

UP AND OVER MISSION STATEMENT

To promote goodwill, sportsmanship, and learning in all aspects of horse show competition.

DEFINITIONS

Show Age:

Age eligibility of an individual is determined by his or her age as of December 1 of the previous year. This age remains the same for the entire show season regardless of chronological age.

Junior:

An individual who is 17 years or younger as of December 1 of the previous year.

Adult:

An individual who is older than 17 years as of December 1 of the previous year.

Amateur:

An adult who does not receive any type of compensation for riding, training, or showing another's horse or teaching, coaching, or training others. An Amateur may not ride, train, or show horses for which they or an immediate family member receives remuneration for boarding, training, or showing. A Change of status from professional to amateur is at the discretion of the Board of Up & Over.

Professional:

An adult who receives compensation for riding, training, or showing another's horse or teaching, coaching or training others.

PROTESTS

Formal protests must be in **writing** and sent to the Board of Up and Over. The Board will make any changes necessary and the decision of the Board is final.

HUNTER/JUMPER GENERAL RULES

1. ASTM-SEI approved protective headgear is REQUIRED for all riders when mounted.
2. Participation in a division at THREE Up & Over point approved shows is required to qualify for year-end awards. Points for year-end awards will begin to accumulate upon the **receipt** of paid membership for the current year. Memberships are not retroactive.
3. All classes are open to horses or ponies unless specifically stated in the class description. Stallions may be shown by adult exhibitors only.
4. There is no limit on the age of the rider unless specifically stated in the class description.
5. Riders will not be asked to back their mounts unless they are competing in equitation classes or Miscellaneous Pleasure classes.
6. Equipment Rules:

***Standing Martingales** are permitted in all over fences classes and all flat classes in Walk-Trot Rider Not to Jump, Walk-Trot Rider Cross Rails, Walk-Trot Horse Cross Rails, Walk-Trot-Canter Rider, Extremely Green Rider, Extremely Green Horse, Baby Green Horse and Beginner Rider. However, some judges, at their discretion, may penalize the use of martingales.*

***Auxiliary reins**, such as draw reins, are not permitted in any classes.*

***Non-Standard nosebands** (i.e. Flash, Figure Eight and Drop) in Hunters as defined by the USEF will not be permitted.*

Jumpers may use nosebands as defined by the USEF for their division.

***Extra leg protection for the horse**, including open front or galloping boots, leg wraps, and bell boots etc., is not permitted except in equitation and jumper classes and during inclement weather at the judge's discretion.*

7. Trotting and/or improper leads on corners are not to be heavily penalized in Walk/Trot/Canter Rider, Extremely Green Horse and Rider, Beginner Rider, Baby Green Horse and Adult Rider (2'-2'3") classes over fences. However, some judges, at their discretion, may penalize these faults.

8. Extreme speed at any time will be penalized.

9. Classes may be split or combined at the discretion of the show committee.

10. Divisions can be split and given separate year-end awards for

11. In the Horse Divisions, all exhibitors and owners or lessees must be paid members of Up & Over and the horse **must** be nominated in each division for the points to count. If a horse is leased, the point secretary must be notified. The point secretary should also be notified of any nomination changes.

12. In the Rider Divisions, the exhibitor must be a current member of Up & Over and **must** be nominated in each division for the points to count. The point secretary should also be notified of any nomination changes.

13. Rider/Horse combinations may be notified when they are no longer eligible to compete in limited divisions.

14. Horse/Rider may move up into a higher division during the show year, but points do not carry from one division to the next. The combination will, however, be eligible for year-end awards in all nominated divisions, if they have shown at 3 shows in each nominated division.

15. "Special needs" riders may have age or division requirements waived at the discretion of the show committee.

