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Official Rule Book

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OFFICIAL RULES

No matter how complete rules may be, they never can cover all possible situations. If a matter cannot be resolved by interpreting the rules to the letter, the solution by those responsible should follow as nearly as possible the spirit of the rules.

All matters and terms not otherwise specifically addressed or defined herein shall have the same treatment and meaning ascribed to them in the Official Rule Book of the United States Equestrian Federation (USEF).

Note: All previous San Fernando Hunter Jumper Association rules and historical items from 1977 to 2020 shall be incorporated into Southern California Horse Show Association.

PART I - SCHSA APPROVED HORSE SHOWS

Section 1: FACILITIES

All show grounds must be inspected and approved by members of the Southern California Horse Show Association (SCHSA) Show Committee or Executive Board before approval for a show will be given.

Minimum requirements are as follows:

- Water for dust control
- Water for exhibitors' horses
- Adequate restrooms
- Adequate jumps
- Warm-up areas exclusively for show exhibitors
- Adequate schooling fences including at least one vertical and one spread fence
- A public-address system adequate to cover the entire show grounds including the warm-up areas
- Ample parking for both exhibitors and spectators
- Food and beverages must be provided on the show grounds
- A two-ring format with over fences classes is mandatory in each ring
- Rings must be at least one hundred feet by two hundred feet (100'X200') in size
- A warm-up area must be large enough for multiple horses to warm-up at the same time and have at least two jumps set for schooling (a vertical and a spread fence)
- Medical personnel must be present during the show
- A veterinarian and a farrier must be present at or on call during the entire show

Section 2 – SHOW OFFICIALS

a. USEF Judges: must be USEF licensed judges (r or R) in the appropriate division.

b. Limitations on Judges: judges may not officiate at more than five (5) SCHSA approved shows in one calendar year with the exception of jumper divisions.

c. All course designers: course designers must be recognized equestrian professionals and must be at least twenty-one (21) years of age.

d. Show Manager: show managers must be senior members in good standing with SCHSA.

Section 3: SHOW APPLICATION AND APPROVAL

Each show must conform to the following requirements to achieve sanctioning by the Southern California Horse Show Association.

a. Location: SCHSA approves shows located from the California U.S. border in the South; to the Arizona border in the East; to and including San Luis Obispo County in the North.

b. Show Year: The show year runs from December 1st through November 30th. Any show that starts before the end of November and continues into December will be pointed for the November show year.

c. Minimum Competition Requirement: A sanctioned event must offer a minimum of three medal classes which may only be held once per show (with the exception of medal finals events, which may offer a last chance qualifier and a qualifying class for the new season). In an effort to streamline the medals, classes of the same height may be combined. For example, the 2'6" Junior and Amateur Horsemanship Medals may be held together. Additionally, a sanctioned event must offer at least twelve (12) SCHSA pointed divisions. Jumper only shows may offer only jumper divisions but must offer all SCHSA rated jumper divisions.

d. SCHSA Approval and Mileage: No show day will be granted SCHSA approval within fifty (50) miles of another approved show on the same day(s). Notwithstanding the foregoing, managers may agree to share a date within mileage restrictions, provided they submit a request for approval to the SCHSA Board within ninety (90) days of the event.

e. Show Dates: New and renewing show date applications are due and must be received in the SCHSA office by October 1st. Sanctioned show dates are issued to management with seniority as comparable to those dates of the previous year provided that the established shows' date applications together with the correct fees are received in the SCHSA office by October 1st of each year, provided further that a management has not voluntarily cancelled said show two years in a row. If management cancels a show voluntarily without making timely notification to the SCHSA office, they forfeit the sanctioning fee as well as the seniority for such show date. If management voluntarily cancels a show but provides to the SCHSA office written notice of such cancellation at least thirty (30) days prior to the scheduled show date, they will forfeit only the sanctioning fee and retain seniority for such date. If management cancels the same show date two years in a row voluntarily, and not pursuant to acts of God, such management loses their seniority for the following year and must reapply for such date equally with new applicants. If management voluntarily cancels a show more than ninety (90) days prior to the event and does not wish to retain seniority, sanctioning fees will be refunded less a \$50 office fee. If management wishes to hold a new show on a SCHSA date which remains or becomes open during the year after the October application deadline, both the written application for such date with show fees received and the SCHSA approval in connection therewith must be concluded at least ninety (90) days prior to the event. The SCHSA shall not be obliged to award an available date to any applicant, even if no other manager applies for such open date. Shows denied sanctioning approval will be refunded applicable application fees.

