

# LIHSAA SPECIFICATIONS FOR 2017/2018

**A rider must compete in a minimum of six LIHSAA shows to be eligible for an award.**

**COURSES:** Horses must be shown over a minimum of eight obstacles the required height in all sections. Exception: jump-off courses, High Jump, Six Bar and LIHSAA Short Stirrup.

**RIDER ELIGIBILITY ON PONIES:** In accordance with USEF rules adults may show ponies in classes that are not restricted to junior riders, however that pony may not be shown in any junior exhibitor class at the same show. See USEF rules for Zone and National divisions.

## **CLASS SPECIFICATIONS**

The following classes will follow the USEF Rule Book:

The following sections will follow the USHJA Zone Specifications:

Children's Hunter Pony, Children's Hunter Horse, Adult Amateur Hunter, Children's Jumper, Adult Amateur Jumper.

**SHORT STIRRUP:** A rider who enters and shows in the Short Stirrup Division (Equitation or Hunter) shall not be eligible to enter any other section or division at that show. Riders must be age 12 or under as of December 1st of the current show year. In order to split the section 8 are needed, at least 3 in each section. Section to be split by age. 10 and under and 11-12. Permissible test for the Short Stirrup Equitation is USEF Hunter Seat Equitation Test #1. (Halt and/or back). Courses for all short stirrup classes must consist of at least six (6) cross rails not to exceed 18". In the Short Stirrup Hunter Section, courses must contain 1 change of direction

**CHILDRENS & ADULT AMATEUR HUNTERS:** To be run according to Zone 2 specifications

**LIHSAA CHILDRENS HUNTER HORSE :** Rider 14 & under & 15 to 17

**LIHSAA ADULT AMATEUR HUNTER: Combined Award** Younger & Older divisions. May be split at shows if entries warrant at managements discretion.

**LIHSAA CHILDRENS HUNTER PONIES :** Small/Medium & Large

**LOW CHILDRENS, LOW ADULT HUNTERS, LOW PONY HUNTERS:** Combining divisions is allowed if one section has less than three entries.

**LIHSAA LOW CHILDRENS HUNTERS:** Open to exhibitors who have not yet reached their 18<sup>th</sup> Birthday as of December 1 of the current competition year. Two sections must be offered: Ponies and Horses. If there are less than 3 entries in either the Pony section or the Horse section, both sections must be combined. Ponies to jump 2' and horses to jump 2'6". Riders may not cross enter into the Children's Hunter division or any class/section where fences exceed 2'9" (Exception 3'0" Equitation). May combine with Low Adult Hunters if one section has less than 3 entries.

**LIHSAA LOW ADULT HUNTERS:** Open to exhibitors who have reached their 18<sup>th</sup> Birthday as of December 1 of the current competition year. Height of Fences 2'6". Riders may not cross enter into any division or any class/section where fences exceed 2'9" (Exception 3'0" Equitation). May combine with Low Childrens Hunters if one section has less than 3 entries.

**LIHSAA LOW HUNTERS:** No restrictions as to horse/pony or rider, no restrictions as to cross entering. Fences 2'6". At the discretion of Show Management a Handy Hunter Class may be offered in this division. USEF specs apply.

**LOW CHILDRENS AND LOW ADULT EQUITATION:** Combining divisions is allowed if one section has less than three entries.

**LIHSAA LOW CHILDRENS EQUITATION:** Open to exhibitors who have not yet reached their 18<sup>th</sup> Birthday as of December 1 of the current competition year. Fences 2'. Riders may not cross enter into any other equitation class.

**LIHSAA LOW ADULT EQUITATION:** Open to adult amateur exhibitors as of December 1 of the current competition year. Fences 2'. Riders may not cross enter into the Adult Hunter division or any class/section where fences exceed 2'6"

**LIHSAA PRE-MINI 2'6" MEDAL EQUITATION:** Exhibitors must be Junior Riders who have not won three (3) blue ribbons in any 3' or higher equitation class. 1st through 6th place will receive points as 7-5-4-3-2-1. To be shown over a lower and/ or modified version of the courses used in the National Medal Classes (3'6" and 3' classes). Riders may not compete in any classes exceeding 2'6" at the same show that they compete in the Pre-Mini Division. Fences not to exceed 2'6. May combine Pre Mini and Medium Adult Equitation if one section has less than 3 entries.

NOTE: Limited cross entry is allowed as of March 2012. An exhibitor may cross enter no more than four times in a show year between Pre Mini and Mini Equitation. The rider must be eligible for each division. The LIPHA sponsors Equitation classes in several divisions. These classes may be held at any show, USEF member or non member as long as LIPHA permission has been obtained.