16. All members in good standing receive one Participation Point for each Up & Over point class they complete in addition to points earned. **In classes with only 1 entry competitors will only receive participation points toward year end awards. For division points there must be at least 2 entries in 2 classes in the division for championship points to be awarded towards year end awards.**

Points are calculated as follows for year-end awards:

Placing	Number of entries						
	1	2	3	4	5-10	11-20	21 & over
1st	X	2	3	4	5	10	15
2nd	X	1	2	3	4	8	12
3rd	X	X	1	2	3	6	9
4th	X	X	X	1	2	4	6
5th	X	X	X	X	1	2	3
6th	X	X	X	X	.5	1	1.5

In addition, those winning Championships and Reserve Championships receive bonus points as follows for year-end awards:

NUMBER OF ENTRIES	2-10	11-20	21 & over
Champion	3 points	5 points	10 points
Reserve	1.5 points	3 points	7 points

17. Points for champion and reserve for all divisions at the shows are to be calculated at as follows:

Placing	1	2	3	4	5	6
Points	10	6	4	2	1	.5

UP AND OVER DIVISION AWARDS

Year-end awards through at least 8th place will be given to the horse/pony or rider accumulating the most points in each division. In the Horse Divisions, all exhibitors and owners or lessees must be current members of Up & Over for the points to count. In the Rider Divisions only the exhibitor needs to be a current member of Up & Over. Horses/Riders **must** be nominated in the divisions they will be competing in for year-end awards. Awards will be presented at the annual Up and Over Awards Banquet.

UP AND OVER HORSE/PONY OF THE YEAR

Additional awards through 10th place will be given to the horse or pony accumulating the most points throughout the year in any classes where the nominated horse is being judged. Points from equitation classes do not count towards this award but the hunter classes in the Rider divisions do count. There will be two sections: one for horses shown by junior exhibitors, and one for horses being shown by amateur exhibitors. All owners or lessees and exhibitors must be members in good standing of Up and Over. Awards will be presented at the annual Up and Over Awards Banquet.

HUNTER DIVISION

Judging Criteria

Hunter Over Fences:

The horse/pony is judged on soundness, performance and manners over a simple course of not less than six jumps.

Hunter under Saddle:

The horse/pony is judged on soundness, performance, quality, way of going and suitability to be a hunter.

Equitation:

The rider is judged on position, use of the hands, seat and leg, and guidance and control of horse/pony.

Pleasure:

The horse/pony is judged on soundness, manners, performance, and suitability to be a pleasure horse.

HUNTER DIVISIONS

Rider Nominations- points follow the rider. In the event that a competitor shows more than one horse in these divisions, only the points earned by the horse that places highest in the division at that show will count towards year-end awards.

Leadline

This division is for riders 8 years of age and under that have never shown in any equestrian discipline. Rider may not enter in any other class or division except Hunter In Hand. "Special needs" riders may have age requirements waived by show committee. This class must be placed on the judge's card regardless of ribbons awarded.

Walk/Trot Rider - Not to Jump

Open to riders of all ages not yet capable of competing in Walk/Trot/Canter classes. Slight mistakes will not be heavily penalized. Participants are no longer eligible once the rider has competed in any other division or classes except **Walk/Trot Ground Poles** and Hunter In Hand. Riders are no longer eligible to compete in this division after they have won the year end Championship and/or Reserve twice. Note: If entries warrant, classes may be split.

Walk/Trot Ground Poles

Open to riders eligible for the Walk/Trot Rider Not to Jump Division. To be shown over a simple course with a minimum of four poles on the ground. The poles should be trotted and riders may walk on the corners to re-establish control if needed. Slight mistakes will not be heavily penalized. Participants are no longer eligible once the rider has competed in any other division or classes except Walk/Trot Rider Not to Jump and Hunter In Hand. Riders are no longer eligible to compete in this division after they have won the year end Championship and/or Reserve twice.

Walk/Trot Rider (Cross Rails)

This division is for riders who are not yet capable of cantering in competition. Riders are ineligible once they have competed at any time in a regular Walk/Trot/Canter class or competed in classes with fence heights greater than 18". Competitors in this division may only cross enter into Walk/Trot/Canter Rider Cross Rails. Slight mistakes will not be heavily penalized. Riders may trot in and canter out of lines, but should exhibit control and return to the trot before the next line. Riders are no longer eligible to compete in this division after they have won the year-end Championship and/or Reserve twice. Note: If entries warrant classes may be split.

Walk/Trot/Canter Rider (Cross Rails)

This division is for riders who are just learning to canter and who have never jumped in classes over fences exceeding 18". Riders are ineligible once they have competed at any time in a regular Walk/Trot/Canter class or competed in classes with fence heights greater than 18". Slight mistakes will not be heavily penalized. No more than SIX entries to canter at one time. Courses may be trotted. Competitors may cross enter into Walk/Trot Rider or Extremely Green Rider divisions but not both. Riders are no longer eligible to compete in this division after they have won the year-end Championship and/or Reserve twice. Note: If entries warrant classes may be split.

