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IN ADDITION TO THE REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN THIS CHAPTER ADDITIONAL RULES RELATING TO FEDERATION HUNTER AND JUMPER COMPETITIONS ARE LOCATED IN OTHER CHAPTERS OF THE FEDERATION RULE BOOK specifically, GR, HU, EQ, and JP.

Pursuant to GR151.1, when a division or section rule is in conflict with a general rule (GR), the division or section rule shall govern.

In the event that a standard within this section exceeds the requirement in other Federation rules, the higher standard is applicable.

SUBCHAPTER HJ-1 INTRODUCTION TO HUNTER/JUMPER COMPETITION STANDARDS TYPES

Hunter Jumper Competition Standards, set forth below are established to provide consistency in the quality of facilities and services offered in Federation hunter and jumper competitions.

HJ100 Types of Standards and Application

1. Distinguish HJ Competition Standards (HJS) and Basic Standards from Other Federation Standards. The reference to standards can occur in relation to separate and distinct sets of requirements.
 - a. Federation Standards which are applicable to multiple situations, disciplines, procedures and/or competitions.
 - b. Federation H/J Competition Standards (HJS) which are applicable only to Federation Rated licensed H/J competitions or H/J sections of multi-breed competitions.
 - c. Basic Standards set forth in HJ 100 to 105 applicable to both Rated and Local HJ competitions.

2. When Standards Are In Conflict.

In the event that a HJS within this section exceeds the requirement in other Federation rules or Standards the higher standard is applicable.

3. HJS Application to Multi-Breed and Breed Restricted Competition Standards.

HJS apply only to the H/J portions of a multi-breed competition and are not applicable to breed restricted competitions.

4. Standards Application.

- a. All hunter competitions fall into one of the following classifications: Premier, National, Regional I, Regional II or Local.
- b. All jumper competitions fall into one of the following classifications: Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, Level 4, Level 5 or Level 6.

For purposes of this chapter, hunter and jumper competitions are considered a single discipline and subject to the same HJS or Basic Standards where applicable.

5. HJS and Basic Competition License Renewal & Fines.

Standards are used as part of the evaluation process for the licensing of competitions. Failure to achieve and to maintain required Standards will be considered a major factor in the decision to renew or not renew a license and/or a rating. Unless the violation of HJS is intentional and/or is related to horse and human safety and welfare no fines relating to HJS standards will be assessed, other than those fines specified in the Federation rules (i.e. Sharps containers \$100 and et cetera).

6. Exemptions from HJS.

A single competition may receive a one time specific exemption by the Federation for application of the HJS due to unforeseen and/or extenuating circumstances (see ring size exemption provision H/J 102). Exemptions are not permanent and do not modify the requirement to meet the HJS in the future.

7. Other References.

In addition to the requirements set forth in this chapter, additional rules relating to Federation hunter and jumper competitions are located in other chapters of the Federation rule book specifically, GR, HU, EQ, AND JP. Pursuant to GR151.1, when a division or section rule is in conflict with a general rule (GR), the division or section rule shall govern.

HJ101 Effective Dates for Standard Application

1. Existing Licensed H/J Competitions including Heritage Competitions eligible for renewal on or after 12-01-2011 unless stated otherwise in the HJS, must meet applicable HJS for their Rating. See HJ108 Horse Entry Number HJS.
2. All new competitions must meet applicable Basic Standards and HJS for their Rating. See HJ108 Horse Entry Number HJS.
3. Effective date for changes to HJS.

Any changes or additions to HJS, unless stated otherwise in the HJS being adopted, must be achieved by a competition effective the first of the month that is 12 months following the date of the Federation's adoption of the HJS or a later effective date set forth in the HJS that is adopted. For example, changes or additions to HJS adopted in January of a year will normally become effective on February 1st of the following year, etc. HJS may be amended or deleted effective immediately when such action is determined appropriate by the Federation.

4. Competitions with the first licensed date of a competition year, prior to the effective date of the modified standard(s) for their Rating or Level, will not be required to meet the new standard(s) until the next competition year.

HJ102 Definitions - Competition Rings, Schooling Areas, Exercise Areas & Lunge Areas, Maintenance and Judge's Site

Depending on competition rating or level approved, additional requirements may apply.

1. A Competition Ring is defined as a designated area on the competition grounds where classes are held for competition of hunters and/or jumpers. All competitions must provide a minimum of one (1) dedicated competition ring. When a competition ring is not being utilized for its primary purpose, it may be utilized to meet other required HJS such as exercise, lunge or schooling areas. This area must still meet the HJS for the other required use.
 - a. Beginning 12/01/2011 and ending 11/30/2016, competitions may apply in writing to the Federation for a "Temporary Waiver" of the HJS size requirement of a competition ring, schooling area, exercise area and/or lunge area as set forth in the Federation HJS. A Temporary Waiver may not exceed a five percent (5%) reduction from the HJS. The Temporary Waiver must be based on facts and circumstances that are beyond the control of the competition. Any Temporary Waiver request may only be approved for the period beginning 12/01/2011 and ending 11/30/2016. Full compliance with Federation HJS for competition rings, schooling areas, exercise areas and lunge areas will be required beginning 12/01/2016.
2. A Schooling Area is defined as a designated area on the competition grounds in close proximity to the competition ring in which horses are being prepared to compete.
3. An Exercise Area is defined as a designated area on the competition grounds in which horses at the competition may be exercised both on the flat and over fences.
4. A Lunge Area is defined as a designated area on the competition ground that is used primarily to lunge horses.
5. Horses cannot be required to be exhibited in the competition ring or schooled in the designated schooling areas before sunrise or after sunset unless lighting in accordance with HJ102.6 and GR 834.2 is provided that assures full and complete visibility.
6. Lighting which provides full and complete visibility for a safe working environment for horses and personnel must be provided if any of these areas (competition ring, schooling area, exercise area and lunge area) are open for use between sunset and sunrise.

7. A Judge's site with climate appropriate protection from adverse weather conditions and seating must be provided at each competition ring or other judging location.
8. Water trucks, sprinklers, snow removal or another climate appropriate system(s) must be used to address climate related conditions including, but not limited to, dust reduction for all required and provided rings, schooling, exercise and lunge areas.

HJ103 Footing for Competition Rings, Schooling Areas, Exercise Areas & Lunge Areas

{See HJ114 for additional requirements when the Horse Entry Numbers exceed five hundred (500) and/or licensed series of competitions are scheduled for a period of twenty-one (21) days or more without a break of at least five (5) consecutive calendar days}.

Depending on competition rating or level approved, additional requirements may apply.

1. The footing in all rings, schooling rings, exercise areas and lunge areas must be safe, consistent and appropriate for the intended use and type of competition. These areas must be properly maintained at least daily, and more often depending upon use and weather conditions.
2. Competition management is required to make an effort to maintain the best possible footing in competition, schooling, and exercise and lunge areas. Provisions must be made (by having on hand functioning proper equipment and scheduling sufficient breaks in the schedule) to maintain the footing in those areas throughout the competition by dragging, watering, and raking, if necessary.

HJ104 HJS Support and/or Stabling Facilities

Depending on competition rating or level approved, additional requirements may apply.

1. When provided, stalls must be of sturdy construction, in good condition and safe for horses and ponies. Prize list must specify type of stabling and type of stabling flooring. Stall doors must be provided. The recommended minimum dimensions for box stalls for horses are 9'6" wide by 9'6" deep or comparable square footage with a minimum ceiling height of 7'0". It is essential that the covering over the stalls is weatherproof.
2. If stabling is provided, each fifty (50) occupied stalls must be provided with one sharps container for the disposal of needles and other disposable sharp instruments. These containers must be placed in convenient locations in barns housing competition horses. If stabling is not provided, competition management must place a minimum of one sharps container for every seventy-five (75) horses entered the previous year in visible and convenient locations.
3. It is competition management's responsibility to replace sharps containers when full and dispose of them properly. Competition management may fine any individuals including trainers, owners, exhibitors, or their agents up to \$100 for improper disposal of needles or other sharp disposable instruments.
4. If local law has more stringent requirements than above relating to sharps containers or disposal, local law will prevail. Competitions failing to comply with placing the required number of containers on the competition grounds will be considered in violation of the rules and may be subject to penalty as determined by the CEO or his designee and/or the Hearing Committee.
5. The lighting in the barns and stabling areas must be adequate to provide a safe working environment for horses and personnel.
6. A minimum of one (1) horse wash area with an operational water outlet and proper drainage for each fifty (50) horses entered in the prior year.
7. When stabling is provided, trash and manure must be removed to the designated dumping area(s) daily or placed in adequate sanitary containment facility. When no stabling is provided there must be a designated trash and manure dumping area(s).

HJ105 Other Competition Standards Requirements

Depending on competition rating or level approved, additional requirements may apply.

