

Rule Change Type	Effective Date	Draft Received	Board Action
Standard	12/1/2017	12/22/2016	Approved 1/14/2017

Proposed Change

HU112 General [CHAPTER SUBCHAPTER HU-2 DIVISION OF SECTIONS OR CLASSES]

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4. Any combined Junior Hunter and/or Amateur Owner Hunter section with a total of twelve (12) or more entries must be divided in a manner that guarantees a minimum of six (6) in each section. Management may determine a cutoff time for entering before redividing any section(s).
 5. **Definition of divided by Junior/Amateur: If there are 30 or more entries in a section that is open to all competitors, Competition Management may choose to divide the section and offer one of the divided sections as restricted to Juniors and Amateurs (See GR127 and GR1306-GR1307 for definition of Junior and Amateur).**
 6. Definition of Floating Split: A Floating Split allows management to adjust sections offered split by age in the prize list either up or down in one year increments until the minimum number of entries required for each new section has been reached. As long as the minimum requirements for splitting sections are met, management may split the sections using the age split they deem most appropriate for their competition. Rider age must be given on the entry blank.

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SUBCHAPTER HU-13 USHJA CHAMPIONSHIPS AND SPECIAL CLASSES
 HU192 USHJA National Hunter Derby

See www.ushja.org for full specifications. USHJA National Hunter Derby may be offered at USEF Licensed Premier, National, Regional I or Regional II Competitions and at Competitions approved for a Special Competition Status.

1. Competing in the USHJA National Hunter Derby does not qualify a horse or rider for the USHJA International Hunter Derby Finals.
2. USHJA National Hunter Derby are open to all horses and ponies; however, distances will not be adjusted for ponies.
3. **Management may choose to offer a second USHJA National Hunter Derby restricted to Juniors and Amateurs. In this case, horses may compete in either class but may not cross enter between the two.**
4. The same pony may not compete in the USHJA Pony Hunter Derby and the USHJA National Hunter Derby at the same competition.
5. All USHJA National Hunter Derby classes must meet the requirements set forth by USHJA. Information on class procedures, class requirements, judging system and course requirements is available from the Programs Department in the USHJA office.
6. Competition management will collect and remit to USHJA the per horse entrant fee within 14 days of the competition. This fee must be included in the 10% entry fee maximum. The per horse entrant fee is \$25 at Premier, National and Special Competitions and is \$15 at Regional I and Regional II Competitions.
7. Zone bonus points will be awarded as per specifications which are found on the USHJA website.
8. Prize Money must be distributed in accordance with the official USHJA Class Specifications at www.ushja.org.
9. Riders, owners and trainers must be current active members of USEF and USHJA to participate in this class. (See GR202). Horses and ponies must be registered with the USHJA to participate in this class. Exception: Foreign residents and horses and ponies in good standing with their National Federation are eligible to compete in this class.
 - a. Money won in a USHJA National Hunter Derby will only count for any USHJA National Hunter Derby program standings or awards if the rider, owner and trainer are current Active members of the Federation and USHJA and the horse is registered with USHJA.
 - b. USHJA Zone Horse of the Year bonus points will only be awarded for placing in a USHJA National Hunter Derby if the owner is a current Active member of the Federation and USHJA and the horse is recorded with the Federation and registered with USHJA. For additional information and Zone residency requirements see GR1110 and GR1111.
10. ~~No more than one National Hunter Derby may be held during a given competition.~~ (Exception: If there are forty (40) or more entries in the National Hunter Derby, the class may be split into two (2) separate classes. Management must refer to specifications to determine the split of the class). Management may determine a cutoff time for entering before splitting the National Hunter Derby into two classes. The cutoff time will be no earlier than 24 hours prior to the proposed start time of the National Hunter Derby. See www.ushja.org for more specific information.
11. The same horse may not compete in the USHJA National Hunter Derby and International Hunter Derby at the same competition.
12. Each class must have a minimum of two judges. All judges will sit together and provide one score.

Proponent Details

National Hunter Committee

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Rule Change Intent

To allow Competition Management to offer a USHJA National Hunter Derby restricted to Juniors and Amateurs in addition to the Open USHJA National Hunter Derby that is already being offered. Also, to define dividing by Junior/Amateur as another option for dividing sections/classes.

Linked Rules

Web: National Hunter Derby

Comments

Committee Actions

Competition Management

Draft 1: No Action
Draft 2: No Action 12/19/2016
Draft 3: No Action 12/19/2016

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: Needs work on the language
Draft 3: No Comments

USHJA

Draft 1: No Action
Draft 2: No Action 12/15/2016
Draft 3: Recommends Disapproval 01/02/2017

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: Would approve the proposed rewrite from the National Hunter Committee
Draft 3: The National Hunter Derby is an established and popular program in its original format. The ability to recognize juniors and amateur competitors separately from class placings already exists. Offering potential splits restricted to one segment of the class has the potential to create imbalance as well as potentially diminish the integrity of the class.

Council - Admin & Finance

Draft 1: No Action
Draft 2: No Action 12/21/2016
Draft 3: Recommends Approval 01/12/2017

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments
Draft 3: No Comments

Council - Natl Breed & Discipline

Draft 1: No Action
Draft 2: No Action
Draft 3: Recommends Approval 01/04/2017

Draft 1: No Comments
Draft 2: No Comments
Draft 3: No Comments