f. New Management and/or Facility Show Applications: A new horse show management and/or facility may be granted SCHSA approval with tentative dates. Permanent dates may be approved only after the new management has proven they can conduct such shows in full compliance with SCHSA show standards.

g. Sanctioning Fees: The sanctioning fees for a SCHSA approved show must be forwarded with the application for the proposed show date:

- One and two-day events: \$125.00
- Three-or-more multi-day events: \$250.00

- Medals only shows: \$65.00

h. Insurance Coverage: All show managers must provide the SCHSA office with a copy of the show insurance and must list the SCHSA as an additional insured prior to the commencement of the show.

i. Inactive Status: A show may declare inactive status at the time of application for the following year. This will allow the show manager to "bank" a date and still retain the rights to that date. A show may be banked for one year only. A show may not be banked if it was canceled the previous year. Approval fees shall still apply to the banked show.

j. Show Changes: If a show manager wishes to request a change in venue or number of sanctioned days for an event already listed on the SCHSA calendar, such request must be made in writing and received in the SCHSA office at least thirty (30) days prior to the show date. Requests which are not made in compliance with these terms will not be considered except due to an act of God

k. Medal Finals Events: All medal finals will be approved independently of any show. The medal finals approval is given at the discretion of the SCHSA Board. By granting a show the medal finals one year, the SCHSA Board does not imply or suggest the medal finals will be awarded to the same management or venue in the future. The Board may enter into a multi-year contract for medal finals at its discretion. The show awarded the medal finals may at the discretion of the Board of Directors be given SCHSA approval without the permission of any show manager with a conflicting date. The non-medal finals show manager will retain their date and the right to put on the show. SCHSA will not financially compensate the show manager. No new show will be granted SCHSA approval opposite a medal finals event. When a hosting opportunity becomes available for any of the medal finals, notice will be sent to all current SCHSA managers. Applicants need to submit a letter to the SCHSA Board outlining the advantages to our medal finalists, members, and the association by accepting their proposal. All requests will be considered and the decision of the SCHSA Board is final.

PART II - RULES GOVERNING OPERATION OF SHOWS

Section 1 – REQUIREMENTS OF SHOWS

a. Prize Lists: It is recommended that the proposed prize list be emailed in PDF format to Info@SCHSAOnline.org at least forty-five (45) days prior to the show. **All show managers must electronically distribute, or have available on a website, all show prize lists.** If the prize list is NOT in compliance with SCHSA rules and requires changes, SCHSA membership must be notified at the expense of the show manager. Prize lists must be received by the SCHSA office at least fourteen (14) days prior to an event.

b. Membership Form: A SCHSA membership application must appear in the prize list for all approved shows and must reference the correct address and fees for the SCHSA. A manager who uses incorrect membership forms will be fined the sum of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for such error.

c. Medal Class Fee: Show management will remit to SCHSA the sum of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for each SCHSA completed medal class.

d. Show Results Delivery Requirement: The approved show must submit, within ten calendar days of the last day of competition, a complete list of all class results, a complete list of entries, and list of combined classes. Riders' addresses, together with all appropriate fees, must be included. Results must be in a format to include the riders' age. Results may be sent via email in PDF form to Info@SCHSAOnline.org. Managers who do not make timely submissions of results will be assessed a penalty in the sum of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each five-day period such results remain outstanding.

