

INLAND EMPIRE HUNTER JUMPER ASSOCIATION OFFICIAL RULES

If a problem cannot be resolved by the rules, the solution by those responsible should follow as nearly as possible the spirit of the rules.

PART 1 - IEHJA SANCTIONED SHOWS

Section 1 – FACILITIES

All show grounds must be inspected and approved by two or more members of the IEHJA Board before approval for a show will be given. The minimum requirements are as follows:

- ♦ Water for dust control.
- ♦ Water for exhibitors' horses must be easily accessible.
- ♦ Sufficient restrooms.
- ♦ Warm-up areas exclusively for show exhibitors.
- ♦ Sufficient schooling fences.
- ♦ A public address system audible enough to cover the entire show grounds including the warm-up areas.
- ♦ Sufficient parking for exhibitors and spectators.
- ♦ Refreshments provided on the show grounds, throughout the day.
- ♦ Adequate trash receptacles.
- ♦ Hollow PVC jumps not allowed.

Section 2 - SHOW APPROVAL

Each show must conform to the following requirements to achieve sanctioning by the IEHJA:

a. Show Manager: The Horse Show Manager must be a Regular Member in good standing of the IEHJA.

b. Proposed Prize List: The proposed prize list (premium) must be faxed, mailed or emailed to the IEHJA office for approval by a member of the IEHJA Board, sixty (60) days prior to the show. All show managers must mail prize lists (premiums) to each member of the IEHJA.

c. Sanctioning Fee: The sanctioning fee for an approved show is seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) per show plus thirty dollars (\$30.00) for each additional day if the show is more than one day in length. All fees must be forwarded with the application for the proposed show date. The IEHJA will provide software for the Show Manager to use in running their series. Show Managers are required to use the provided software, unless other acceptable arrangements have been approved.

d. Show Results Delivery Requirement: After a Show is held, the sanctioned show must submit to IEHJA the following within a ten (10) day period: a complete list of the results awarded in all IEHJA approved classes. This submission must be forwarded by mail, fax or email. Managers who do not make timely submissions of results will be assessed a penalty of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each ten (10) day period that such results remain

outstanding. The IEHJA will post the results on the IEHJA website five (5) days after receipt of the show points.

e. Membership Form: The IEHJA membership application must appear in the prize list for all approved shows and must reference the correct address and fees for the IEHJA.

f. Number of IEHJA Shows per Date: There may be only one (1) approved IEHJA show per date.

g. Show Dates: Show Dates are non-transferable. Show Dates issued to managers will be comparable to those dates of the previous year. Declaration of show dates must be received in the IEHJA office by November 1st. To continue to receive comparable show dates the show managers may not voluntarily cancel a specific show date two years in a row. If a manager cancels a show voluntarily without making timely notification to the IEHJA office, he/she forfeits the sanctioning fee as well as the seniority for such show date. If a manager cancels the same show date two years in a row voluntarily, and not pursuant to acts of god, such manager loses his/her seniority for the following year and has to reapply for such date equally with new applicants. If a manager wishes to hold a show on an IEHJA date which remains, or becomes open during the year after the November application process described above has been completed, both the written application for such date and the IEHJA Board approval must be received at least ninety (90) days prior to the date. The IEHJA shall not be obliged to award an available date to anybody, even if no other manager applies for such open date.

h. Show Venue Changes: If a show manager wishes to request a change in venue for an approved show already listed on the IEHJA calendar for the current year, such request must be made in writing and received by the IEHJA office at least ninety (90) days prior to the original show date, or the new date whichever is earlier. Requests, which are not made in compliance with these terms, will not be considered. Alternate venues must be approved by IEHJA Board

i. Show Year: The show year will begin November 1st and will end October 31st.

j. New Horse Show Applications: A new horse show and/or facility may be granted one (1) date with tentative dates to follow. Permanent dates may be approved only after a new manager has proven he can and will conduct shows in full compliance with IEHJA show standards. Preference of open horse show dates may be given to managers who meet all of the IEHJA requirements.

k. Insurance Coverage: All show managers must provide the IEHJA office with a copy of the show insurance and must indicate the IEHJA and its Officers as an additional insured prior to the commencement of the show.

l. Rider's Age: The age of the rider for the IEHJA show season shall be their age as of November 1st the show year. (For example, the 2010 show year starts November 1, 2009. The rider's age on that date is their age for the show year.)

m. EMT: All IEHJA sanctioned shows must have a minimum of one (1) currently licensed EMT onsite immediately accessible to the show area prior to the start of the show through the end of the show. If an EMT is not present the show shall be put on hold until one may be located.

