**IEA INDIVIDUAL RIDER PLACEMENT WORKSHEET**

**Hunt Seat**

This form is NOT your official individual IEA Membership Form; rider placement is the coach's responsibility and must be in accordance with IEA Rules. This document is a guide to rider placement - any question about placement should be directed to the Membership Office.

**3201.5** Along with the mandatory advancement rules, riders must be evaluated each year according to class description levels prior to submitting membership application.

**3201.1** The team coach will be responsible for assigning the rider to the appropriate division and class within the discipline, based upon the following descriptions (Rules 3300-3400).

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<th>Coach Name:</th>
<th>Rider Grade: Future(Middle) JV/ Varsity (Upper)</th>
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<th>Rider's Mailing Address:</th>
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Please refer to the IEA Rule Book for full descriptions of class requirements. This form indicates suggested placement, but the IEA Rules always takes precedence in matters of placement.

**Notes: (from IEA Rule Book Rule 3000 Disciplines, Classes & Tests)**

- Please refer to Rule 3300 Hunt Seat and 3400 Western of IEA Rules for exact class qualifications.
- 3101.1 Recognized competitions - A recognized competition is any sanctioned by the United States Equestrian Federation (USEF); American Grand Prix Association (AGA); American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA); National Reining Horse Association (NRHA); American Paint Horse Association (APHA); Appaloosa Horse Club (APHC); Pinto Horse Association (PHA); and United States Eventing Association (USEA).
- 3101.2 Open Competitions - Local horse show series, 4-H state and regional competitions, or any competitions that do not keep permanent point records are considered open competitions.
- 3101.3 Instruction - Any number of lessons taken within a week (Monday-Sunday) constitutes a week of instruction.
- 3101.4 Hunt Seat Equitation Classes - A Hunt Seat equitation class is any class that is judged on Hunt Seat equitation specifically.
- Open Flat and Fences Hunter Seat riders may not be placed lower than Novice Western Horsemanship.
- 3201.2 The rider’s total riding experience, not just riding experience with IEA shows, must be considered for class designations as per Rule 3000.
- 3202.4 Cross Over Riders - Riders competing in multiple disciplines should be placed at least one division lower in the crossover discipline than their primary discipline placement. Open or Intermediate Western riders with no prior jumping experience shall be placed no lower than the Hunt Seat Novice Equitation of x-rails class. Open or Intermediate Hunt seat riders with no prior reining experience shall be placed no lower than the Western Novice Horsemanship class.
- 3202.7 International riders coming to the IEA with no hunter or hunt seat equitation experience in the United States may be placed one division lower than their experience would designate for initial placement.

**TO DOCUMENT / REFERENCE PRIOR COMPETITION RECORDS:**

- List your name exactly as it appears in association records, and list your ID# for each association in which you have actually competed (not just been a card holding member, but actually competed):
  - United States Equestrian Federation (USEF)____________________
  - United States Eventing Association (USEA)____________________
  - American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA)___________________
  - National Reining Horse Association (NRHA)___________________
  - United States Dressage Federation (USDF)____________________
  - American Paint Horse Association (APHA)_____________________
  - Other____________________________________________________

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HUNT SEAT – Begin at the top, first “Yes” will help determine coach’s placement of rider.

Reminder; riders may be placed as flat riders only, do not have to be placed in over fences in order to ride for a team.

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<th>Varsity Open</th>
<th>Varsity Intermediate</th>
<th>JV Novice</th>
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<tr>
<td>Upper School Only</td>
<td>Are you regularly jumping 3’-3’6” in lessons?</td>
<td>Are you regularly jumping 2’6” – 3’ in lessons?</td>
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<td>Have you competed at ANY competition over fences 3’ or higher?</td>
<td>Have you only competed over fences at 3’ or below?</td>
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<td>Have you won 10 or more blue ribbons in classes over fences 3’ or higher?</td>
<td>Have you won 10 or more blue ribbons in classes at 2’6”?</td>
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Rider must demonstrate proficiency at trot & canter, and be capable of competing on a variety of unfamiliar horses.

Post Season–Hunt Seat, use this section for returning riders only, based on prior years’ placement in classes

- Did you qualify OR show at last years’ Nationals as an individual? (if Yes, need to move up a division from prior years’ class placement) YES NO
- Have you ridden in the same class for more than 2 seasons? (if Yes, need to move up a division, unless Rule 3205.1 applies, below) YES NO
- Did you earn 22 pts or more in an over fences class last season? (if Yes, need to move up a division from prior years’ placement – both over fences & flat) YES NO
- Did you earn 22 pts or more in a flat class last season? (if Yes, need to move up a flat class for flat class only) YES NO

Coach’s assignment of IEA Divisions:

NOTE: 3205.1 Riders may not compete in the same division for more than two (2) show seasons. Coaches may file a petition as per rule 9000 if there is a valid reason why a rider should continue to ride in the lower division. (see Rule 3205.1.1 and 3205.1.2)

3205.1.3 Any rider granted a third year in any class through petition may not be designated as a point rider during regular or post season competition in that class.

3201.7 The rider’s official eligibility date is listed on the team roster. Once that date is posted their non-IEA experience will not affect placement for that competition year.

