



## **GUIDELINES FOR TEAM CAMARADERIE**

USHJA encourages all teams involved in the Hunter Team Challenge to bring forth their team spirit and enjoy the team aspect of the competition. This is a great way to meet new people and have fun while competing. The guidelines below offer some options for inspiring team morale and camaraderie among the riders, trainers, and parents:

1. Each team will consist of three or four riders which will be determined by random draw at the Riders Meeting. USHJA encourages the riders, trainers and parents to also be involved with team spirit.
2. Each team will wear different colored arm bands to distinguish them from the other teams. The armbands will also distinguish them (for judging purposes) from the other riders in their classes on Day One who are not participating in the Team Challenge.
3. It is encouraged (but not mandatory) for riders to braid their horses in their team colors.
4. For Day Two, riders can also decorate themselves or their horses in other ways to demonstrate their team unity. Please make sure that any decorations are safe for the horses and the riders to perform in the show ring.
5. At the Riders Meeting that is held the day prior to the start of competition, please make every effort to meet your teammates and coordinate your team spirit.
6. Teams, if they so choose, can pick a Team Captain from their group of riders, trainers, or parents. The Team Captain can organize any team spirit and help coordinate decorations, cheering, and team fellowship.
7. The USHJA Hunter Team Challenge Liaison is a great person to go to with any questions or concerns. The Liaison is familiar with the specifications and rules of the Team Challenge.
8. Most importantly, have fun!!!