Section 3 - CONDUCT OF SHOWS

- a. Rules:** All shows shall follow the rules of the IEHJA. If there is no IEHJA rule USEF rules will prevail. If there is a conflict IEHJA rules will prevail.
- b. Rule Books:** The IEHJA Rule Book shall be made available in the horse show office for reference at each show. A current copy of the USEF Rule Book must be available for Show Management only, at each show.
- c. Class Specifications:** Show managers must follow class specifications for IEHJA approved classes.
- d. Unpaid Entries:** If an individual makes payment for any show fees in the form of a non-negotiable check and said check is returned, the sanctioned show manager shall report in writing to the IEHJA Treasurer within fourteen (14) days the following: (1) the name and address of the exhibitor from whom the check was issued, (2) the names of the horse(s) entered, (3) a copy of the entry form(s) and (4) a copy of the returned check. Upon receipt of such notice, the Treasurer of the IEHJA shall notify said person by return receipt mail of his/her indebtedness and warn him/her that unless settlement is made within two (2) weeks, he/she will automatically lose all points that he/she and/or any of his/her horses has accumulated during the show for which the payment has not been made. The exhibitor will remain a "Member Not in Good Standing" until all debts are paid in full.
- e. Split Classes:** Classes must be split if there are twenty (20) or more horses entered, with a trophy and ribbons awarded to each section. Points from both sections will count towards high points.
- f. Ground Lines:** Ground Lines shall be provided for all Hunter classes.
- g. Time limits:** In the interest of the exhibitor, no horse show will start before 8:00 a.m. or run longer than twelve (12) hours. Show management may be penalized fifty dollars (\$50.00) per hour or any part thereof for any violation of this time limit.
- h. Non-Compliance:** Any concern or complaint must first be brought to the attention of the Show Manager for resolution. If the matter is not resolved by the Manager, then the issue may be presented in writing to the IEHJA Board. The Board will investigate and determine first that the Manager was consulted, and if so, a course of action to pursue. In the event that the concern or complaint is of such a nature that the safety of exhibitors, trainers, horses and or guests may be endangered, or that the conduct of the Show is not in keeping with the intent and spirit of these Rules and IEHJA, then the Board may place the Show on probation until the Board is satisfied that proper corrective action has been implemented. A Show that remains on probation may be subject to a loss of show dates and/or be fined up to one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150.00) per show at the discretion of the Board.
- i. Equipment:** Rider and horse equipment used during IEHJA sanctioned shows must follow USEF rule book guidelines.
- j. Request to Leave:** **At the judge's discretion any horse or rider deemed unsafe, by the judge, may be asked to leave the show for the remainder of the day.**

Section 4 - JUDGES

Judge's name(s) must be included with the prize list submission. Judges listed in subsection A & B are qualified to preside at any IEHJA approved shows.

- a.** Judges approved by the IEHJA Board and listed on the "Approved Judges" roster. The "Approved Judges" roster will be provided to Show Managers upon request.
- b.** Guest Judges: Permitted one (1) time only, with approval of the IEHJA Board of Directors.
- c.** Limitations on Judges: No person may judge more than four (4) IEHJA sanctioned shows in one (1) year.

Section 5 - COURSE DESIGNERS

All course designers at IEHJA approved shows must be recognized equestrian professionals twenty-one (21) years of age or older.