Extremely Green Rider (fence height 18")

This division is open to Riders just learning to canter and who have never jumped in classes exceeding 2'3". No more than SIX entries to canter at one time. Course may be trotted. Slight mistakes will not be heavily penalized. Competitors in this division may cross enter into Beginner Rider and Adult Rider or Walk/Trot/Canter Rider, but not both, and are not eligible for Miscellaneous Hack and Open Equitation classes. Riders are no longer eligible to compete in this division after they have won the year-end Championship and/or Reserve twice. Note: If entries warrant classes may be split.

Short Stirrup (fence height 2', no oxers or in & outs)

Open to riders 12 and under. Competitors in the division may cross enter into Beginner Rider, Miscellaneous Pleasure and Open Equitation classes

Short Stirrup Equitation

Open to riders eligible for the Short Stirrup division

Beginner Rider (fence height 2' – 2'3")

This division is for any age riders who have not exceeded 2'6" over fences. To be shown over a simple course of not less than six jumps with fill. Manners and suitability are emphasized. Trotting is permitted. Competitors in this division may cross enter into Extremely Green Rider or Intermediate Rider but not both. If age requirements are met, they may cross enter into Adult Rider. Riders are no longer eligible to compete in this division after they have won the year-end Championship and/or Reserve twice.

Adult Rider (fence height 2' – 2'3")

This division is for amateur riders show age 18 years and over. Exhibitors in this division may not cross enter into divisions with fence heights greater than 2'6". To be shown over a simple course of not less than six jumps with fill. This is not a division for green horses ridden by trainers. Riders are not eligible for this division if they have competed in over fences classes with fence heights greater than 2'6" in the last THREE years. Competitors in this division may cross enter into Extremely Green Rider or Low Adult Hunter, but not both. They may also cross enter into Beginner Rider.

Intermediate Rider (fence height 2'6")

This division is for junior and amateur exhibitors who have not shown over fences exceeding 3". Competitors in this division may cross enter into one of the following: Beginner Rider or Adult Rider, Children's Hunter or Adult Amateur Hunter. They may also cross enter into Low Children's Hunter or Low Adult Hunter and Low Hunters.

EQUITATION

This division is open to all junior and amateur exhibitors. Year-end awards will be given in Adult, Junior 13 and under, and Junior 14 -17. Points will be accumulated for year-end awards in open equitation classes over fences and on the flat. **Points earned in equitation classes restricted to exhibitors in divisions without a year-end equitation division will credited to Up & Over Equitation divisions by age as long as the member is nominated for Equitation and the show does not offer equitation classes by age as well. If there are age classes offered, the points will go with those classes. Also, if a member is eligible for more than 1 division, only the highest earned points from one class will be awarded.** Note: Points accumulated in equitation classes on the flat shall not affect rider's status in classes over fences. Points accumulated in equitation classes over fences SHALL affect a rider's status in classes not to jump.

THE UP AND OVER CHALLENGE MEDALS (fence heights 2'-2'3" or 2'6")

Consists of two sections , one for junior exhibitors and one for amateur exhibitors, to qualify for the Challenge Medal Final, held at the fall Up & Over show. The classes are to consist of a course of at least 8 fences with 2 changes of direction. Top 4 riders in each division, will be called back for further testing. (USEF tests 1-19) Three competitors must complete the class for points to count. Points awarded 6-5-4-3-2-1. NOTE: Points are never doubled regardless of the fact that the classes may be offered at a double point show. The top 8 point earners in each age group, who must have competed in 3 shows, will qualify for the year end Championship. At the fall Up & Over double point horse show the championship finals will be held by age. A junior final will be held and judged together at 2'3" or 2'6". An Amateur final will be held and judged together at 2'-2'3" or 2'6". Exhibitors should compete at the fence height that they are currently showing. Children's Hunter and Adult Amateur Hunter exhibitors may compete in the 2'6" section.

