



October 15, 2024

Ms. Katie Patrick  
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Sent via email: [kpatrick@ushja.org](mailto:kpatrick@ushja.org)

Dear Ms. Patrick:

Thank you for submitting your request for a Presidential Modification to the application of HU173 and JP113. Presidential Modification is granted in cases of extraordinary, special circumstances. When measured against that criterion, it has been determined that your request does meet the standard for a Presidential Modification and therefore is approved.

As a result, effective immediately and until a standard rule change can be implemented effective December 1, 2025, the aforementioned rules will be modified as shown in the attached for purposes of memorializing the calculation of National HOTY points for the USHJA programs and classes listed.

Please feel free to contact the Federation office if you need further assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Thomas F. X. O'Mara', written over a light blue horizontal line.

Thomas F. X. O'Mara  
President

cc: William J. Moroney, CEO  
Katlynn Wilbers, USEF Director of Competition Operations  
Jennifer Haydon, USEF Director of Show Jumping National Programs  
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Kelsey Shanley, USEF Director of Equine & Athlete Services  
Whitney Allen, USHJA Executive Director

attachments

Effective October 15, 2024 and throughout the 2025 competition year:

## **HU173 National Horse of the Year Point Values**

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### **7. Zone Handy Hunter Challenge**

*Participation in USHJA Zone Handy Hunter Challenge classes accrue double points for HOTY standings.*

## **JP143 USHJA Programs and Classes**

Exhibitors must be Federation and USHJA active members and horses must be USEF recorded and USHJA registered in order to participate in the following programs. See [www.ushja.org](http://www.ushja.org) for complete specifications.

1. USHJA Jumper Classic Series;
2. USHJA Platinum Jumper Championship;
3. USHJA National Championship (exception: Affiliate classes);
4. USHJA Zone Jumper Team Championship;
5. USHJA Zone Horse of the Year Championship; and
6. USHJA Zone Stirrup Cup Championships.

Horses competing in these programs shall accrue USEF and/or USHJA Zone Horse of the Year points in accordance with the specifications available at [www.ushja.org](http://www.ushja.org)

Competitions eligible to host the following are:

1. USHJA Jumper Classic Series — Jumper Rating 1-6
2. USHJA Platinum Jumper Championship — Jumper Rating 3 and above
3. USHJA National Championship — Jumper Rating 1-6
4. USHJA Zone Jumper Team Championship — Jumper Rating 3 and above
5. USHJA Zone Horse of the Year Championship — Jumper Rating 3-6
6. USHJA Zone Stirrup Cup Championships — Jumper Rating 1 or 2.

*Renumber remaining sections accordingly*

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## **SUBCHAPTER JP-9 USHJA PROGRAMS AND CLASSES**

### **JP153 USHJA Programs and Classes Offered**

*Exhibitors must be Federation and USHJA active members and horses must be USEF recorded and USHJA registered in order to participate in the following programs. See [www.ushja.org](http://www.ushja.org) for complete specifications.*

1. USHJA Platinum Jumper Championship;
2. USHJA National Championship (exception: Affiliate classes);
3. USHJA Zone Jumper Team Championship;
4. 1.00/1.05m USHJA Junior/Amateur Zone Jumper Championship;
5. USHJA Zone Horse of the Year Championship;
6. USHJA Zone Stirrup Cup Championships; and
7. USHJA Young Jumper Championships

*Horses competing in these programs shall accrue USEF and/or USHJA Zone Horse of the Year points in accordance with the specifications available at [www.ushja.org](http://www.ushja.org)*

*Competitions eligible to host the following are:*

1. USHJA Platinum Jumper Championship – Jumper Rating 3 and above

2. USHJA National Championship –Jumper Rating 1 - 6
3. USHJA Zone Jumper Team Championship – Jumper Rating 3 and above
4. 1.00/1.05m USHJA Junior/Amateur Zone Jumper Championship; -Jumper Rating 1-6
5. USHJA Zone Horse of the Year Championship – Jumper Rating 3-6
6. USHJA Zone Stirrup Cup Championships – Jumper Rating 1 or 2.
7. USHJA Young Jumper Championships – Jumper Rating 1 - 6

### **JP154 National Horse of the Year Point Values**

#### **1. USHJA Platinum Jumper Championship**

*HOTY points for both sections of the USHJA Platinum Jumper Championship are awarded per GR1134.3 (one point for every dollar won in their classification) for individual placings from Day One and Day Three. HOTY points will be awarded per GR1134.3 (one point for every dollar won in their classification) for team placings on Day Two.*

#### **2. USHJA Zone Jumper Team Championship**

##### **a. 1.10/1.15 USHJA Junior/Amateur Jumper Team Championship**

*1. Bonus HOTY points will be awarded as follows for individual placings from Day One and Day Three, and to each member of a team for team placings on Day Two:*

<i>1st</i>	<i>60 points</i>
<i>2nd</i>	<i>50 points</i>
<i>3rd</i>	<i>40 points</i>
<i>4th</i>	<i>30 points</i>
<i>5th</i>	<i>20 points</i>
<i>6th</i>	<i>10 points</i>

##### **b. 1.20/1.25m USHJA Junior/Amateur Jumper Team Championship**

*1. Bonus HOTY points for this section are awarded based upon money won, and offering of prize money is optional for the host applicant. USHJA will assign a minimum amount of money to this height section of \$6,000. Classes offering more than \$6,000 will be capped at \$6,000 thus pointed as a \$6,000 class and awarded for individual placings from Day One and Day Three. Bonus HOTY points will be awarded for team placings on Day Two.*

##### **3. 1.00/1.05m USHJA Junior/Amateur Zone Jumper Championship**

*a. Bonus HOTY points will be awarded as follows for individual placings from Day One and Day Three, and to each member of a team for team placings on Day Two:*

<i>1st</i>	<i>60 points</i>
<i>2nd</i>	<i>50 points</i>
<i>3rd</i>	<i>40 points</i>
<i>4th</i>	<i>30 points</i>
<i>5th</i>	<i>20 points</i>
<i>6th</i>	<i>10 points</i>

#### **4. USHJA Young Jumper Championships**

*National HOTY bonus points will be awarded in each phase of the Championship for the 5-, 6-, and 7-Year-Old sections.*

*A. For the First and Second Qualifiers conducted under Table II (Clear Round). All clear rounds will be tied for 1st and will receive 30 points.*

*B. Second Qualifiers conducted under Table II, Section 1 will be placed 1st – 10th and points will be awarded as follows:*

<i>1st</i>	<i>30 points</i>
<i>2nd</i>	<i>25 points</i>
<i>3rd</i>	<i>20 points</i>
<i>4th</i>	<i>15 points</i>
<i>5th</i>	<i>10 points</i>
<i>6th</i>	<i>5 points</i>

**C. For the Final, points will be awarded as follows:**

<b>1st</b>	<b>60 points</b>
<b>2nd</b>	<b>50 points</b>
<b>3rd</b>	<b>40 points</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>30 points</b>
<b>5th</b>	<b>20 points</b>
<b>6th</b>	<b>10 points</b>