

**Addendum History**  
**for the By-Laws of the Southwest Virginia Hunter/Jumper Association**  
(changes noted in italics)

**January 2006**

Change to Rule III. Conduct of Recognized Competitions, Chapter I. General

Additions to the existing rules

4. Post entries – Post entries to recognized hunter and jumper divisions will be allowed after the division has begun. Post entries will NOT be allowed in Medal classes.
  
5. Classic requirements – for all show management offering Classics, double points will be awarded to exhibitors providing the following requirements are met:
  - \$150 in prize money must be offered
  - the second course must consist of a minimum of 10 fences
  - there are 10 or more entries in the class

Change to Rule III. Conduct of Recognized Competitions, Chapter I. General

11. Helmet rule revised to match USEF ruling

Change to Rule VI. Jumper Division

Jumper divisions revised to match USEF levels. (changes also reflected in division specifications)

Change to Rule VII. Equitation

Additions to Medals section

- SWVHJA Pony Medal contestants may compete throughout the year. The top twenty (20) point earners will be invited to compete in the Pony Medal Finals. A high score award will be given to the top point earner.
- SWVHJA Medals may not be combined with any other association's Medal classes.
- The SWVHJA Annual Show will not offer a final qualifying Pony Medal class. The last qualifying class will be at the final regular member show posted on the calendar.

(the above changes are also reflected in the division specifications)

**September 2005**

Change to Rule II. Memberships, Chapter II. Competitions Memberships, 2. Procedures

5. While traditional dates will be honored (provided that all applications are completed and filed correctly), only one horse show will be recognized in a ~~400~~ 75-mile radius.
  
6. U.S. Equestrian rated shows will be allowed to be recognized by SWVHJA on any day where there is already a local horse show within a ~~400~~ 75-mile radius.

**April 2005**

Change to the Junior Equitation on the Flat to split into 14 & under and 15-17 age groups. Specifications are listed at the end of the By-Laws.

Beginner Equitation Division added for 2006 season. Show managers will be encouraged to begin offering in 2005.

**June 2004**

Change to Rule III Conduct of Recognized Competitions, Chapter 3. Duties of Management, 2. Penalties, Other Penalties

4. The Board must be notified within ~~one (1) week~~ *two (2) weeks* of the date the violation occurred. It will be the Board's responsibility to notify the *show management of that show* within ~~two (2) weeks~~ *four (4) weeks* of the violation ~~date~~ *of the fine(s) and probation imposed.*

Rule VII Equitation section re-organized to put requirements for classes together.

#### Change to Rule VII Equitation

All contestants in SWVHJA Equitation classes must be members prior to riding in the class in order for points to count towards year end/finals qualification. It is the sole responsibility of the competitor to ensure their membership status is up to date prior to competing. *For riders who have competed in a Medal class without being a member, current dues and a fine may be assessed at the Board's discretion.*

#### April 2004

Entire rulebook reviewed and revised to match current practices with U. S. Equestrian. Revisions were made to the entire document and are not comprehensively listed.

#### December 2001

Change to Rule II, Chapter II Competitions Memberships, Section 1 General. Applications for competition dates of Recognized competitions must be made on the form provided by the Association. The forms must be signed by an officer of the Recognized competition requesting the date *and a check covering the non-refundable application fee must be included with the form.*

Change to Rule II, Chapter II Competitions Memberships, Section 2 Procedures.

10. *Only shows within the state of Virginia or shows residing in a border town will be granted sanctioning.*

Change to Rule III Conduct of Recognized Competitions, Chapter 3. Duties of Management 2. Penalties. *Other penalties*

1. *The Board must be notified within one (1) week of the date the violation occurred. It will be the Board's responsibility to notify the management of that show within two (2) weeks of the violation of the fine and probation imposed.*
2. *There will be a \$100 fine for each violation of SWVHJA rules that are not corrected before a class has officially begun.*
3. *The horse show involved will be placed on a two year probation. Any violation within the two (2) year period will result in the show losing that particular date in the show calendar year.*

Change to Rule III Conduct of Recognized Competitions, Chapter 4. Prize List 1. Requirements.

7. Complete class description and judging specifications for all divisions/classes that are not included in the rule book. Competitions are required to hold three (3) SWVHJA Recognized divisions. If a 3' hunter division is offered, both the Adult and Hunter Seat Medals as well as the Children's and Adult Hunter divisions must be offered.

EXCEPTION 1: If a show does not offer a division with fences 3' or higher the show is not required to offer the SWVHJA Junior and Adult Medal classes. The Pony Medal must be offered if the Pony Hunter division is offered.

EXCEPTION 2: *One (1) ring A shows are not required to hold the Medal classes to keep their sanctioning.*

Change to Rule VI Jumper Division. 10 The following are class specifications for the SWVHJA Jumper divisions:

Children's/Adult Amateur Jumper - ~~Fences 3'to 3'3", minimum width 3'. AHSA Tables I-IV may be used.~~ *Fences 3' to 3'6", spreads 3'3" to 4'. (Levels 2 or 3). AHSA Tables I-IV may be used.*

Schooling Jumper - ~~Fences 3'3" to 3'9", minimum width 3'6". AHSA Tables I-IV may be used.~~ *Fences 3'3" to 3'9", spreads 3'6" to 3'9" (Levels 3 or 4). AHSA Tables I-IV may be used.*

Modified Jumper - ~~Fences to start at 3'9", minimum width 4'. AHSA Tables I-IV may be used.~~ *Fences to start at 3'9", spreads to start at 4' (Level 5 or higher). AHSA Tables I-IV may be used.*

**December 1999**

Change to Rule IV Hunter Division: *No one may enter the under saddle portion of a recognized hunter division that has not entered at least one over fences class.*

Change to SWVHJA Division Specification for Green Hunter: The following sentences were added to the specification: *Horses who have been shown in three shows or less at fence heights of less than 2'6" can retain their green status. This will be permitted only once per horse.*

Change to SWVHJA Division Specification for Special Hunter Divisions: Fences to be 2'6" or 2'9".