



Santa Barbara County Riding Club

Rule Book

2019

The purpose of this Rule Book is to provide guidelines for the qualifications of Santa Barbara County Riding Club approved shows and to explain the point system for year-end awards. When a problem arises which interpreting the rules to the letter cannot solve, the solution to be adopted should follow as nearly as possible the spirit of the rules. Any issues not addressed in these rules may be decided based on the most current United States Equestrian Federation (USEF) and USHJA rule books.

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MEMBERSHIP

Categories of membership in this organization shall be:

1. **Amateur Membership** – those persons eighteen years of age
2. **Junior** – those persons seventeen years of age and under
3. **Trainer/Professional** – persons acting in the capacity of a trainer
4. **Family Membership** – comprises a husband/wife and/or juniors residing in the same home.
5. **Life Membership** – any member who, after being a member for three consecutive years and after written application, may be elected or rejected for life membership by a vote of the Board of Directors. The applicant shall be notified in writing of such decision by the president. If rejected, no reason for the board's decision shall be given.
6. **Life Family Membership** – any immediate family which, after being a member for three consecutive years and after written application, may be elected or rejected for life membership by a vote of the Board of Directors. Children will cease to be part of the Life Family membership upon reaching the age of eighteen. The applicant shall be notified in writing of such decision by the president. If rejected, no reason for the board's decision shall be given. Members under twelve years of age shall not vote at any general meeting. Memberships are non-transferable. The Board of Directors may expel any member for good cause, after such member receives written notice.
7. **Board Members** – those persons on the SBCRC Board of Directors.
8. **Sustaining Member** – any person aiding in the support of the organization through a special fee.

DUES

Membership is for the calendar year (January through December). All members shall pay annual dues which shall be established by the Board of Directors:

Amateur/Junior Member	\$45
Trainer/Professional Member	\$45
Family Member	\$65
Life Member	\$280
Life Family	\$380
Board Member	\$45
Sustaining Member	\$100

To be eligible for year-end points, rider, owner and trainer must all be members. Tabulation of points for each SBCRC member shall begin from the date membership fees are paid. No points will count prior to payment of membership fees.

SBCRC YEAR-END POINTED DIVISIONS

HUNTER:

- Low Child/ Adult
- Restricted
- Adult Amateur
- Children's 11-under
- Children's 12-17
- Pony
- Short/Long/Rusty Stirrup
- Cross-rails
- Green Rider
- Training Hunter
- Low Hunter
- Performance Hunter

EQUITATION:

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Walk/Trot

Walk/Trot Poles

JUMPERS:

- .70m Wake-up Jumper Child/Adult
- .75m Hopeful Jumper Child/Adult
- .85m Pre-Child/Adult Jumper
- .90m Mod Child/Adult Jumper
- .95m Low Child/Adult Jumper
- 1.0m Low Child/Adult Jumper
- 1.0m Low Open Jumper
- 1.10m Child/Adult Jumper
- 1.10m Open Jumper

- 1.15mChild/Adult Jumper
- 1.20mChild/Adult Jumper

DIVISION RULES

A Junior is any individual who has not reached their 18th birthday as of December 1 of the previous year. The age of an individual on December 1 will be maintained throughout the entire competition year. Persons born December 1 assume the greater age on that date. If a competition is in progress on any November 30 junior status at the start of the competition will be maintained throughout that competition. Juniors may not show stallions.

An Amateur is any individual 18 years and over who has not received any compensation or payment in any form such as cash, goods, sponsorships, discounts, housing, board or training in exchange for riding, exercising, showing, training or schooling horses for others. Entries must be paid directly to the horse show from the amateur or by the amateur's family. If a written complaint is filed with the board challenging the amateur status, the amateur shall submit verifiable proof of amateur status including but not limited to pay check stubs and bill of sale on horse the amateur is competing with. If the board deems such proof insufficient, the board may initiate suspension and return of awards and points.

Regulation snaffles, Pelhams, and full bridles, all with cavesson-type nosebands are recommended. A judge, at his/her discretion, may penalize a horse with non-conventional type of bit and/or noseband. In flat classes, martingales of any type are prohibited. In the case of inclement weather, show management may permit use of protective boots in hunter classes.

