

# 2024

## **Hunter Jumper Exhibitors of Oklahoma Constitution and Bylaws**

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*Any occurrence at an HJEO recognized competition that is not covered by these Constitution and Bylaws will be evaluated by the Board of Directors with rule reference from a current USEF Rulebook. Charges and/or administrative penalties will be determined at the discretion of the Board.*

*The rules published herein are effective February 13, 2024 unless otherwise specified at the time of their enactment and will remain in effect except as superseded by rule changes enacted by the Board of Directors as published on the website at [www.HJEO.com](http://www.HJEO.com)*

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# Constitution

## Article I – Name

The name of this association is **Hunter and Jumper Exhibitors of Oklahoma, Inc.** Herein referred to as HJEO. It is a 'not for profit' corporation registered with the Secretary of State of Oklahoma with a 'Certificate of Good Standings'. HJEO was established in 1991. HJEO operates and is in current standing as a 501(c)5 nonprofit organization.

## Article II - Purpose

The purpose of the association shall be to provide year-end awards, to improve the quality of horses, riders, and shows, and to increase trade of the Hunter and Jumper industry in Oklahoma.

## Article III - Membership

**Sec. 1.** Membership in the association runs from December 1 to November 30. Membership is required before a member can accumulate points toward an annual award (See also Bylaws Art I, Sec 1). Memberships shall be considered current for the entire competition year if received prior to or at the Annual Awards Banquet. Memberships turned in at a horse show will be considered active from the first day of the show through the remainder of the year. Memberships sent by mail will be considered active from the date postmarked on the envelope through the remainder of the year.

**Sec. 2.** The following membership options are available:

- a. Individual Annual Membership: \$40
- b. Family Annual Membership: \$70 (Parents and their dependents qualify)
- c. Individual 3 Year Membership: \$105
- d. Family 3 Year Membership: \$180
- e. Individual Lifetime Membership: \$300
- f. Family Lifetime Membership: \$525 (Parents and their dependents qualify)

Lifetime members receive all benefits and opportunities of membership without further payment of dues.

**Sec. 3.** A member who has an indebtedness to any HJEO recognized competition or event, to HJEO, or to any of its board members shall have their membership suspended until that indebtedness is settled in full. A member with an indebtedness shall be notified by return receipt certified mail, email or by phone text no later than 90 days after the occurrence of the indebtedness, and shall have 30 calendar days following receipt of such notice to settle the indebtedness, after which time the indebtedness shall be turned over to the Board of Directors. Continued failure to satisfy this indebtedness shall cause suspension of the member, and any and all horses owned by that member.

**Sec. 4.** HJEO shall have available on the website, a current copy of the constitution and bylaws and a list of all hunter jumper competitions with HJEO recognized divisions scheduled for the current year.

## **Article IV – Horse Registration**

**Sec. 1.** For a horse to accumulate points toward an annual award, its owner or lessee must be a current member of the association. No registration of the horse is necessary. It is the owner or lessee's responsibility to notify the HJEO Points Secretary of any name change of a horse and to correctly list himself on all entry forms.

## **Article V - Directors**

**Sec. 1.** Directors of the association shall be any interested hunter-jumper professional or equine professional related to the hunter jumper industry. All interested professionals are eligible to be directors of the association. The directors shall have the general management of the affairs of the association and may make contracts in its name and on its behalf, or authorize such contracts to be made by officers of the association. The Board of Directors shall keep a record of its proceedings and shall have them available to its members. No quorum is required to do business. To be eligible to vote, a director must have attended at least fifty percent of the HJEO board meetings held in the preceding twelve months and have a current membership.

Committee meetings do not count as board meetings.

# Bylaws

## Article I - Award Qualifications

**Sec. 1.** For a horse to be eligible to accumulate points towards an annual award, the owner or lessee must be a current member of the association. See Const. Art III, Sec 1.

**Sec. 2.** For a rider to be eligible to accumulate points toward an annual award, the rider must be a current member of the association.