1. Convenient and ample water facilities for horses and potable water for human consumption must be provided and available at all times.
2. A minimum of one (1) clean and sanitary restroom (water closet) either portable or permanent must be provided for every fifty (50) horses entered in the previous year and must be cleaned and supplied daily.
3. At least one (1) food and beverage service must be available on the competition grounds beginning thirty (30) minutes prior to start of first scheduled class and ending one (1) hour prior to the conclusion of the competition for each day of the competition. The food and beverage service must be adequate to meet the needs of those that attended in the prior year. Vending machines do not qualify.
4. Adequate parking areas for vans, trailers, competitors and officials must be provided.
5. A level surface area for measurement (if there are divisions that require measurement) in accordance with GR507.
6. A competition office with adequate staff to process workload in a timely manner.
7. Communication between secretary, Stewards, announcer, in-gate, all competition rings and stables (if applicable) must be provided.
8. Subject to local law and/or management's specifications as published in both prize list and on entry form, any owner or trainer on the grounds of a competition must be permitted to haul in hay, grain and bedding for their own horses.
9. An owner or trainer may utilize a farrier or veterinarian of their choice. It is the responsibility of the owner or trainer or competitor to advise the competition if they intend to bring their own vet or farrier onto the grounds.
10. Management must provide emergency telephone numbers plus directions to the competition which may be quickly relayed to the offsite responder. If no cell phone service is available a land line with twenty-four (24) hour access must be provided. This information must be posted outside the horse show office and printed in the prize list.
11. Information regarding the use of motorized vehicles (golf carts, motorbikes, scooters, etc.) must be included in the prize list.
12. Adequate and knowledgeable jump crew, in gate, and other personnel to assist in the operation of the competition.

SUBCHAPTER HJ-2 RATINGS & HORSE ENTRY NUMBER STANDARDS

HJ106 HJ Competition Standards (HJS) are Specific Only to Regular Competition Classification and Ratings as Defined Below

HJ106 does not apply to Local competitions. All Local competitions must meet the Basic Standards set forth in HJ100 through HJ105. Regardless of rating, additional requirements apply (HJ114) when Horse Entry Numbers exceed five hundred (500) and/or licensed series of competitions are scheduled for a period of twenty-one (21) days or more without a break of at least five (5) consecutive calendar days

HJ107 Definitions

1. Definitions.
 - a. Rated Hunter competitions are classified as Premier, National, Regional I, or Regional II. Unrated competitions are classified as Local.
 - b. Jumper competitions are designated as Levels 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 based upon prize money. See JP104.
 - c. Rated competitions offering hunter only, or both hunter and jumper will be subject to HJS set forth under the Premier, National, Regional I and Regional II hunter rating.
 - d. HJS for a jumper only competition will be:
 1. Standards set forth under Premier required for Jumper Levels 5 and 6
 2. Standards set forth under National required for Jumper Levels 3 and 4
 3. Standards set forth under Regional I required for Jumper Level 2
 4. Standards set forth under Local required for Jumper Level 1

- e. Federation Special competitions or Jumper Level 6 competitions may be subject to a Federation approved waiver (GR309) or other modification of a portion of the Standards (including HJS), in connection with the Special competition approval.
2. Whenever two (2) Standards are applicable to a competition, the entire competition is to achieve the highest Standard applicable to any portion of the competition.
3. For multi-breed competitions (see HJ101) which contain hunter and/or jumper sections, and for local competitions when operating within an existing rated hunter and/or jumper competition, the highest applicable HJS for any portion of the hunter and/or jumper competition is to be applied to the entire hunter and/or jumper discipline sections only.

HJ108 HJS Competition Standards Horse Entry & Renewal

1. Number of Horse Entries Required for HJ Competition Rating.

No minimum horse entry number is required to achieve the rating for jumper competitions. Prize money is the alternative criteria required for a jumper rating.

2. Competitions restricted to only conducting Breeding classes are exempt from the Horse Entry standard requirement.
3. Two day National Junior/Amateur restricted competitions will have a Horse Entry Number requirement of fifty (50). Competitions which utilize only one (1) competition ring or which offer only hunter and equitation classes (no jumper classes) will have a Horse Entry Number requirement as follows: Premier – seventy-five (75), National – fifty (50), Regional I – thirty-five (35) and Regional II – twenty (20).

4. Rating and Horse Entry Numbers.

(See HJ114 for additional HJS requirements)

Required number of Horse Entries for Regular or Local competition Classification rated hunter or hunter/jumper are:

- a. Number of horse entries required for a Premier rated hunter or HJ competition is a minimum of two hundred (200).
- b. Number of horse entries required for a National rated hunter or HJ competition is a minimum of seventy-five (75).
- c. Number of horse entries required for a Regional I rated hunter or HJ competition is a minimum of fifty (50).
- d. Number of horse entries required for a Regional II rated hunter or HJ competition is a minimum of twenty-five (25).
- e. There is no minimum number of horse entries required for a Local competition.
- f. For the required number of hunter classes per rating for hunter sections see GR312.6.

5. Horse Entry Number Determination and License Renewal Requirements.

The HJS Horse Entry Number (HJ108) is based on the number of horses entered as determined by drug fees paid for the prior year. Horses used in equitation classes are included in the number of horses entered.

6. New Competition or New Rating Horse Entry Requirement.

During the first three (3) years of a competition, the minimum number of horse entries is determined based upon the minimum number of horse entries required for the rating applied for by the Licensee and approved by the Federation. During one (1) of the first three (3) years for a competition that is new, or for a competition that is held at a new rating, the minimum Horse Entry Number (HJ108) for the competition must be achieved.

7. Renewal Competition Horse Entry Number Rating Requirements.

- a. For competitions with three (3) or more years of operation, a competition License may be renewed if they have achieved the HJS Horse Entry Number in at least two (2) of the last three (3) years. The License renewal may be delayed until the completion of the last competition of the existing License, if it is in the best interest of the competition to achieve the HJS Horse Entry Number required for renewal. The other HJS that are applied to a competition must be achieved every year in order to maintain the Rating/Level.
- b. If the required minimum HJS Horse Entry Number is not achieved during the period set forth, then the competition will be provided with a License at a lower rating consistent with the Horse Entry Numbers achieved. The Licensee may continue to conduct a competition at the same location and on the same dates at the new Rating and/or Level in accordance with HJ108 and subject to achieving other HJS required for the Rating or Level.

8. Renewal License Request at a Higher HJS Horse Entry Number Requirement. Any higher rating for a competition may only occur upon application by the Licensee and approval of the Federation in accordance with established license procedures. When a competition is approved to receive a license for a higher rating they must conduct at least three (3) competitions at the new rating before they may again apply for a higher rating.
9. Renewal License Request at a Lower HJS Horse Entry Number or Other HJS Requirement. If the competition Licensee is not able to, or does not wish to, meet the applicable HJS to continue their current rating, the Licensee may request and receive a License at a lower rating, subject to meeting the applicable HJS for the new rating and Federation approval.
10. Renewal License Process Review.

The Federation, in its sole discretion, may determine that a competition has been adversely affected in the competition's ability to achieve the HJS as a result of an unforeseen or unavoidable occurrence. If this unusual occurrence adversely impacts the number of horses entered in the competition, the Federation will not consider the affected competition year in determining renewal rating eligibility. In order for the Federation to make their determination, facts must be reported in writing by competition management to the Federation Competitions Department prior to the earlier of the third day or end of writing by competition management to the Federation Competitions Department prior to the earlier of the third day or end of the licensed competition. Unforeseen or unavoidable occurrences may include Acts of God. The Federation, in its sole discretion, may audit competitions to determine that they are faithfully compliant with the HJS Horse Entry Number Requirement. If a competition is found to be non-compliant due to inclusion of inaccurate information in the competition report or other reports to the Federation, Licensee is subject to immediate revocation of all licenses.

HJ109 HJS Requirements to Obtain Federation Local and/or Jumper Level 1

1. All Local and/or Jumper Level 1 competitions must meet the Basic Standards set forth in HJ100 through HJ105.
2. All Local hunter only, or hunter/jumper competitions do not have a minimum HJS Horse Entry Number requirement.
3. All jumper only Level 1 and Local competitions have no HJS Horse Entry Number requirement to achieve their rating. Prize money is the alternative criteria required for a jumper rating. See JP104.
4. A minimum of one (1) competition ring of at least 20,000 square feet when using an outdoor ring and/or a minimum of one (1) competition ring of at least 14,000 square feet when using an indoor ring.
5. A minimum of one (1) dedicated schooling area that is not being used at the time as an exercise area or lunge area for the period beginning one (1) hour prior to the start of the first scheduled class in the competition ring and ending at the end of the last class in the competition ring. When utilizing an indoor ring as a competition ring, the competition may use schooling breaks between sections within the competition schedule for each day to comply with this Standards requirement.
6. An exercise area must be available for at least one (1) hour during each calendar day between the hours of sunrise and sunset unless lighted as specified in HJ102.6.
7. A minimum of one (1) lunge area not being used at the time as competition rings, schooling areas and/or exercise areas must be available for at least one (1) hour during each calendar day between the hours of sunrise and sunset unless lighted as specified in HJ101.6.