All professionals and non-professionals riding at a SBCRC show must wear securely fastened protective headgear which meets or exceeds ASTM/SET standards and carries the SEI tag. Any rider violating this rule at any time must immediately be prohibited from further riding until such a headgear is properly in place.

Hunter and Equitation riders shall wear hunt coat, breeches and boots or jodhpurs and jodhpur boots for appropriate age group. Jumper riders may wear same attire as Hunter and Equitation riders or shirt with collar, breeches and boots.

Mules may not be shown at SBCRC.

In the case of a tie, horse or rider with the most points over fences will be given the championship. If a tie still exists, horse or rider with the most blue ribbons will be given the championship. As a last resort, a flip of the coin will decide.

A division can be run with only one entry. Single entry will receive the appropriate points to go toward year-end awards. However in order for a championship and reserve championship to be awarded a division must have 2 entries.

DEFINITIONS OF DIVISIONS

Any SBCRC Horse show, which receives a rating from a separate governing body, such as SFHJA or USHJA shall conform to the applicable rules then in effect for the rated classes and sanctioned by such governing body. Management reserves the right to refuse, accept conditionally, or cancel entries, awards or prizes, and/or adjust the time schedule, combine, scratch or move classes as necessary, without claims or damage.

USHJA OUTREACH HUNTER DIVISION

USEF and USHJA membership is not required to participate in an Outreach Competition or in any USHJA Outreach classes. Non USEF and USHJA members will NOT be charged a non-member fee. USHJA membership at the \$35 Outreach level or higher is required ONLY for an individual wishing to earn points toward USHJA sponsored year-end awards for USHJA Outreach. A \$2 fee for each entry will be collected at each show. At least 3 entries must complete the course or class for points to count. Please review all USHJA Outreach rules at www.ushja.org/outreach.

HUNTER DIVISION

All horses must be serviceably sound. At the judge's discretion, horses showing in approved hunter divisions may be jogged for soundness with the rider dismounted. If jogged, horses must be jogged back in the same bridle in which they were shown and must have their show number displayed.

Performance of a working hunter is based on an even hunting pace, manners, and way of going. Hunters under saddle are to be shown at a walk, trot and canter, both ways of the ring. Light contact with horse's mouth is required. Horses should be obedient, alert, responsive, and moving freely. They should not be eliminated for slight errors. Horse may be asked to hand gallop collectively, one way of the ring, at the discretion of judge. Not more than eight will be asked to hand gallop at the same time. Horses are not to gallop in pre green hunter classes.

A hunter course shall be any course which management deems a fair test of a hunter. Fences shall simulate obstacles found in the hunting field, such as natural post and rail, brush, stone wall, white board fence or gate, chicken coop, aiken, hedge, oxer, etc. Oxers are not to be square.

In SBCRC Hunter classes, points won on the flat will not count for Show Champion or Year-end Awards, unless the hunter competes in at least one class over fences (must jump at least one jump on course) in the same division, per show entered.

If jumping order is established, it must be posted at least one half hour before class.

GENERAL FAULTS

When an obstacle is composed of several elements in the same vertical plane, a fault at the top element is the only one penalized. In combinations (in and out) the faults committed at each obstacle are considered separately. In case of a refusal or run-out at one element of a combination, entry must re-jump all elements.

Judge shall penalize unsafe jumping and bad form over fences, whether fences are touched or untouched.

EQUITATION DIVISION

Rider should have a workmanlike appearance, seat and hands light and supple, conveying the impression of complete control. Hands should be over and in front of horse's withers; knuckles thirty degrees inside the vertical; and hands slightly apart, making a straight line from horse's mouth to rider's elbow. Eyes should be up and shoulders back. Toes should be at an angle best suited to rider's conformation; ankles flexed in; heels down; calf of leg in contact with horse and slightly behind girth. Iron should be on ball and foot. At the walk and slow trot, body should be vertical; posting trot inclined forward; canter halfway between the posting trot and the walk; galloping and jumping same inclination as the posting trot.

In Equitation classes, only the rider is being judged; therefore, any horse suitable for a particular style of riding, and capable of performing required class routine, is acceptable. Unsoundness shall not penalize a rider, unless sufficiently severe to impair required performance. Boots and conservatively colored bandages are permissible.