**Sec. 3.** For further qualification requirements regarding rated awards, see Article III, Sections 1-7.

**Sec. 4.** For further qualification requirements regarding unrated awards, see Article IV, 1-15.

## Article II – Point System

Refer to USEF point tabulation (GR1132)

Point Tabulation for Rated Hunters & Jumpers & Equitation  
In rated hunter sections, equitation, and jumpers under 1.30, points are listed on the increment chart below.

	3-8 exhibitors	9-15 exhibitors	16-25 exhibitors	25+ exhibitors
1st	15	20	25	30
2nd	10	15	20	25
3rd	8	12	16	20
4th	6	9	12	15
5th	5	8	11	14
6th	4	7	10	13
7th	3	6	9	12
8th	2	5	8	11

For the purpose of calculating points, the number of entries for all classes in a section is determined by the number of entries that compete in the first performance class of the section, except the High Performance Hunter, Performance Hunter 3'6", and Performance Hunter 3'3", where points will be calculated based on the number of entries that competed per individual class. In the under saddle classes points will be calculated on the number of horses entered. If the first performance class of the hunter section has fewer than three entries that compete, points will be determined by the number of entries that competed in the second performance class of the section. Jumper classes under 1.30m will be calculated by the number of entries in each class. Hunter division champions will be awarded 2.0 times the total 1st place point value

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

### **Schooling Points Table**

<b>Number in Class</b>	<b>Placing in Class</b>					
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>3+ riders</b>	10	6	4	3	2	1

**Jumpers 1.30m+ will be awarded year end standings based on monies earned.**

### **Article III – USEF Rated Awards Qualification and Categories**

**Sec. 1.** Rated awards are based on points from an exhibitors 10 best USEF or OHJA rated "O" shows with a maximum of no more than 5 of those being "O" shows. Rated awards shall be based upon an exhibitor attending a minimum of two Oklahoma shows, or 50% of their counted shows must be in Oklahoma. Exceptions to this rule shall be divisions that the Oklahoma shows do not offer or offer in insufficient numbers or if there is an insufficient number of Oklahoma shows.

**Sec. 2.** In order to accumulate points and be eligible for year end awards in the rated division, horse and rider must be nominated and pay the associated fees for each division they wish to be recognized in. Points will begin accumulating based on the date of the nomination.

**Sec. 3.** The association shall offer year-end awards in the following USEF recognized divisions:

**Hunter**

Children's  
 Adult Amateur  
 Junior (3'3", 3'6") Amateur  
 Owner (3'3", 3'6") Pony  
 (Sm, Med, Lg) Green Pony  
 (Sm, Med, Lg) Children's  
 Pony  
 Green (3', 3'3")  
 Green (3'6", 3'9")  
 Performance (3'3", 3'6")  
 High Performance  
 Conformation (Green, Reg)  
 USHJA Thoroughbred (3')  
 Non Pro 2'3" and under  
 Non Pro 2'6" - 2'9"

**Jumper**

1m-1.10m  
 1.15m-1.25m  
 1.30m-up  
 Children's (Low, High)  
 Adult (Low, High)  
 Junior  
 Amateur Owner

**Equitation**

Pony Junior  
 Children's  
 Adult

**Sec. 4.** In the event of two or fewer horses accumulating points in any USEF rated division, the association may cancel Year-End Award presentation of the division for that year. The board may decide to split or combine any divisions if the number of entries warrant.

**Sec. 5.** The association shall accept points from shows that allow cross entry between Children/Junior hunters or Amateur-Owner/Adult Amateur hunters, as well as those shows which do not.

**Sec. 6.** No cross entry in Children's Equitation and any Equitation class at 3'6" or higher at any show.

## **Article IV – Schooling Division Award Qualifications and Categories**

**Sec. 1.** To receive an award in any HJEO Schooling division, a rider must have entered and shown at a minimum of three shows in that division. Schooling division awards are based on points from a maximum of each rider's five best in-state schooling shows. For a year-end award to be offered in a division, a minimum of three qualified riders must accumulate points in that division. Points shall be awarded on the schedule listed in Article II. No points will be awarded for champion or reserve champion placement.