HJ110 HJS Requirements to Obtain Federation Regional II Rating

1. All Regional II rated competitions must meet the Basic Standards set forth in HJ100 through HJ105.
2. All Regional II rated hunter only, or hunter/jumper competitions must have the minimum required number of twenty-five (25) horse entries, in accordance with HJ108.
3. A minimum of one (1) competition ring of at least 20,000 square feet when using an outdoor ring, and/or a minimum of one (1) competition ring of at least 14,000 square feet when using an indoor ring.

4. A minimum of one (1) dedicated schooling area that is not being used at the time as an exercise area or lunge area for the period beginning one (1) hour prior to the start of the first scheduled class in the competition ring and ending at the end of the last class in the competition ring. When utilizing an indoor ring as a competition ring, the competition may use schooling breaks between sections within the competition schedule for each day to comply with this Standards requirement.
5. An exercise area must be available for at least two (2) contiguous hours within each calendar day between the hours of sunrise and sunset unless lighted as specified in HJ102.6.
6. A minimum of one (1) lunge area not being used at the time as competition rings, schooling areas and/or exercise areas must be available for at least one (1) hour during each calendar day between the hours of sunrise and sunset unless lighted as specified in HJ102.6.
7. Results must be available at the show office, on the internet or other convenient identified location within four (4) hours.
8. Licensees providing a Regional II rated competition must select and describe with their license application a minimum of ten (10) additional items (not on the required list) from HJ117, four (4) of which must be selected from Group I.
9. Communication or public address system which provides clear announcements from the competition rings to the stabling and trailer day parking areas.

HJ111 HJS Requirements to Obtain Federation Regional I Rating and/or Jumper Level 2

1. All Regional I rated and/or Jumper Level 2 competitions must meet the Basic Standards for all competitions set forth in HJ100 through HJ105.
2. All Regional I rated hunter only, or hunter/jumper competitions must have the minimum required number of fifty (50) horse entries, in accordance with HJ108.
3. All jumper only Level 2 and Local competitions have no minimum horse entry requirements to achieve their rating. Prize money is the alternative criteria required for a jumper rating. See JP104.
4. A minimum of one (1) competition ring of at least 24,000 square feet when using an outdoor ring and/or a minimum of one (1) competition ring of at least 16,000 square feet when using an indoor ring.
5. A minimum of one (1) dedicated schooling area that is not being used at the time as an exercise area or lunge area for the period beginning one (1) hour prior to the start of the first scheduled class in the competition ring and ending at the end of the last class in the competition ring. When utilizing an indoor ring as a competition ring, the competition may use schooling breaks between sections within the competition schedule for each day to comply with this requirement.
6. An exercise area of at least 16,000 square feet must be available for at least three (3) contiguous hours during each calendar day during the hours of sunrise and sunset unless lighted as specified in HJ102.6.
7. A minimum of one lunge area of at least 10,000 square feet not being used at the time as competition ring, schooling areas and/or exercise areas must be available for at least one (1) hour during each calendar day between the hours of sunrise and sunset unless lighted as specified in HJ102.6.
8. Results must be available at the show office, on the internet or other convenient identified location within four (4) hours.
9. Minimum bleacher type seating capacity for at least twenty-five (25) must be provided at one (1) of the designated competition ring(s).
10. Licensees providing a Regional I rated and/or jumper Level 2 competition must select and describe with their license application a minimum of ten (10) additional items (not on the required list) from HJ117, four (4) of which must be selected from Group I.
11. Communication or public address system which provides clear announcements from the competition rings to the stabling and trailer day parking areas.

HJ112 HJS Requirements to Obtain Federation National Rating and/or Jumper Levels

3 and 4

1. All National rated and/or Jumper Levels 3 and 4 competitions must meet the Basic Standards for all competitions set forth in HJ100 through HJ105.
2. All National rated hunter only or hunter/jumper competitions must have the required minimum number of one hundred (100) entries, in accordance with HJ108.
3. All jumper only Levels 3 and 4 and Local competitions have no minimum horse entry requirements to achieve their rating. Prize money is the alternative criteria required for a jumper rating. See JP104.
4. Overnight stabling, on the competition grounds, must be provided for any accepted and confirmed entry in a section held on multiple days that has requested and paid for the stall(s) by the closing date of entries. Subject to competition management approval, additional entries may be accepted without stalls with exhibitor prior consent.
5. Adequate hot and cold food and beverage service must be available beginning one (1) hour prior to the start of the first scheduled class and continuing until the end of the last class of each competition day. (Excludes schooling days).
6. A minimum of one (1) competition ring of at least 28,000 square feet when using an outdoor ring and/or minimum of one (1) competition ring of at least 18,000 square feet when using an indoor ring.
7. A minimum of one (1) schooling area that is not being used at the time as an exercise area or lunge area for the period beginning one (1) hour prior to the start of the first scheduled class in the competition ring and ending at the end of the last class in the competition ring.
8. An exercise area of at least 20,000 square feet if outdoors and 18,000 square feet if indoors must be available for at least three (3) contiguous hours within each calendar day between the hours of sunrise and sunset unless lighted as specified in HJ102.6.
9. A minimum of one (1) lunge area of at least 10,000 square feet not being used at the time as competition rings, schooling areas and/or exercise areas must be available for at least two (2) contiguous hours within each calendar day between the hours of sunrise and sunset unless lighted as specified in HJ102.6.
10. Results must be available at the show office, on the internet or other convenient identified location within four (4) hours.
11. Minimum bleacher type seating with capacity for at least fifty (50) must be provided at one (1) of the designated competition ring(s).
12. Water trucks, sprinklers or a system which must be used for dust reduction for all required and provided rings, schooling, exercise and lunging areas as well as all access and egress paths.
13. Sun/rain weather appropriate and properly sized to provide shelter for horses and riders conveniently located to the competitions must be provided.
14. The official competition veterinarian must be provided with a clean stall or other suitable area, protected from the elements, secured from public view, adequately lighted, with adequate electrical supply and running water, to serve as a first aid station for the emergency treatment of ill and injured horses.
15. Licensees proving a National Rated and/or jumper Levels 3 or 4 competition, must select and describe with their license application a minimum of sixteen (16) additional items (not on the required list for the National Rating) from HJ117, eight (8) of which must be selected from Group I.
16. Communication or public address system which provides clear announcements from the competition rings to the stabling and trailer day parking areas.

HJ113 HJS Requirements to Obtain Federation Premier Rating and/or Jumper Level 5

1. All Premier rated and/or Jumper Level 5 competitions must meet the Basic Standards for all competitions set forth in HJ100 through HJ105.
2. All Premier rated hunter only, or hunter/jumper competitions must have the required minimum number of two hundred (200) horse entries, in accordance with HJ108. {See HJ114 additional requirements when horse entry

numbers exceed five hundred (500) and/or licensed series of competitions are scheduled for a period of twenty-one (21) days or more without a break of at least five (5) consecutive calendar days}.

3. All jumper only Level 5 and Local competitions have no minimum horse entry requirements to achieve their rating. Prize money is the alternative criteria required for a jumper rating. See JP104.
4. Overnight stabling, on the competition grounds, must be provided for any accepted and confirmed entry in a section held on multiple days that has requested and paid for the stall(s) by the closing date of entries. Subject to competition management approval, additional entries may be accepted without stalls with exhibitor prior consent.
5. Adequate hot and cold food and beverage service must be available beginning one (1) hour prior to the start of the first scheduled class and continuing until the end of the last class for each competition day. (Excludes schooling days). Vending machines do not count.
6. A minimum of one (1) competition ring of at least 28,000 square feet when using an outdoor ring and/or a minimum of one (1) competition ring of at least 20,000 square feet when using an indoor ring. Competition ring, whether outdoor or indoor, must have designated rider stand/seating.
7. A minimum of one (1) schooling area for each jumper competition ring and a minimum of one (1) schooling area for every two (2) hunter rings that is not being used at the time as an exercise area or lunge area for the period beginning one (1) hour prior to the start of the first scheduled class in the competition ring and ending at the end of the last class in the competition ring. A separate schooling area for hunters, jumpers and ponies must be provided if running concurrently. Any combination of exercise and schooling area must be a minimum of 30,000 square feet.
8. An exercise area of at least 24,000 square feet if outdoors and 18,000 square feet if indoors must be available during competition hours within each calendar day between the hours of sunrise and sunset unless lighted as specified in HJ102.6. Any combination of exercise and schooling area must be a minimum of 30,000 square feet.
9. A minimum of one (1) lunge area of at least 15,000 square feet not being used at the time as competition rings, schooling areas and/or exercise areas must be available during competition hours within each calendar day between the hours of sunrise and sunset unless lighted as specified in HJ102.6.
10. Minimum bleacher type seating capacity for at least one hundred (100) must be provided at one (1) of the main competition ring(s).
11. Overnight security for the purpose of deterring the removal of horses and/or equipment from the grounds must be provided. Exhibitors should recognize that it is not intended for the competitions to take responsibility for items owned by others.
12. Competition results must be available at the show office, on the internet or other convenient identified location within four (4) hours.
13. Water trucks, sprinklers, snow removal or other climate appropriate system must be used for dust reduction or other weather related conditions for all required and provided rings, schooling, exercise and lunging areas as well as all access and egress roads/paths.
14. Sun/rain weather appropriate and properly sized to shelter for horses and riders conveniently located to the competition rings must be provided.
15. The official competition veterinarian to be on grounds during periods of competition. The official competition veterinarian must be provided with a clean stall or other suitable area, protected from the elements, secured from public view, adequately lighted, with adequate electrical supply and running water, to serve as a first aid station for the emergency treatment of ill and injured horses.
16. Premier competitions must conduct award ceremonies and designate within the prize list both a time(s) during the program and location(s) for award ceremonies.
17. Licensees providing a Premier Rated and/or Jumper Level 5 competition must select and describe with their license application a minimum of twenty (20) additional items (not on the required list for the Premier Rating) from HJ117, ten (10) of which must be selected from each group.

