

From the USAE Rule Book: Calculating Hunter and Jumper points:

RULE IX. USA EQUESTRIAN NATIONAL, DISTRICT, REGIONAL AND ZONE HORSE OF THE YEAR AWARDS

CHAPTER I. PURPOSE.

Article 901. General. The Federation offers annual Horse of the Year Awards on a national, district, regional and zone level, in numerous divisions. The purpose of these awards is to encourage participation at USA Equestrian Recognized Competitions. In making the awards the Federation in no way implies that the winners are the best in their respective divisions (although they may well be) but certifies that these animals are properly recorded for competition purposes, are exhibited by the recorded owner, who must be a Federation Member, and acquired the greatest number of points during a given year.

CHAPTER II. ELIGIBILITY.

z Article 902. General.

1. Points toward any Horse of the Year Award will not be credited until the applications and fees for the horse's recording, exhibitor's registration, transfer of ownership, name change or addition of owner(s) and owner's Senior Active, Junior Active or Life membership are received by the Federation office. **Exemption: Applications for USA Equestrian Individual Membership submitted at recognized Competitions are considered effective on the date the application and dues are received by the Competition Secretary provided the application is signed and dated by the Competition Secretary and the Competition Steward/TD on that same day.** If the horse is recorded as owned by a farm, partnership, corporation or syndication, that entry must record its name as an exhibitor registration and at least one owner must be an active Senior Active, Junior Active or Life Member, see Article 815. In a multiple ownership only one owner must be an active Senior Active, Junior Active or Life Member, but for points to count, the horse must be entered and shown in the name of the Federation member.

z Article 907. Competition Year.

1. Competition year for awards will be as follows: All breeds/disciplines will begin December 1 and end November 30.

z Article 917. Hunter Divisions.

1. Eligibility. See Art. 902.
2. Point Tabulation. See Arts. 905-911.
3. In the Hunter division, points are calculated according to the Increment system. In "C" and "B" rated sections, points are determined by the number of horses shown in the section; in "A" rated sections, points are determined by both the rating of the competition (based on scheduling restrictions of Art. 2446) as well as the number of horses shown.

All Hunter competitions are required to offer the minimum number of classes and amounts of prize money listed in Art. 1302 for each approved Hunter section. If sections are canceled

or entries are insufficient to award all prize money offered then only money offered to the number of places awarded must be distributed. (Exception: "AA" rated competitions must offer and award a minimum of \$18,001. in the "A" rated Hunter sections. 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). *BOD 1/13/02 Effective 3/1/02*

All Hunter competitions must state their Increment rating clearly on the cover of the prize list. **Prize money offered in Hunter Classics does not count as part of the required \$18,001. in prize money that must be awarded in order to maintain an "AA" rating.** An "A" rated Hunter competition's rating may not be changed unless add-backs are offered and the competition awards a minimum of \$18,001. as a result. An add-back is defined as a set amount of the entry fee as stated in the prize list which will be added to the prize money offered in the section. If an add-back is used, the minimum required prize money for that section must be guaranteed, and the add-backs must be clearly indicated on the cover of the prize list. *BOD 1/13/02 Effective 3/1/02*

4. Increment Chart:

"C" Rated

NUMBER OF EXHIBITORS

<u>3-8</u>	<u>9-15</u>	<u>16-25</u>	<u>26+</u>
15	20	25	30
10	15	20	25
5	10	15	20
4	5	10	15
3	4	5	10
2	3	4	5

"B" Rated

NUMBER OF EXHIBITORS

<u>3-8</u>	<u>9-15</u>	<u>16-25</u>	<u>26+</u>
20	25	30	40
15	20	25	35
10	15	20	30
5	10	15	25
4	5	10	20
3	4	5	15

"A" Rated

NUMBER OF EXHIBITORS

<u>3-8</u>	<u>9-15</u>	<u>16-25</u>	<u>26+</u>
30	40	50	60
25	35	45	55
20	30	40	50
15	25	35	45
14	24	34	44
13	23	33	43

"AA" Rated Over \$18,000.