**Sec. 2.** Awards are given in the following categories:

<b>Hunter</b>	<b>Equitation</b>	<b>Jumper</b>
Short Stirrup	Short Stirrup	Puddle/.65m-.85m
Long Stirrup	Long Stirrup	Future/.90m-.95m
Academy Short/Long Stirrup 2'	Academy Short/Long Stirrup 2"	TIP .85m
Hunter	Equitation	
Child Beginner (-17)	Child Beginner (-17)	
Adult Beginner (18+) Academy	Adult Beginner (18+) Academy	
Child Beginner	Child Beginner (-17)	
(-17)	Academy Adult Beginner	
2'3" Very Low	(18+)	
Child Intermediate (-17) Adult	Child Intermediate (-17) Adult	
Intermediate (18+) 2'6" Hunter	Intermediate (18+) Modified	
Baby Green	Child/Adult	
Modified Children's/Adult		
Open (3', 3'3")	Equiventure Challenge	
TIP (2'6")	Midwest Equitation Challenge	
Non-Pro Handy Hunter		
Challenge/Derby		

**Sec 3.** General Class Specifications:

- Short Stirrup Hunters and Equitation will be held at 18", no oxers allowed, trotting not to be penalized. Only riders aged 10 and under are eligible. Exhibitors may only be asked to walk and trot in the flat classes.
- Long Stirrup Hunters and Equitation will be held at 18", no oxers allowed, trotting not to be penalized. Only riders aged 11 and over are eligible. Exhibitors may only be asked to walk and trot in the flat classes.
- Academy Short/Long Stirrup Hunters and Equitation will be held at 18", no oxers allowed, trotting not to be penalized. Exhibitors may only be asked to walk and trot in the flat classes.
- 2' Hunters and Equitation will be held at 2' with no oxers allowed. Trotting is not to be penalized. Exhibitors may only be asked to walk and trot in the flat classes.
- Child Beginner Hunters and Equitation will be held at 2'3" and is open to riders aged 17 and under.
- Adult Beginner Hunters and Equitation will be held at 2'3" and is open to riders aged 18 and over.
- Child Intermediate Hunters and Equitation will be held at 2'6" and is open to riders aged 17 and under.
- Adult Intermediate Hunters and Equitation will be held at 2'6" and is open to riders aged 18 and over.
- Baby Green Hunters will be held at 2'6" and is open to horses aged six years and under **or** horses in their first or second year of showing.
- Modified Childrens/Adult Hunters and Equitation will be held at 2'9".

**Sec. 4. a.** Three exhibitors must have been entered and shown in a class for points to be awarded at full value based on the schooling point chart in Article II. If a division cannot be combined and held with another division to satisfy the 3 exhibitor requirement, then the division can be held with two exhibitors and points awarded at a lowered point scale of 1st-- 3 pts and 2nd- 1pt. (effective December 1, 2023)

b. In the event of two or fewer horses accumulating points in any schooling division, the association may cancel the Year-End Award presentation of the division for that year. The Board may decide to split or combine any divisions if the numbers of entries warrant.

c. Show management may split or combine any of the following divisions at their discretion: Short, Long and Academy Short/Long Stirrup classes, Beginner Child and Adult Hunter, Intermediate Child and Adult Hunter, and their corresponding equitation classes.