The Up & Over Challenge Medal can be run during the competition year open to all junior and amateur exhibitors. Only Up & Over members will qualify for the finals to be held at the fall Up & over show. Shows should offer two classes one at 2'-2'3" and another at 2'6, over a course of at least 8 fences with two changes of direction. The top four competitors are required to return for further testing (USEF tests 1-19). Three competitors must complete the course for their points to count. If entries in either section are insufficient, the classes may be combined, shown at two heights but judged together.

HUNTER DIVISIONS

Horse Nominations- points follow the horse

Hunter in Hand

This division is open to all horses, ponies and competitors. Entries will be judged on way of moving, conformation, quality, substance, soundness, manners, and suitability as a hunter or to become a hunter. Minor blemishes not the fault of poor conformation not to be heavily penalized. Entries are to be moved on the line at a walk and trot. To be shown in an appropriate bridle (except weanlings). Unsound entries must be eliminated. Classes may be divided or combined as entries warrant.

Walk/Trot Hunter (Cross Rails)

This division is for horses/ponies of any age that are not yet capable of cantering in competition. Horse/pony is ineligible once it has competed at any time in a regular Walk/Trot/Canter class or competed in classes with fence heights greater than 18". Entries in this division may only cross enter into Extremely Green Hunter. Riders may trot in and canter out of lines, but should exhibit control and return to the trot before the next line. Slight mistakes will not be heavily penalized. Horse/pony is no longer eligible after it has won the year-end Championship or Reserve twice. Note: If entries warrant classes may be split.

Extremely Green Hunter (fence height 18")

This division is open to horses/ponies of any age just learning to canter, who have never jumped in classes exceeding 2'3". No more than SIX entries to canter at one time. Course may be trotted. Entries in this division may cross enter into Baby Green Horse Division classes, but are not eligible for Miscellaneous Hack classes. Slight mistakes will not be heavily penalized. Horses/ponies are no longer eligible for this division after they have won the year-end Championship and/or Reserve twice.

Baby Green Hunter (fence height 2' – 2'3")

This division is for horses/ponies with very limited show experience that have not exceeded 2'6" in over fences classes. To be shown over a simple course of not less than six jumps with fill. Entries in this division may cross enter into either Extremely Green Hunter or Low Hunter (2'3"). Trotting is permitted. Horses/ponies are no longer eligible once they have won the year-end Championship and/or Reserve twice.

Low Hunter (fence heights 2'-2'3" or 2'6")

This division is open to all horses, ponies, and riders. If otherwise eligible, competitors may cross enter into any class at the same fence height. Those competing at 2'-2'3" may cross enter into either Extremely Green or Intermediate Rider but NOT both. Those competing at 2'6" may cross enter Adult Amateur Hunter or Children's Hunter and Low Children's Hunter or Low Adult Hunter, but NOT both. Same horse or pony may not show in the Low Hunter division at both fence heights at the same show.

Low Adult Rider (fence height 2'6")

This division is for amateur adult riders. Same horse or pony/rider combination may not cross enter into Adult Amateur Hunter or any division in which fences are 3' or higher at the same show.

Low Children's Hunter (fence height 2'6")

To be ridden by junior exhibitors. Same horse or pony/rider combination may not cross enter into Children's Hunter or any division in which fences are 3' or higher at the same show.

Children's Hunter (fence heights 2'9" – 3')

This division is for Junior riders who have not exceeded fence heights of 3'6". Same horse/rider combination may not cross enter into Low Children's Hunter at the same show.

Adult Amateur Hunter (fence heights 2'9" – 3')

This division is for Adult Amateur riders. Same horse/rider combination may not cross enter in Low Adult Hunter at the same show.

Miscellaneous Pleasure

If you are competing in the following divisions you are NOT eligible for this Division: Walk/ Trot Rider Not to Jump, Walk/ Trot Rider Ground Poles, Walk/Trot Rider or Walt/Trot Hunter, Walk/Trot/ Canter Rider, Extremely Green Horse or Extremely Green Rider. This division includes the following 3 classes and is for riders to show at the walk, trot, canter, and possibly, the hand gallop and extended trot, and may be asked to back.

1. Hunter Pleasure

Open to horses/ponies ridden on a reasonably loose rein without loss of contact and shown at a walk, trot and canter both ways of the ring and to stand quietly. Entries will be judged on soundness, manners, performance and suitability for pleasure.

