. The horse must be registered with USHJA (see JP 100.2) and the horse owner must be an active member of USHJA (see GR 1110).
- G. Horse/athlete combinations wishing to participate in the USEF National Junior Jumper Championships must earn a Certificate of Capability by completing a course set at 1.40m (4'7") or higher with a score of 4 faults or less within the qualifying period (see III.D).
 1. Athletes must verify this in writing with official complete show results that include faults.
 2. Each athlete entered in the championship must submit their Certificate of Capability to the Federation office in Lexington, KY by **September 9, 2019**.
- H. Athletes wishing to be considered for the 2019 USEF National Junior Jumper Championships must complete and submit an application online at www.usef.org no later than **August 31, 2019**. This application states that the athlete and parent must certify by signing the application that they have read the Selection Procedures and the Code of Conduct and that they understand these documents and agree to be bound by them. The application fee is \$25 per application.

II. ZONE INVITATIONS:

- A. Each zone may send a maximum of five eligible horse/athlete combinations to the 2019 USEF National Junior Jumper Championships based on each zone's respective National Junior Jumper Championships Standings dated September 17, 2019:
 1. A team consists of at least three horse/athlete combinations but not more than four horse/athlete combinations. These horse/athlete combinations will participate in the Team Championship and the Individual Championship.
 2. The fifth horse/athlete combination will compete only as an Individual.
 - a. This horse/athlete combination is the fifth ranked horse athlete combination in the Zone's National Junior Jumper Championships Standings dated September 17, 2019.
 - b. This combination will serve as the team's Traveling Replacement Horse/Athlete combination should a member of the team be unable to participate.
- B. If a zone is unable to field a team, that zone may send up to two horse/athlete combinations to participate in the Individual Championship.
- C. Individuals from zones unable to field a team will, if possible, be combined with other Individuals to form combined Zone Team/s. This will be done by a draw at the Athlete/Chef d'Equipe Meeting.

III. SELECTION:

- A. Horse/athlete combinations from each zone will be selected according to their ranking in their Zone's National Junior Jumper Championships standings.
 - 1. Points are based on money won (one dollar equals one point; see exception III.B. 3).
 - 2. Horse/athlete combinations can acquire points/money in any zone.
 - 3. Points can be earned at any USEF Licensed Competition except Local competitions. See Section III.G below for foreign FEI and Equestrian Canada events.
 - 4. Each Zone's National Junior Jumper Championships Standings can be found on the USEF website at www.usef.org/jumping
 - 5. In the event of a tie in the standings, the tie will be broken by the horse/athlete combination that earned the most money won in classes held at 1.45m or above, followed by the most money won classes held at 1.40m.
 - 6. If an athlete has more than one horse in the top five positions of their zone's National Junior Jumper Championships Standings, the athlete may choose which horse he/she will compete.
- B. Classes to count for each Zone's National Junior Jumper Championships standings
 - 1. Junior Jumper Classes offering \$500 or more in prize money held at 1.40m or above. Junior Jumper classes must be run in accordance with JP 117.3
 - 2. Open Jumper Classes offering \$500 or more in prize money held at 1.40m or above. Classes offering \$25,000 or more must be run in accordance with JP 150.
 - 3. Classes of more than \$25,000 will be capped at 25,000 points, thus pointed the same as a \$25,000 class.
 - 4. Only the two highest money classes per horse/athlete combination will be pointed per competition.
- C. Money won/points earned at foreign FEI and Equestrian Canada (EC) competitions will be awarded as follows:
 - 1. Money from foreign FEI competitions will automatically be counted towards the horse/athlete combination's standings if the class/s meet or exceed the requirements of III.B and are held within the qualifying period (see III.D).
 - 2. Money from national Equestrian Canada competitions may also be counted towards the horse/athlete combination's standings if the class/s meet or exceed the requirements of III.B and are held within the qualifying period (see III.D). Athletes are responsible for submitting a copy of the prize list (indicating which class is to be counted and fence height) and official complete show results that include prize money won to USEF, Attention Jennifer Haydon, within ten business days of the last date of the competition for the money to count towards the combination's respective standings.
 - 3. Foreign FEI or EC competition money won will be converted into US dollars at the exchange rate of the date the money was won.
- D. Qualifying period – the Qualifying period for the 2019 USEF National Junior Jumper Championships is September 1, 2018 through August 31, 2019. The start date of a competition is used to determine if a qualifying class falls within a qualifying period. For example, if a competition starts on August 31st, and the qualifying class is on September 2nd, the class will be included in a qualifying period that ends on August 31st.

IV. SUBSTITUTIONS: In the event an eligible horse/athlete combination is unable to compete due to illness and/or injury to an athlete or horse, or other unforeseen circumstances, or voluntary withdrawal, the next highest ranked eligible horse/athlete combination in the zone (see below for athletes with more than one horse in the Zone Standings) may move into the vacancy in accordance with the following time periods:

- 1. Prior to Wednesday October 9, 2019, should a horse/athlete combination on the team be unable to participate, the Traveling Replacement Horse/Athlete combination may be moved into the team. The next highest ranked horse/athlete combination in the zone's National Junior Jumper Championships Standings dated September 18, 2018 may then move into the Traveling Replacement position.
- 2. As of Wednesday October 9, 2019 and up to one hour before the start of the First Competition, should a horse/athlete combination on the team be unable to participate, the Traveling Replacement Horse/Athlete combination may move into the team.

If an athlete has more than one horse and his/her chosen horse is unable to compete, then the athlete will be able to substitute their second horse if it is one of the highest ranked horses not already selected. The athlete's new ranking, with the substitution horse, will be that of the substitute horse/athlete combination. The above time periods are still applicable.

- V. **EQUINE DRUG TESTING:** Horses competing in the USEF National Junior Jumper Championships are subject to all USEF Equine Drug and Medication rules.
- VI. **SOUNDNESS:**
- A. There will be a soundness inspection (jog) at the USEF National Junior Jumper Championships.
 - B. Time and location for the soundness inspection will be included in the USEF National Junior Jumper Championships prize list.
 - C. Horses failing the soundness inspection will not be permitted to compete.
- VII. **REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:** Horse Passports are not required. Horses are required to have health documents and vaccinations as required by their state of origin, the state of Pennsylvania, and the Pennsylvania National Horse Show.
- VIII. **QUESTIONS:** Contact Jennifer Haydon, USEF Director of Show Jumping, National Programs at jhaydon@usef.org or (859) 225-6911

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