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<th>Varsity Open off #1</th>
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<th>JV Novice off xrail #3</th>
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<td>Varsity Open flat #6</td>
<td>Varsity Intermediate flat #7</td>
<td>JV Novice flat #8</td>
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Future Intermediate off 2’ #4
Future Intermediate flat #10
Future Novice off xrail #5
Future Novice flat #11

JV Beginner flat #9
Future Beginner flat #12

If you have questions on class placement, please feel free to contact the membership office with any questions. 1-877-Ride IEA
3300 HUNT SEAT DISCIPLINE

3301 Hunt Seat Over Fences Classes

CLASS 1. Varsity Open Equitation o/f 2'6": Open to riders in grades 9-12. Riders should be capable of jumping 3'-3" on their usual mounts at home. Riders may have shown in any competition, recognized or unrecognized, at 3" or above. Coaches should be confident these riders could safely perform over a 2'6" Hunter or equitation course on an unfamiliar horse. Riders participating in Varsity Open Over Fences are expected to compete throughout the season in Varsity Open Flat. To be eligible for post season competitions (individual or team) riders must have accumulated the required points and participated in a minimum of two (2) Varsity Open Flat classes during the regular season.

CLASS 2. Varsity Intermediate Equitation o/f 2": Open to riders in grades 9-12. Riders should be capable of jumping 2'6"-3' on their usual mounts at home. Intermediate riders may have shown in any competition, recognized or unrecognized, at 3' (0.90 meters) or below in any discipline. Riders who have won 10 or more blue ribbons at 3' (0.90 meters) at any competition recognized by organizations listed in Rule 3101.1 or their affiliates (hunter, jumper, equitation, cross-country) must be placed in Varsity Open O/F. Coaches should be confident these riders would be able to safely perform over 2' Hunter or equitation course on an unfamiliar horse. Riders participating in Varsity Intermediate Over Fences are expected to compete throughout the season in Varsity Intermediate or Varsity Open Flat. To be eligible for post season competitions (individual or team) riders must have accumulated the required points and participated in a minimum of two (2) Varsity Intermediate or Varsity Open Flat classes during the regular season.

CLASS 3. Junior Varsity Novice Equitation o/f x-rails: Open to riders in grades 9-12. Riders should be capable of jumping 2'-2'6" on their usual mounts at home. Junior Varsity Novice riders may have shown in any competition, recognized or unrecognized, at 2'6" or below in any discipline. Riders who have won 10 or more blue ribbons at 2'6" at any competition recognized by organizations listed in Rule 3101.1 or their affiliates (hunter, jumper, equitation, cross-country) must be placed in the next higher appropriate level. Riders should have a minimum of one-year of professional instruction over fences. Coaches should be confident these riders would be able to safely perform over a x-rails Hunter or equitation course on an unfamiliar horse. Riders participating in Junior Varsity Novice Over Fences are expected to compete throughout the season in Junior Varsity Novice or Varsity Intermediate Flat. To be eligible for post season competitions (individual or team) riders must have accumulated the required points and participated in a minimum of two (2) Junior Varsity Novice or Varsity Intermediate Flat classes during the regular season.

CLASS 4. Future Intermediate Equitation o/f 2": Open to riders in grades 6-8 who meet the criteria for Hunt Seat Class 1 or 2. Riders participating in Future Intermediate Over Fences are expected to compete throughout the season in Future Intermediate Flat. To be eligible for post season competitions (individual or team) riders must have accumulated the required points and participated in a minimum of two (2) Future Intermediate Flat classes during the regular season.

CLASS 5. Future Novice o/f x-rails: Open to riders in grades 6-8 who meet the criteria for Hunt Seat Class 3. Riders participating in Future Novice Over Fences are expected to compete throughout the season in Future Novice or Future Intermediate Flat. To be eligible for post season competitions (individual or team) riders must have accumulated the required points and participated in a minimum of two (2) Future Novice or Future Intermediate Flat classes during the regular season.

3302 Hunt Seat Flat Classes

Riders without jumping experience should be assessed according to their ability to perform flatwork tests, as listed in Rule 3304.

CLASS 6. Varsity Open Equitation on the flat: Open to riders in grades 9-12. These riders should be capable of performing Hunt Seat Tests 1 - 16.


CLASS 8. Junior Varsity Novice Equitation on the flat: Open to riders in grades 9-12. These riders should be capable of performing Hunt Seat Tests 1 - 10. 1 through 8.

CLASS 9. Junior Varsity Beginner Equitation on the flat Walk/Trot/Canter: Open to riders in grades 9-12 who are not eligible for Novice level jumping classes, but should be experienced enough to canter on an unfamiliar animal in a group. These riders should be capable of performing Hunt Seat Tests 1 through 7. A Beginner rider may not have shown over fences larger than 2' in any horse show. To be eligible for Class 9, a rider must have had at least one year continuous professional instruction, must demonstrate proficiency at the trot and canter, and be capable of competing on a variety of unfamiliar horses. A Walk/Trot class is an optional offering and is open only to those riders competing in the Walk/Trot/Canter class. Entry fees will be collected but no individual or team points will be awarded. The intent is not to accommodate lower level riders. Competitors in W/T must meet eligibility requirements of Hunt Seat Class 9 and must compete in the W/T/C class.
CLASS 9. Walk/Trot/Canter
CLASS 9x. Walk/Trot (optional offering and does not count for points) Open only to those riders who are riding in Class 9-W/T/C


CLASS 11. Future Novice Equitation on the flat: Open to riders in grades 6-8 who are capable of performing Hunt Seat Tests 1 - 10. 1 through 8.

CLASS 12. Future Beginner Equitation on the flat Walk/Trot/Canter: Open to riders in grades 6-8 who meet the eligibility requirements of Class 9. These riders should be capable of performing Hunt Seat Tests 1 - 7.

CLASS 12. Walk/Trot/Canter
CLASS 12x. Walk/Trot: (optional offering and does not count for points) Open only to those riders who are riding in Class 12 - W/T/C