18. Communication or public address system which provides clear announcements from the competition rings to the stabling and trailer day parking areas.

HJ114 Horse Entry Numbers Exceed Five Hundred the Previous Year Based on Drug Fees Paid or Duration of Competition or Series of Competitions Exceeds Twenty-One Days Without a Break of five (5) consecutive calendar days

When Horse Entry Numbers exceed five hundred (500) the previous year based on drug fees paid or licensed series of competitions under the same license are scheduled for a period of twenty-one (21) days or more without a break of at least five (5) consecutive calendar days, additional HJS must be met for exercise and lunge requirements. These HJS apply to all rated or combinations of rated competitions without regard to the fact that the rating may be different. When the number of horse entries and days of competition are as described herein, the following HJS requirements are in lieu of existing exercise and lunge requirements set forth as HJS for rating: Premier, National, Regional I or Regional II.

1. Outdoor competitions. When the above conditions set forth in HJ114 exist, the following minimum requirements must be met for exercise and lunge areas on both competition and non-competition days:

Required Exercise/Lunge area

45,000 square feet

Additional 10,000 square feet for each increment of 100 horses. Up to a maximum total area requirement of 135,000 square feet.

- a. A minimum of one (1) lunge area of at least 20,000 square feet not being used at the time as competition rings, schooling areas and/or exercise areas must be available during competition hours between the hours of sunrise and sunset. This area is considered part of the total area required for the exercise/lunge area.
- b. The exercise area must be available for at least five (5) contiguous hours within each calendar day between the hours of sunrise and sunset. The exercise area schedule (if area is not always available) must be posted in the horse show office prior to the first day of competition. This area is required to be available on both competition days and during non-competition days when there are less than five (5) consecutive calendar days of break without scheduled competitions.

2. Indoor competitions. When the above conditions set forth in HJ114 exist, the following minimum requirements must be met for exercise and lunge areas on both competition and non-competition days.

Required Exercise/Lunge area

30,000 square feet

Additional 10,000 square feet for each increment of 100 horses

- a. The exercise area and lunge area must be available for at least two (2) periods of two (2) contiguous hours between 5:00 am and 12:00 midnight, and lighted as specified in HJ102.6. This exercise area period is required to be available on days when competitions are scheduled and during non-competition days at least eight (8) contiguous hours between 5:00 am and 12:00 midnight when there are less than five (5) consecutive calendar days without scheduled competitions. Exercise areas must be lighted as specified in HJ102.6.

HJ115 HJS Requirements for Federation Special Competitions and/or Jumper Level 6 Events

1. The purpose of this rating/level category is to allow the production of a special competition entertainment Event.

This Event may be held in connection with a highly promoted and attended, and/or broadcast hunter and/or jumper competition. The venue and promotion of the Event would benefit the sport of Equestrian in a manner that would reflect favorably on the discipline of hunters and/or jumpers.

2. HJS applicable to the Event would be those set forth for a Premier competition. The special competition Event may

not be required to meet all of the standards (including HJ competition standards) for a Premier hunter or jumper Level 5 competition, and a waiver may be authorized by the Federation, following consultation with the applicable Recognized Affiliate, to operate with modified standards for the Event.

3. The purpose of this Special competition rating is not to allow a scheduled licensed competition to operate other than in accordance with the minimum standards set forth above.
4. Special competition Event(s) may count for awards if they qualify and are approved by the Federation, following consultation with the applicable Recognized Affiliate, for the award participation.
5. An application to conduct a Special hunter and/or jumper competition, that requires a waiver or modification of the HJS or other standards applicable to a hunter and/or jumper competition, as either part of an existing competition or a separate competition, must receive approval by the Federation following consultation with the applicable Recognized Affiliate in accordance with GR309.
6. Mileage protection would not apply to a Special competition, unless the Special competition occurs within an existing licensed competition that has been licensed by the Federation, and already has mileage protection. Any mileage protection must be specifically requested and approved by the Federation, following consultation with the applicable Recognized Affiliate in accordance with GR309.

HJ116 HJS Options Menu Sections Required to Obtain Federation Rating for Premier, National, Regional I, or Regional II Rated and/or Jumper Levels 5, 4, 3, or 2.

(See Specific Rating and Competition Standards Requirements)

1. Licensees providing a Premier Rated and/or Jumper Level 5 competition must select and describe with their license application, a minimum of twenty (20) additional items (not on the required list for a Premier rated and/or jumper Level 5 competition) from HJ117, ten (10) of which must be selected from Group I.
2. Licensees providing a National Rated and/or jumper Level 3 and 4 competition must select and describe with their license application a minimum of sixteen (16) additional items (not on the required list for a National rated and/or jumper Level 3 and 4 competition) from HJ117, eight (8) of which must be selected from Group I.
3. Licensees providing a Regional I Rated and/or jumper Level 2 competition must select and describe with their license application a minimum of ten (10) additional items (not on the required list for a Regional I rated and/or Jumper Level 2 competition) from HJ117, four (4) of which must be selected from Group I.
4. Licensees providing a Regional II Rated competition must select and describe with their license application a minimum of ten (10) additional items (not on the required list for a Regional II rated competition) from HJ117, four (4) of which must be selected from Group I.
5. Licensees providing a Local competition are not required to provide any additional items from the options selection list.

HJ117 HJS Option Selection List

Rated hunter, hunter/jumper and/or jumper Levels 5, 4, 3, or 2 competitions must select and describe with their license application the required minimum number of items to be provided from optional items list below. Licensee(s) must select the number of items required for the Rating and cannot select option items already required for the competition rating.

1. Group I – In selecting the required number of options for the rating, note that options specifically required for a particular rating do not count toward the required number of options.
 - Sun/rain shelter for spectators.
 - VIP hospitality and sponsor lounge
 - Designated main competition ring for hunters and/or jumpers which takes priority scheduling over all other competition rings with designated rider stand/seating.
 - Competition website.

- Night watch for horses stabled on the grounds to be available to exhibitors to contract separately, at exhibitor cost.
- Provide a Jumbotron, defined as a functioning electronic board that provides both scoring information and video capability in at least one of the Main competition ring(s).
- Provide a functioning visible scoreboard (minimum of forty (40) square feet) adjacent to the Main Ring(s) where either/or both hunter and/or jumper competition are held.
- Competition to designate access and egress for horses, pedestrians and vehicles which separates motor vehicles from horses and pedestrians.
- Camper hook ups with connections for water, electric and tank pump out.
- Permanent restroom facilities.
- Shower facilities.
- Ambulance or additional medical personnel exceeding the minimum required under Federation rules.
- Automatic External Defibrillator device (AED).
- Horse ambulance.
- Permanent stabling.
- Official competition photographer.
- Water trucks, sprinklers or another suitable system which must be used for dust reduction in all other areas in addition to rings, schooling, exercise and lunge areas.
- Conduct award ceremonies and designate within the prize list both a time(s) during the program (i.e. following completion of class 10) and location(s) for presentation award ceremonies.
- Provide a visible scoreboard (minimum of 60 square feet) adjacent to the Main competition ring(s) where either/or both hunter and/or jumper competitions are held.

2.Group II – In selecting the required number of options for the rating, note that options specifically required for a particular rating do not count toward the required number of options. *Denotes options which may be required depending on rating.