In SBCRC Equitation classes, points won on the flat will not count for Show Champion or Year-end Awards, unless the rider competes in at least one class over fences (must jump at least one jump on course) in the same division, per show entered.

Performance begins when horse enters the ring or is given the signal to proceed after entering the ring. Except for refusals, jumping faults of the horse are not to be considered, unless they result from rider's inability.

The following are tests which the judge may ask to be performed:

1. Halt (4 to 6 seconds) or halt and back.
2. Hand gallop.
3. Figure eight at trot, demonstrating change of diagonals.
4. Figure eight at canter on correct lead, demonstrating simple change of lead.
5. Work collectively or individually at a walk, trot and/or canter.

6. Jump low obstacles at a trot as well as at a canter. The maximum height and spread for a trot jump is 3' for horses, 2' for ponies in classes restricted to ponies.
7. Jump obstacles on figure eight course.
8. Question(s) regarding basic horsemanship, tack and equipment and conformation.
9. Ride without stirrups, riders must be allowed option to cross stirrups.
10. Jump low obstacles at a walk as well as at a canter. The maximum height and spread for a walk jump is 2'.
11. Dismount and mount. Individually.
12. Turn on the forehand done through the walk or the halt.
13. Figure eight at canter on correct lead demonstrating flying change of lead.
14. Execute serpentine at a trot and/or canter on correct lead demonstrating simple or flying changes of lead.
15. Change leads on a line demonstrating a simple or flying change of lead.
17. Canter on counter lead.
18. Turn on the haunches from the walk.
19. Demonstration ride of approximately one minute. Rider must advise judge beforehand what ride he plans to demonstrate.

HUNTER/EQUITATION

\$200 USHJA Outreach Hunter Derby: One round competition of at least 10 fences at 2'6" in height with 3 options set at 2'9". The course will consist of hunter classic and handy style lines, turns and jumps. Judge will use open numerical scoring. After judges score is given, 1 point will be added for each high option fence jumped successfully for a maximum of 3 additional points added. Same Horse/Rider combination may not cross enter into the SBCRC Hunter Derby. If less than 5 entries class will be run for less prize money. Prize divided: 1st 50%, 2nd 30%, 3rd 20% : Entry Fee \$45

\$500 SBCRC Hunter Derby : Two round hunter derby. First round "classic" course of at least 10 fences at 3' with 3 options set at 3'3". Top 12 return for second round in reverse order of score. The second round or "handy round" will consist of at least 8 jumps, handy style lines, turns and jumps with 3 options set at 3'3". Judge will use open numerical scoring. After judge's score is given, 1 point will be added for each high option fence jumped successfully for a maximum of 3 additional points added. Same Horse/Rider combination may not cross enter into the USHJA Hunter Derby. If less than 5 entries class will be run for less prize money. Prize divided: 1st 30%, 2nd 25%, 3rd 20%. 4th 14% 5th 10%
Entry Fee \$50.

\$500 Hunter Prix: Two round classic fences 3' riders are not limited to number of horses they may ride. Horses must have entered shown and completed the course in two classes over fences at the same show.
Entry Fee \$50

Training Hunters: Fences at 2'6". This division will qualify for year-end awards. The horse may not have jumped 3' or higher. Horses are eligible to show in this division for two years. Classes held both days.

Low Hunters: Fences to be 2'9". This division has no entry restrictions.

Performance Hunters: Open to riders of any age or status. To be shown over a hunter type course at 3'3". Must jog for soundness.

Low Child/Adult : Fence height 2'6". To be eligible for this division a rider may not have ever shown in a class with fences set at 3'3" or higher.

USHJA Restricted Hunters: Fences to be 2'6". To be eligible a rider may not compete in classes where fences are set higher than 2'9" during the current show year.

Amateur 18 & over: Fences to be 2'9"-3'. To be shown over a course of a minimum of eight fences. Combinations may be included. May be combined with another division of comparable jump height.

Children's 12-17: To be shown over a course with a min of 8 at fences 2'9" to 3'. May be combined.

Children's 11 & under: Open to junior riders 11 & under. Fences 2'6".