NUMBER OF EXHIBITORS

<u>3-8</u>	<u>9-15</u>	<u>16-25</u>	<u>26+</u>
40	50	60	70
35	45	55	65
30	40	50	60
25	35	45	55
24	34	44	54
23	33	43	53

Total Prize Money
in Rated Hunter Sections

Prize Money in Hunter
Classics

"C" competitions	N/A	N/A
"B" competitions	N/A	\$500 and over
"A" competitions	N/A	\$1000*
"AA" competitions	over \$18,000	\$1000*

* \$500. Qualifies as an "A" Pony Hunter Classic

Classics. Bonus points awarded to twelfth place. 1st-20, 2nd-16, 3rd-14, 4th-12, 5th-10, 6th-8, 7th-6, 8th-5, 9th-4, 10th-3, 11th-2, 12th-1 point. B rated Classics will receive the points listed above. "A" rated Classics will receive 4 times the points listed above. "AA" rated Classics will receive 5 times the points listed above.

5. To determine points. Look up division rating. Then check the number of horses shown in the first performance class of the section. Then, find placing and move across chart to determine points value. Points for competitions offering add-backs will be determined in the Federation Office when results and amount of prize money paid are received.

6. Number of entries. The number of entries is determined by the number of entries shown in the first performance class of the section. Sections may not be split if there are less than 40 entries. Sections may be split if there are 40 but less than 50 entries. Sections must be split if there are more than 49 entries. Competition management must post within 12 hours of the completion of the class, in a prominent place on the competition grounds, the number of entries shown in the first performance class of each rated Hunter section, signed by the officiating Judge.

7. Division champions will be awarded 2.0 times the total 1st place point value of the first class in that section. Division reserve champions will be awarded 1.2 times the total 1st place value of the first class in that section.

8. Hunter Awards are offered for the following at the Zone level: Children's Working Hunter Ponies, Children's Working Hunter Horses, Adult Amateur Working Hunter 18-35 Years Old, Adult Amateur Working Hunter Over 35 Years Old and for any Zone that has submitted specifications by August 1 of any year for its Pre-Green Hunters to be rated. Hunter awards are offered for the following at the Zone and National levels: Green Conformation Hunter, Green Working Hunter - First and Second Year, Regular Conformation Hunter, Regular Working Hunter, Small/Medium Green Pony Working Hunter, Large Green Pony Working Hunter, Small Pony Working Hunter, Medium Pony Working Hunter, Large Pony Working Hunter, Small Junior Working Hunter 15 yrs. & under, Small Junior Hunter 16-17 yrs., Large Junior Working Hunter 15 yrs. & under, Large Junior Working Hunter 16-17 yrs., Amateur Owner Hunter - 18-35 Years Old and Over 35 Years Old, Ladies Side Saddle. *BOD 1/14/01 Effective 12/1/00*

9. For the purposes of Zone awards, ribbons won in any "A" or "B" rated section will receive B points. Zone Awards will be distributed according to the Zone map.

10. Presentation of the USA Equestrian National Horse of the Year Awards will be made at the USA Equestrian National Meeting.

11. Presentation of the USA Equestrian Zone Horse of the Year Awards will be made at Zone meetings at the discretion of Zone Committees.

ZONE MAP



z Article 919. Jumpers.

1. Eligibility. See Art. 902.
2. Point Tabulation. See Arts. 905-911. Children's and Adult Jumper Zone Horse of the Year Awards and Pony Jumper National and Zone Horse of the Year Awards will be based on the following:

	*Number of Exhibitors			
	<u>3-8</u>	<u>9-15</u>	<u>16-25</u>	<u>26+</u>
1st	15	20	25	30
2nd	10	15	20	25
3rd	5	10	15	20
4th	4	5	10	15
5th	3	4	5	10
6th	2	3	4	5

- * Determined by the number of entries shown in the first performance class of the section.
- 3. The Junior Jumper, Amateur Owner Jumper, and Young Rider Jumper Horse of the Year Awards will be based on one point for every dollar won in their classification at Regular Competitions. *BOD 1/14/01 Effective 2/1/01*
- 4. The Open Jumper Horse of the Year Award will be based on money won in classes which comply with Art. 2747, classes of \$25,000. or more. One point for every dollar won will be awarded.
- 5. Award Categories. National awards will be given in the following categories: JUNIOR, AMATEUR OWNER, OPEN, PONY (*BOD 1/14/01 Effective 12/1/00*), YOUNG RIDERS (*BOD 1/14/01 Effective 2/1/01*). Zone Horse of the Year Awards will be given in the following categories: JUNIOR, CHILDREN'S, ADULT, AMATEUR OWNER, PONY. *BOD 1/14/01 Effective 12/1/00*
- 6. Zone awards will be distributed according to the Zone map.
- 7. National Awards will be presented at the USA Equestrian Annual Meeting.
- 8. Presentation of the USA Equestrian Zone Horse of the Year Awards will be made at Zone meetings at the discretion of Zone Committees.