

# WEST TENNESSEE HUNTER JUMPER ASSOCIATION

## RULES AND “SHOW PACKET”

1. There must be at least 3 entries in any class for that class to count for year-end points. USEF rated divisions and classes must have at least 3 entries in the first class of a division to be held. Unrated classes and sections may be held with fewer than 3 but no year-end points will be awarded.
2. In WTHJA rated divisions, an under saddle class may not be entered unless an over fences class in the same division is also entered.
3. WTHJA membership year is December 1 to November 30. Members are awarded points for placing in WTHJA produced or affiliated/approved shows. The show prize list will indicate its affiliation with WTHJA. Association year-end awards are presented at the annual awards banquet. Current membership is required for the owner or lessee of all horses/ponies that are to be considered for year-end awards. Points will accrue from the date that a membership application and dues are received. No points will be accrued retroactively. If you join or renew your membership at any point during a show, you will receive all points won at that show.
4. If a member is leasing a horse/pony, it is that member's responsibility to inform the WTHJA statistician of said lease so that points can be credited. No points will be accrued retroactively to the date of that information being given to the statistician.
5. If a name change occurs for a horse/pony, it is the member's responsibility to inform the WTHJA statistician of said change so that all points won can be credited to the correct horse/pony.
6. Current membership is required for any rider to accumulate points in an equitation class or division.
7. At affiliated/approved shows, points may only be won in divisions where the show specs for that division are identical to the WTHJA specs, with the exception that fence heights may vary as much as, but no more than 3”.
8. All WTHJA affiliated/approved shows, regardless of their rating will count toward WTHJA year-end awards as single “A” shows.
9. Points won in all classes and divisions will be tabulated on the following version of the USEF single “A” rated point increment chart. Division champions will be awarded points equal to 2.0 times the 1<sup>st</sup> place rated point value of the first class in that division. Division reserve champions will be awarded points equal to 1.2 times the 1<sup>st</sup> place point value of the first class in that division.

# of Horses	3 thru 8	9 thru 15	16 thru 25	26 thru 35	36+
1st place	30	40	50	60	70
2nd place	25	35	45	55	65
3rd place	20	30	40	50	60
4th place	15	25	35	45	55
5th place	14	24	34	44	54
6th place	13	23	33	43	53
7th place	0	0	32	42	52
8th place	0	0	31	41	51

10. For all WTHJA recognized divisions, if there are not at least three riders/horses/ponies with points in the standings at year's end that division will not receive any year-end awards.
11. Any horse/pony (or rider in Equitation divisions) must attend at least 2 WTHJA produced shows during the horse show year and in their respective division to be eligible for year-end awards.
12. 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> place year-end awards will be given in all divisions and equitation classes listed below if all specifications are met.
13. All questions concerning points will go to the WTHJA statistician. Year-end points will be finalized on December 15<sup>th</sup> of each year and no disputes will be investigated or resolved after that date.

## WTHJA CLASS AND DIVISION SPECIFICATIONS

The following USEF rated divisions will be recognized by WTHJA for year-end awards. Full class and division specifications are available in the USEF rulebook at [www.USEF.org](http://www.USEF.org) or in the current Zone 4 specifications, available at [www.USHJA.org](http://www.USHJA.org). Federation and Zone specs and rules will be strictly followed:

- Green Working Hunter (1<sup>st</sup> yr. and 2<sup>nd</sup> yr. combined)
- Green and Regular Conformation Hunter (heights combined)
- High Performance Working Hunter
- Performance Working Hunter 3'6"-3'9"
- Performance Working Hunter 3'3"
- Amateur Owner Working Hunter 18-35
- Amateur Owner Working Hunter 36+
- Amateur Owner Working Hunter 3'3" (ages combined)
- Small Junior Working Hunter (ages combined)
- Large Junior Working Hunter (ages combined)
- Small Pony Hunter
- Medium Pony Hunter
- Large Pony Hunter
- Green Pony Hunter (sizes combined)
- Children's Working Hunter 14 & Under
- Children's Working Hunter 15-17
- Children's Hunter Pony (sizes combined)
- Adult Amateur Hunter 18-35
- Adult Amateur Hunter 36-49
- Adult Amateur Hunter 50+
- Pre-Green Hunter (heights combined)
- Children's/Adult Amateur Jumper (high and low combined)
- Junior/Amateur Owner Jumper (high and low combined)
- Pony Jumper

