



The Washington State Hunter's & Jumper's Association

Constitution and By-laws

As amended April 10th, 2009

Article I

Section 1: The name of the association shall be "The Washington State Hunter's & Jumper's Association".

Article II

Objects and Purposes

Section 1: The general nature of the business of the Association and the objects and purposes proposed to be transacted, promoted and carried on by it are as follows:

To promote the sport of horsemanship and the equestrian art and other athletic sports and pastimes; to hold or arrange matches and competitions and offer or grant or contribute toward the provision of prizes, awards and distinctions.

To subscribe to, become a member of and cooperate with other associations, whether incorporated or not, or individuals, whose purposes are altogether or in part similar to those of this Association.

To raise money by subscriptions and to grant any rights and privileges to subscribers.

Article III

Meetings

Section 1: Place of meetings; Meetings of the members must be held within the State of Washington. Executive Board meetings may be held outside the State of Washington.

Section 2: Annual meeting of members; An annual meeting of the members shall be held in each year in the month of December or January, one of the purposes which shall be the election of the Executive Board.

Section 3: Special Meetings of Members; A special meeting of the members may be called at anytime by the president of the Association or by a majority of the Executive Board. The method by which such a meeting may be called at any time is as follows: Upon receipt of a specification in writing, setting forth the date and objects of such meeting, signed by the President or by a majority of the Executive Board, the Secretary shall prepare, sign and mail the notices requisite to such a meeting. The stamped, typewritten or printed signature of the Secretary may sign such notices.

Section 4: Notice of Meeting of Members: At least 10 days prior to the date fixed for the time and place of such meeting shall be mailed, as hereafter provided, to each member entitled to vote at such meeting.

Section 5: Meetings of the Board: Meetings of the Executive Board may be called by the President at any time.

Section 6: Notices and Mailings: All notices required to be given by any provision of these By-laws shall state the authority pursuant to which they are issued (as "by order of the President"

or “by order of the Executive Board,” as the case may be) and shall bear the written, stamped, typewritten or printed signature of the Secretary. Every notice shall be deemed duly served when the same has been deposited in the United States mail with postage fully prepaid, plainly addressed to the recipient at his or her last address appearing on the membership record of the Association.

Section 7: Waiver of Notice: Notice of the time, place and purpose of any meeting of the members or the Executive Board may be waived by facsimile or other writing or electronic communications method, either before or after each meeting has been held.

Section 8: All meetings of The Washington State Hunter’s & Jumper’s Association shall be conducted according to Roberts Rules of Order.

Article IV Executive Board

Section 1: The business of the Association shall be managed by an Executive Board of not less than seven (7), not more than fifteen (15) members. The specific number for any year shall be fixed by the members at the annual meeting, or at any meeting held for the purpose of electing a member or members to the Executive Board. Each member shall be elected to serve until his successor shall be elected and shall qualify. The members of the Executive Board must be members of the Association and must sign any code of ethics adopted by the Executive Board.

Section 2: Who shall be on the Executive Board: The Executive Board shall consist of the following: (1) President, (2) Vice-President, (3) Secretary, (4) Treasurer, (5) Hunter Representative, (6) Jumper Representative, (7) Junior Representative, (8) Amateur Representative, (9) Pony Representative, (10) Equitation Representative and five (5) members at large elected to fill the number set at the annual meeting. The Board will annually appoint a Show Committee and a Junior Committee.

Section 3: The remaining members of the Executive Board shall fill vacancies in the Executive Board until the members of the Association elect his successor.

Section 4: A majority of the Executive Board shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Section 5: Members of the Executive Board may be removed from office at a duly called special meeting by a majority of all members voting for removal. The Executive Board may fill vacancies so created if the members fail to fill vacancy at the time of the special meeting called for removal. Once removed, an officer is not eligible for office until the date when the next election is held.

Article V Officers

Section 1: The Officers of the Association shall be a President and Vice-President, who shall be elected by a majority vote at an annual meeting and a Secretary and a Treasurer, who shall

be nominated by the President and voted upon by the Executive Board. Officers shall serve staggered 2-year terms.