**LIHSAA MEDIUM ADULT MEDAL DIVISION:** Exhibitors must be Adult Amateur Riders who have not won three (3) blue ribbons in any 3' or higher equitation class. 1st through 6th place will receive points as 7-5-4-3-2-1. To be shown over a lower and/ or modified version of the courses used in the National Medal Classes (3'6" and 3' classes). Riders may not compete in any classes exceeding 2'6" at the same show that they compete in the Medium Adult Division. Fences not to exceed 2'6. May combine Pre Mini and Medium Adult Equitation if one section has less than 3 entries

**HUGH J.B. CASSIDY III MEDIUM ADULT MACLAY:** Open to adult amateur riders. All contestants are required to perform over at least eight fences at 2'6" with or without wings. A minimum of 12 riders if available is required to show at a walk, trot and canter. To be judged on seat, hands, guidance and control of the horse. The Under Saddle shall count 50%. Test 1-19. Only one rider per horse.

**ROBERT HOSKINS MEDIUM ADULT MEDAL:** Open to adult amateur riders. To be shown over a course of not less than eight obstacles at 2'6" which must include one combination including an oxer, and two changes of direction. Two or more tests of the top four contestants are required. Tests 1-19. Only one rider per horse.

**PHA MEDIUM ADULT:** To be run in accordance with current PHA equitation rules. Rider must be a Member of the LIPHA as of the date he/she competes in an Adult PHA Medal Class in order for points to count. Fences at 2'6". The LIPHA sponsors Equitation classes in several divisions.

**LIHSAA HIGH ADULT/MINI JUNIOR MEDAL EQUITATION DIVISION:** Riders in the following mini/adult medal equitation classes may not compete in classes where fences exceed 3'6" at the same show. Height of Fences 3'0". May be split between junior and adult classes if entries warrant at management discretion but LIHSAA pts are combined.

**HUGH J.B. CASSIDY III HIGH ADULT/MINI JR. MACLAY:** Open to adult amateur and junior riders. All contestants are required to perform over at least eight fences at 3'0" with or without wings. A minimum of 12 riders if available is required to show at a walk, trot and canter. To be judged on seat, hands, guidance and control of the horse. The Under Saddle shall count 50%. Test 1-19. Only one rider per horse. May be split between junior and adult classes if entries warrant at management discretion but LIHSAA pts are combined.

**ROBERT HOSKINS HIGH ADULT/MINI JR. MEDAL:** Open to adult amateur and junior riders. To be shown over a course of not less than eight obstacles at 3'0" which must include one combination including an oxer, and two changes of direction. Two or more tests of the top four contestants are required. Tests 1-19. Only one rider per horse. May be split between junior and adult classes if entries warrant at management discretion but LIHSAA pts are combined.

**HIGH ADULT PHA/ROSS REISNER MINI PHA:** To be run in accordance with current PHA equitation rules. Rider must be a Member of the LIPHA as of the date he/she competes in an Adult/Junior PHA Medal Class in order for points to count. Fences at 3'0". The LIPHA sponsors Equitation classes in several divisions. These classes may be held at any show, USEF member or non-member as long as LIPHA permission has been obtained. May be split between junior and adult classes if entries warrant at management discretion but LIHSAA pts are combined.

#### **LIHSAA OPEN MEDAL DIVISION**

A Champion and Reserve Champion high point open equitation award will be given at the end of each LIHSAA Calendar year. A riders points are calculated based on the number of points accumulated in the Medal, Maclay and PHA classes in one LIHSAA Calendar year. Riders Points will be averaged based on the number of horse shows competed in.

**LIHSAA JUMPERS:** Open to horses and ponies. Fences 0.95 to 1.00 m ( 3' to 3'3").

**CHILDREN'S/ADULT AMATEUR JUMPER :** Open to junior riders who have not reached their 18th birthday by December 1 of the current competition year and adults who hold a current USEF Amateur certification. Open to horses and ponies. Height of Fences:  
Low Child/Adult .90m (2'11) to 1:00m (3'3) High Child/Adult 1.10m (3'7) to 1.15m (3'9)

**Cross Entry:** Riders may not compete in any other class at the same competition where fences exceed 1.15m (3'9") except the USEF Talent Search Class, level 1\*,2\*,3\*. Horses may show at 1.40m (4'7") or below with another rider.

**Combining/Dividing Sections:** If there are fewer than 3 entries in any section, the sections may be combined at management's discretion allowing each section to compete at their respective height. If sections are combined a horse can only compete at one height in each class.