

# HUNT SEAT ZONE 2 GUIDELINE & SPLIT PROPOSAL 2023-2024

#### **REGION ASSIGNMENTS (HUNT SEAT):**

- Hunt Seat will be split into 9 regions with 7-<u>12</u> middle school and upper school teams originally assigned.
- Each Hunt Seat region will have an elected Region President.
- Returning teams are expected to complete their membership applications (minimum riders, coach, team, show hosting applications and supporting documents) by August 1st 2023 in an effort to provide viable show hosting and competing opportunities for the region community.
- Each show host will be approved for one (1) show date through July 15<sup>th</sup> 2023 or until all show hosts have submitted their dates, whichever comes first. After this period, a show host may have 2nd and 3<sup>rd</sup> dates approved. This is to promote fairness for all teams to be able to reasonably fulfill their show hosting obligations.
- Co-Hosts must be included in the submissions for those team's applications to be processed in the membership office
- For even distribution of support, one (1) co-host per show is preferred. Two (2) co-hosts maximum will be allowed.
- There will be three (3) regular season shows maximum per facility or show host to ensure fairness. A 4th show date will require a request with reason in writing to the Zone Administrator via email from the show host.
- In an effort to ensure that all Z2 show hosts garner the attendance needed to run their show, no double weekend shows will be approved UNLESS it is the same show host for both days.
- Co-hosts will be required to adhere to the same timeline requirement as hosting teams by committing to their dates no later than 60 days before the show per Rule 2302.4.
- Show hosts will attempt to diversify the stewards by utilizing each stewards a maximum of once per season per facility.
- All Zone 2 show hosts should use the priority method for accepting entries. Any limiting of entries must be indicated in the prize list. Any alternative fair and equitable means of limiting must be approved by the Zone Administrator fifty (50) days prior to the horse show date.
- Show hosts will confirm acceptance or denial of entries in writing via email within twenty-four (24) hours after the closing date.

#### **POSTSEASON FORMAT:**

- There will be no more than 12 riders per individual class and no more than 12 teams at Zone Finals.
- Each region is guaranteed 1 spot(s) in both individual classes and the team competition.
- The remaining spots will be allotted based on rider population in each region as of December 1st, 2023 each year.

#### **POSTSEASON DATES:**

- All entries and payment must be submitted via one (1) check per team.
- Entries not received by the closing date are subject to a ten dollar (\$10.00) per entry late fee per Rule 5409.
- Any changes or substitutions to a team's entries after the closing date will require a ten dollar (\$10.00) per entry fee per Rule 5408.
- All entries and payment for Zone Finals must be submitted to the team's Region Chair by the conclusion of their respective regional finals.
- All entries and payment for National Finals must be submitted to Zone 2 Administrator by the conclusion of Zone 2 Finals.
- All Zone 2 Teams should plan their show schedule to conclude horse showing twenty-one (21) business days before the date established for the IEA Region Finals.
- All Region Finals will commence on a date no later than twenty-one (21) days before the date established for the IEA Zone 2 Finals, giving a snow date option to commence no later than fourteen (14) days before IEA Zone 2 Finals.
- All Zone Finals will commence on a date no later than fifteen (15) business days before the date established for the IEA National Finals.
- The dates for Hunt Seat Regional Finals in Zone 2 may range from JANUARY 13, 2024. thru FEBRUARY 25, 2024.
- The last available date for Hunt Seat Zone Finals 2024: MARCH 24, 2024

#### **ZONE FUNDRAISING PROPOSAL:**

**G8301 Regional Finals** must be considered a community effort. All teams and individual riders who qualify to compete are expected to participate in the organization and/or running of the Regional Final in some way; including but not limited to providing a facility, schooling riders, show staff, volunteers, and horses.

The greatest need from the community effort is providing suitable horses. Teams and Individuals participating in Region Finals have three options to meet the community effort:

- 1. Contribute appropriate horses to the event to cover the rides at each level for their qualified competitors (team and Individual). Suggested contribution equates to one (1) horse to cover approximately five (5) rides.
- 2. Partner with another team that has excess horses to cover the rides for their qualified competitors. Terms to be negotiated between the two parties.
- 3. Pay a lease fee that will go to the teams or outside sources willing to bring additional horses.