Section 2: The President shall preside at all Executive Board and member's meetings; shall have general management of the affairs of the Association; shall appoint and discharge all agents and employees, subject to the approval of the Executive Board to remove or discharge the same and shall perform all such duties as are incident to his office or as may be required of him by the Executive Board.

Section 3: The Vice-President shall in the absence or incapacity of the President perform the duties of that office.

Section 4: The Secretary of the Association shall keep the minutes of all Executive Board and member's meetings and shall attend to the giving and serving of all notices of the Association and shall attest with his/her signature all membership certificates and written contracts of the association and shall perform all such duties as are incident to his/her office or may be required of him/her by the Executive Board.

Section 5: The Treasurer shall keep regular books of the account and shall submit them together with all his/her other records and papers to the Executive Board at any meeting when required to do so. He/she shall, if required to do so by the Executive Board, give such bond for the faithful performance of his/her duties as the Executive Board may determine and shall perform all such other duties as are incident to his/her office or as may be required by the Executive Board. The Executive Board, at its discretion, may order a periodic financial review.

Section 6: In addition to the foregoing officers, the Executive Board may, from time to time, elect such other officers as they deem proper, with such duties as they see fit.

Article VI

Quorum

Section 1: Quorum of Members: A quorum of members at any general meeting shall consist of not less than ten (10) members in addition to the majority of the Executive Board.

Article VII

Voting and Elections

Section 1: Who is Entitled to Vote: Except as the articles or an amendment or amendments otherwise provide, each regular member in good standing of the Association or new regular members prepaid by twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting, shall at every meeting of the members be entitled to one vote in person or by signed absentee ballot received before the start of the meeting.

Article VIII

Membership and Dues

Section 1: Any person may become a regular or an associate member in this organization upon receipt of the prospective member dues.

Section 2: The dues, payable by January 31, of all regular members and associate members shall be as follows:

Regular Member: \$45 per individual (includes equitation points recording)
WA State resident entitled to vote and receive all Association benefits.

Associate Member: \$35 per individual (includes equitation points recording)
Non WA resident entitled to limited Association benefits (no Voting or financial aid rights)

Horse Recording: \$30 per horse (includes points recording) Applies to Regular, Associate, and Farm members.

Lifetime Farm: \$10 (no voting or financial aid rights)

Single Show: \$5 (no points recording, voting or financial aid rights)

Section 3: Any member in default in monies owed to the Association shall be ipso facto suspended from privileges of membership and if after notice such default be not cured within a period of ninety days, the membership of such member shall automatically cease and desist.

Section 4: Any member may be removed from membership by a majority vote of the members present at any annual meeting or at any special meeting of the members called for the purpose, for conduct deemed prejudicial to this Association, provided that such member shall have first been served written notice of the accusation against him/her, and shall have been given opportunity to produce his/her witnesses, if any, and to be heard, at the meeting at which such vote is to be taken.

Article IX

Amendment of By-laws

Section 1: These by-laws may be amended, altered, changed, added to or repealed by the affirmative vote of a 2/3 majority of the members entitled to vote at any regular or special meeting of the members if notice of the proposed amendment, alteration, change, addition or repeal be contained in the notice of the meeting.

Article X

Assets of the Association

Section 1: Any net assets which may be acquired by the Association shall be distributed only upon dissolution to any recognized charity agreed upon by members at the time of dissolution.

Article XI

High Score Awards

Section 1: Rules and regulations for High Score Awards are to be fixed at the annual meeting without further changes for that year.

Section 2: Qualifications

1. Horses must be owned or leased by Members of WSH&JA before points will be counted.
2. An official lease shall be construed as bona fide ownership. Copy of lease must be filed with point's chairman.
3. Points to go with the horse during the year in case of change of ownership, providing the new owner is or becomes a member. No points to count until the owner is a paid member.
4. If horses name is changed during the year, owner must notify the points chairman so proper horse is credited with points.
5. Equitation points to be tabulated for any WSH&JA Member as of the date membership dues are paid.

Section 3: Point Scoring

Each year, each member must select either the National or State awards program for their horse(s) and equitation rider(s) who may only accumulate year-end award points in one program. Each horse or rider is allowed one change per year between National or State Programs by contacting the Points Chair in writing, with applicable points transferable between programs for changes made prior to June 1st each show year.

