



CPHA Jr/Am Medal Class Specifications

The CPHA Medal Class shall be offered as two separate classes (one for Juniors 17 and under, and one for Amateurs 18 and over). For these classes to fill three competitors must compete in each age group and three must complete the course. If there are less than three competitors in either group, the CPHA medal class will be combined into a single junior/amateur class. For the purpose of the CPHA Hunter Seat Medal qualifying points, when age groups are combined, if there are five or more in the class, the highest placed junior and senior will both receive first place points. Only those Juniors and Amateurs who placed first through third in the combined class will receive points toward Finals eligibility. Any junior who has qualified with 6-9 points may continue to ride in the CPHA Hunter Seat Medal Class until they receive a total of 10 points. After 10 points, any junior is ineligible to compete in any other CPHA Junior Hunter Seat Medal Class until after the Finals have been held. Maximum points are 15 before eliminations occur. Any **Amateur** who has qualified to ride in the CPHA Amateur Hunter Seat Medal **may continue to compete** in the CPHA medal classes during the qualifying period.

The Course must be posted at least thirty minutes before the class.

CPHA JUNIOR HUNTER SEAT MEDAL CLASS - 17 AND UNDER

QUALIFICATIONS: Open to junior riders, seventeen (17) years of age and under, who are current registered members of the California Professional Horsemen’s Association (Trainers of riders in this class must be professional members of the CPHA). To be shown over either a hunter or jumper equitation type course of fences 3’6” in height with at least two (2) changes of direction and at least (1) combination with a spread fence. A minimum of three (3) riders will be required to work off using (USEF Eq. Tests 1-15).

CLASS SPECIFICATIONS: This class will be judged on seat, hands, control of the horse and over-all general appearance to be given consideration. Unconventional equipment may be penalized at the discretion of the judges. To compete in the Finals, a rider must have received **six (6) points to qualify**. Points will be awarded as follows:

5 or more	4 riders	3 Riders
1st – 6 points	1st – 4 Points	1st – 3 points
2nd – 4 points	2nd – 3 points	2nd – 2 points
3rd – 3 points	3rd – 2 points	3rd – 1 point

4th – 2 points	4th – 1 point	
5th – 1 point		

The winner of the CPHA Junior Hunter Seat Medal Finals is ineligible to participate in any future CPHA Junior Hunter Seat Medal Class, however he or she may return to the CPHA Amateur Medal as a participant when he or she has reached his or her 18th birthday.

- 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.
- **All junior riders who compete in a Junior CPHA Medal Class after the Finals but before the end of the show year will compete in the following year’s Finals in the section that represents the current show year age.**

CPHA AMATEUR HUNTER SEAT MEDAL CLASS - 18 AND OVER

QUALIFICATIONS: Open to Amateur riders 18 and over who are current members of the CPHA.

- **SPECIFICATIONS:** Same specs as the CPHA Junior Hunt Seat Medal Class 17 and under. Any Amateur who has qualified to ride in the CPHA Amateur Hunter Seat Medal may continue to compete in the CPHA medal classes during the qualifying period. The winner of the CPHA Amateur Hunter Seat Medal finals is ineligible to participate at any future CPHA Hunt Seat Medal Class.
- 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.