- Wireless internet access.
- Exhibitor appreciation party.
- Exhibitor lounge.
- Climate appropriate exhibitor lounge area (heated or cooled).
- Online/internet competition entry system available at no charge.
- Acceptance of credit cards for payments by exhibitors.
- Equestrian equipment vendors with repair service.
- Veterinarian on grounds during entire competition.
- Provide two (2) or more food and beverage areas not including VIP or other restricted entry facilities.
- Provide golf carts which are available for rent on a reservation basis up to the close of entries.
- Implementation of a plan that includes measurable community awareness and involvement at the competition.
- Press center available during competition hours at no cost to the media covering the competition with protection from adverse weather conditions and provides electrical plugs and internet access.
- Official competition videographer.
- Sun/rain shelter for horses and riders.*
- Twenty-four (24) hour security.*
- A dedicated schooling area for each competition ring. The schooling area must not be used as an exercise or lunge area for the period beginning one (1) hour prior to the start of the first scheduled class in the competition ring until the conclusion of the last class in the competition ring.*
- Farrier on grounds during entire competition.*
- Seating for a minimum of one hundred (100) spectators at the Main competition ring.*

- Electrical outlets throughout stable area.
- Storm drain in stable area.
- Isolation stalls.
- Hot water supply in stable area.
- Free wireless internet access.
- Upgraded horse wash area with one (1) spigot per 25 horses.
- Course Designer responsible for maximum of two (2) competition rings.
- Self-service station in show office for bills, results and class counts.
- Results and orders of go updated online daily.
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- *Express checkout available.

HJ118 Federation Hunter/Jumper or Hunter/Jumper - Local Competitions

All “Local” and Jumper Level 1 competitions must meet the Standards forth in HJ100 through HJ105. No additional option selections are required.

SUBCHAPTER HJ-3 COMPETITION SCHEDULING REQUIREMENTS

See also GR901.21b, GR901.24 and Chapter GR3.

All competitions must state their competition rating clearly on the cover of the prize list.

HJ119 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” rated Hunter sections listed in GR313.6 must be offered.
4. A minimum of ten “A” and/or “C” rated hunter sections listed in GR313.6 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” 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. 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. If an add-back is offered, the minimum required prize money for that section must be guaranteed, and the add-backs must be clearly indicated in the prize list. *Money from model classes does not count towards this requirement.
 - b. A maximum of \$5,000 of Hunter Classic, USHJA National Hunter Derby, USHJA Pony Hunter Derby, USHJA Green Hunter Incentive, and/or USHJA Green Hunter Challenge prize money can be used towards calculating the \$24,000 of prize money, including add-back money if any, which must be paid for a Premier rated competition.
 - c. If sections are canceled or entries are insufficient to award all prize money, then additional money not awarded must be pooled and redistributed 60% to the champions, and 40% to the reserve champions of the remaining “A” rated hunter sections. Model classes do not count towards the number of required classes to meet the rating requirement, therefore the prize money offered in Model classes cannot be used to determine the amount of required prize money to calculate the Premier rating.

HJ120 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" rated hunter sections listed in GR312.6 must be offered.
4. A minimum of five "A" and/or "C" 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" 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
 - a. Minimum Prize Money paid- A minimum of \$5,000 in prize money must be paid in the rated Hunter sections of a National competition. *Money from model classes does not count towards this requirement.
 - b. How prize money from special classes counts- A maximum of \$2,000 of Hunter Classic, USHJA Pony Hunter Derby, USHJA National Hunter Derby, USHJA Green Hunter Incentive, and/or USHJA Green Hunter Challenge prize money can be used towards calculating the \$5,000 of required prize money for a National rated competition.

HJ121 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" rated Hunter sections listed in GR312.6 must be offered.
4. A minimum of three "A" and/or "C" 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 (HJ120.5)
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, Adult and Pony). Exception: Pony Hunter Breeding and Hunter Breeding classes.
7. For Prize Money see requirements for National Competitions (HJ120.7)

HJ122 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).
2. At least three (3) "B" rated Hunter sections must be offered. 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.

HJ123 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" rated must be offered. 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.

HJ124 Cancellations

"A" or "B" rated sections with four (4) or more entries cannot be canceled.

HJ125 Prize Money

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” rated section may be offered on any one day when the division is held on two or more days, exception: “A” 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.

SUBCHAPTER HJ-4 SCHEDULING REQUIREMENTS FOR SPECIFIC SECTIONS

HJ126 General

1. “A” rated Hunter sections may be held and judged on one or more days. If held on one day “A” sections are limited to a maximum of four classes per section (3 over fences and 1 under saddle). If held on two or more days, three to five performance classes must be offered (Exception: Pony Hunter and Junior Hunter sections).
2. Competitions cannot offer more than the required amount of classes for an “A” or “B” section rating. Model classes and Classics do not count toward the number of classes required, (Model classes must be offered in “A” rated Conformation sections in addition to the four or five required classes), therefore, they can be offered as additional classes. In addition, Model and Classics do not count towards the number of required classes to meet the rating requirement, therefore the prize money offered in Model and/or Classic classes cannot be used to determine the amount of required prize money to calculate the Premier rating. (Exception: see HJ120.7 and HJ121.7).
3. No more than three (3) classes in any “A” rated hunter section at a National or Premier rated competition may be held in one day if the section is held over two days. (Exception: Model classes in Green Conformation Hunter 3’6” and High Performance Conformation Hunter sections may be held as a fourth class. High Performance Hunter, Performance Hunter 3’6” and Performance Hunter 3’3” at National and Premier rated competitions and Pony Hunter sections at National rated competitions may be held on one day.)
 - a. At National and Premier rated competitions, classes in recognized sections must be run on consecutive days.
 - b. (Exception: hunter classics).
4. At all Regular Competitions, an Under Saddle class cannot be the first performance class held in a section. (Exception: Ladies Hunter Side Saddle and un-rated sections).
5. A Model class must be offered as the first class in an “A” rated Conformation Section.
6. All Amateur Owner classes should be scheduled in as short a period of time as possible.

HJ127 Green Hunter Sections

1. Premier and National competitions offering Green Hunter must offer 3’6” and 3’9” sections separately. They may also offer Green Hunter 3’0” and Green Hunter 3’3”. If all four sections are offered, they must be offered separately:
2. Regional I and Regional II competitions offering Green Hunter must offer all four sections separately.
 - a. Green Hunter 3’0”
 - b. Green Hunter 3’3”
 - c. Green Hunter 3’6”
 - d. Green Hunter 3’9”

HJ128 Young Hunter Sections

1. Premier competitions offering Young Hunter must offer all three sections separately:
 - a. Young Hunter 3’0”
 - b. Young Hunter 3’3”
 - c. Young Hunter 3’6”

2. National, Regional I and Regional II competitions offering Young Hunter must offer all three sections. These sections may be offered either separately or combined as follows:

- a. Young Hunter 3'0"
- b. Young Hunter 3'3"
- c. Young Hunter 3'6"
- d. Young Hunter 3'0"/3'3" and Young Hunter 3'6"
- e. Young Hunter 3'0" and Young Hunter 3'3"/3'6"

HJ129 Conformation Hunter Sections

At Premier competitions, the Conformation sections must be offered separately. At National, Regional I and Regional II competitions, the Conformation sections may be offered as combined.

HJ130 Amateur Owner Hunter Sections

1. Sections of Amateur Owner Hunter 3'6" held at National or Premier rated competitions must offer at least two (2) divided sections and may be divided as stipulated in HU160.6.b.1
2. Sections of Amateur Owner Hunter 3'3" held at National or Premier rated competitions must offer at least two divided sections and may be divided as stipulated in HU160.6.b.2
3. In addition while the sections can be combined if entries warrant, in order for Horse of the Year points to count they must be offered separately in the prize list.

HJ131 Junior Hunter Sections

1. "A" Rated 3'6" Junior Hunter Sections. At least two sections must be offered in the prize list (large/small or older/younger). See GR312.6 for number of required classes and prize money. At Premier rated competitions, four 3'6" Junior Hunter sections must be offered in the prize list (large younger, large older, small younger, small older).
2. "A" Rated 3'3" Junior Hunter Sections. Junior Hunter 3'3" may not be offered unless Junior Hunter 3'6" is also offered. (Exception: USHJA Zone Championship competitions) See GR312.6 for number of required classes and prize money. If offered at least two sections are required to be listed in the prize list.
3. Management may elect to offer four (4) classes in "A" rated sections. If four (4) classes are offered at a multiple day competition, no more than two (2) classes may be held on one day and no more than 50% of the prize money may be offered on one day.
4. "B" Rated Sections. See GR312.6.
5. "C" rated Sections. See GR312.6. No prize money is required.
6. Except for Medal classes, Junior Hunter over fences classes and Equitation classes over fences may be combined and held concurrently if separate judges officiate. Flat classes cannot be combined.
7. If a Model class is offered, it must be in addition to the minimum number of classes required for a section rating.

HJ132 Pony Hunter Sections

1. At a National or Premier rated competition, the Regular Pony Hunter section must be offered as three height sections (small, medium, and large) and the prize money must be tripled.
2. Competitions may offer the Green Pony Hunter Section as three separate sections (small, medium and large); however an "A" or "AA" or rated Green Pony Hunter Section must be offered as a minimum of two sections (small/medium and large).
3. Competitions cannot offer more than the required amount of classes for a National or Regional I section rating. If a Model class is offered it must be in addition to the minimum number of classes required for a section rating and must be held as the first class in any section.

4. "A" Rated Sections.