**Sec. 5. The HJEO Mini Medal** must be offered at all recognized HJEO schooling shows. Riders must be current HJEO members. The class is open to eligible beginner and intermediate riders showing 2'6". The class must have a minimum of three riders and only one horse per rider. Fences set at 2'6". Riders must be entered in both the intermediate equitation O/F class and the HJEO Mini Medal. The class will be run as a regular equitation O/F round with an equitation style test to commence immediately after the last fence of the intermediate round is jumped. Test will be limited to USEF Equitation tests 1-10. First and second place winners are qualified for the HJEO Mini Medal Ride-Off. All qualified may continue to show in the mini medal for the remainder of the year.

a. **HJEO Mini Medal Ride-Off**- Open to qualified riders at HJEO Fall Finale. Fences 2'6". One horse per rider. Riders must have competed at two HJEO recognized shows prior to the ride-off. All riders to show an equitation style course over fences. Only Equitation counts. The top 4-6 riders to be tested by the judge. Limited to USEF Equitation tests 1-10. The rider that wins the HJEO Mini-Medal Ride-Off is no longer eligible to compete in future HJEO Mini-Medals.

**Sec. 6. The HJEO Hunter Ride-Off** This ride-off is open to a total of 25 of the top horse/rider combination point earners in year-end standings from all Beginner, Intermediate, and Academy Beginner Hunter divisions. Riders must be current HJEO members. Fences 2'6". All horses will compete in the first round and all shall receive a numerical score. The top 10 to 12 riders will return for the second round in order from low score to high score. The winner is the horse with the highest combined score from both rounds. The horse/rider combination winning this ride-off is no longer eligible to compete in this year end ride-off. Points from this class may count toward the riders Beginner or Intermediate division points at that show.

**Sec. 7. The HJEO 2'6"-2'9" Non Pro Handy Hunter Challenge/Derby** is open to all non pro riders and horse/rider combinations that have not competed in any class with fences 3'3" or higher or in derbies or classics offering prize money over \$4500 at any show. This class may be offered at an HJEO competition as a stand alone class, the day after a competition, or as a stand alone competition as long as management abides by the HJEO show requirements listed in Article X. This class will be run at two separate heights of 2'6" and 2'9" but will be judged together. Combinations or lines shorter than four strides are forbidden. If held as a derby the first round will be a hunter round and the second round will be a handy hunter round. Each entry will do both rounds but only points from the handy round will count toward the Year End Ride-off. Only the horse accrues points, so any eligible rider may compete on that horse at the Year End Ride-off. If run as a Handy Hunter Challenge, it will be run as a one round Handy Hunter class. Points earned are cumulative and translate to dollars that will be subtracted from the class entry fee at the Year End Ride-off. (Fifty points earned during the series equals \$50 off.) Points are awarded through eighth place (Ribbons through sixth place at schooling shows) and are awarded as follows: 15, 12, 10, 6, 4, 3, 2, 1. First through eighth place also receive one point for each entry in the class. All non placing participants receive one point. Exhibitors may compete in the Year End Ride-off with zero points accrued. High point series winner will receive a trophy and recognition at the Year End Awards Banquet.

**Sec. 8.** The following divisions are non-professional divisions:

Short Stirrup	Adult Beginner
Long Stirrup	Academy Adult Beginner
Academy Short/Long Stirrup	Adult Intermediate
Child Beginner	Modified Child/Adult
Academy Child Beginner	All Equitation Classes
Child Intermediate	

**Sec. 9.** A rider's age at the beginning of the year determines his/her eligibility for the remainder of that competition year.

**Sec. 10. a.** Riders who have competed in any classes with fences 2'6" or higher at any HJEO, OHJA, or USEF recognized show are no longer eligible to be judged in the Short Stirrup Hunter and Equitation Division, Long Stirrup Hunter and Equitation Division, Academy Short/Long Stirrup Hunter or Equitation Division or 2' equitation.

**b.** Riders who have competed in any class with fences at 2'9" or higher at any HJEO, OHJA, or USEF recognized competition are no longer eligible to be judged in any Beginner divisions.

**c.** Riders who have competed in any classes with fences 3' or higher at any HJEO, OHJA, or USEF recognized show are no longer eligible to be judged in any Intermediate Divisions.

