



Intro Hunter/Jumper 2025-2026 Rules, Information, Divisions & Classes

Parkland Horseman's Association (PHA) offers a variety of entry level Hunter and Jumper classes to engage those riders who are looking for experience in competition. Our friendly environment is ideal to develop confidence for both riders and horses. *Please read the PHA General Rules.*

RULES

1. All riders will be issued a back number. Exhibitors must be wearing a back number and a SEI/ASTM helmet with the chin strap connected whenever mounted.
2. Attire:
 - a. Hunters (Under 13): Jodhpurs, paddock boots, garters, collared shirt, bows (coats are optional)
 - b. Hunters (13 & over): Britches, collared shirt, tall boots, (coats are optional)
 - c. Jumpers: Britches, Polo shirt, tall boots/paddock boots and garters
3. Class Fees:
 - a. Office Fee: \$25
 - b. Individual Class Fee: \$15
 - c. Jumpers: \$40/Division
4. A rider with three refusals will be excused from the class.
5. The judge/show director has the right to excuse any rider who displays unsportsmanlike conduct or what the judge/show director deems to be dangerous activity.
6. There is a maximum of 10 horses in the arena at one time.
7. A horse cannot exceed 4 over fences classes. A horse cannot compete in more than 12 classes in one show day.
8. Classes may be combined at the request of the judge/steward if there are fewer than 3 participants in the class.
9. Ties for Hunter Champion and/or Reserve points are decided by points earned in the over fences class.
10. Please see General Rules for information on PHA competitions, awards, and qualifications required for Year End Awards.
11. Daily Awards: Classes will be placed with 1st - 6th place ribbons. If there are 3 or more participants in a division, Grand and Reserve will be awarded. Prizes and ribbons must be collected the day of the show. Points are as follows:
 - a. 1st place - 6 points
 - b. 2nd place - 5 points
 - c. 3rd place - 4 points
 - d. 4th place - 3 points
 - e. 5th place - 2 points
 - f. 6th place - 1 point
12. Year-End Awards: Year-End Points are added up by division and 1st - 6th place is awarded for each division. A rider must have competed in a minimum of one more than half of the shows and a minimum of 9 classes at the division to qualify for Year-End Awards.
 - a. Year-end high points will be determined by the following:
 - i. 1st place - 6 points
 - ii. 2nd place - 5 points

- iii. 3rd place - 4 points
- iv. 4th place - 3 points
- v. 5th place - 2 points
- vi. 6th place - 1 points
- b. Highest number of points will determine Champion and 2nd highest will determine Reserve Champion. Please see general rules to be sure to qualify for year-end awards.

CLASS LIST

- 1a. Lead Line Hunter
- 1b. Lead Line Equitation
- 1c. Lead Line Ground Pole

- 2a. W/T Hunter
- 2b. W/T Equitation
- 2c. W/T Equitation to Jump (12"-18")

- 3a. W/T Hunter
- 3b. W/T Equitation
- 3c. W/T Equitation to Jump (12"-18")

- 4a. Short Stirrups Hunter 18"
- 4b. Short Stirrups Equitation 18"
- 4c. Short Stirrups Equitation Flat

- 5a. Long Stirrups Hunter 18"
- 5b. Long Stirrups Equitation 18"
- 5c. Long Stirrups Equitation Flat

- 6a. Low Hunter Under Saddle
- 6b. Warm-up 2'3"
- 6c. Low Hunter 2'3"
- 6d. Low Hunter 2'3"

DIVISIONS

All divisions consist of a minimum of 3 classes.

LEAD LINE 7 & UNDER DIVISION

Open to riders 7 years and under. Hunter to be judged on manners and suitability at the walk, Equitation to be judged on position and suitability. Ground Pole to be judged on rider's position and equitation, both directions of the ring. Walk over ground pole. Rider may be asked for Two-Point Position while on the rail and may be asked simple questions about the horse or tack. Rider may not enter any other hunter/jumper classes weekend of show.

W/T 12 & UNDER DIVISION

Open to riders 12 years and under. Hunter to be judged on manners and suitability at the walk and trot, Equitation to be judged on position and suitability. Jump Class to be judged on rider's position and equitation, both directions of the ring. Rider may be asked for Two-Point Position while on the rail and also may be asked simple questions about the horse or tack. Rider may not enter any other hunter/jumper classes weekend of show.

W/T 13 & UP DIVISION

Open to riders age 13 and up. Hunter to be judged on performance and soundness, Equitation to be judged on rider. To be shown walk and trot both directions of the ring, and jump one cross rail (12"-18"). Horse and rider combination may only enter walk/trot classes weekend of show.

SHORT STIRRUPS DIVISION

Open to riders 15 years or younger, to be judged on rider. Classes over fences shall consist of max 8 fences not exceeding 18" in height over a simple course. Brush and flower boxes may be used. Flat classes to be shown at walk, trot, and canter both directions of the ring. Simple changes allowed. Same horse and rider combination shall not enter any other Hunter classes weekend of show.

LONG STIRRUPS DIVISION

Open to riders 16 years or older, to be judged on rider. Classes over fences shall consist of max 8 fences not exceeding 18" in height over a simple course. Brush and flower boxes may be used. Flat classes to be shown at walk, trot, and canter both directions of the ring. Simple changes allowed. Same horse and rider combination shall not enter any other Hunter classes weekend of show.

LOW HUNTER 2'3" DIVISION

Open to all riders, to be judged on performance and soundness. Over fences shall consist of 6-10 fences not exceeding 2'3" in height. U/S to be shown at walk, trot, and canter both directions of the ring.