Martingales are prohibited.

2.Hunter Hack

Open to horses/ponies to be shown at a walk, trot and canter both ways of the ring. At least 8 competitors, if available, are required to jump 2 fences and may be asked to gallop one way of the ring. Entries will be judged on soundness, performance, manners and way of going. Martingales are prohibited.

3.Open Hunter Under Saddle

Open to horses/ponies to be shown at a walk trot and canter both ways of the ring. Entries will be judged on soundness, performance, manners and way of going. Martingales are prohibited.

Jumper High Point

To accumulate points for a year-end award, all owners, or lessees and riders must be current members of Up and Over, have nominated in the Jumper division and have shown at 3 shows. This Division is open to horses and ponies shown by juniors or adults unless otherwise stated on prize list. Horse/Rider combination may earn points in no more than TWO consecutive divisions from the following fence heights 2'-2'3", 2'6", 2'9", 3', or 3'3" & higher. Points may be earned at any show, not necessarily those only sanctioned by Up and Over. Exhibitors must track their own points on an UP & OVER JUMPER POINT FORM to be submitted to the point secretary by November 30.

Thoroughbred Hunter High Point

This division is open to all Thoroughbred horses with a visible lip tattoo or proper documentation such as registration papers or a TIP card. Documentation must be submitted to the point secretary when nominating for this division. Points will be accumulated in classes that the horse is otherwise eligible for but the horse must be nominated and show at 3 shows in a particular division.

Up and Over Requirements by Division for Cross Entering

Unless otherwise indicated, all exhibitors may cross enter any divisions offered at the same height.

The Miscellaneous Pleasure division is open to all exhibitors except those showing in Walk /Trot Rider Not to Jump, Walk /Trot Rider Ground Poles, Walk /Trot Hunter or Rider, Walk/Trot/Canter Rider or Extremely Green Hunter or Rider.

Horse Nominations- points follow the horse

Hunter in Hand	No restrictions
Walk/Trot Hunter	Can cross enter into Extremely Green Hunter
Extremely Green Hunter	Can cross enter into Walk/Trot Hunter or Baby Green Hunter but NOT both
Baby Green Hunter	Can cross enter into Extremely Green Hunter or Low Hunter at 2'6" but NOT both
Low Hunter 2'3"	Can cross enter into Extremely Green or Intermediate Rider but NOT both
Low Hunter 2'6"	Can cross enter into Baby Green Hunter or Children's Hunter /Adult Amateur Hunter but NOT both
Thoroughbred Hunter	Can cross enter into any division otherwise eligible for
Low Adult Hunter	Can cross enter into Baby Green Hunter and Beginner/Adult Rider
Low Children's Hunter	Can cross enter into Baby Green Hunter and Beginner Rider
Adult Amateur Hunter	Can cross enter into Low Hunter 2'6" and Intermediate Rider
Children's Hunter	Can cross enter into Low Hunter 2'6" and Intermediate Rider

Rider Nominations- points follow the rider. In the event that a competitor shows more than one horse in these divisions, only the points earned by the horse that places highest in the division at that show will count towards year-end awards.

Leadline	Can NOT cross enter into any other division, except for Hunter in Hand
Walk/Trot Rider Not to Jump	Can NOT cross enter into any other division, except for Hunter in Hand & W/T Rider Ground Poles
Walk/Trot Rider Ground Poles	Can NOT cross enter into any other division, except for Hunter in Hand & W/T Rider Not To Jump
Walk/Trot Rider	Can cross enter into Walk/Trot/Canter Rider
Walk/Trot/Canter Rider	Can cross enter into Walk/Trot Rider or Extremely Green Rider but NOT both
Extremely Green Rider	Can cross enter in Walk/Trot/Canter Rider or Beginner/Adult Rider but NOT both
Short Stirrup	Can Cross enter into Beginner Rider
Beginner Rider	Can cross enter into Extremely Green Rider or Intermediate Rider but NOT both
Adult Rider	Can cross enter into Extremely Green Rider or Intermediate Rider but NOT both
Intermediate Rider	Can cross enter into one of the following: Beginner/Adult Rider, Children's Hunter and Adult Amateur