PART 2 - GENERAL RULES GOVERNING OPERATION OF SHOWS

- a.** Combination Restrictions: No two (2) fences will be set fewer than three (3) strides (approximately forty eight (48) feet) apart, for all Hunter classes.
- b.** Fence heights offered at a show will be determined by the height listed in the official prize list. Fence heights listed in time schedules, course diagrams, trainer sheets, or any other materials will be superseded by the prize list printed by the horse show management. Fence heights shall conform to Part 7 of these rules.
- c.** Horse Substitution: A horse that has been registered with the IEHJA may be substituted if a Veterinarian has determined that that horse may not compete. An "Alternate Horse Request" form must be completed and submitted to the show manager on or before the show date that the substitute horse is competing in. A note from the Veterinarian stating the reason the registered IEHJA horse may not compete must be submitted to the show manager or IEHJA on or within 30 days of the show date. In the instance where an IEHJA registered horse must be substituted on another occasion within the same show year the horse that was used as the "alternate horse" may be substituted again. A different "alternate horse" may not be used. Show managers must forward the "Alternate Horse Request" and, if available, the veterinarian note to the IEHJA within 10 days of their show date.

PART 3 - IEHJA MEDAL CLASSES

RIDERS AND THEIR TRAINERS MUST BE CURRENT MEMBERS BEFORE ENTERING MEDAL CLASSES TO QUALIFY FOR THE YEAR-END MEDAL FINAL. NON-IEHJA MEMBERS MAY ENTER MEDAL CLASSES.

Section 1 - DESCRIPTION AND GENERAL INFORMATION

The IEHJA offers three (3) Medal classes: (1) IEHJA Flat Medal, (2) IEHJA Medal, and (3) IEHJA Mini Medal.

- a. The fence heights and rules for the IEHJA Medal classes are:
 - 1. IEHJA Flat Medal - Open to all Jr./ Amateur riders.
 - 2. IEHJA Medal – Open to all Jr./ Amateur riders who compete over fences 2'6" and higher. Fence height is 2'6".
 - 3. IEHJA Mini Medal – Open to all Jr./ Amateur riders have not competed over fences higher than 2'3". Fence height is 2'3".
- b. Cross entries are not permitted between the IEHJA Mini Medal and the IEHJA Medal.
- c. Medal Classes are only open to Jr./ Amateur Riders. Trainers may not ride in Medal Classes.

Section 2 - MEDAL FINALS

- a. To qualify for the Finals, Medal Class exhibitors must earn a minimum cumulative total of twenty (20) points per Medal Class by competing and placing in Medal Classes offered at IEHJA Sanctioned shows.
- b. Points will be awarded as follows in each qualifying medal class: 1st/10, 2nd/8, 3rd/6, 4th/4, 5th/2, 6th/1.
- c. A Medal Class exhibitor may continue to compete in any IEHJA medal class in which they are qualified for even after receiving the required twenty (20) cumulative points.
- d. The Medal Finals will take place at the last show held at McCoy Equestrian Center for the IEHJA show season. Only exhibitors who have previously qualified for the Medal Finals during that show year may compete in the Medal Finals.
- e. Champion Medals for each Medal Class will be awarded at the IEHJA Year-End Awards Banquet.

Section 3 - SPECIAL YEAR-END MEDAL AWARDS

- a. Three special high point awards will be presented to Medal Class exhibitors that have competed and earned points throughout the show season in the IEHJA Medal Classes. A special award will be given to the Medal Class exhibitor with the highest number of points earned in each of the following: 1) IEHJA Flat Medal, 2) IEHJA Medal, and 3) IEHJA Mini Medal.
- b. The special high point award recipients will be announced after the Finals have been held at the last IEHJA Sanctioned Show of the season held at McCoy Equestrian Center.
- c. The special high point awards will be presented to the winners at the IEHJA Year-End Awards Banquet.