e. Rules: All shows shall follow USEF rules unless otherwise specifically superseded by a SCHSA rule, in which case the SCHSA rule shall apply.

f. Rule Books: Rule Books for USEF and SCHSA must be available in the horse show office or the show must have online access for exhibitors' reference.

g. Protests: Protests must be made in writing and may be submitted online at the SCHSA website, www.SCHSAOnline.org or by email to Info@SCHSAOnline.org, or by mail to SCHSA, 24 Melrose Dr., Mission Viejo, CA 92692.

h. Class Specifications: Managers must follow class specifications exactly for SCHSA approved classes.

i. Non-Compliance: Upon evidence that any show was not conducted in full compliance with the requisite SCHSA rules, the Board of Directors may place a show on probation for the following year, with the following restrictions: (1) A show on probation will have no seniority or automatic rights to its date for the ensuing year. (2) A show on probation must pay the SCHSA a fee of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) per show in addition to its regular fees for show approval which will be used to hire a qualified person to attend the show and report to the Board of Directors with regard thereto. (3) After the show, the Board of Directors will determine whether the show shall be removed from probation, continue probation, or be dropped from the roster of approved shows.

j. Unpaid Entries: If an exhibitor's payment for any show fees, is returned as non-negotiable by a financial institution, a sanctioned show shall notify the SCHSA office in writing within twenty-one (21) days and provide the following information: (1) the name and address of exhibitor, (2) names of any horses entered, (3) names and address of owners, (4) a copy of the entry blank, and (5) a copy of bank notification. Upon receipt of such notice, the SCHSA office will notify said person by certified mail and inform them that unless settlement is made within fourteen (14) days, all points accrued by associated horses and/or rides during the show year will be forfeited. They will remain a "Member Not-In Good Standing" until all debts are paid in full. When proof of payment has been received by SCHSA from the management, the member must pay a fee of \$50.00 to SCHSA to reinstate points.

Section 2 – CONDUCT OF SHOWS

a. Schooling: Schooling may be allowed in classes where rider is eligible to ride and at manager's discretion.

b. Horse Ineligibility: A rider must be eligible to compete in a division or the horse will be ruled ineligible to compete in the rest of the classes in the division at that show.

c. Points: A minimum of three (3) exhibitors must compete, complete, and be placed, for the points to count. Classes may be combined within SCHSA specifications at management's discretion.

d. Split classes: Classes must be split if there are forty (40) or more horses entered, with ribbons awarded to each section.

e. Time limits: In the interest of the exhibitor, no horse show will start before 7:00a.m. or run longer than fourteen hours. Show management may be penalized the sum of fifty dollars (\$50.00) per hour or any part thereof for any violation of this time limit.

f. Classes Counting for Year-End Awards: At single day shows only the first two over fences and first flat class of any hunter or equitation division as listed in the prize list will count toward year-end point totals, with the exception of walk/trot where pleasure, obedience and horsemanship classes may also count, but with a maximum of six (6) classes to count toward points. At multiple day shows a maximum of 4 over fences and 1 flat class will count toward year-end, point totals. These will be the first 4 over fences and first flat class as listed in the schedule.

g. Fence heights: Fence heights offered at a show will be determined by height listed in the official prize list. Heights listed in time schedules, course diagrams, trainer sheets, or any other materials will

be superseded by the prize list unless notice is given to exhibitors and posted in the show office that information in prize list is a misprint, incorrect or not compliant with USEF or SCHSA Rules.