Pony Division: Fences to be 2'-2'3". Open to junior riders 17 & under in age. Rider shall be emphasized in all classes. Ponies shall jump a course of a minimum of eight fences, no higher than 2'-2'3" in height, depending on the needs of the class. Ponies may enter like classes where eligible.

USHJA Short/Long/Rusty Stirrup : Fences set at 2'. Open to riders who have not shown over fences exceeding 2'3" during the current competition year. Riders may not compete in any class where fences exceed 2'3" at the same show. No Combinations or oxers.

USHJA Green Rider Jr/Am: Fences 2'3". Riders may not have jumped fences 2'9" or higher at any show.

USHJA Cross Rails: Riders may not compete in any class where fences may be set at 2'3" or higher at any show. To be judged on the horsemanship of the rider (seat, hands, legs and control of mount), and safety shall be emphasized. Courses limited to eight jumps or less.

USHJA Walk/Trot and Walk/Trot Hunter/Equitation over poles: To be eligible for this division, a rider must not have competed in a walk/trot/canter flat class. Once they have competed in a walk/trot/canter class, they may not return to this division. To be judged on the horsemanship of the rider (seat, hands, legs and control of mount), correct diagonal and 2-point over poles. Safety shall be emphasized.

Mrs. Horace Rupp Flat Class: Open to Jr/Am riders who have shown over fences not to exceed 2'6", and are residents of Santa Barbara County. This is a bridle path hunt seat class judged 40% on performance and conformation, 40% on horsemanship and 20% on neatness. To be shown on the flat with the judge's top group to work off at judge's discretion. Horses and ponies shall not wear boots. The year-end high point winner will receive a perpetual trophy.

JUMPERS

.70m Wake Up Open Jumpers: Fences to be 2'3" in height. Table IV sec. 1 - Optimum time.

.70m USHJA Wake Up Jumpers Child/Adult: Fences to be 2'3". Open to riders who have not shown over fences exceeding .75m (2'6") in height during the current competition year. Riders may not compete in any class where fences exceed 2'6" in height at the same show. Table IV sec. 1 - Optimum time

.75m Hopeful Open Jumpers: Fences to be 2'6" in height

.75m USHJA Hopeful Jumpers Child/Adult: Fences to be 2'6". Open to riders who have not shown over fences exceeding .80m (2'9") in height during the current competition year. Riders may not compete in any class where fences exceed 2'9" in height at the same show.

.80m Jumper Derby/Classic : Entry fee to be \$45.00. If less than 5 entries class will be run for less prize money. \$200 Prize divided: 1st 50%, 2nd 30%, 3rd 20%.

.85m Open Jumpers: Fences to be 2'9" in height.

.85m USHJA Pre-Child/Adult Jumpers: Fences to be 2'9". Open to riders who have not shown over fences exceeding .90m (3') in height during the current competition year. Riders may not compete in any class where fences exceed 3' in height at the same show.

.90m Open Jumpers: Fences to be 3' in height.

.90m USHJA Modified Child/Adult Jumpers: Fences to be 3'. Open to riders who have not shown over fences exceeding 1.0m (3'3") in height during the current competition year. Riders may not compete in any class where fences exceed 3'3" in height at the same show.

.95m Low Child/Adult Jumpers & Open Jumpers: Fences to be 3'1"

1.0m Low Child/AA & Open Jumpers: Fences to be 3'3"

1.10m Child/Adult & Open Jumpers: Open to all riders. Fences to be 3'7"

Gambler's Choice: Entry fee to be \$45.00. Fences set at 1.0m. Each obstacle carries from 10-120 points according to its difficulty. Combination obstacles are not allowed. The obstacles must be built so that they can be jumped in both directions. Points allocated to the obstacles may be repeated at the discretion of the course designer. The competitor is credited with the number of points carried by each obstacle that has been jumped correctly. Each competitor has 50-90 seconds. During this time obstacles may be jumped in either direction in any order. Each obstacle may be jumped twice. The starting line may be crossed in either direction. The competitor with the highest number of points wins. In the event of a tie the fastest time will decide. Class needs 5 entries to run. If less than 5 entries class will be run for less prize money. \$200 Prize divided: 1st 50%, 2nd 30%, 3rd 20%.

