

Rule Change Type	Effective Date	Draft Received	Board Action
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## Proposed Change

**HJ208 Horse Entry numbers exceed five hundred (500) and/or Duration of Competition or Series of Competitions Exceeds Twenty-One (21) days without a break of five (5) consecutive calendar days** [CHAPTER HJ-2 Rating and Horse Entry Number]

HJ208 Horse Entry Numbers Exceed Five Hundred *the Previous Year Based on Drug Fees Paid* and/or Duration of Competition or Series of Competitions Exceeds Twenty-One Days Without a Break

When minimum Horse Entry Numbers exceed five hundred (500) *the previous year based on drug fees paid* and/or licensed series of competitions *under the same licensee* 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. For ~~Outdoor competitions,~~ When the above conditions set forth in HJ208 exist, *the following minimum requirements must be met for exercise and lunge areas on both competition and non-competitions days.* an exercise area of at least 24,000 square feet must be available for at least eight (8) contiguous hours within each calendar day between the hours of sunrise and sunset. This area is required to be available on both days when competitions are scheduled and during non-competition days when there are less than five (5) consecutive calendar days of break without scheduled competitions.

**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. For ~~Indoor competitions,~~ When the above conditions set forth in HJ208 exist, *the following minimum requirements must be met for exercise and lunge areas on both competition and non-competitions days.* an exercise area of at least 18,000 square feet must be available for at least two (2) periods of four (4) contiguous hours between 5:00 am and 12 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.

**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 HJ101.6. 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 HJ101.6.**

3. For outdoor or indoor competitions, when the above conditions set forth in HJ208 exist, 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 for at least eight (8) contiguous hours within each calendar day between the hours of 6:00 am and 10 pm within each calendar day and lighted as specified in HJ102.6 when there are less than five (5) consecutive calendar days without scheduled competitions.

4. Currently there are no Rated competitions (held only in indoor rings) consisting of at least five hundred (500) entries and being held over twenty-one (21) consecutive days. Therefore, no additional requirements have been considered for such an event.

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## Rule Change Intent

The Competition Standards Committee recommends this Rule Change Proposal to ensure the safety and welfare of horses and riders at competitions where a large number of horses will be competing by requiring an adequate amount of space to safely and properly exercise horses on the competition grounds. It is the intent of this committee to continue to provide consistency in the quality of the facilities hosting USEF licensed competitions.

## Linked Rules

## Comments

**Web:** exercise/lunge area

## Committee Actions

## National Hunter Committee

**Draft 1:** Recommends Approval 10/11/2016**Draft 1:** No Comments**Draft 2:** Recommends Approval 12/13/2016**Draft 2:** No Comments

## Competition Management

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## Jumper

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## USHJA

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## Council - Admin &amp; Finance

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