



ALL BREED TIP BENEFIT RULES

All general event rules apply.

Junior riders must not have reached their 18th birthday as of December 1, 2015.

Horse/rider combinations may only compete in one TJC Thoroughbred Incentive O/F Division per show. See website for details on TIP eligibility.

Hunter Show Division Specifications

Model Mare/Gelding: Judged on conformation, soundness, and suitability. Open to all breeds.

Leadline: Open to children ages 7 and under. Rider not eligible for any other classes and must not have competed in any class other than Leadline. Rider to be led at the walk. Pony/Horse to be on lead at all times. Division classes (1) 100% Pony/Horse, suitability and manners; (2) 100% rider equitation.

Pleasure: Open to all adult riders on horses. Horse may only show in one Pleasure Division.

Thoroughbred Pleasure: Open only to TIP registered thoroughbred horses.

Short Stirrup Hunter: Open to riders 12 years and younger on horses or ponies. Rider, horses, or ponies may not cross enter into any other class with exception of Junior equitation on the flat, pleasure pony or horse pleasure, at any show which they exhibit in short stirrup. Entries will compete on a course of four to six fences set at 18".

Crossrail Hunter: Open to any age rider in their first or second year of showing except in leadline or pre-short stirrup or horse in its first year of showing over fences. Judged on performance, manners, soundness, and suitability. Courses will consist of six to eight fences not to exceed 18". Cross entry is permitted only into other divisions where fences do not exceed 18". Simple changes will not be penalized.

Limited Hunter: Open to all riders on horses or ponies. Judged on performance, manners, soundness and suitability. Rider/horse combination may not cross enter into any other classes where fences exceed 2' including medals. Courses will consist of four fences not to exceed 2'. Simple changes will not be penalized.

Low Hunter: Open to all riders on horses and ponies. Judged on performance, manners, soundness, and suitability. Jumps set at 2'6" or 3'. Second over fences class counts as first phase of USHJA Hunter Challenge.

Open Children's/Adult Equitation: Open to any age rider. Class will be split if warranted. Judged on hands, seat, and control of mount. Choice of 2', 2'6", 3'. Each height will double as USHJA Outreach Medal if participant is a USHJA member [Bronze: 2', Silver: 2'6", Gold: 3'] (*additional \$5 fee for USHJA points*).

Hunter Classic: Doubles as USHJA Outreach Hunter Challenge Final phase (*additional \$5 fee for USHJA points*). If there are thoroughbreds competing in both phases, after all competitors finish, placing for thoroughbreds will be announced.

USHJA Hunter Challenge: Phase I consists of 8 hunter-style obstacles. Obstacle height will be determined according to the specifications of each level. Courses must contain two changes of direction. Phase II tests the rider's ability to best display his or her horse's talents and style. It will require the horse and rider to navigate a minimum of six obstacles and replicate skills required by a rider on a hunt. Skills may include but are not limited to a halt, change of lead, hand gallop, or trot jump.

Jumpers: Open to all riders on horses/ponies. Adults may ride ponies. To be shown over a jumper-type course that will be posted no less than 30 minutes prior to the start of the division. Fences will be numbered and the start/finish areas for timing will be marked. In the Time first jump-off classes, riders who are clear at the finish of their course will remain in the ring and complete a jump off (only clear rounds jump off). Ties between riders with faults will be decided by the time of the jump off course.

USHJA Outreach Classes

To participate in the Medal and/or Hunter Challenge classes, you **do not** need to be a member of the United States Hunter Jumper Association. However an **Outreach Membership** is only \$15 per year. Membership forms will be available at the event.

- Competitors must be members of the USHJA at the \$15 Outreach level or higher to accumulate points.
- Horses must be registered with the USHJA to accumulate points.
- Riders may not have competed at the national level in a USEF rated section at a USEF licensed competition after December 1 of the current competition year.
- Awards are presented based on the competitor's region of residence
- Competitors who are USHJA members will be able to track their points online.