\$500 Cancion de Amor Horse and Hound Derby: Open to all riders. Teams of two, one rider /horse combination and one dog handler/dog combination. First phase is to be a handy hunter course of no more than 8 jumps 2'3 in height, no combinations. Second phase will be timed dog agility. Time starts when dismounted horse rider tags dog handler. Three faults for refusal and four faults for a dropped rail for either dog or horse, faults will be subtracted from final score. Final score will be dog agility time subtracted from a total score of 100 added to the first round score minus any faults, highest score wins. Entry Fee \$50.

SBCRC MEDAL CLASSES

The Santa Barbara County Riding Club offers four medal classes for its approved horse shows. Upon receipt of notification that an SBCRC Medal class will be held, the SBCRC shall provide a medal for each class. You must be a member of SBCRC to ride in a SBCRC medal class.

SBCRC Hunt Seat Medal, 17 & under: This class is open to junior riders who are members of SBCRC. To be shown over a course of a minimum of eight fences 2'9" in height, and may include one combination. The top four riders (if available) in the class must be asked to work off. A minimum of two entries must be judged over the course, in order to qualify for the finals. The top two riders from each show will qualify for finals. It may be combined with the 18 & over medal where points will be awarded to the riders in each division equally. There will be 2 firsts and 2 seconds etc. A previously qualified rider may ride again. If that rider places first the next 2 places qualify. All courses shall be posted one-half hour before the class. The winner of the finals each year shall be ineligible for any future medal class in the same division.

SBCRC Hunt Seat Medal, 18 & over: This class is open to amateur riders who are members of SBCRC. It follows the same specifications as SBCRC 17 & under medal.

SBCRC Green Rider Medal: This class is open to junior and amateur members of SBCRC who qualify over fences in the medal class. To be shown over a course of up to eight fences not exceeding 2'3" in height, with no combinations. At the judge's discretion, the top four riders in the class may be asked to work off, using one or more of tests 1, 3, 4, 5, and 6 (trot and canter only) or any other tests that the judge deems suitable for the level of riders in the class. A

minimum of two entries must be judged over the course, in order for the winner to qualify for the finals. A previously qualified rider may ride again. If that rider places first the next 2 places qualify. The top two riders from each show will qualify for finals.

Betsy Woods Horsemanship Medal: A two phase event designed to test a rider's ability to demonstrate proper horsemanship as it relates to work on the flat and over fences. Riders in the flat phase may be asked to ride at the walk, rising trot, rising trot demonstrating a lengthening of stride, sitting trot, canter, hand gallop and counter canter. No Martingales are permitted and only traditional hunter type bits may be used (gags, leverage bits and hackamores are prohibited). The jumping phase will take place over hunter/jumper type obstacles set at 2'6". The course may include a bending line, roll back to a single jump, a hand gallop to a single jump and a trot fence. The course must have at least two changes in direction. Combinations are not allowed. The course should be ridden in a direct and prompt fashion. The jumping phase will be scored using the open numerical system. Riders who have not won a hunter, jumper or equitation class at 3' or over may compete in this class. The top two riders from each show will qualify for finals. A previously qualified rider may ride again. If that rider places first the next 2 places qualify.

SFHJA MEDALS

Futures Medal: This class shall consist of one round over a course of at least 8 fences not to exceed 2'3". There shall be no combinations. Only one change of direction is required, a work-off must be built into the course. This class is restricted to Jr/Am members who have not competed in a class 2'6". At least 3 exhibitors must complete the course.

17-Under/18-Over Medal: This class shall consist of one round over fences counted (60%) and a flat phase (40%). The course will consist of at least eight fences set at 3', with two changes of direction, and at least one combination including an oxer. All riders must ride in both phases. The same horse and equipment must be used in both phases, with the exception of martingales, which may not be used in the flat phase. 3 riders must complete both phases for the class to count. To be eligible to compete in the Medal class a rider may not have won a medal class with fences exceeding 3'3".

12-Under/13-over Medal: Fences shall be set at 2'6" with no combinations. Riders may not show in any class where fences may be set at 3' or higher. May be combined with 13 & Over Medal for points to count when less than 3 entries.