Points for any U.S.E.F. and/or Equine Canada Regular Member Shows will count towards the WSH&JA National Program year-end Awards. Points for U.S.E.F. Regular Member Shows and U.S.E.F. Local Member Shows only in the State of Washington will count toward The WSH&JA State Program year-end awards.

1. Exhibitors wishing to have points counted, especially from out-of-state shows, must furnish Point Chairman a copy of the Prize list; a marked program or results signed by show management (computer results acceptable); and a copy of complete Hunter Increment report (not just sections you entered) within 45 days after the show. For Jumper Awards, we must have the amount of prize money won in each class as well as placing in the class. No points to be tabulated or changed after December 1st.
2. Rating requirements of Equine Canada Shows shall conform to U.S.E.F. rules for A, B, or C ratings except those required under saddle classes. If number of over fence classes and minimum money are offered, the rating requirements of the section will count accordingly. Copy of prize list is required.
3. Unrated sections that WSH&JA offers awards for will be counted as a "C" rated section. Number of exhibitors in first over fence class required.
4. Show Champion or Reserve Champion points to be counted for any awards. (Champion 2.0 times 1st place value, Reserve Champion 1.2 times 1st place value or as USEF Rule book)
5. Points to be counted as follows:

Hunter Increment Points:

PL	C-Rated				B-Rated				A-Rated				AA-Rated			
	3-8	9-15	16-25	26+	3-8	9-15	16-25	26+	3-8	9-15	16-25	26+	3-8	9-15	16-25	26*
1	15	20	25	30	25	25	30	40	30	40	50	60	40	50	60	70
2	10	15	20	25	20	20	25	35	25	35	45	55	35	45	55	65
3	5	10	15	20	15	15	2-	30	20	30	40	50	30	40	50	60
4	4	5	10	15	10	10	15	25	15	25	35	45	25	35	45	55
5	3	4	5	10	5	5	10	20	14	24	34	44	24	34	44	54
6	2	3	4	5	4	4	5	15	13	23	33	43	23	33	43	53

Classic Points: Points to 12th place:

1st – 20, 2nd – 16, 3rd – 14, 4th – 12, 5th – 10, 6th – 8, 7th – 6, 8th – 5, 9th – 4, 10th – 3, 11th – 2, 12th – 1.
A shows: above points X 4; AA shows: above points X5.

Jumper Points:

Place	3-8	9-15	16-25	26+
1	15	20	25	30
2	10	15	20	25
3	5	10	15	20
4	4	5	10	15
5	3	4	5	10
6	2	3	4	5

Equitation Points: (Medal classes not to count except where indicated)

Place	3-8	9-15	16-25	26+
1	15	20	25	30
2	10	15	20	25
3	5	10	15	20
4	4	5	10	15
5	3	4	5	10
6	2	3	4	5
7	1	2	3	4
8		1	2	3

6. The class must be offered and held in a minimum of 3 Regular Member U.S.A. Equestrian shows in the State of Washington.
7. A minimum of 3 horses must be shown in the class.
8. If there are less than 3 in any age divided award, the award will be combined.
9. High Score Awards will be presented at the Annual WSH&JA Banquet
10. Member must show in at least 1 show in Washington State in order to receive year end awards. (horse for year-end hunter and jumper awards and rider for year-end equitation awards)
11. The Pacific Northwest Equitation and Zone 9 Hunter Finals and Jumper Finals shall count for year end points. Points should be calculated as classic points.
12. The Executive Board shall have the ability to add or change point categories or specifications in Section 4 during the year to align with changes approved by National Governing Bodies.

