

# 2023-24 LIPHA HIGH SCORE RULES AND SPECIFICATIONS

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## PROGRAM YEAR

High Score Awards Year will run from September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 - August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024.

## MEMBERSHIP

For Horses/Ponies/Riders to accrue High Score Award Points toward year-end, riders must be LIPHA member in good standing and pay an additional competition fee of **\$30.00**.

- Junior Membership - \$15
- Associate Membership - \$20
- Professional Membership - \$50
- Life Membership - \$750

Member's must join LIPHA online at LIPHA.ORG, which allows you to pay by credit card or mail check to: Bruce Smith, PO Box 12, Jamesport, NY 11974

## 1. RULES

Equitation Rider or the Rider of Hunter Horse/Pony must be a member of the LIPHA **prior to or on the day of the show**. LIPHA will NOT offer retroactive points!

- Rider/horse/pony must compete in at least **6 shows** in the SAME division during the current competition year that ends August 31<sup>st</sup>,
- The LIPHA reserves the right to combine or split a division at their discretion, either by rider age, or horse/pony size for betterment of program.
- If **Rated** Horse Show must run as unrated due to unforeseen circumstances, such as weather, the points will count toward year end and LIPHA charges will be the same
- **RIDERS WILL RECEIVE DOUBLE POINTS AT THE LIPHA HORSE SHOW - ALL LIPHA CLASSES!**

## 2. POINTS

For a class to be considered official and for points to count, there must be at least **3 entries** that complete the course. However, if only **two riders** complete the course, rider/horse will receive ½ points **although champion and reserve will NOT count**. (see specs for point tabulation)

## LIPHA HIGH SCORE DIVISIONS

### HUNTER CLASSES

- ◆ Short Stirrup Hunter
- ◆ Low Children Hunter Pony
- ◆ Low Children Horse/Low Adult Hunter
- ◆ Children's Hunter Pony (SM-MED)
- ◆ Children's Hunter Pony (LARGE)
- ◆ Children's Hunter Horse
- ◆ Adult Amateur Hunter
- ◆ LIPHA/USHJA 2'0 and 2'3" Hunter Division
- ◆ LIPHA Low Hunter

### EQUITATION

- ◆ Beginner Equitation
- ◆ Mini Short Stirrup Equitation
- ◆ Short Stirrup Equitation (9/under)
- ◆ Short Stirrup Equitation (10-12)
- ◆ Low Child/Adult Equitation
- ◆ LIPHA 2'6" Pre-Mini/Medium Adult Medal ◆
- ◆ LIPHA 3'0" Ross Reisner Mini/ High Adult Medal

### JUMPER CLASSES

- ◆ LIPHA Low Jumpers (2'6")
- ◆ LIPHA Jumpers (3' - 3'3)

**LIPHA RESERVES THE RIGHT TO COMBINE DIVISIONS IF THERE ARE LESS THAN 6 (SIX) RIDERS QUALIFIED IN DIVISION FOR YEAR END AWARDS**

# LIPHA SPECIFICATIONS FOR 2023/2024

A rider must be a member of the LIPHA and register for award points prior to or on the day of showing to be eligible for a year-end award.

**Rider Eligibility on Ponies:** In accordance with USEF rules, adults may show ponies in classes that are not restricted to junior riders, however that pony may not be shown in any junior exhibitor class at the same show. See USEF rules for Zone and National divisions.

## **CLASS SPECIFICATIONS**

The following classes will follow the USEF Rule Book:

The following sections will follow the USHJA Zone Specifications:

**Children's Hunter Pony, Children's Hunter Horse, Adult Amateur Hunter, Children's Jumper, Adult Amateur Jumper, LIPHA Hunter 2'0 & 2'3".**

**LIPHA BEGINNER EQUITATION:** Open to junior riders who have not reached their 18th birthday and who have not shown in any class where jumping a course of jumps. Once a rider competes in the mini short stirrup or above, they are no longer eligible for beginner equitation.

**LIPHA MINI SHORT STIRRUP:** Open to junior riders who have not reached their 18th birthday. Riders who compete in the short stirrup or above are no longer eligible for the mini short stirrup. Riders to jump a course of cross rails not to exceed 18" which will not include a change of direction on course.