Equine Insurance Challenge: Fences at 3'3". Open to Jr/Am members who have not won a 3'6" Medal Final. The course will consist of at least 8 fences, 3'3" in height with at least two changes of direction. Jumper type fences may be used.

CPHA MEDALS

Horsemanship: Open to riders who have never won any medal, equitation, hunter or jumper class with fences 3' or higher within the last 10 years. Any rider competing currently or within the last 10 years at 3'3" or higher is also not eligible to compete in this class. Height: 2'6" 1 test of either halt or trot fence must be in course.

Child/Adult: : Open to riders who have never won any medal, equitation, hunter or jumper class with fences 3'3" or higher within the last 10 years. Any rider competing currently or within the last 10 years at 3'6" or higher is also not eligible to compete in this class. Height: 3'

Foundation Equitation: Fences set at 3'3"

Camelot Hunter Challenge

Fences set at 3'. It is a handy hunter class open to Jr/Am. At the end of the first round the judge asks a hunter type question. First and second place qualify for finals at the Camelot Classic held in October.

SBCRC SPECIAL YEAR-END AWARDS

Walter Cordero Award: shall be given to the high-point junior rider in Children's Hunter and Equitation Divisions (one horse/one rider combination). The recipient shall be announced at the SBCRC year-end awards banquet. This award consists of a perpetual trophy and a \$200 scholarship, to be used specifically in furthering the recipient's riding career. Presentation shall be made at the Year-end awards banquet.

President's Award: shall be given to the high-point amateur rider in Adult Amateur Hunters and Equitation Divisions (one horse/one rider combination). The recipient shall be announced at the SBCRC year-end awards banquet and be presented with a perpetual trophy.

King of Spades 2'3" Adult Trophy: to be presented to high-point adult green rider/horse combination. This award consists of a perpetual trophy presented at the year-end banquet.

Junior Green Rider High Point Trophy: to be presented to high-point junior green rider/horse combination. This award consists of a perpetual trophy presented at the year-end banquet.

Lynn Fieger Sportsmanship Award: junior SBCRC members shall be nominated by the board on the basis of their exhibited sportsmanship, and final selection shall be made by the Fieger family. The recipient shall be announced at the SBCRC year-ends awards banquet. This award consists of a perpetual trophy to be presented at the year-end awards banquet.

Louise Caccese Sportsmanship Award: shall be given to the young rider or amateur adult who best personifies the high standards and virtues of integrity, sportsmanship, honor, courage, team spirit, good temper and unselfishness. Their trainers shall nominate SBCRC junior/amateur members by submitting to the board, why they feel this nominee is deserving of this award. The board shall determine the final recipient. To be eligible for this award, all members must have exhibited in the Academy Horsemanship Division in at least three of five SBCRC shows that the Academy Division is offered. The recipient shall be announced at the SBCRC year-end awards banquet and be presented with a perpetual trophy.

Santa Barbara Amateur Achievement Award: dedicated to the spirit of amateur horsemanship. This award shall be given to an amateur member who has shown significant improvement over the preceding year, while exhibiting a sense of fair play and enthusiasm for the sport. The board shall determine the recipient. To be eligible for this award a member must have exhibited in the English Division in at least one show sponsored by the SBCRC. The recipient shall be announced at the SBCRC year-end awards banquet and be presented with a perpetual trophy.

Obern-Hoeffliger Recognition Award: The Board of Directors will recognize a special individual who shows outstanding support of SBCRC. The recipient shall be announced at the SBCRC year-end awards banquet and be presented with a perpetual trophy. Final selection to be made by the Obern-Hoeffliger family.

Betsy Woods Memorial Trophy: To be awarded to any member of SBCRC who has made a significant display of excellence in horsemanship. This person would epitomize the art, ability, skill and gentle manner of a true horseman as did Betsy Woods. In order to be considered, nominations need to be made in writing to the board with a brief description of the qualities exemplified by nominee which would make them deserving of this honor.

POINTS AND YEAR-END AWARDS

Championships are awarded to the horse and/or rider combinations accumulating the most points. Points are tabulated for annual year-end awards in all SBCRC approved divisions. Ribbons and awards shall be presented to the champion and reserve champion.