- a. "A" rated Regular and Green Pony Hunter sections may be held on one or more days. "A" rated Regular and Green pony Hunter sections at Premier rated competitions must be held over two or more days. If held in one day, four (4) performance classes must be offered. If held over two or more days, four (4) or five (5) performance classes must be offered.
- b. A minimum of \$400 prize money must be offered in any Regular Pony Hunter section. A minimum of \$250 prize money must be offered in any Green Pony Hunter section.
- c. An "A" rated Green Pony Hunter section may only be offered in conjunction with an "A" rated Regular Pony Hunter section.
- d. National and Premier rated competitions must and all other rated competitions may, run an over fence class as a Handy Hunter. Exception: Green Hunter Pony sections may not offer Handy Hunter classes. Obstacles in this round should simulate those found in hunt country. The course must have two changes of direction and at least one combination. Ponies may be required to trot over one lowered fence on the course. Emphasis should be placed on turns and promptness. This class may not be used as a conformation class or offered as the first class of the section. Exception Green Hunter Pony Section may not have a Handy Hunter class.

5. "B" and "C" Rated Sections.

- a. Three (3) or four (4) classes must be offered in any "B" or "C" rated Regular or Green Pony Hunter section.
- b. "B" rated Regular Pony Hunter sections must offer a minimum of \$100. "B" rated Green Pony Hunter sections must offer a minimum of \$50.
- c. No prize money is required for "C" rated sections.

6. Pony Conformation Classes.

In "A" rated sections, one over fence class must be judged 25% conformation; in "B" rated sections, one over fence class may include conformation at management's discretion. The conformation class must be clearly stipulated in the prize list. A Model class may be offered in addition to the conformation class. If a model class is held, it is recommended that all conformation classes offered in the section will be held on the same day as the model class.

SUBCHAPTER HJ-5 LIMITING ENTRIES

HJ133 Limiting Entries at Hunter/Jumper Competitions

1. A Federation member in good standing has the right to enter any Federation licensed Hunter, Jumper, and/or Hunter/Jumper competition and any division, section, or class for which he and his horse meet the eligibility requirements. (Exception: Management may refuse entries per GR914.)

- a. Entries may be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis per GR907.1.
- b. For competitions restricting entries in the Hunter division based on winnings, see HJ134
- c. For competitions restricting entries in Jumper sections, see JP114.

2. Management may collect a mandatory membership fee for a particular class or events which are part of a league or series. Collection of a mandatory Participation fee for the entire competition must follow GR1210.12.

3. If a competition wishes to limit entries into a class or section that is part of a League or Series, it must award the qualifying classes to licensed competitions on an equal basis or apply to the Federation Board of Directors for approval to set requirements to hold qualifying classes.

4. National and Zone HOTY points will not be awarded to any class or section with restricted entries. (Exception: Competitions approved by the Federation Board of Directors per the process below.)

5. Any Licensed Competition wishing to have HOTY points awarded for a class or section where entries are restricted must submit an application to the Federation Board of Directors at least ninety (90) days prior to the start of the competition where entries are restricted. If the class or section is part of a League or Series the application must be

submitted at least ninety (90) days prior to the start of the qualifying period for the League or Series. The Federation Board of Directors will consider these requests with input from the USHJA, the relevant Council, and the relevant discipline committee.

6. The foregoing provisions do not apply to Federation or USHJA National Championships, qualifying events for Federation or USHJA National Championships, and any other events with selection criteria approved by the Federation Board of Directors

HJ134 Limiting Entries in the Hunter Division

Hunter sections restricting entries based on winnings must use the Federation National Horse of the Year points or prize money won, whichever is applicable, as a means of qualification for the specified time period or, alternatively, must use the greatest number of Federation National Horse of the Year points won at a specified number of competitions within a specified time period. (Exception: Green Hunter 3'0", 3'3", 3'6", and 3'9", Young Hunter 3'0", 3'3", and 3'6", Green Conformation Hunter 3'6", High Performance Conformation Hunter, High Performance Hunter, Performance Hunter 3'6" and Performance Hunter 3'3" sections restricting entries based on winnings must accept 50% of the entries from the Federation National Horse of the Year points list and 50% of the entries from the Federation National Horse of the Year prize money won list. If an odd number of entries will be accepted, the Federation National Horse of the Year prize money won list will take precedence. The procedure for determining horses that qualify and their ranking will begin with the top placed horse on the Money Won standings list, then go to the top placed horse on the Points standings list, back to the second placed horse on the Money Won standings list, then on to the second placed horse on the Money Won standings list, continuing down both lists in that order until all available slots have been filled. If during this process a horse appears on either list that has already qualified, skip that horse and go instead to the next horse on the same list. Continue using this process until all slots are filled). Only points awarded in the particular section to count except in Amateur Owner, Adult Amateur and Junior Hunter sections where points from both the younger and older sections shall be counted. If the Horse of the Year list has been exhausted and positions are still available, an alternate system may be used provided it has been published in the prize list or otherwise prior to the end of any specified time period. Whichever method is used, no other restrictive criteria can be imposed. The method chosen may be clearly stated. Management can allow the previous year's Champion and Reserve Champion or Champion to enter the section he or she was Champion or Reserve Champion in the previous year without qualifying. Management may allow the horse or pony that is leading for the respective Federation Zone Award in its Zone to enter that section.

SUBCHAPTER HJ-6 MEASUREMENT

HJ135 General

1. Horses or ponies competing in any division, section or class where height is a requirement must be measured. Measurements will be conducted in accordance with HU135 below.
2. Competition Management is required to check measurement cards for horses or ponies showing in divisions, sections, or classes where height is a requirement. Management shall not provide a back number to an animal entered in such sections unless the exhibitor or his agent is in possession of:
 - a. the original or a copy of a measurement card issued by the Federation. Equine Canada measurement cards are not acceptable proof of height.
 - b. a copy of a valid measurement form.
3. It is the responsibility of each owner to possess a valid measurement card for horses and ponies showing in divisions, sections or classes where height is a requirement.
4. Failure to comply with this rule by the owner, trainer or competition will result in a charge pursuant to GR6 and GR7.

5. Competition management may, at its discretion, confirm any of the foregoing information electronically with the Federation office.
6. If an exhibitor, owner, or trainer requests a reprint of a measurement card from the Federation office after the original measurement card has been issued, there will be a \$10.00 fee for service charged to the requestor.
7. All horses and ponies that are presented for measurement of any kind are subject to drug testing.
8. Measurements must be performed by a steward and the official competition veterinarian. The official competition veterinarian must confirm the age of the horse or pony and that it was jogged and is serviceably sound. Upon the official competition veterinarian's verification of soundness, the steward's measurement is final. The steward and the official competition veterinarian shall sign the measurement form. A steward may not measure a horse or pony that is owned by a member of his family or by any of his or his family member's clients. (See GR1039.4)
 - a. Written reports of every measurement or attempt to measure must be sent to the Federation's Lexington, KY office together with the Steward's Report, or the steward will be subject to charges and penalties per Chapters GR6 and GR7.
 - b. The steward shall be either a steward officiating at the competition or a steward authorized in writing to conduct the measurement by the Federation CEO or his designee. If the official competition veterinarian is not present at the competition, or not available when on call (see GR1210.3) the measurement may be conducted by a steward and a judge officiating at the competition, or another steward officiating at the competition; however, the measurement will be for the purposes of that competition only and no measurement card will be issued. Measurement forms will be sent to the Federation, but will not be given to the owner. (Exception: Exhibitors will not be penalized by having points withheld for measurement forms that are incorrectly filled out by USEF stewards and/or competition management and/or competition veterinarians.
9. Stewards who perform measurements and other competition officials present who measure horses or ponies at a competition are responsible for their true measurement and must use the Federation approved measurement stick (See HJ139). The names of the measuring stewards will be printed on the measurement card and they and other measuring officials will be subject to charges of rule violations for hearing and determination pursuant to Chapters GR6 and GR7 if it is subsequently determined that a measurement is incorrect.
10. Measurements are solely for the internal use of the Federation, its Licensed Competitions and its licensed officials in connection with competing for prizes, and do not constitute any representation or warranty regarding measurement information; accordingly, the Federation, its Licensed Competitions and its licensed officials make no representation and shall have no liability whatsoever for measurement errors.
11. Measurements must take place at a Licensed Competition in which the horse or pony is entered to compete. Once the pony or horse has been measured the measurement is effective whether or not the pony or horse does in fact compete; whether or not the pony or horse competes, it is also subject to drug testing.
12. Measurement forms received by the Federation that have inconsistencies or errors may be denied a measurement card at the discretion of the Federation. If the horse or pony is denied a measurement card, The Federation will notify the owner of the horse or pony and they must be measured before they are eligible to show.

HJ136 Required Measurements

1. A horse or pony must be measured each competition year until it reaches the age of eight. Horses and ponies that are seven years and under will be issued a Temporary Measurement card designating the year measured. Horses and ponies that are eight years of age and over will be issued a Standard Measurement card which does not need to be renewed. Exception: Horses that measure 16.2 hands or over will receive a standard measurement card regardless of age. Horses and ponies may not be measured by the same steward for their Standard Measurement Card and the card preceding the Standard Measurement card. The Federation will invalidate a Standard Measurement card that does not comply with this rule.