**LIPHA SHORT STIRRUP:** A rider who enters and shows in the Short Stirrup Division (Equitation or Hunter) shall not be eligible to enter any other section or division at that show. Riders must be age 12 or under as of December 1 of the current show year. In order to split the section 8 are needed, at least 3 in each section. Section to be split by age. 9 & Under and 10-12. Permissible test for the Short Stirrup Equitation is USEF Hunter Seat Equitation Test #1. (Halt and/or back). Courses for all short stirrup classes must consist of at least six (6) cross rails not to exceed 18". In the Short Stirrup Hunter Section, courses must contain 1 change of direction. Equitation will be split by age for year-end awards if there are at least 3 entries in each group.

**LIPHA LOW CHILDREN/ADULT HUNTERS:** Open to juniors & adults. Two sections must be offered: Ponies and Horses. If there are less than 3 entries in either the Pony section or the Horse section, both sections must be combined. Ponies to jump 2' and horses to jump 2'6". Riders may not cross enter the Children's or Adult Amateur Hunter division or any class/section where fences exceed 2'9" (Exception 3'0" Equitation). If entries warrant, the division may be split for year-end awards.

**LIPHA LOW CHILDREN HORSE/ADULT EQUITATION:** Open to junior & adult exhibitors. Fences 2'. Three sections must be offered: Ponies, Horses and Adults. Riders may not cross enter into any other equitation class or hunter class where fences exceed 2'6" The specifications will follow USHJA specifications. (Divisions may be split as entries warrant for year end awards.

**LIPHA CHILDREN HUNTER HORSE:** Combined award Rider 14 & under and 15 to 17. May be split at shows if there are more than 3 entries at managers discretion. Year-end awards will be split if more than 6 entries or at LIPHA discretion.

**LIPHA ADULT AMATEUR HUNTER:** Combined Award Younger & Older divisions. May be split at shows if entries warrant at management's discretion.

**LIPHA/USHJA 2'0 & 2'3" HUNTER DIVISIONS:** Open to all riders not competing in class where height exceeds 2'3 for 2'0 riders or 2'6" for 2'3" riders. To be run in accordance of USHJA specifications

**LIPHA LOW HUNTER 2'6":** No restrictions as to horse/pony or rider, no restrictions as to cross entering. Fences 2'6". At the discretion of Show Management, a Handy Hunter Class may be offered in this division. USEF specs apply.

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**LIPHA PRE-MINI 2'6" MEDAL/MEDIUM ADULT MEDAL EQUITATION:** Division makes up a combination of Medal, Maclay and PHA equitation classes that are a modified version of the courses used in the National Medal Classes. Exhibitors must have not won three (3) blue ribbons in any 3' or higher equitation class. Riders may not compete in any classes exceeding 2'6" at the same show that they compete in the Pre-Mini or Medium Adult Division. Fences not to exceed 2'6".

**LIPHA ROSS REISNER MINI MEDAL:** Division makes up a combination of Medal, Maclay and PHA equitation classes that are a modified version of the courses used in the National Medal Classes (3'6" and 3' classes). Fences at 3'0".

**LIPHA HIGH ADULT MEDAL:** Division makes up combination of Medal, Maclay and PHA equitation classes that are a modified version of the courses used in the National Medal Classes (3'6" and 3' classes). Fences at 3'0". May be combined with Ross Reisner Mini Medal if there are fewer than 3 entries at the horse show. For LIPHA year-end awards, this class will be combined with Ross Reisner Mini Medal unless there are at least three qualified adult riders.

**\*\* COMBINING JUMPER SECTIONS AT SHOWS:** If there are fewer than 3 entries in any section, the sections may be combined at management's discretion allowing each section to compete at their respective height to fill the division. EXAMPLE: LIPHA JUMPERS CAN BE COMBINED WITH LOW JUMPERS FOR DIVISION TO BE FILLED AND COUNT TOWARD YEAR END. Points will be applied for year-end awards based on the respective height. If sections are combined a horse can only compete at one height in each class. All Jumper classes are open to horses and ponies.

**LIPHA LOW JUMPERS:** Fences 2'6".

**LIPHA JUMPERS:** Fences 0.95m to 1.00m (3' to 3'3"). Open to All riders

**LIPHA points will be awarded as follows:**

EQUITATION AND JUMPER POINTS WILL ALL BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

Number of Entries	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>
2	5	3						
3 plus	7	5	4	3	2	1 ½	1	1/2

HUNTER POINTS (CHAMPION RESERVE POINTS – WILL NOT COUNT IF CLASS HAS LESS THAN 3 ENTRIES)

Number of Entries	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>
2	5	3						
3 plus	10	6	4	3	2	1 ½	1	1/2

CHAMPION = 2x POINTS FIRST CLASS O/F

RESERVE = 1.2X POINTS FIRST CLASS O/F

**(The LIPHA reserves the right to update specifications at their discretion)**