PART III - MEMBERSHIP

Life Membership	\$450.00	(Life Membership does not include Horse Registration)
Senior Membership	\$70.00	
Junior Membership	\$70.00	Blue Ribbon Business/Farm \$120.00
Professional Membership	\$70.00	
(One Horse Registration is included with each annual Junior & Senior Membership, Amateur or Professional)		
Horse Registration	1 Year - \$20.00 • Life - \$100.00	

Note: Horse owner or lessee must be a current SCHSA member. There is no charge to transfer horse ownership between current SCHSA Members. Membership may be applied for or renewed by mail, via the SCHSA website, or at sanctioned horse shows. Memberships received by mail must include payment by check or credit card to be accepted. Memberships are valid on the day received. Memberships received from a sanctioned event in the official show packet are valid from the first day of that event. There is a seven (7) day grace period following the close of any SCHSA sanctioned horseshow to join the organization in order to have points from that show count. It is the responsibility of all riders, parents, and trainers to understand eligibility rules and to maintain eligibility as described for each section. If a payment for membership is returned by the financial institution as non-negotiable or credit card payment is declined, all points, medal qualifications, and benefits of membership are suspended. The member will be notified and given 14 days to replace the non-negotiable payment, reimburse all bank fees charged to the association and pay a minimum \$25.00 administrative fee to reinstate membership status, points, and medal qualifications.

PART IV - SCHSA MEDAL CLASSES

Section 1 - MEDAL CLASSES – GENERAL RULES & SPECIFICATIONS

The SCHSA offers six medal classes. A show manager may determine to hold a minimum of three of the six, SCHSA medal classes which must be offered at all SCHSA approved events. Medal classes may not be run on an open card with other classes, except for the 3' Junior Hunt Seat Medal class with the 3' Amateur Hunt Seat Medal class or the 2'6" Junior Horsemanship Medal class with the 2'6" Amateur Horsemanship Medal class.

- a. To participate in a medal class, a rider must be eligible by age on the day the rider competes in the medal class, as well as the date on which the medal finals are held. Age of rider is determined according to USEF Rules.
- b. Following the current year Medal Finals, riders must compete in the age division they wish to qualify for the next competition year. For example, when competing at shows held after the 3' Junior Hunt Seat Medal, a rider who would become 18 (show age) the following year would compete in the 3' Amateur Hunt Seat medal classes. (Note: this rule applies to medal classes only and not divisions, such as hunters or equitation.)
- c. At least three (3) exhibitors must compete, complete, and be placed for the points to count.
- d. Points will be awarded as follows: 1st/6, 2nd/4 3rd/3, 4th/2, 5th/1.

e. Three (3) points qualifies a rider for the medal finals. Riders may continue to compete after qualifying, except for the last chance qualifying class held at the medal final events.

f. Riders must maintain eligibility through the finals.

g. SCHSA medal classes may run concurrently and be judged on the same card as other organizations with the same specifications at management's discretion.

Section 2 - SCHSA FUTURES MEDAL CLASS

This class is subject to all rules as applicable above under Medal Classes Section 1

a. This class will consist of one round over a course of at least 8 fences not to exceed two feet three inches in height (2'3"), with a minimum of one change of direction and a built-in work off. There shall be no combinations or oxers on course. No two fences will be set fewer than three strides (approximately 48') apart in the SCHSA Futures Medal Class.

b. This class is restricted to junior and amateur members who have not competed in a class where fences are listed in the prize list to be set higher than two feet six inches (2'6") in height, with the exception of .80m jumpers and 2'6" hunter derbies with option fences.

Section 3 - SCHSA 3' JUNIOR HUNT SEAT AND 3' AMATEUR HUNT SEAT MEDAL CLASSES

This class is subject to all rules as applicable above under Medal Classes Section 1

a. This class shall consist of one round over fences (which counts for 60% of the score) and a flat phase (which counts for 40% of the score).

b. The course will consist of at least eight fences set at three feet (3') in height, with two changes of direction. At least one combination, including an oxer, is optional.

c. To be eligible to compete in the SCHSA 3' Junior Hunt Seat Medal class or SCHSA 3' Amateur Hunt Seat Medal class, a rider must be a junior or senior member (see Section 1a above), as applicable, and may not have competed in any class with fences exceeding three feet three inches (3'3") or 1.0m in height. To be eligible to compete in that year's medal finals, a rider may not compete in classes above the restricted height. After a period of five years has elapsed from the time a rider has competed in a class exceeding 3'3" or 1.0m, that rider regains eligibility to compete in the SCHSA 3' Junior Hunt Seat Medal or SCHSA 3' Amateur Hunt Seat Medal.

d. The same horse and equipment must be used in both phases, except for martingales, which must not be used in the flat phase.

e. All riders must ride in both phases to be placed.

