

LAHJA MEDAL CLASSES 2020

Section 1: GENERAL RULES

- a. The LAHJA offers seven medal classes for its approved horse shows.
- b. These classes do not count toward the required minimum of 15 classes for LAHJA approval (Part I, LAHJA Approved Shows, Show Approval, Paragraph f).
- c. Winners of a Final are ineligible to show in future LAHJA Medal Classes that qualify for the Final won.
- d. \$5.00 per entry is to be sent to the LAHJA with the name and address of every exhibitor in the class.
- e. These classes are restricted to LAHJA members only.
- f. The trainer of each entrant in these classes must be a member of LAHJA.

Section 2: LAHJA JUNIOR MEDAL CLASS

1. Same specifications as the USEF Hunter Seat Medal with the exception that fences will be 3' for 'B' category classes and 3'3" for 'A' category classes. Shows must clearly state in the prize list the fence height and if the class is an 'A' or 'B' category class. A minimum of three riders must complete the course to fill the class.

a). Points will be awarded for placing as follows:

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

2. Ten points qualifies a rider for the finals. 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 in an 'A' category class, he may not continue to ride in the qualifying classes.

Section 3: LAHJA SENIOR MEDAL CLASS

1. Same specifications as the USEF Hunter Seat Medal with the exception that fences will be 3' for 'B' category classes and 3'3" for 'A' category classes. Shows must clearly state in the prize list the fence height and if the class is an 'A' or 'B' category class. A minimum of three riders must complete the course to fill the class.

a). Points will be awarded for placing as follows:

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

2. Ten points qualifies a rider for the finals. 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 in an 'A' category class, he may not continue to ride in the qualifying classes.

Section 4: COMBINING JUNIOR AND SENIOR MEDAL CLASSES

1. If there are less than three (3) entries in either class, LAHJA Junior and Senior medal classes may be combined.
2. In the LAHJA Medal classes throughout the year, if the Junior and Senior classes are combined, the highest placed junior and senior will both receive first place points if they place at least 4th and are placed higher than at least four competitors.

Section 5: LAHJA BETSY WOODS HORSEMANSHIP MEDAL JUNIORS & AMATEURS

1. Same specifications as the USEF Hunter Seat Medal with the exception that fences will be 2'9". A minimum of three riders must complete the course to fill the class.

a). Points will be awarded for placing as follows:

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

2. Riders **may never have** shown in any class where the prize list class specifications list the fence height at above 3'. Exceptions: a) A rider may show in regular age break equitation over fences where fences are allowed to be set at 3'3".

b) A rider may show in jumper classes set at .95M (3'1").

A rider must maintain his eligibility for the class to compete in the finals.

a) This means that riders **may** show in the Onondarka Medal, and the LAHJA Junior and Senior in LAHJA 'B' category classes. However, as an example, riders **may not** show in the PCHA Jr. or Adult, the CPHA Foundation Equitation, the USEF Adult Equitation, the LAHJA Junior or Senior in LAHJA 'A' category classes, or the USHJA National Hunter Derby. **These are examples and not an inclusive list.**

3. Ten points qualifies a rider for the finals. 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.

4. Each winner of an LAHJA Betsy Woods Horsemanship Class with five or more competitors becomes ineligible to compete in other LAHJA Betsy Woods Horsemanship Classes, and is automatically qualified to compete in the LAHJA Betsy Woods Horsemanship Finals held at the LAHJA Benefit Show, if otherwise eligible.

Section 6: LAHJA ROSEWOOD MEDAL CLASS, 14 & UNDER

1. Same specifications as the USEF Hunter Seat Medal with the exception that fences will be 3'.

a). Points will be awarded for placing as follows:

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

2. Ten points qualifies a rider for the finals. 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.

3. Each winner of the LAHJA Rosewood Medal Class with five or more competitors becomes ineligible to compete in other Rosewood Medal Classes during the balance of the year, and is automatically qualified to compete in the Rosewood Finals.

4. This class is restricted to LAHJA members who are fourteen (14) years of age or under. However, a rider who will be over age at the time of the finals is also ineligible to ride in the qualifying classes.

Section 7: LAHJA PONY MEDAL CLASS, 17 & UNDER (age of rider per USEF Pony Medal Rules)

1. To be shown over a course of fences set at 2' for small/medium ponies and 2'6" for large ponies, with at least one change of direction. One test (USEF tests 1-9) is required during the first round (no work-off will be held). Only one rider per pony.

2. A minimum of three riders must complete the course to fill the class.

a) Points will be awarded for placing as follows:

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

3. One point will qualify a rider for the finals. Qualified riders may continue to compete in the qualifying classes.

4. A High Score Award will be presented to the rider who has accumulated the most points throughout the year. This award will be presented at the annual LAHJA Award Banquet.

Section 8: LAHJA STIRRUP CUP MEDAL CLASS – Open to Junior and Amateur riders

1. To be shown over a course of fences set at 2' with at least one change of direction. One test (USEF tests 1-8) is required during the first round (no work-off will be held).

2. Riders may not compete in classes where prize list specifications list the fence height above 2'6" in the same show year.

3. A minimum of three riders must complete the course to fill the class.

a) Points will be awarded for placing as follows:

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

4. ~~Ten (10)~~ **Three (3)** points will qualify a rider for the finals. A qualified rider may continue to compete in the qualifying classes.

Section 9: LAHJA MARY JANE WATSON MEDAL CLASS – Open to Junior and Amateur riders

1. To be shown over a course of fences set at 2'6" with at least one change of direction. One test (USEF tests 1-9) is required during the first round (no work-off will be held).

2. Riders may not compete in classes where prize list specifications list the fence height above 2'9" in the same show year.

3. A minimum of three riders must complete the course to fill the class.

a) Points will be awarded for placing as follows:

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

4. ~~Ten (10)~~ **Three (3)** points will qualify a rider for the finals. A qualified rider may continue to compete in the qualifying classes.