

# LAHJA Medal Classes



## Section 1: GENERAL RULES

- a. The LAHJA offers four medal classes for its approved horse shows.
- b. \$5.00 per entry is to be sent to the LAHJA with the name and address of every exhibitor in the class.
- c. These classes are restricted to LAHJA members only.
- d. The trainer of each entrant in these classes must be a member of LAHJA.
- e. Points will be awarded for placing as follows:

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| Five or more entries, points awarded: | 10,6,4,2, 1 |
| Four entries, points awarded:         | 6,4,2,1     |
| Three entries, points awarded:        | 4,2,1       |
- f. Qualifying season is defined as the time period between the medal final held the previous year and the medal final of the current show year.

## Section 2: LAHJA 3'3" GOLD MEDAL CLASS – JUNIOR AND AMATEUR

1. Held over a hunter seat equitation course at 3'3".
2. Open to Junior and Amateur riders. Shows may elect to offer separate junior and amateur classes or hold them combined. The class may be held in the hunter or jumper ring. Liverpools and water jumps are not permitted.
3. A work-off will be held of the top four riders. Riders must have a score of 70 or better to participate in the work-off, should only one rider have a score of 70 or better there will be no work-off.
4. Open to riders who have placed ~~accrued at least ten points~~ in at least one (1) qualifying classes class since the corresponding final the previous year. A rider may continue to ride in qualifying classes until he places first in a class with five or more competitors, regardless of how many points he has accumulated. Once a rider wins a class of five or more competitors, he may not continue to ride in the qualifying classes. The Finals are open to all current year qualifiers and any winner of a past LAHJA Junior or Senior Medal Final. Winners of this final are no longer eligible to ride in the class.

## Section 3: LAHJA 3' SILVER MEDAL CLASS– JUNIOR AND AMATEUR

1. Held over a hunter seat equitation course at 3'.
2. Open to Junior and Amateur riders. Multi day shows must offer separate junior and amateur classes and must combine if there are fewer than three entries in one class. Single day shows may offer the class combined.
3. A work-off will be held of the top four riders. Riders must have a score of 70 or better to participate in the work-off, should only one rider have a score of 70 or better there will be no work-off.
4. Open to riders who have placed ~~accrued at least ten points~~ in at least one (1) qualifying classes class since the corresponding final the previous year. A rider may continue to ride in qualifying classes until he places first in a class with five or more competitors, regardless of how many points he has accumulated. Once a rider wins a class of five or more competitors, he may not continue to ride in the qualifying classes. The Finals are open to all current year qualifiers. Winners of this final are no longer eligible to ride in the class.

## Section 4: LAHJA 2'6" and 2'9" BRONZE MEDAL CLASS – JUNIOR AND AMATEUR

1. Open to Junior and Amateur riders who have not shown above 3' in the current qualifying season. Shows may offer two classes at separate heights (2'6" and 2'9") or may offer one class held at two heights and judged together (in this case the 2'9" competitors will show first followed by the 2'6"). If held as two separate classes, they must be combined if either class has fewer than three entries.
2. Two tests (USEF 1-8) must be included in the course. There will be no work-off.
3. Open to riders who have placed ~~accrued at least ten points~~ in at least one (1) qualifying classes class since the corresponding final the previous year. A rider may continue to ride in qualifying classes until he places first in a class with five or more competitors, regardless of how many points he has accumulated. Once a rider wins a class of five or more competitors, he may not continue to ride in the qualifying classes. The Finals are open to all current year qualifiers. Additionally any points earned in the LAHJA

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medal classes held at 2'6" or 2'9" since the corresponding 2022 medal finals will carry forward. Riders must maintain eligibility to ride in the final.

### Section 5: LAHJA 2' and 2'3" COPPER MEDAL CLASS – JUNIOR AND AMATEUR

1. Open to Junior and Amateur riders who have not shown above 2'6" in the current qualifying season. Shows may offer two classes at separate heights (2' and 2'3") or may offer one class held at two heights and judged together (in this case the 2'3" competitors will show first followed by the 2'). If held as two separate classes, they must be combined if either class has fewer than three entries.
2. One test (USEF 1-8) must be included in the course. There will be no work-off.
3. Open to riders who have ~~placed~~ ~~accrued at least ten points in~~ **at least one (1) qualifying class** since the **corresponding** final the previous year. A rider may continue to ride in qualifying classes until he places first in a class with five or more competitors, regardless of how many points he has accumulated. Once a rider wins a class of five or more competitors, he may not continue to ride in the qualifying classes. The Finals are open to all current year qualifiers. Additionally any points earned in the LAHJA medal classes held at 2' or 2'3" since the corresponding 2022 medal finals will carry forward. Riders must maintain eligibility to ride in the final.