**Sec. 11.** Points will be counted for horse/rider combinations only in the non-professional divisions. (Exception: all Academy sections. See Art. IV, Sec. 12)

**Sec. 12.** Riders who have been awarded Year End Champion or Reserve with HJEO or OHJA in the Short Stirrup, Long Stirrup, Academy Short/Long Stirrup, Child/Adult Beginner, Academy Child/Adult Beginner, or Child Intermediate Divisions are no longer eligible to be judged in those divisions. Adult Beginner and Intermediate division is exempt from this rule.

**Sec. 13.** The **Academy Divisions** are open only to horses actively used by multiple riders in a school horse program. The rider may not be the owner or full lessee of the horse. a) Trotting will not be penalized in the academy short/long stirrup division and simple lead changes will not be penalized in the academy beginner division. b) All points are awarded to the rider, not the horse/rider combination. c) If the Academy Division does not fill at a competition, the entry may compete in the corresponding regular division. Points earned in the regular division will be calculated as Academy division points. d) If the Academy Divisions are not offered, the Academy Short, Long, or Beginner Rider may show in the corresponding division and have those points awarded in their Academy Division. If Academy Beginner is combined with the Child/Adult Beginner Divisions at a show, the Academy riders must be judged according to the Academy specifications Paddock/Gate personnel must alert the judge to those riders. It is the rider's sole responsibility to make the Points Secretary aware of the change in division points.

**Sec. 14.** The **Baby Green Division** is open to horses age six or younger or older horses in their first or second year of showing that have not jumped 3' or higher in any HJEO, OHJA or USEF recognized show. Fences 2'6".

**Sec. 15. T.I.P. Special Thoroughbred Hunter Division** – Fences not to exceed 2'6" in height. Shall consist of three classes—two over fences and one under saddle. Jump courses should consist of at least seven jumps, to be judged on manners, pace and way of going unless otherwise noted. Under saddle class to be judged at the walk, trot and canter in both directions, and to be judged on manners, movement and way of going. Ribbons for first through sixth place for each class and Champion/Reserve ribbons will be provided. T.I.P. Championships division. Eligible horses must provide T.I.P. numbers to show secretary with entry. For further information, visit [www.tjctip.com](http://www.tjctip.com)

**Sec. 15.** In schooling shows, riding not to be judged is allowed. A horse may not be placed more than once in the same hunter class. Regardless of rider, the first round only will be considered for placement.

**Sec. 16.** Year end points will not be awarded for any class not offered in a show's prize list unless reasonable notice is given. Exception: Academy Short and Long stirrup, Academy Child/Adult Beginner.

**Sec 17.** While a barn or show series may have as many recognized shows as they wish, a maximum of two of those shows will count towards a rider's year end points in any division. The exception is when the show is run at a neutral facility i.e. fairgrounds.

## **Article V – Elected Officers**

**Sec. 1. President** - Shall preside at all meetings of the board of directors. He/she will have the power to sign contracts on behalf of the association.

**Sec. 2. Vice President**- Shall preside at meetings in the absence of the chairman. He/She will be responsible for arrangements for the annual awards banquet.

**Sec. 3. Secretary** - Shall be responsible for notifying board members within seven days of meetings, unless an emergency meeting is required. Shall take and keep minutes of the association and perform other duties as required.

**Sec. 4. Treasurer** - The treasurer shall collect all money, pay bills, produce reports as needed and otherwise maintain the books of the association.

## **Article VI – Appointed Officers**

**Sec. 1. Membership Chairman** - Shall be responsible for recording memberships and membership renewals.

**Sec. 2. Rated Show Points Chairman** - Shall be responsible for the recording and calculation of points of USEF rated shows for the association's year end awards under the provisions of Article II, By-laws.

**Sec. 3. Schooling Show Points Chairman** - Shall be responsible for the recording and calculation of points for schooling show divisions for the association year end awards under the provisions of Article V, By-laws.

**Sec. 4. Horse Show Chairman** - Shall be responsible for providing horse show packets to show management of all HJEO recognized competitions, the horse show calendar, and providing HJEO Mini Medals to HJEO recognized schooling shows.