- a. Those horses and ponies that are measured (and for which a valid measurement form is received by the Federation office) in the month of December immediately preceding the calendar year in which they turn eight years of age will be issued a Standard Measurement card that does not have to be renewed.
 - b. For ponies, with the exception of ponies under eight years old, once a pony is issued a Standard Measurement card, a new card will not be issued unless the height of the pony is protested and upheld, or unless an appeal is made and the remeasurement results in the pony moving to a section other than that indicated on its current measurement card.
 - c. For horses, with the exception of horses under eight years old, once a horse is issued a Standard Measurement card, a new card will not be issued unless the height of the horse is protested and upheld, or unless an appeal is made and the remeasurement results in the horse moving to a section other than that indicated on its current measurement card.
2. All horses and ponies issued a Standard Measurement card prior to December 1, 2014 are not required to be re-measured for a Standard Measurement card.
 3. If an owner fails to present a valid measurement card or form or if Management cannot confirm the measurement electronically with the Federation at more than one (1) competition during the competition year an additional measurement fee of \$250 will be charged by the Federation for each subsequent remeasurement necessary.

HJ137 Membership Requirements and Fees

Before any animal is measured the person presenting the animal must have in his possession the owner's membership number, a signed statement signifying that membership has been applied for or proof of Equine Canada membership.

HJ138 Completing the Measurement Form

1. The measurement form must be filled out completely in triplicate before measurement takes place. Measurement cards will not be issued if the form is not completely filled out and legible. Exhibitors are cautioned to make sure their measurement forms are filled out accurately and completely.
 - a. It must include the name and date of the competition, the height of the animal, name, color and markings or absence thereof, sex, year foaled which must be verified by the official competition veterinarian at time of measurement.
 - b. It must include the name and address of the owner and his/her Federation membership number, if applicable, must be given. The form must be signed by the trainer furnishing the above information immediately before the animal is measured and then signed by the competition officials appointed to measure.
 - c. The trainer who signs the entry blank at the competition must provide the information that appears on the measurement form. The trainer must be 18 years or older and is responsible for the accuracy of such information and care should be taken that all is in order before signing. When the trainer signs the form he/she is certifying that all information is complete and correct. Charges of rule violation for hearing and determination pursuant to Chapters GR6 and GR7 shall result for failure of compliance with this Rule. If a measurement form is signed by a person under the age of 18 and submitted to the Federation office, the measurement will be invalid. The official completing the form must designate on the form that the owner is a current member or that the membership has been applied for (See HJ137) and that the horse or pony is entered in a class at that competition. The white copy is given to the owner or trainer and the blue copy, with applicable fee, is returned to the Federation office.
 - d. No changes can be made to such information once the form is signed. Any alterations, scratch outs, or re-writes to any part of the height must be clearly indicated and initialed by the measuring officials.
2. Before an animal is measured for a measurement card, the animal must be jogged for soundness on a firm, level surface with the official competition veterinarian in attendance, and show no evidence of lameness. If found to be

lame by the official competition veterinarian, said animal cannot show at that competition and no measurement may be conducted. If an animal whose height has been protested is found to be lame by the official competition veterinarian, the measurement card will be held by the Federation and the owners must request an appeal measurement in order to reinstate the card.

3. Federation officials are not to perform “courtesy”, “trial”, or repeat measurements. Once a pony or horse is presented for measurement, the owner/agent must accept the resulting measurement.

4. The owner will retain the white copy which, when properly signed by the two officials who have made the measurement, is valid for 45 days from the time the animal is measured, regardless of age.

5. Once a foal year has been submitted to the Federation office, the original date cannot be changed without a copy of the animal’s breed registration papers or a signed statement from a veterinarian certifying the animal’s age.

HJ139 Measurement Device

1. Federation Approved Measurement Stick.

2. A Federation approved measurement stick is a straight, stiff, unbendable stick that is equipped with a plumb bob or spirit level to make sure the standard is perpendicular to the ground and that the cross-piece or arm is parallel with the ground surface, and must be shod with metal. All Federation approved measurement sticks will be numbered, carry the Federation logo and the legend “Federation approved”.

HU140 Measurement Surface

1. The measurement surface must be level and under no circumstances should animals be measured on dirt or gravel. A level concrete slab or other paved surface is required. (Exception: the measurement surface for a junior hunter can be a sheet of plywood in good condition.)

2. If the steward determines that a suitable surface is not available at a competition, animals without a measurement card or a valid measurement form may nonetheless be measured for the purpose of competing in that competition only, and no measurement form shall be given to the owner.

3. All Licensed Competitions having divisions, sections or classes requiring measurement are responsible for providing a Federation Approved Measurement stick and a suitable surface for measurements and for failure to do so charges of rule violation shall result for hearing and determination pursuant to Chapters GR6 and GR7.

HJ141 Position of Animal

1. The animal must stand squarely on all four feet in such a position that the front legs are vertical to the ground and the back of the hocks are in a vertical line with the point of the animal’s quarters. The poll must be in the same horizontal plane as the withers and no lower and the head should be in a normal position.

2. A maximum of two handlers may present the animal for measurement and they must not interfere with the animal in any way that will prevent it from standing in this position nor may they have any direct physical contact with the animal that could influence the measurement, except that a handler may cover the animal’s eyes.

3. The animal may be presented for measurement with or without shoes regardless of how it is shown.

4. Prior to presenting the animal for measurement it is the responsibility of the owner, and in his interest, to ensure that the pony or horse is handled properly, accustomed to the application of a measuring stick, and correctly pre- pared for measurement.

5. Exhibitors should make themselves familiar with the “Measurement Guidelines Brochure”, which is available from the competition steward on the reverse side of the measurement form.

HJ142 Method of Measurement

With the animal in the aforementioned position, measure the vertical distance from the highest point of the withers to the ground. The cross-piece, arm or bar of the measuring device must be placed over the highest point of the

withers and no measurement taken at any other part of the animal's body will count. Additional pressure must not be applied to the cross-piece, arm or bar.

HJ143 Re - Measurement

1. An owner may request a re-measurement of a horse or pony to a larger height section. Re-measurement may be done one time during a horse or pony's life.

2. Procedure:

The owner requests a re-measurement from the Federation by either letter or e-mail. The Federation issues a re-measurement permission letter to the owner. After consulting with the owner, the Federation will select the Measuring Steward and competition at which the re-measurement will take place. This letter is presented to the measuring steward at the competition. If the horse or pony measures into a larger height section, a copy of the measurement form will be given to the presenter and a new card will be issued to the owner. The original card will be invalidated by the Federation. If the horse or pony measures into a larger height section it immediately becomes eligible to show in that section. The Horse of the Year points received in the previous height section is forfeited for the current competition year. No penalties will be incurred by the original measuring steward or current trainer.

3. An owner of a horse or pony may request a re-measurement of a horse or pony to a lower height section. Re-measurement may be done one time during a horse or pony's life.

4. Procedure:

- a. The owner requests a re-measurement from the Federation by either letter or email.
- b. The re-measurement is conducted under the Measurement Appeal Rules (HJ146). Drug testing of the horse or pony may be required.
- c. If the horse or pony measures into a smaller height section, a copy of the measurement form will be given to the presenter and a new card will be issued to the owner.
- d. The original card will be invalidated by the Federation.
- e. If the horse or pony measures into a smaller height section it will be ineligible to show in either section for ninety (90) calendar days from the date of the re-measurement. The horse or pony may compete in other divisions, sections or classes that do not have height as a requirement. The Horse of the Year points received in the previous height section is forfeited for the current competition year.
- f. No penalties will be incurred by the original measuring steward or current trainer.

HJ144 Protesting Height

1. An owner or trainer may protest the height of only one horse or pony competing in a class in which he is also competing.

2. A protest questioning the height of a horse or pony showing in a division, section or class requiring measurement must be filed with the steward and must be filed at least one hour prior to the end of the competition day on which the horse or pony is showing in a division, section or class requiring measurement. Such measurement shall be conducted pursuant to HJ135-HJ146 rather than GR512-514.

3. The animal is required to be presented for measurement within one hour of the completion of the animal's last class on the day of the protest.

4. The animal may be presented for a protest measurement with or without shoes regardless of how shown.

5. Protest Results. If a horse or pony is found to be outside the permitted height range that is determined by the animal's measurement card (e.g. Small Hunter Pony, Large Junior Hunter, etc.), the owner forfeits entry fees and winnings for that competition. All points accumulated for Horse of the Year and Zone Horse of the Year Awards to that date are forfeited. Said animal is suspended from competing in USEF Licensed Competitions for ninety (90) days from the date of the protest and a new measurement card will be issued to the owner at the end of the suspension period.