Riders must compete in at least 50% of the shows in that year to be eligible for year end points. Riders must compete in the same division at two shows in order to be eligible for year end points.

High point Equitation awards are earned solely by the rider.
High point Hunter awards are earned solely by the horse.
High point Jumper awards are earned solely by the horse.

In the SBCRC Hunter and Equitation divisions, for any given show, points won on the flat will not count for year-end awards, unless the horse or rider competes (horse to have jumped at least one jump) in at least one class over fences in the same division.

Tabulation of points for each SBCRC member shall begin from the date membership fees are paid. **No points will count prior to payment of membership fees.** If a member's check is returned to show management, points for that show will not count until all indebtedness to said show has been cleared.

The owner, rider and trainer of the horse must be members of SBCRC to accrue points. A lease, by the rider, for a minimum of three months shall be construed as valid ownership. SBCRC may, at the discretion of the board, require proof of a lease to be placed on file with the club. An agent may sign entry forms to enter a horse into a class. Such agent's membership will not transfer to owner, lease holder or rider of horse for the purpose of accruing points.

In order to accrue **full points**, five exhibitors must be entered, shown, and judged in the class. If a class is run with fewer than five exhibitors, points shall be reduced proportionately. For SBCRC medal classes, the top two riders from each show will qualify for finals.

Points shall be awarded as follows:

Five or more in class: 6,4,3,2,1

Four in class: 5,3,2,1

Three in class: 4,2,1

Two in class: 3,1

One in class: 1

Points for combined classes shall be awarded by placing the total number of riders in the class. **Point protests must be lodged, in writing, not later than two weeks from the date on which the points are published online at sbcrc.com.**

MISCELLANEOUS SHOW RULES

1. Show management must have a current SBCRC Rule Book available to exhibitors.
2. When an exhibitor and/or his family and/or trainer's family or another representative acting on behalf of exhibitor is guilty of unsportsmanlike conduct, SBCRC may suspend rights of said exhibitor, family, or trainer to participate in future shows, for a period deemed appropriate.
3. Cruelty to and abuse of a horse by any person at an SBCRC competition which are deemed excessive by a judge or board member in the competition ring or anywhere on the competition grounds is forbidden. Such action(s) could include, but are not limited to excessive use of whip, spurs, tacked nose-bands and poling. The Board may bar violators from further participation for the remainder of the competition.
4. Show protests must be made in writing, signed, and addressed to the secretary of the show. A \$50 cash fee must accompany PROTESTS. The show committee, show manager, or show secretary must receive protests within 48 hours of the alleged violation. A judge's decision may not be protested.
5. Show management must follow exact class specifications for approved classes.
6. Refunds will be made only with a veterinary or doctor's certificate, minus the office fee of \$25, unless specifically stated otherwise in the premium.

7. Any exhibitor whose entry fee payment check is returned by the bank for any reason shall lose all points for said show until indebtedness has been cleared.
8. All courses and orders in classes must be posted one half hour prior to classes for which information is intended.
9. Adds/Scratches: SBCRC shows have a schooling day before the shows begin. Adds may be made at no extra charge until 5 PM Friday. Scratches will receive full credit providing they are scratched by 5 PM on Friday. After 5 PM, Friday, a post entry penalty of \$5 per class will be charged for added classes. If classes are scratched through the horse show office and prior to the start of the class, a full refund, less a \$5 per class fee, will be given. Any check returned by the bank will be charged a \$35.00 penalty.

10. SBCRC maintains a mailing list of all members. Such mailing list will not be sold to any individual, business or organization. Such mailing list may be shared with entities to use for mailings that may be of interest to SBCRC members.
11. As a condition of participation in SBCRC shows, all riders, owners, lessees, trainers, managers, agents, coaches, handlers and spectators agree to hold the officers, directors, and employees harmless for any actions taken. All participants agree that they participate voluntarily in the competition fully aware that horse sports and the competition involve inherent dangerous risk of serious injury or death. By participating they expressly assume any and all risks of injury or loss and they agree to indemnify and hold SBCRC harmless from and against all claims including for any injury or loss suffered during or in connection with the competition whether or not such claim, injury or loss, resulted directly or indirectly from the negligent acts or omissions of the officers, directors, or employees of the SBCRC.
12. Medication of horses is regulated and tested by the State of California and the USEF. All current guidelines must be followed. Penalties for violating medication requirements shall follow accepted procedure, in accordance with USEF and the California Department of Food and Agriculture, Animal Health Branch.

GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES

A complaint must be made in writing to The Secretary of Shows, 5986 Terra Bella Lane, Camarillo, CA 93012. The Board of Directors will review and act on all complaints and will make a decision accordingly. A \$50 cash fee must accompany PROTESTS. The Board then has the power to impose an appropriate penalty. Written notification of the Board's decision and proposed penalty, if any, will be sent to the respondent informing him/her of the nature of the complaint. The complainant will also receive a copy of this notification. The written notification shall inform the respondent of his/her right to appeal the Board's decision and proposed penalty at the next SBCRC board meeting. The complainant may also appear at this board meeting. If the respondent does not appear at the scheduled board meeting the Board's

decision becomes final. If the respondent does appear at the scheduled board meeting, the Board of Directors will hear the respondent's appeal and shall then make its final decision out of the presence of complainant and respondent regarding the complaint and notify both parties of its decision in writing.

OFFICIALS

Managers and Secretaries: All shows must have an adult manager and secretary. Manager and secretary must be familiar with the rules of the SBCRC. Any issue arising at a show should be brought to the attention of the following officials in the stated order: President, Vice-President.

Judges: The horse show judge must be a USEF/USHJA or SFHJA approved judge residing outside Santa Barbara County. Names of unregistered judges must be submitted to the SBCRC Horse Show Committee for board approval. Any judge may officiate at only one regular and one limited member show per calendar year. Restrictions of judges are specified in the USEF Rule Book, Rule X.

Course Designers: While formal approval is not required, course designer should be acceptable to the SBCRC Horse Show Committee. Course designer needs to be familiar with SBCRC rules, to facilitate running the show and be a member of USHJA.

SBCRC Approved Shows

Each show must conform to the following requirements to achieve sanctioning by the Santa Barbara County Riding Club (SBCRC).

a. Location: SBCRC approves shows located within a one hundred mile radius of Santa Barbara County

b. Medal Class Fee: SBCRC sanctioned shows must collect five dollars (\$5.00) per rider in the Medal classes and submit payment along with the official SBCRC Results Form within ten (10) day period after the show is held.

g. Minimum Point Class Requirement: In addition to the four medal classes, at least ten (10) divisions sanctioned by SBCRC, consisting of two or more over fences classes and one flat, must be held.

i. Membership Form: The SBCRC membership application must appear in the prize list, on website and/or printed in the show office at all approved shows. A manager who fails to provide access to the membership form will be fined twenty-five dollars (25.00) for such error.

j. SBCRC Approval and Mileage: Only one show is permitted per weekend within 75 miles of each other. If an existing sanctioned show conflicts with a new show, the new show manager must give approval before sanctioning can be given to the new event. A manager may hold SBCRC sanctioned “medals-only” sanctioned show. There are no restrictions for shows within our designated area but are 75 miles or more apart.

k. Show Dates: Show Dates issued to managers with seniority will be comparable to those dates of the previous year provided that the established shows date application are received in the SBCRC office by January 1st of each year. The SBCRC shall not be obliged to award an available date to anybody, even if no other manager applies for such open date.

l. Show Changes: If a show manager wishes to request a change in venue for an approved show already listed on the SBCRC calendar for the current year, such request must be made in writing and received by the SBCRC at least thirty(30) days prior to the show date. Requests, which are not made in compliance with these terms, will not be considered.

m. Warm-Up: A warm-up area must be large enough for a number of horses to warm-up at the same time. At least two jumps, a vertical and a spread fence, must be set for schooling.

n. Show Year: No shows will be held before the third week in January. The show year will end November 1 of every year.

p. Insurance Coverage: All show managers must provide the SBCRC show coordinator with a copy of the show insurance and must indicate the SBCRC as an additional insured prior to the commencement of the show.

t. “Medals-Only” Sanctioning: “Medals-only” sanctioning, for shows outside a 50 mile radius of any regular sanctioned SBCRC show will be approved without additional restrictions.