PART 4 - MEMBERSHIP

Regular (Senior) Membership (18 & Over)	\$35.00 per year
Junior Membership (17 & Under)	\$25.00 per year
Trainer Membership	Complimentary*
*Trainer Memberships are equivalent to Regular Memberships and are limited to one complimentary Trainer Membership per barn/stable.	
Horse Registration	\$10.00 per horse, per year

PART 5 - POINTS

- a.** Class points are awarded as follows: 1st/10, 2nd/8, 3rd/6, 4th/4, 5th/2, 6th/1.
- b.** Memberships and horse registration must be current for points to accrue. Points start to accrue from the day a membership application is submitted and the application fee is paid. Should the application fee be paid by a non-negotiable check and the check be returned, the membership will be cancelled and a new application must be filed. A twenty five dollar (\$25.00) return check charge will apply and subsequent fees thereafter.
- c.** At least three (3) officially judged entrants must compete for a class to count for points. Classes may be combined at the Show Manager's discretion. If combined, points will be attributed to the exhibitor's appropriate class/division.
- d.** A rider must compete in a minimum of four (4) IEHJA sanctioned horse shows to be eligible for the IEHJA Year End Championship Awards.
- e.** All point standings are final unless a discrepancy report is received in writing by the IEHJA office within fifteen (15) days of the date of the show.

PART 6 - YEAR END AWARDS POINT CALCULATION

For each division listed under Part 7 below, an award is given. Points are totaled for members participating in IEHJA sanctioned shows. In the case of a tie Championship Awards will be presented to both members.

PART 7 - IEHJA APPROVED DIVISIONS/CLASSES

The following divisions and classes are approved by IEHJA. Only divisions comprised of all classes listed in the division will receive point accrual toward year-end high point awards:

- * See Class/Division Descriptions under Summary of Division Rules section.

Cross-Rail Division

Cross-Rail Hunter Under Saddle
Cross-Rail Hunters Twice Around (may trot or canter fences)
Cross-Rail Equitation Over Fences (may trot or canter fences)
Cross-Rail Hunter Course (may trot or canter fences)
Cross-Rail Hunter Hack
Cross-Rail Pleasure
Cross-Rail Equitation

Walk-Trot Division

Walk-Trot Hunter Under Saddle
Walk-Trot Pleasure
Walk-Trot Over Rails
Walk-Trot Obedience
Walk-Trot Equitation

Green Rider Hunter Division – fences for this division are 2'0" in height

Green Rider Hunters
Green Rider Hunter Equitation Over Fences
Green Rider Hunter Under Saddle
Green Rider Equitation

Short Stirrup Division – fences for this division are 2'0" – 2'3" in height

Short Stirrup Hunters
Short Stirrup Equitation Over Fences
Short Stirrup Under Saddle
Short Stirrup Equitation

Long Stirrup Division – fences for this division are 2'0" – 2'3" in height

Long Stirrup Hunters
Long Stirrup Equitation Over Fences
Long Stirrup Under Saddle
Long Stirrup Equitation

Rusty Stirrup Division – fences for this division are 2'0" – 2'3" in height

Rusty Stirrup Hunters
Rusty Stirrup Equitation Over Fences
Rusty Stirrup Under Saddle
Rusty Stirrup Equitation

Baby Green Hunter Division - fences for this division are 2'0" in height

Baby Green Hunters
Baby Green Hunters
Baby Green Hunter Under Saddle

Green Hunter Division – fences for this division are 2'3" – 2'6" in height

Green Hunters
Green Hunters
Green Hunter Under Saddle

Low Hunter Division – fences for this division are 2’3” – 2’6” in height

Low Hunters
Low Hunters
Low Hunter Under Saddle

Modified Hunter Division – fences for this division are 2’6” – 2’9” in height

Modified Hunters
Modified Hunters
Modified Hunter Under Saddle

Handy Hunter Division – fences for this division are 2’6” – 2’9” in height

Handy Hunters
Handy Hunters
Handy Hunter Under Saddle

Low Jr./ Amateur Rider Division – fences for this division are 2’6” in height

Low Jr./ Amateur Hunters
Low Jr./ Amateur Equitation Over Fences
Low Jr./ Amateur Under Saddle
Low Jr./ Amateur Equitation

Jr./ Amateur Rider Division – fences for this division are 2’9” in height

Jr./ Amateur Hunters
Jr./ Amateur Equitation Over Fences
Jr./ Amateur Under Saddle
Jr./ Amateur Equitation

Beginner Jumpers Division 2’3”

Beginner Jumpers- Table II Sec. 2a
Beginner Jumpers- Table II Sec. 2b
Beginner Jumpers- Table II Sec. 2c