The following divisions and/or classes are not USEF rated but are WTHJA rated and will have year-end awards:

- **Baby Green Hunter** – Open to horses in their first season of showing at USEF rated shows. May cross enter into any class 2'9" or under. Fences 2'6".
- **Modified Child/Adult Hunter** – Open to any junior or non-professional adult rider. The horse/pony and rider combination may not cross enter any class with fence heights of 3'6" or higher. Fences 2'9".
- **Short Stirrup Hunter** – Open to horses/ponies to be ridden by riders 12 & under. Not eligible for any other classes except equitation. Two sets of year-end awards may be

awarded in a "California Split" type of distribution if there are at least 16 horses/ponies accumulating points during the competition year. Fences 18" – 2'0".

- **Pre-Children's Hunter** – Open to horses/ponies to be ridden by a junior exhibitor. Horse/pony and rider combination may not cross enter into any class where fences are 3'0" or higher. Rider may not cross enter into any class where fences are 3'6" or higher. Fences 2'3" – 2'6".
- **Pre-Adult Hunter** - Open to horses/ponies to be ridden by a non-professional adult exhibitor. Horse/pony and rider combination may not cross enter into any class where fences are 3'0" or higher. Rider may not cross enter into any class where fences are 3'6" or higher. Fences 2'3" – 2'6".
- **Limit Hunter and Limit Rider Hunter** – Open to horses or riders who have not yet won 6 blue ribbons over fences at USEF rated shows. **These divisions will not receive year-end awards but horses and riders that win their way out of these divisions during the competition year will be recognized at the Awards Banquet if notice is given to the statistician prior to the finalization date for points.** Limit Hunter Fences 2'9". Limit Rider Hunter fences 2'6" – 2'9".
- **Short Stirrup Equitation** – Same specs as the Short Stirrup Hunter division. Equitation on the flat and over fences points will be combined into one year-end award.
- **11 & Under Equitation** – Open to Junior riders on horses/ponies. Equitation on the flat and over fences points will be combined into one year-end award. Fences 2'0".
- **12 – 14 Equitation** – Open to Junior riders on horses/ponies. Equitation on the flat and over fences points will be combined into one year-end award. Fences 2'6".
- **15 – 17 Equitation** – Open to Junior riders on horses/ponies. Equitation on the flat and over fences points will be combined into one year-end award. Fences 3'0".
- **Adult Amateur Equitation** – Open to non-professional adult riders on horses/ponies. Equitation on the flat and over fences points will be combined into one year-end award. Fences 3'0".
- **Pre-Child/Pre-Adult Equitation** – Same specs as Pre-Children's and Pre-Adult Hunter Divisions. Equitation Flat and Mini-Medal points will be combined into one year-end award.

The following two classes will not have year-end awards but WTHJA will host a final Ride-Off class each year at the Harvest Time Horse Show which will be open to any rider accumulating points in previous qualifying medal classes offered during that competition year:

- **WTHJA Horse Medal** – Open to junior riders on horses. Competitors need not be WTHJA members to compete, but may only accumulate points toward the final Ride-Off class if possessing current membership status. Riders may not compete in the WTHJA Horse Medal and the WTHJA Pony Medal at the same show. Tests 1-19. Fences 3'0".
- **WTHJA Pony Medal** – Open to junior riders on ponies. Competitors need not be WTHJA members to compete, but may only accumulate points toward the final Ride-Off class if possessing current membership status. Riders may not compete in the WTHJA Horse Medal and the WTHJA Pony Medal at the same show. Tests 1-9. Fences 2'3" for small ponies, 2'6" for medium ponies and 3'0" for large ponies.