

2015 CPHA FOUNDATION EQUITATION

Open to Junior and Amateur riders who are current members of the CPHA and PCHA, to be judged over an equitation type course of at least 8 fences 3'3" in height with at least 2 USEF Tests (1, 2,6,10,12,15,17 or 18) included as part of the course. Trainers of riders in this class must be professional members of the CPHA and current members of the PCHA. This class will be judged on the current standards of the US Equestrian Federation.

QUALIFICATIONS: 21/under riders must earn 6 points during the qualifying season and may continue to ride in the class for the year-end high point award. Amateurs, 22/over and juniors 14/under must ride in one class prior to the 2015 championships to qualify and may continue to ride for their specific division's year-end high point award. The high point division leaders will receive special awards from the California Professional Horsemen's Association Foundation at its annual awards presentation held at the PCHA Convention.

• Points are awarded: 6- 4- 3- 2- 1. Any class with 30 or more riders the class must be split (California split) with two sets of awards and two sets of ribbons to be distributed.

Three (3) riders must compete and complete the course in order for the class to count as a qualifier. Unconventional equipment may be penalized at the discretion of the judges. The qualifying period will be from the first weekend after the finals to the last weekend before the finals.

2015 CPHA FOUNDATION EQUITATION CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL

QUALIFICATIONS: Open to Junior and Amateur riders who are current members of the CPHA and the PCHA. The 21/under rider must have earned six points during the qualifying period, while the 14/under and the amateur (22/over) riders must have ridden in at least one Foundation Equitation Class prior to the 2015 championships. An exhibitor may only compete in one section of the championships regardless of age eligibility.

Trainers of riders in this class must be professional members of the CPHA and current members of the PCHA.

Warm Up Class: The warm up classes in all three divisions will not be judged but any rider that varies from the posted course will be eliminated from the warm up class only. If a rider jumps in a closed section of the field (21/under class) that rider will be eliminated from the finals. The warm up class is restricted to exhibitors who have qualified for the finals.

CLASS SPECIFICATIONS: There will be two rounds consisting of courses with at least two changes of direction. Two judges will sit apart and use the open numerical system for scoring. Judges may sit together during the work off. The judges and the Td will confer with the course designer to approve the USEF tests, which are part of the rounds, prior to the start of the course walk for each round. The order of go for Round 1 will be drawn at the exhibitor's party, and the order of go for Round 2 will be the reverse. If a rider or his/her representative fails to attend the draw, the USEF Steward, Technical Delegate or CPHA official will draw on his/her behalf. Each round will count for 50% of the total score and the rider's score in each round will be an average of each judge's score. After the completion of Round 2, riders with the top 4 scores, any additional riders with scores within 3 points of the leader, and any rider whose score is 80 or better will be required to perform additional tests at the discretion of the judges. In the event of ties in Rounds 1 and 2 a call judge will be selected to break the ties prior to the start of the class. The work off score will be announced and added to the rider's total score. The score in Round 2 will decide ties not involving 1st place in the final round.

Substitutions: The same horse must be ridden through all phases of the competition. However, due to an illness or injury of the horse a rider may petition to ride a substitute horse. This substitution must be approved by the Appeals Committee consisting of the Show Manager, the Chief Steward and the Official Veterinarian, who has examined the horse and determined it's unsuitability to continue.

Schooling:

Follow USEF Jumper schooling rules EXCEPT: Swedish oxers (max 12" difference), tarps, coolers, and liverpools are acceptable. Riders will school in the designated schooling area one hour prior to the beginning of the class. The jumps will be flagged to show the direction of the jumps: red on right, white on left. These flags may be changed. Verticals can be made into oxers; oxers can be made into verticals. The jumps may be raised or lowered, widened or narrowed. Classes for schooling before finals are held at the discretion of the horse show management. Approved USEF attire for schooling is required.

There is to be no contact between exhibitor or trainer and either judges or course designer prior to or at the conclusion of any round without the specified technical delegate or show steward present.

Riders 14 & Under: Fences 3'3" in height. Two tests (USEF Eq. 1, 2,6,10,12,15,17 or 18) will be part of the original course in Round 1 and 2.

Riders 21 & Under: Fences 3'3" in height. The course will be an advanced equitation type using banks, liverpools (in at least one round) triple and double combinations. Two tests (USEF Eq., 1, 2,6,10, 12, 15, 17 or 18) will be part of the original course in Round 1 and 2.

Riders 22 & Over: Fences 3'3" in height. Two tests (USEF Eq. 1, 2,6,10,12,15,17 or 18) will be part of the original course in Round 1 and 2. Riders will not be asked to dismount, mount or jump without stirrups.

AWARDS

Hap Hansen Perpetual Trophy presented to the 14 & Under Champion sponsored by the Van Sickle Family.

Barbara Worth Oakford Perpetual Trophy presented to the 21 & Under Champion sponsored by Hester Equestrian.

Victor Hugo Vidal Perpetual Trophy presented to the 22 & Over Champion sponsored by Betsy Woods.

Special awards will be presented to the top four finishers in each division. Ribbons through 10th will be presented for all rounds.

ORDER OF GO

The order of go for round 1 will be drawn at the exhibitors' party. If a rider or his/her representative fails to attend the draw, the USEF Steward, Technical Delegate or CPHA official will act on his/her behalf.