Hopeful Jumpers Division 2’3”-2’6”

Hopeful Jumpers- Table II Sec. 2a
Hopeful Jumpers- Table II Sec. 2b
Hopeful Jumpers- Table II Sec. 2c

Modified Jumpers Division 2’6”-2’9”

Modified Jumpers- Table II Sec. 2a
Modified Jumpers- Table II Sec. 2b
Modified Jumpers- Table II Sec. 2c

SUMMARY OF DIVISION RULES

Rider Status:

- a. Junior: Riders 17 years of age and under, as of November 1st for the current show year.
- b. Amateur: Riders 18 years of age and over, as of November 1st for the current show year. Non-professional.
- c. Jr./ Amateur: Any non-professional rider.

Schooling is only allowed in classes in which riders are eligible to compete.

Cross-Rail Division: Open to Jr./ Amateur riders to jump 18". Riders in Cross-Rails may not cross-enter into any other Over Fences classes, however may enter into any Flat classes. Points in this division are based on Horse Rider combination. Riders who have entered a higher division in previous shows or years may not compete in this division.

Walk-Trot Division: Open to Jr./ Amateur riders. Riders may not enter into any other division. Once a rider competes in another division, he/she may not return to the Walk-Trot Division. Points in this division are based on Horse Rider combination. Riders who have entered a higher division in previous shows or years may not compete in this division.

Green Rider Division: Open to Jr./ Amateur riders, to jump fences 2'0". Riders not to have competed over fences higher than 2'3" in height. Points in this division are based on Horse Rider combination.

Short Stirrup Division: Open to riders twelve (12) and under, to jump fences 2'0" – 2'3". Riders not to have competed over fences higher than 2'3" in height. Points in this division are based on Horse Rider combination.

Long Stirrup Division: Open to riders thirteen (13) to seventeen (17) years of age, to jump fences 2'0" – 2'3". Riders not to have competed over fences higher than 2'3" in height. . Points in this division are based on Horse Rider combination.

Rusty Stirrup Division: Open to Amateur riders eighteen (18) and over, to jump fences 2'0" – 2'3". Riders not to have competed over fences higher than 2'3" in height. Points in this division are based on Horse Rider combination.

Baby Green Hunter Division: Horses in their 1st or 2nd year of showing in a Hunter Division. Fence height is 2'0". Points to follow horse.

Green Hunter Division: Horses in their 1st or 2nd year of showing in a Hunter Division. Fence height is 2'3" – 2'6". Points to follow horse.

Low Hunter Division: Open to riders and/or horses of any Hunter level. Fence height is 2'3" – 2'6". Points to follow horse.

Modified Hunter Division: Open to riders and/or horses of any Hunter level. Fence height is 2'6" – 2'9". Points to follow horse.

Handy Hunter Division: Open to riders and/or horses of any Hunter level. Fence height is 2'6" – 2'9". Course must include one (1) trot fence. Points to follow horse.

Low Jr./ Amateur Rider Division: Open to Jr./ Amateur riders. Fence height is 2'6". Points in this division are based on Horse Rider combination.

Jr./ Amateur Rider Division: Open to Jr./ Amateur riders. Fence height is 2'9". Points in this division are based on Horse Rider combination.

SUMMARY OF DIVISION RULES - JUMPERS

Jumper Divisions: Jumper classes are to be judged according to USEF Rules, Table II, Section 2 a, b, c.

Table II, Section 2:

- a. Jump the qualifying course, leave the arena and come back at the end for the jump off.
- b. Jump the qualifying course, stay in if clean for the jump off.
- c. Jump the qualifying course and if clean continue on course to do the jump off. Also called Power and Speed.

Beginning Jumpers: Open to riders and/or horses in their 1st or 2nd year of showing in jumper classes at any show. Fence height is 2'3". Points to follow horse.

Hopeful Jumpers: Open to riders and/or horses that have not shown in any jumper class higher than 2'9" in height at any horse show. Fence height is 2'3"-2'6". Points to follow horse.

Modified Jumpers: Open to all riders and/or horses. Fence height is 2'6"-2'9". Points to follow horse.

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