Section 4 - SCHSA 2'6" JUNIOR HORSEMANSHIP AND 2'6" AMATEUR HORSEMANSHIP MEDAL CLASSES

This class is subject to all rules as applicable above under Medal Classes Section 1

a. This class shall consist of one round over fences (which counts for 60% of the score) and a flat phase (which counts for 40% of the score).

b. The course will consist of at least eight fences set at two feet six inches (2'6") in height, with two changes of direction. No combinations may be used, and no two fences will be set fewer than three strides (approximately 48') apart.

c. To be eligible to compete in the SCHSA 2'6" Junior Horsemanship Medal class or SCHSA 2'6" Amateur Horsemanship Medal class, a rider must be a junior or senior member (see Section 1a above)

and may not have shown in any class where fence heights are posted at three feet (3') or higher, except for the .95M jumper classes.

d. After qualifying, a rider may compete and/or win classes above the restricted height, including, but not exceeding 3' and still be eligible for that year's medal finals; however, that rider is not eligible for SCHSA 2'6" medal class the following year.

e. After a period of five years has elapsed since a rider has competed at three feet (3') or higher, with exceptions as indicated above, that rider regains eligibility to compete in the SCHSA 2'6" Junior Horsemanship Medal or SCHSA 2'6" Amateur Horsemanship Medal classes.

f. The same horse and equipment must be used in both phases, except for martingales, which must not be used in the flat phase.

g. All riders must ride in both phases to be placed.

Section 5 --SCHSA 3'3" CHALLENGE MEDAL CLASS

This class is subject to all rules as applicable above under Medal Classes Section 1

a. Open to junior and amateur SCHSA members who have not won a 3'6" medal finals.

b. The course will consist of at least eight fences, three feet three inches (3'3") in height, with at least two changes of direction and at least one combination including an oxer. A work-off of the top three riders is mandatory with up to five at the judge's discretion. A work-off may be on the flat or over fences, and riders cannot be asked to switch horses.

c. Jumper type fences may be used; however, banks and liver pools are not allowed.

d. A minimum of three riders will work off using USEF tests 1-20.

PART V - MEDAL FINALS

Section 1 - MEDAL FINALS – GENERAL RULES & SPECIFICATIONS

a. To be eligible to compete in the final Medal qualifier at a medal final event, rider and trainer must be members prior to the start of the class.

b. No Horse shall be ridden in more than one medal final held on the same show day, except by the same rider as eligible. The same horse must be used for all phases of a final. Exceptions may be approved by an executive board member and the Finals Technical Delegate.

c. Any protest relating to medal final qualifications must be submitted to a SCHSA Board Member, in writing, within 24 hours of the start of that medal final class.

d. MEDAL FINALS DRAWS: It is the responsibility of the riders and/or their trainers to enter a medal finals class before the draw. Riders not entered in a timely manner will not be included in the draw and once eligibility is confirmed, will be placed at the beginning of the class.

Section 2 - 3' JUNIOR AND AMATEUR HUNT SEAT MEDAL FINALS 2'6" JUNIOR AND AMATEUR HORSEMANSHIP MEDAL FINALS

The medal finals in each division, based on the rider's age and fence height as qualified, will consist of two phases: one round over fences, and a flat phase. The same equipment and horse must be used in both phases, except that martingales may not be used in the flat phase. The martingale may be replaced for a jumping work-off. Riders must be the correct age for their division as of the date of the medal finals to be eligible to compete. Riders will draw for their order of go. Judges will sit together for the flat phase giving each rider a combined score. The judges may sit together or separately for the over fences phase: but give two scores with their scores being announced after each rider. The point values will be combined in the ratio of 60% for jumping and 40% for flat. The judges scores will be averaged and multiplied by 60% for the over fences and 40% for the flat. A minimum of four riders, as well as any rider within three points of the leader will be called back for a work off. Scores from the over fences round and the flat phase will be added together and carried over to determine the work-off order, which will be Judges' reverse order of preference. The judges will sit together during the work off and will use the scores from all three phases to determine the final placings. The work-off scores will not be announced.