**Sec. 5. Ethics Chairman** - Shall be available to the membership to discuss and resolve issues of ethics, conflict and conduct. If immediate resolution is not obtained, will bring the matter before the Board of Directors.

**Sec. 6. Fundraising** – Shall be responsible for raising money for projects of the association.

**Sec. 7. Additional Officers** - May be appointed as needed such as Publicity, Website, Social Media, etc.

## **Article VII – Election of Officers**

The association is required to have an annual meeting and Annual Awards Banquet. Members of the Board will elect officers every year prior to the Annual Awards Banquet.

## **Article VIII – Show Dates**

Selection of Schooling show dates will occur at the first board meeting of the year. Selection is by business not facility. Rated shows will take precedence. First and second choice of dates will be by show seniority. Additional dates from senior management will choose once all other facilities have chosen. New show management will choose dates from remaining availability. New show management seniority will be according to date of written request to the Horse Show Chairman. In the event that an approved schooling date is given up, the association will redistribute the date (see Article X, Sec. 10). While a barn or show series may have as many recognized shows as they wish, a maximum of two of those shows will count towards a rider's year end points in any division. The exception is when the show is run at a neutral facility i.e. fairgrounds.

## **Article IX – HJEO Conduct Rule**

**Sec. 1.** This rule applies in connection with any HJEO recognized show that does not have a USEF Steward present. This rule describes a violation as acting or inciting any other to act in a manner contrary to the rules of the association or in a manner deemed improper, unethical, dishonest or unsportsmanlike before, during or immediately following the completion of the show.

**Sec. 2.** Anyone who observes a violation of this rule may bring it to the attention of show management.

**Sec. 3.** Following a complaint, management may: a). Issue a warning. b). Bar the competitor from further competition at the show. c). Apply other sanctions, which may be deemed appropriate by the show management.

## **Article X - Requirements for Recognition of HJEO Schooling Classes**

**Sec. 1.** Each show must receive date approval by the HJEO Board of Directors. If an approved show date is given up, the manager of that show shall notify the horse show chairman who will reassign these dates in an ethical manner. Please contact the Horse Show Chairman or President for further information.

**Sec. 2.** Schooling classes may only be offered in shows within the state of Oklahoma.

**Sec. 3.** All HJEO shows are required to carry an insurance policy of \$1 million per occurrence/\$2 million aggregate naming HJEO as additional insured. Certificate/Proof of Insurance for each show must be received by the Horse Show Chairman prior to the show date. Shows not providing proof of insurance will not receive HJEO recognition.

**Sec. 4.** Each show must offer the HJEO Mini Medal class with a minimum entry fee of \$20. The specifications of the class may be found in By Law Article IV, sec. 3.

**Sec. 5.** All fees (less the cost of ribbons) collected from the HJEO Mini Medal class must be submitted to the HJEO Treasurer within three weeks of the closing date of the show.

**Sec. 6.** The show must submit complete results to the HJEO Schooling Points Secretary within three weeks of the closing date of the show. Shows are encouraged to use the official equitation and hunter jumper result forms. Results must include show name and date, class name, number of entries in each class, placings (paying particular attention to the accuracy of horse/rider combinations).

**Sec. 7.** Failure to comply with 5 and 6 above may cause imposition of a fine of \$250 on the show management. Failure to pay the fine shall prevent said management from further recognition of HJEO shows.

**Sec. 8.** Shows are encouraged to hire judges that are not associated with barns that may have students competing at the show.

## **Article XI – Year End Ride-Off Classes**

**Sec. 1. HJEO Mini Medal Ride-Off** – This class is open to first and second place winners of the HJEO Mini Medal classes. To be shown over an equitation type course with fences at 2'6". Only equitation counts. Testing of the top four to six riders is required. The winner of this ride-off is no longer eligible to compete in this class or its qualifying class.