Section 4: Year-end awards to be offered in the following categories:

National Program Year-End Hunter Awards:

- ❖ Baby Green Hunter
- ❖ Pre-Green Working Hunter 3'0 – Horse in 1st or 2nd year of showing
- ❖ Pre-Green Working Hunter 3'3 – Horse in 1st or 2nd year of showing
- ❖ First Year Green Hunter – Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Hunter's Run
- ❖ Second Year Green Hunter – Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Parkside Stables
- ❖ Green Conformation Hunter – Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Thumbs Up Farm
- ❖ Regular Hunter – Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Thumbs Up Farm
- ❖ Open Hunter 3'3" to 3'6" – with no entry restrictions
- ❖ Small Hunter, Under 16.0 Hands – Requires USEF Measurement Card - Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Hunter's Run
- ❖ Large Hunter – 16.0 Hands and Over – Requires USEF Measurement Card – Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Trilogy Farms
- ❖ Amateur Owner Hunter 18-35 – Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Hunter's Run
- ❖ Amateur Owner Hunter 36 & Over – Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Olson's Tack Shop
- ❖ Amateur Owner Hunter - 3'3
- ❖ Adult Amateur Hunter 18-30
- ❖ Adult Amateur Hunter 31-39
- ❖ Adult Amateur Hunter 40-49
- ❖ Adult Amateur Hunter 50 & over
- ❖ Small Junior Hunter 15 & under
- ❖ Small Junior Hunter 16-17
- ❖ Large Junior Hunter 15 & Under
- ❖ Large Junior Hunter 16-17 – Devon Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Florence Fleming
- ❖ Children's Hunter 12 & Under
- ❖ Children's Hunter 13-14
- ❖ Children's Hunter 15-17
- ❖ Adult Amateur/Children's Hunter 3'3 – No cross entry with Junior or Amateur Owner Hunters
- ❖ Small Pony Hunter
- ❖ Medium Pony Hunter
- ❖ Large Pony Hunter – Perpetual Trophy sponsored by Hillcrest Training
- ❖ Green Pony Hunter
- ❖ Short Stirrup Hunter – Pony – “Bunny Hop” Perpetual Trophy sponsored by Hunter's Run
- ❖ Short Stirrup Hunter – Horse – Perpetual Trophy sponsored by Hillcrest Training
- ❖ Long Stirrup Hunter – Perpetual Trophy sponsored by Heatherwood Stables
- ❖ Pre-Children Hunter
- ❖ Pre-Adult Hunter
- ❖ Children's Hunter Pony

National Program Year-End Equitation Awards:

- ❖ Short Stirrup Equitation – Pony
- ❖ Short Stirrup Equitation - Horse
- ❖ Long Stirrup Equitation
- ❖ Pre-Children Equitation
- ❖ Pre-Adult Equitation
- ❖ Children's Hunter Pony Equitation
- ❖ Pony Equitation
- ❖ 11 and Under Equitation
- ❖ 12-13 Equitation
- ❖ 14-15 Equitation
- ❖ 16-17 Equitation
- ❖ 18-30 Equitation
- ❖ 31-39 Equitation

- ❖ 40-49 Equitation
- ❖ 50 and Over Equitation
- ❖ WSHAJA Good Seat and Hands Medal 3'
- ❖ WSHAJA Good Seat and Hands Medal 3'6"
- ❖ WSHAJA Good Seat and Hands 3'6" Medal, Amateur Equitation is open to both AA and AO divisions.

National Program Year-End Jumper Awards:

Level 1 through 7 jumpers will be based on points.