Section 3 - CHALLENGE MEDAL FINAL

The SCHSA Challenge Medal Final will consist of two rounds over a three-foot-three-inch (3'3") course of fences. The first-round order will be drawn and the second round will be determined by rider score, low score to high. All riders will show in both rounds. The judges will sit separately during the first two rounds, each of which will count 50%. The Judges' scores from each round will be averaged and then those averages will be added for a two-round total. A minimum of four riders plus any rider within three points of the leader will return to work off. The judges will sit together during the work off and will use the scores from all three phases to determine the final placings. The work-off scores will not be announced.

Section 4 - FUTURES MEDAL FINAL

The Futures Medal Final will consist of two rounds over a two-foot-three-inch (2'3") course of fences. The first-round order will be drawn and the second round will be determined by rider score, low score to high. All riders will show in both rounds. The judges will sit separately during the first two rounds, each of which will count 50%. The Judges' scores from each round will be averaged and then those averages will be added for a two-round total. A minimum of four riders plus any rider within three points of the leader will return to work off. The judges will sit together during the work off and will use the scores from all three phases to determine the final placings. The work-off scores will not be announced. There will be no combinations on course. USEF tests 1-8 may be used. Riders will not be asked to ride without stirrups.

Section 5 - TECHNICAL DELIGATE/JUDGES

There must be a Technical Delegate (TD) for all SCHSA Medal Finals. The TD will be appointed by the Board and will be responsible for meeting with the officials, management, and course designer before the event to make sure they understand the format and scoring of the class. The TD will be present during all aspects of the class and is responsible for ensuring the technical requirements are met. In case of a dispute the TD's decision is final. Management will be responsible for the fee of \$275, as well as lodging, meals and transportation, if necessary.

SCHSA Board has the right to approve the judges used in the medal finals from those hired by the show. Additionally, SCHSA may pay for the second judge, if requested by show management and determined by SCHSA to be in its best interest. SCHSA will cover the cost of the second judge's fee, travel and lodging, if necessary, unless show management uses the judge in any other capacity.

Section 6 - MEDAL FINALS POINT CALCULATIONS

The Board will appoint a person to calculate the scores for all SCHSA medal finals. Horse show management will be responsible for the fee of \$50.00 per medal final or \$150.00 per day whichever is greater.

PART VI – DIVISION POINTS

- a. Points are awarded as follows: 1st/7, 2nd/5, 3rd/4, 4th/3, 5th/2, 6th/1.
- b. Memberships and horse registration must be current for points to accrue.
- c. At least three exhibitors must compete, complete and be placed for a class to count for points.
- d. Restricted classes, other than by age or fence height, do not receive points.
- e. All point standings are final on the 15th of the month following the date the points are posted to the association website. Point standings for year-end become final on November 30th. Written or emailed point discrepancy reports must be received before points become final to be considered.

PART VII - SCHSA APPROVED DIVISIONS

In each division an award is given, points are totaled for the 10 best shows plus the points accrued at the SCHSA championship show. In case of a tie the championship will go to the horse/rider with the greater number of points over fences using the same 10 shows.

A horse or rider must compete in at least 3 SCHSA rated shows in any SCHSA approved division(s) and accrue at least 18 points in the same division to be eligible to receive a year-end award. A division must be held at least 5 times for a year-end award to be given.