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#### **REGIONAL FINALS**

- Each region will be responsible for fundraising & support of their own regional finals. All Regional Finals shows are expected to cover their own costs and break even financially any profits will be rolled into the Zone Finals budget. Approved fundraisers at regular or region shows may be basket raffles, VIP table sales, t-shirts, and donations.
- Region Presidents will submit their Regional Finals budgets, post season officials and fundraising proposals by December 1st, 2023.
- Region Presidents will submit fully executed Independent Contractor Agreements for all independent contractors and vendors for their competition by December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023

#### **ZONE FINALS**

- Qualifying teams will contribute a basket for the raffle with a minimum value of one hundred dollars (\$100.00).
- Merchandise Fundraiser– Each region will be given a set amount of Zone 2 items (ex. Scarf, cap, winter hat) to sell throughout the season. The profits will go towards Zone 2 Finals.
- All teams and regions will be assigned tasks to assist and participate in the running of the Zone 2 Finals weekend.
- Each region is responsible for securing two (2) Prize Sponsors or one (1) Ribbon Sponsor.
- All earned money goes into the Zone account for annual expenses, scholarships, emergency funds and the following season's post season.

#### Region 1: Buffalo, NY area

#### **President: Marlene Seielstad**

- Dell Performance Horses
- Dunham Sport Horses
- Fuller & Company
- Fuller & Company Crops
- Fuller & Company Spurs
- High Time Stables
- Hunters Ridge
- Hunters Ridge Manes
- Hunters Ridge Tails
- Skibbereen Farm
- Walnut Grove Farm

### Region 2: Rochester, New York area President: Gail Miller

- Foxmoor Equestrian Team
- Huntington Meadows Stables
- Lehman Farms Equestrian Team
- LWS Equestrian
- Running Brook
- Sweet Release Equestrian Center
- Way Farm

### **Region 3: West of Syracuse President: Ashley Delaney**

- Affinity
- CNY EQ
- Galemont Equestrian Team
- Hillcrest Stables
- North Riding
- Reintree Interscholastic Team
- RGB
- Spruce Valley Stables / Certainty Sales
- Unity Stables

### Region 4: East of Syracuse President: Amanda Vance

- Broken Arrow
- Bylund Hill Stables
- Equestrian Sport
- Fairbanks Stable
- Hunters Landing Equestrian
- Hunter's Rein
- Iron Valley Equestrian Team
- Kyte's Honor Equestrian Team
- North Country Horses
- Pine Meadows Farm
- Upstate Equestrian Team

### Region 5: Hudson Valley (West Rte 9) President: Jessica Anselmo Williams

- Black Ridge Farm
- Chicory Meadow
- Clover Stables
- Diehl Me In
- Gardnertown Farm
- Gilroy Fields Equestrian Team
- Greystone Stables
- Lucky C
- MiraBella Riding Team
- Skye Blue Equestrian Team
- Willow Creek Equestrian

# Region 6: Hudson Valley (East Rte 9) President: Callie Bauer

- Courtyard Farm
- Echo Farm
- Emerald Creek
- Empire State Equestrian Team
- Five Peaks Farm
- Meadow Creek Farm
- Zephyr Farm

# <u>Region</u> 7: Western Long Island – Southern Westchester – NYC

### President: Lisa Kaplan

- Boulder Brook Equestrian Center
- Day's Made Farm
- DDR Farm
- Jamaica Bay Riding Academy
- MET Nassau
- Riverdale Stables
- Sagamore Hill Stables
- Twin Lakes Farm
- Winding Hill Stables

### Region 8: Mid Long Island President: Marlene McCabe

- Farmstead Equestrian Team
- Hedgewood
- Instride NY
- Knoll Farm
- Little Bits Farm
- Olde Towne Equestrian
- Parkview Equestrian
- St. John the Baptist

### Region 9: Eastern Long Island President: TBD

- Country Farms
- Good Shepherd Farm Equestrian Team
- Hidden Pond Stables
- Island Hills Equestrian
- MET Suffolk
- Seabrook Farms
- Spur of the Moment
- The Equestrian Group