**Sec. 2. HJEO Hunter Class Ride-Off** – This ride-off is open to a total of 20 of the top horse/rider combination point earners in year-end standings from all Beginner, Academy Beginner and Intermediate Hunter divisions. Fences 2'6". All horses will compete in the first round and all shall receive a numerical score. The top 10 to 12 riders will return for the second round in order from low score to high score. The winner is the horse with the highest combined score from both rounds. The horse/rider combination winning this ride-off is no longer eligible to compete in this year end ride-off.

**Sec. 3. Midwest Equitation Challenge** – A four-phase class open to all non professional riders.

**Written test-** Testing on general knowledge, tack and equipment, and practical veterinary information.

**Practicum-** Participants will be individually tested at a designated time and place on general horse knowledge to include parts of the horse, saddle, bridle, basic veterinary knowledge and riding in a hands- on inspection.

**Flat phase** - Group work on the rail that may include any flat tests from USEF tests 1-20. Judges must give numerical scores.

**Over Fence Phase** – Riders will compete over an equitation style course with two sections: 3' and 3'6". The top four riders may be tested at the discretion of the judges. Judges must give numerical scores.

Each phase will be scored numerically and pinned separately. Scores from each phase will be added together for the overall high point Midwest Challenge Champion.

**Sec. 4. Equiventure Equitation Challenge:** A four-phase class for the entry level schooling division rider that is formatted on the same specs as the Mid West Equitation Finals. Open to all non professional riders.

**Equitation Over Fences-** Points from rider's equitation o/f will count toward EEC overall score. Judges must give numerical score for EEC riders.

**Equitation on the Flat-** Points from rider's equitation on the flat will count toward EEC overall score. Judges must give numerical scores for EEC riders. Riders to wear armbands during their classes to identify them as EEC entries.

**Written Test-** (Taken in the office on Saturday before 2 p.m.) Tested on basic horse knowledge to include parts of the horse, saddle, bridle, general horse knowledge, and riding. Test score will count towards overall score.

**Practicum-** Participants will be individually tested at a designated time and place on general horse knowledge to include parts of the horse, saddle, bridle, basic veterinary knowledge and riding in a hands-on inspection. Test score will count towards overall score.

First through sixth placings are awarded for overall high point score and for each phase. This class is intended to encourage horsemanship skills for a better understanding of horses and riding. A scoreboard will be supplied to each show offering this class so that riders can follow their placings. Special prizes and recognition for the winners provided by Astride Equestrian Provisions. All proceeds directly benefit HJEO year end awards.

## **Article XII - Special Year End Awards**

**Sec. 1. HJEO Hunter Ride-Off Championship:** Awarded to the winner of the HJEO Hunter Ride-Off. The rider of the winner of this award is no longer eligible to enter the HJEO Hunter Ride-Off.

**Sec. 2. HJEO Mini-Medal Ride-Off Championship:** Awarded to the winner of the HJEO Mini-Medal Ride-Off Class. The winner of this award is no longer eligible to enter the HJEO Mini-Medal Class.

**Sec. 3. Midwest Equitation Challenge:** Awarded to the winner of the HJEO Midwest Equitation Challenge.

**Sec. 4. Count Chocula Award:** Awarded to the horse that accrues most points in either the children's or adult jumper divisions with high and low points combined.

**Sec. 5. High Tide Memorial Trophy:** Awarded to the academy horse accruing the greatest number of points from any Schooling award divisions. Points from all riders count. An academy horse is defined as one that is actively used by multiple riders in a school horse program. This perpetual trophy is provided by Landmark Farm.

## **Article XIII - Internet and Website Communication and Delivery**

The purpose of **www.hjeo.com** is to publish information that will assist and benefit HJEO members and others interested in the Oklahoma Equestrian Hunter and Jumper Industry.

### ***The site will provide:***

--General information about HJEO

--An updated calendar of HJEO Recognized hunter jumper shows and whenever available, prize lists and entry blanks to those shows.

--Information on HJEO membership (a membership list & application for joining)

--Standings: current updated standings as reported by points chairs

--Photos and other visual depictions of HJEO activities and events

--Links to other hunter-jumper related sites of use to members

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