Section 1 - HUNTER & EQUITATION DIVISIONS

The following divisions are approved by SCHSA and receive year-end awards. A minimum of 3 exhibitors must compete, complete the class, and be placed for points to count. Riders, Trainers, Horse Owner or Lessee, and Horse must be current members for points to accrue in hunter designated divisions. Riders and Trainers must be current members for points to accrue in equitation and 2'3" or under divisions. **Note:** At one day shows only the first three (3) over fences and one (1) under saddle will count for points in hunter divisions and only the first two (2) over fences and one equitation on the flat will count for points in equitation divisions.

JUNIOR HUNTERS, 3'3" or 3'6"

May be combined with Amateur Owner Hunters for points to count if less than 3 entries

AMATEUR OWNER HUNTERS, 3'3" or 3'6"

May be combined with Junior Hunters for points to count if less than 3 entries

ADULT AMATEUR HUNTERS, 3'

May be combined with Children's Hunters for points to count if less than 3 entries

CHILDREN'S HUNTERS, 3'

May be combined with Adult Amateur Hunters for points to count when less than 3 entries

AMATEUR EQUITATION, 3'-3'3"

May be combined with Junior Equitation for points to count when less than 3 entries

JUNIOR EQUITATION, 3'-3'3"

May be combined with Amateur Equitation for points to count if less than 3 entries

LOW HUNTER DIVISON, 2'9 - 3'

This division has no entry restrictions

LOW HUNTER DIVISON, 2'6.

This division has no entry restrictions.

GREEN HUNTER DIVISON, 3' - 3'6"

Open to horses in their first 3 years of showing. May not have jumped in classes where fences are posted to be set over 3'6"".

PERFORMANCE HUNTER DIVISION, 3'3" - 3'6"

This division is open but designed to reward our professional riders.

LOW CHILD/ ADULT 2'3" HUNTER**LOW CHILD/ ADULT 2'3" EQUITATION****LOW CHILD/ ADULT 2'6" HUNTER****LOW CHILD/ ADULT 2'6" EQUITATION****LOW CHILD/ ADULT 2'9" HUNTER****LOW CHILD/ ADULT 2'9" EQUITATION**

Horse/rider combination may not cross-enter into other fence heights at the same show. No combinations allowed.

CROSS RAIL DIVISION

Any/all age break splits at shows are eligible for points. Riders may not enter or compete in classes where fence heights are posted to be set higher than 2' at any show. Points are totaled on the rider – if two horses or ponies are ridden by the same rider, only the one with the highest score in the class will be counted.

WALK-TROT DIVISION

To be eligible for walk trot a rider may not compete in any other classes at that show Except Cross Rails. Once a rider has competed over 18" fences rider may not return to the Walk-Trot division. Points are totaled on the rider – if two horses or ponies are ridden, by the same rider, only the one with the highest score in that class will be counted.

SILVER (17 & Under) and GOLDEN (18 & Over) STIRRUP DIVISIONS, 2'

Riders may not enter or compete in classes where fence heights are posted to be set higher than 2'3". Age breaks with same fence heights, may be combined for points to count when less than 3 entries. Points are totaled on the rider.

PONY DIVISIONS**PONY HUNTERS**

Small 2'3", Medium 2'6", Large 2'9". May be combined, but ponies will jump their respective height by size or as combined by show.

PONY EQUITATION

Small 2'3", Medium 2'6", Large 2'9". May be combined, but ponies will jump their respective height by size or as combined by show.

CHILDRENS PONY DIVISION

2' or 2'3" for Small/Med and 2'6" for Large. Fence height for Small/Medium ponies is at Management discretion.

DERBY DIVISIONS

Derbies follow the same year-end point accumulation as listed at the beginning of this section. Points are 1st – 12/ 2nd – 11/ 3rd – 10/ 4th – 9/ 5th – 8/ 6th – 7/ 7th – 6/ 8th – 5/ 9th – 4/ 10th – 3/ 11th –

2/ 12th – 1. 10 points qualifies a horse/rider combination to be invited to compete in the Derby Finals. Horse/ rider combinations may continue to compete after qualifying.