- ❖ .9m/2'11" Jumpers – any jumper class set at .9m/2'11" with no entry restrictions may count towards year-end points. (In accordance with USEF jumper level standards)
- ❖ 1.0m/3'3" Jumpers – any jumper class set at 1.0m/3'3" with no entry restrictions may count towards year-end points. (In accordance with USEF jumper level standards)
- ❖ 1.10m/3'7" Jumpers – any jumper class set at 1.10m/3'7" with no entry restrictions may count towards year-end points. (In accordance with USEF jumper level standards)
- ❖ 1.15m/3'9" Jumpers – any jumper class set at 1.15m/3'9" with no entry restrictions may count towards year-end points. (In accordance with USEF jumper level standards)
- ❖ 1.2m/3'11" Jumpers – any jumper class set at 1.2m/3'11" with no entry restrictions may count towards year-end points. (In accordance with USEF jumper level standards)
- ❖ 1.3m/4'3" Jumpers – any jumper class set at 1.3m/4'3" with no entry restrictions may count towards year-end points. (In accordance with USEF jumper level standards).
- ❖ 1.4m/4'7" Jumpers – any jumper class set at 1.4m/4'7" with no entry restrictions may count towards year-end points. (In accordance with USEF jumper level standards).
- ❖ Washington State Elite Jumpers – based on prize money won in special jumper classes with no entry restrictions that offer \$5000 or more in prize money. For example: Grand Prix, mini-prix, classics, derbys, futures, etc.
- ❖ Young Jumper Championship 5 year old – Any Young Jumper 5 year old qualifying class or championship class may count towards year end award – based on points.
- ❖ Young Jumper Championship 6 year old – Any Young Jumper 6 year old qualifying class or championship class may count toward year-end award – based on points.
- ❖ Young Jumper Championship 7/8 year olds – Any Young Jumper 7/8 year old qualifying class or championship class may count toward year-end award – based on points.
- ❖ Modified Junior/Amateur Jumpers – Minimum 1.15m/3'9"
- ❖ Amateur Owner Jumpers – Minimum 1.2m/3'11"
- ❖ Junior Jumpers – Minimum 1.2m/3'11"
- ❖ Children's Jumpers Low.9m/2'11"
- ❖ Adult Amateur Jumpers Low.9m/2'11"
- ❖ Children's Jumpers - Low – Minimum 1.0m/3'3" - no cross entry with Children's Jumpers
- ❖ Adult Amateur Jumpers – Low – Minimum 1.0m/3'3" - no cross entry with Adult Jumpers
- ❖ Children's Jumpers - High – Minimum 1.10m/3'7" - 14 & Under
- ❖ Children's Jumpers - High - Minimum 1.10m/3'7" - 15-17
- ❖ Adult Amateur Jumpers – High - Minimum 1.10m/3'7" -18-39
- ❖ Adult Amateur Jumpers 40 & Over- High – Minimum 1.10m/3'7" – Perpetual Trophy sponsored by Trilogy Farms
- ❖ Pony Jumpers – Minimum.9m/2'11" - Perpetual Trophy sponsored by the Cook family

State Program Year-End Hunter Awards

- ❖ Baby Green Hunter
- ❖ Pre-Green Working Hunter – Horse in 1st or 2nd year of showing
- ❖ Green Hunter
- ❖ Open Hunter 3'3" to 3'6 – with no entry restrictions

- ❖ Small Hunter, Under 16.0 Hands – Requires USEF Measurement Card
- ❖ Large Hunter – 16.0 Hands and Over – Requires USEF Measurement Card
- ❖ Amateur Owner Hunter
- ❖ Adult Amateur Hunter 18-35
- ❖ Adult Amateur Hunter 36 and Over
- ❖ Junior Hunter
- ❖ Children's Hunter 14 & Under
- ❖ Children's Hunter 15-17
- ❖ Pony Hunter
- ❖ Short Stirrup Hunter – Pony
- ❖ Short Stirrup Hunter – Horse
- ❖ Children's Hunter Pony
- ❖ Long Stirrup Hunter
- ❖ Pre-Children Hunter
- ❖ Pre-Adult Hunter
- ❖ English Pleasure 14 & Under – Perpetual Trophy sponsored by Hillcrest Training
- ❖ English Pleasure 15 – 17
- ❖ English Pleasure 18 & over
- ❖ Bridle Path Hack 14 & Under
- ❖ Bridle Path Hack 15 – 17
- ❖ Bridle Path Hack 18 & over

State Program Year-End Equitation Awards

- ❖ Hunt Seat Equitation
- ❖ Long Stirrup Equitation
- ❖ Pre-Children Equitation
- ❖ Pre-Adult Equitation
- ❖ Children's Hunter Pony Equitation
- ❖ Pony Equitation
- ❖ Children's Equitation 14 & Under
- ❖ Children's Equitation 15-17
- ❖ Junior Equitation
- ❖ Adult Amateur Equitation 18-35
- ❖ Adult Amateur Equitation 36 & Over

