



## **USHJA Zone Finals and/or Championship Procedures**

**In order to better serve their members, zones may choose to have multiple Finals and/or Championships in a variety of locations; however, all Zone Finals and/or Championships must meet the requirements below.**

### **ZONE HUNTER/JUMPER FINALS**

USHJA Zone Finals may be conducted at two different levels: Golden Spur Finals and Stirrup Cup Finals. All award categories must be held at each event and cannot be split between different competitions. Request for an exemption for not holding all award categories may be addressed to the USHJA Executive Committee and must be done prior to sending out competition bid packets. Both levels will award bonus points for eight placings in all classes and champion and reserve for each section.

1. **Golden Spur Zone Finals:** All award categories that count for Zone Horse of The Year must be offered. Points earned in contiguous states will count for qualifying. Qualifying criteria will be decided by each zone.
2. **Stirrup Cup Finals:** The award categories used for the Stirrup Cup awards at the B & C rated competitions must be offered. Points earned in contiguous states will count for qualifying. Participants must qualify by earning points from a minimum of three competitions. Sections to be offered include the following: Amateur Owner Hunter, Junior Hunter, Pony Hunter, Children's Hunter Horse, Children's Hunter Pony, Adult Amateur Hunter, Low Junior/Amateur Owner Jumpers and Children's/Adult Amateur Jumpers.

### **USHJA ZONE FINALS- ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

- Hunter Sections will consist of minimum of two Over Fences Classes and one Under Saddle Class as defined in HU148.
- In order to be eligible to participate, all participants must be USEF/USHJA members and horses be USEF recorded, USHJA registered and owners reside in the zone.

- Participants will only be allowed to compete at one Zone Finals per level each year.
- Zones that do not hold a current USEF competition license, and choose to ask a USEF licensed competition to host their USHJA Zone Finals must use the USHJA bid process in selecting the site for the finals. As of 12/1/2010, Zones that do not already maintain a current USEF license, who wish to obtain a USEF competition license must apply through USHJA. When the Zone Committee has determined the competition criteria, the USHJA Zones, Data, and Competitions Department will send notification that bids are open for the USHJA Zone Finals and that the bid packet is posted on the zone website for them to print and send back to USHJA. All members in the zone will receive notification that bids are open. After all packets have been received, the zone committee will make selection recommendations for the USHJA Executive Committee's approval.

### **Zone Finals Bonus Point Chart**

<b>Placing</b>	<b>Bonus Points for each class</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>40</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Champion</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Reserve</b>	<b>75</b>

- **Champion and Reserve bonus points will be given to Zone Hunter Finals sections that follow HU148. Champions will receive 100 bonus points for each section completed and Reserve Champions will receive 75 bonus points.**
- **Children's Jumper, Adult Jumper, Pony Jumper, 5-Year Old, 6-Year Old, and 7/8-Year Old Jumper will receive points from the Zone Finals Bonus Point Chart excluding Champion and Reserve points.**
- **Junior Jumper, Amateur Owner Jumper points will be based on one point for every dollar won unless no money is awarded and then these classes will receive the points from the Zone Finals Bonus Point Chart excluding Champion and Reserve points.**

## **USHJA ZONE HUNTER/JUMPER CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**USHJA Zone Championships** provide an alternate way that a zone can provide recognition to its membership. A Zone may choose to hold Zone Championship classes by designating one class in a section as the Zone Championship class at a Regular Member Competition held within the Zone. All Zone Championship classes may be held at one competition or a Zone may choose to hold championship classes for different sections at different competitions. Each designated championship class will award bonus points. In this format, which uses only one class per section to determine the championship, no champion or reserve points are awarded.

### **Zone Championship Bonus Point Chart**

<b>Placing</b>	<b>Bonus Points for each class</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>80</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>70</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>60</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>40</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>20</b>

**Zone Championship Classes will only receive the bonus points for 1-8<sup>th</sup> places.**

#### **USHJA ZONE CHAMPIONSHIP - ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

- In order to be eligible to participate, all participants must be USEF/USHJA members and horses be USEF recorded, USHJA registered and owners reside in the zone.

#### **USHJA ZONE EQUITATION FINALS AND/OR REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**Refer to EQ107.**