DERBY 2'-2'3" Junior/ Amateur

DERBY 2'6"-2'9" Junior/ Amateur

DERBY 3' Open

Section 2 – Jumper Divisions

The following divisions are approved by SCHSA and receive year-end awards. A minimum of 3 exhibitors must compete, complete the class, and be placed for points to count. Riders, Trainers, Horse Owner or Lessee, and Horse must be current members for points to accrue in jumper designated divisions. Classes designated as Stake or Classics will count toward year-end points.

LOW CHILDREN'S/ADULT AMATEUR JUMPERS: *Fences .65m/.70m - .80m/.85m*

HIGH CHILDREN'S/ADULT AMATEUR JUMPERS: *Fences .90m/.95m – 1.00m/1.05m - 1.10m*

OPEN JUMPERS *Fences .70m/.75m - .80m/.85m - .90m/.95m – 1.00m/1.05m – 1.10m*

PART VIII - YEAR END HIGH POINT AWARDS

A rider must accrue at least 50 points and have points at a minimum of 3 shows to be eligible to receive a year-end high point award.

AMATEUR OWNER HIGH POINT RIDER (May compete at 3'6" or 3'3")

Points calculated from equitation classes and Amateur Owner Hunters

JUNIOR HIGH POINT RIDER (May compete at 3'6" or 3'3")

Points calculated from equitation classes and Junior

ADULT AMATEUR HIGH POINT RIDER 3'

Points calculated from equitation classes and Adult Amateur Hunters

CHILDREN'S HIGH POINT RIDER 3'

Points calculated from equitation and Children's Hunters

DIVISION NOTES: Equitation riders who show in both Amateur Owner and Adult Amateur Hunters or Junior and Children's Hunters must declare into which high point division their equitation points will go. Declarations must be received by July 1st of the current show year or points will go into the last hunter division in which the rider participated. Riders only accruing equitation points toward a high point award must also declare which division or accept the division the office selects.

PONY RIDER HIGH POINT

Points from Pony Hunters (Small 2'3", Medium 2'6", Large 2'9"), and Pony Rider Equitation calculated separately for respective divisions and added together for Pony High Point Rider Award.

LOW JUMPER HIGH POINT, .65m - .85m

If a horse has competed in more than two divisions during a competition year, points will be calculated from the two divisions with the highest number of points earned.

HIGH JUMPER HIGH POINT, .90m – 1.10m

If a horse has competed in more than two divisions during a competition year, points will be calculated from the two divisions with the highest number of points earned.

LOW CHILD/ ADULT HIGHT POINT, 2'3" – 2'9"

Horses/riders may compete at various height levels (2'3" – 2'9") during the show year with points counting toward the overall high point.

PART IX– SPECIAL AWARDS

- a. **SILKS TO SHOW RING:** Founded by Lisa Thorpe and is awarded to the Thoroughbred with the highest number of points accrued in any divisions. Horses must be declared as Thoroughbreds, with Jockey Club paperwork or proof of lip tattoo, in the SCHSA office as a Thoroughbred by October 1st.
- b. **SPORTSMANSHIP:** Founded by Rainbow Canyon Ranch, this award is presented to the person who best exemplifies true sportsmanship and horsemanship. Someone who is not there just for the ribbons, but for the challenge of the competition and to better their personal best. This person not only finds joy in winning, but in helping others to win. They rise above adversity or help others to do so. Nominations must be submitted to the SCHSA Office by December 10th of the current year to be considered. Winner must be a current SCHSA Member.
- c. **SHINING STAR AWARD:** Founded by Rainbow Canyon Ranch and selected by the Board. This award is given to someone who has made a positive impact on the association and/or its members. A person who through their example or efforts raised the quality of the association and our sport, encouraging others to do the same. Open to parents, trainers, show staff, etc. Winner does not have to be an exhibitor or SCHSA member.