State Program Year-End Jumper Awards

- ❖ .9m/2'11" Jumpers – any jumper class set at .9m/2'11" with no entry restrictions may count towards year-end points. (In accordance with USEF jumper level standards)
- ❖ 1.0m/3'3" Jumpers – any jumper class set at 1.0m/3'3" with no entry restrictions may count towards year-end points. (In accordance with USEF jumper level standards)
- ❖ 1.10m/3'7" Jumpers – any jumper class set at 1.10m/3'7" with no entry restrictions may count towards year-end points. (In accordance with USEF jumper level standards)
- ❖ Open Jumpers - any jumper class set at 1.15m/3'9" or over with no entry restrictions may count towards year-end points (In accordance with USEF jumper level standards)
- ❖ Junior/Amateur Owner Jumpers 1.2m/3'11" or over
- ❖ Children's Jumpers – Low – Minimum .9m/2'11" – no cross entry with Children's Jumpers
- ❖ Adult Amateur Jumpers – Low – Minimum .9m/2'11" - no cross entry with Adult Jumpers
- ❖ Children's Jumpers – High – Minimum 1.10m/3'7"
- ❖ Adult Amateur Jumpers – High – Minimum 1.10m/3'7"

Special Year-End Awards:

- ❖ High Point Junior Amateur Jumper Award - Perpetual Trophy Sponsored by Shannon Hendrickson
- ❖ The Junior Sportsmanship Award
- ❖ The Amateur Sportsmanship Award
- ❖ Lifetime Achievement Award
- ❖ The President's Cup

Section 5: Perpetual Trophies

The previously listed Perpetual Trophies are generously donated by some of our members. It is the responsibility of the recipient of each trophy to return the trophy in the same good condition, including any repairs if necessary. If the trophy is not returned at the end of the year, recipient must replace the trophy or pay for a duplicate.

Article XII Special Funds Allocations

Section 1: Washington State Finals Scholarships; Applies to WSH&JA members who participate in out-of-state finals as follows:

- a. The following National Finals qualify for finals scholarships:
 1. USEF Junior Hunter Seat Medal Final
 2. USEF Pony Equitation Medal Final
 3. USEF Adult Amateur Zone 8,9,10 Regional Hunter Seat Medal Final
 4. USEF Junior Zone 8,9,10 Regional Hunter Seat Medal Final
 5. USET West Final
 6. USET East Final
 7. ASPCA/Maclay Final
 8. Ariat Adult Medal Final
 9. Show Circuit Magazine Medal Finals
 10. Washington International Junior Equitation Final
 11. Washington International Pony Equitation Final
 12. USEF Junior Jumper Prix de States
 13. USEF National Junior Jumper Championship
 14. USEF Pony Jumper Final
 15. National Horseshow Children's Jumper Championship
 16. National Horseshow Adult Amateur Jumper Championship
 17. North American Young Rider Championship
 18. USEF Pony Hunter Finals
 19. USEF Junior Hunter National Championship – East and West
 20. USEF National Hunter Breeding Championships (yearling, 2 and 3 year olds)
 21. West Coast Pony Hunter Finals
 22. PCHA Onondarka Finals
- b. That the applicant show in at least one U.S.E.F. show in the State of Washington before leaving to attend out of state finals.
- c. That the applicant is a Washington State resident and member in good standing.
- d. That the applicant submit, in writing, to the Secretary of the WSH&JA, their request to receive funding prior to the day of the final or NO LATER THAN November 30th.
Scholarship is paid to applicant after applicant has shown proof of competition in final or that the applicant has made every attempt to show in the final class they qualified for.
- e. A limit of \$10,000.00 in total to be awarded per year from the WSH&JA Scholarship Fund. (Voted on each year by the Board)
- f. Each applicant will receive \$750.00 for the 1st Final attended out-of-state.
- g. Each applicant will receive \$1000 for the 2nd Final attended out-of-state. The second final must occur in a different state than the first final.

- h. Any applicant applying for funding must show at the N.W. Autumn Classic Horse show and participate in any corresponding local Final to which they wish to compete in the National Final.

Section 2: WSH&JA Fund Raising Programs

The Board shall have full discretion over the use of proceeds raised from the annual auction and other fund raising programs that benefit the Association.