- a. The current trainer and the Steward who conducted the original measurement of a horse or pony that is found to measure outside of the permitted height range that is determined by the horse or pony's measurement card may be subject to penalty by the Federation.
 - b. If the horse or pony remains in its current height section, the animal may continue to compete as before.
 - c. The decision of the measuring officials is final unless an appeal is filed with the Federation within fourteen (14) days (see HJ146).
6. If a competition's steward is unable to notify an exhibitor of a protest before the exhibitor leaves the competition grounds, the protest will become void, and the steward will refund the protest fee. If a competition's steward notifies an exhibitor of a protest of an animal's height, and the exhibitor leaves the grounds before the measurement can be conducted, the protest will be filed with the Federation and an official protest measurement will be set up at the owner's expense, before the animal is eligible to compete again. In addition, charges for rule violations may be filed against the owner and trainer by the Federation CEO or his designee per GR604.
7. The measurement card, or valid measurement form of any animal that is found ineligible for the height section in which the animal was shown must be surrendered to the competition steward who must forward it to the Federation office with his report. If the owner is not in possession of the original measurement card at the time of the protest it is the owner's responsibility to surrender all measurement cards to the Federation Kentucky office within five (5) days of the protest.
8. The decision of competition officials is final unless an appeal is filed with the Federation.
9. Pony and Junior Hunter measurement protests.
- a. The identity of the protestor will be revealed to the protestee by the competition steward. At the time the competition steward receives the protest, the competition steward will explain the protest measurement process to the parties involved and answer any questions. The competition steward will instruct the protestor and the protestee that any inappropriate behavior and/or communication between parties will result in charges being filed against those parties. This is not limited to those parties directly involved in the protest. Charges may be filed against any individuals at the discretion of the competition steward.
 - b. When the animal is presented for measurement, only the following individuals may be present: The owner of the animal, two representatives/handlers of the animal being protested, the protestor, the competition veterinarian(s), the competition steward(s), and any representative of The Federation and the Federation Hunter/Jumper Pony Committee.
 - c. If an animal is protested and found to be within its height section, the animal's height cannot be protested again for the remainder of the competition year.

HJ145 Federation Measurement Verification

1. The CEO of the Federation may, at his/her discretion, cause a measurement verification to be undertaken of any animal competing in a division, section or class requiring measurement at a Licensed Competition.
2. The animal is required to be presented to the steward within one hour of the completion of the animal's last class on the day of the measurement verification within the section requiring measurement. At that time, the animal will be measured or the presenter will inform the steward that the animal will be presented for an appeal measurement see HJ611.5 b/c. The animal's measurement card will be forfeited and the animal will be suspended from showing until it is presented for the appeal measurement. If the measurement verification is on the first day of the section, the animal may finish competing in the section or class requiring measurement. The animal will be photographed by the measurement technician on the left and right sides, front and back at the time the animal is tagged for measurement verification. The photographs will be used to verify the identity of the animal at the appeal measurement.

3. The animal may be presented to be jogged shod or unshod, prior to measurement.
 - a. If jogged with shoes, shoes may be removed after the jog but no changes to the hoof may occur prior to the measurement.
 - b. If jogged without shoes, all changes to the hoof must be done prior to the jog but no changes to the hoof may occur after the animal has been jogged.
4. The animal may not receive or ingest any substances other than hay and water until the measurement is complete.
5. The animal must be sound. The Official Show Veterinarian will determine age and soundness. If the animal is determined to be unsound, the measurement verification cannot be completed and the animal may not compete until an appeal measurement is completed.
6. A Steward appointed by the Federation will perform the measurement(s).
7. If an animal is found to be outside the permitted height range that is determined by the animal's measurement card by 1/4", the owner forfeits entry fees and winnings for that competition. All points accumulated for Horse of the Year and Zone Horse of the Year Awards to that date are forfeited. Said animal is suspended from competing in Federation Licensed Competitions for 90 days from the date of the measurement verification and a new measurement card will be issued to the owner at the end of the suspension period.
 - a. The current trainer and the Steward who conducted the original measurement of an animal that is found to measure outside of the permitted height range that is determined by the animal's measurement card may be subject to penalty by the Federation.
 - b. If the animal remains in its current height section, the animal may continue to compete as before.
 - c. The decision of the measuring officials is final unless an appeal is filed with the Federation within fourteen (14) days (see HJ146.5).
8. An animal may only be selected for a Federation Measurement Verification one time in each calendar year. Animals that are 15 years of age or older are not subject to Federation Measurement Verification.

HJ146 Measurement Appeal

1. Conditions. An owner or trainer who questions the accuracy of an initial measurement or an owner or trainer of an animal declared ineligible for a division or section on account of height may appeal a measurement.
 - a. Pending the appeal of an initial measurement, the animal continues to be eligible to compete as initially measured.
 - b. With respect to animals declared ineligible as a result of a protest measurement, the animal is barred from competing in the particular height division or section for which he was declared ineligible until the measurement is performed.
 - c. There shall be only one appeal per each initial measurement, and only one appeal per each protest measurement.
2. Procedures.
 - a. The appeal must be made to the Federation office in writing within fourteen (14) days of the measurement. The Federation reserves the right to grant an appeal measurement. The request for an appeal measurement due to extenuating circumstances must be made in writing to the Federation office.
 - b. All expenses including veterinary fees must be paid to the Federation by the appellant. With respect to any appeal prior to the appeal measurement both the owner and trainer may be required to sign a waiver and consent on a form prepared by and acceptable to the Federation agreeing to the arrangements for the appeal measurement, agreeing to the administration of Lasix to the animal to aid in the collection of a urine sample for laboratory tests for Federation forbidden substances, agreeing that the appeal measurement shall be final and unappealable to a court of law, and agreeing that the owner and trainer of the animal each release and hold the Federation, and its officers, directors and licensed officials harmless from any claim whatsoever regarding the appeal measurement and respecting any measurements of the animal made prior to the appeal measurement.
 - c. The Federation will select a location and time for the appeal measurement as convenient as possible. The owner or trainer must deliver the animal to the location at his own expense within 45 days of filing the appeal.

- d. The measurement must be performed by at least two persons appointed by the Federation which shall include one veterinarian who is a member of the American Association of Equine Practitioners and one Registered steward. The officials whose measurement is being appealed cannot be part of the team conducting the measurement appeal.
3. Any animal submitted for an appeal measurement must show no evidence of lameness. If found to be lame by the examining veterinarian, the animal cannot be measured or remeasured for thirty (30) days and the appellant forfeits his deposit and any veterinary expenses incurred. Each animal submitted for an appeal measurement must be tested for drugs and medications in accordance with General Rules, Chapter GR4, GR405.
4. Appeal of initial measurement.
- a. If the appeal is denied the initially issued card remains in effect.
 - b. If the appeal is upheld, upon surrender of the initially issued card (if any) a new card will be issued based upon the appeal measurement; such cards remain subject to protest per HJ144 of this rule.
5. Appeals of protest measurements,
- a. If the appeal is not upheld or the appellant fails to submit the animal within 45 days, all points accumulated for Horse of the Year Awards are nullified.
 - b. If the appeal is upheld, a Temporary Measurement card is issued to animals seven years of age and under and a Standard Measurement card is issued to animals eight years of age or over. The Temporary and Standard Measurement cards cannot be protested for the remainder of the competition year.
 - c. If the appeal is upheld, the animal will receive credit for all points accumulated including all points, prize money and trophies won at the competition where protested.

HJ147 Official Measurement

No Official Measurements will be granted for Pony Hunters, Junior Hunters, or Pony Jumpers.

SUBCHAPTER HJ-7 EXHIBITIONS

HJ148 Exhibitions at Hunter, Jumper or Hunter/Jumper Competitions

1. For the purposes of this rule, an Exhibition is defined as a recognized, but unrated class or demonstration.
2. At Federation licensed Hunter, Jumper or Hunter/Jumper competitions, only one Exhibition may be held per licensed competition day.
3. An Exhibition must be held on a Federation licensed date, must be conducted in accordance with Division rules and is governed by all other applicable Federation rules. **Exhibition classes held at licensed Hunter, Jumper, or Hunter/Jumper competitions may offer prize money, however, the prize money must be included in the total prize money offered for the level or rating.**
4. Exhibitions held at competitions operating under a Mileage Exemption or with approved Special Competition status must be approved as part of the Mileage Exemption or Special Competition status request and the specifics of such exhibitions must be included in the competition license.
5. An Exhibition must be advertised in the prize list and may be judged and ranked. However, the following conditions apply:
 - a. Results will not be counted for any Federation, Federation Alliance Member and/or USHJA high score awards or championships.
 - b. If published, the Exhibition ranking report must be clearly separated from competition results and noted as being from an Exhibition.
 - c. Judges for an Exhibition held at Licensed Competitions are not required to be licensed by USEF.
6. An Exhibition may also be held using horses individually, in groups or in entertainment acts. Such Exhibitions cannot be ranked.

7. Horses used in exhibitions, demonstrations, and retirement ceremonies are subject to the provisions of GR839, but are exempt from the dress and saddlery rules of the competition. *BOD 1/20/18 Effective 12/1/18*