



2020 CPHA Foundation WCE Medal Final Specifications

Eligibility:

- Open to riders who have accrued at least six (6) points in WCE Medal Jr/Am qualifying classes since the preceding final.
- Previous winners of the medal final are not eligible.
- All riders will compete in Rounds 1 and 2.
- The top 10 riders after the first two rounds will compete in Round 3.

Warm up Class:

- Open only to WCE Medal Final Riders who are qualified and entered in this year's final.
- These riders may ride multiple horses in the warm-up class, but only one (1) in the medal final.
- The warm up class will set at 1.05m and will be judged as a Table (II) jumper class, a second refusal will eliminate.
- A Liverpool must be included in the course, not in a combination (under a vertical).

Judging:

- A minimum of two USEF licensed equitation judges, sitting apart, will be used for each round.
- Each class will be judged under the current rules and standards of the USEF equitation division with the exception that competitors will be eliminated upon the second refusal.
- Judges are asked to walk each course and where there are striding options the judges are asked not to penalize any option that might be used to achieve the best result appropriate to the individual horse/rider combination.
- The judges will evaluate the rider's ability as a show jumping rider, and the manner in which the course was ridden regarding technical merit, judgment, and the execution of an efficient, time saving pace and track in meeting the specific challenges incorporated into the course by the designer.

Scoring:

- Four (4) points will be deducted for the first and second knockdowns on course and one (1) point will be deducted for each additional rail.
- One (1) penalty point will be deducted for every four (4) commenced-seconds over the time allowed.
- The two judge's scores will be averaged and then any deductions (time faults and/or knockdowns) will be taken from the total score. The scores will be announced after rounds 1 and 2 only.
- The averaged scores from Rounds 1 and 2 will be added and carried into Round 3. Only the top ten (10) riders will compete in Round 3.
- The score from Round 3 will be added to their scores from rounds 1 and 2 to produce an overall score. There will be no further rounds or work offs after Round 3.
- The judges will sit together during round 3 and the scores will not be announced.

Courses:

- Courses throughout the final will consist of advanced equitation/jumper type fences 1.10m (3'7") in height, with spreads from 1.10m to 1.25m (3'7" to 4'1").
- A plank may not be the top element of any obstacle.

Course Format:

Round 1

- Table II, Sec. 2(d) (Two Phase) course.
- Whether or not a competitor has faults in the first phase, he will continue to the second phase.
- There will be no time allowed in the first phase; the time allowed in the second phase will be calculated at 375m/m (**350 m/m if the arena is less than 180'x300'**).
- The time starts as the horse crosses the finish line for the first phase.

Round 2

- Table II course.
- The course will include at least one double and one triple combination (or three doubles) and a Liverpool. The time allowed will be calculated at 350 m/m.

Round 3

- Table II, Sec.1 course consisting of 7-9 jumping efforts.
- The time allowed will be calculated at 375m/m (**350 meters/min, if arena is less than 180'x300'**)

Time and Time Penalties:

- Time allowed is an important factor in this class and it may only be changed after consultation between the course designer and the judge and only if he/she thinks a gross error was made in his/her original calculation.
- Additionally, the time allowed may only be adjusted once during the early rounds of a given competition, never later than after the third competitor to complete the course without a disobedience or if any of the first three take more than 45 seconds to cross the start line.
- During each round, (1) penalty point will be deducted for every four (4) commenced-seconds over the time allowed. This deduction, if any, will be announced after each round where it occurs.

Horse & Equipment:

- Stallions are allowed per USEF jumper division rules.
- A jumper type horse with jumper equipment is allowed and will not be penalized.
- No draw reins or German martingales are allowed.
- Standing and Running martingales **are** permitted.

Jog:

- At a designated time after the warm up and prior to round 1 all medal final exhibitors, or a representative, will be required to jog their horses for soundness in front of the show steward, TD and Veterinarian.

Ties:

- Ties for any place in Rounds 1 and 2 will be broken by Judge 1's score.
- The third round will include the top 10 riders (cumulative score from rounds 1 and 2), if there is a tie for 10th all tied riders will compete in Round 3.
- Ties for the overall placing, if any, will be broken by the score from round 3, with the higher score receiving the higher placing.

Start Order:

- Round 1 will be drawn.
- Round 2 will be reverse order from Round 1.
- Round 3 will be low score to high score from the sum of the first two rounds.

Schooling Rules:

- USEF Jumper schooling rules will be followed for all phases of this final
- Starting 30-minutes before each round, riders may not school for this class in any ring other than the designated warm-up.

Awards:

- After Rounds 1 and 2 riders will receive ribbons through 10th place.
- After Round 3 the top ten (10) riders overall will receive awards.
- Special awards for riders and their trainers will go to the highest placing rider from each age break (junior or amateur), if both juniors and amateurs place within the top ten (10) overall.

Substitutions:

- The same horse must be ridden through all phases of the competition.
- In the event of illness or injury of the horse, a rider may petition to ride a substitute horse.
- This substitution must be approved by a committee consisting of the show manager (or designated representative), the technical delegate, and the official veterinarian who has examined the horse and determined its unsuitability to continue.

Special Condition:

- If a competitor or trainer wishes to discuss any part of the WCE Final with a judge or the course designer, the technical delegate or a show steward must also be present.

Protests:

- A protest must be made in writing within one half hour of the class or the situation being protested and handed to one of the following: the technical delegate, a show steward, or the show manager
- . A committee, consisting of the technical delegate, a show steward, and a representative of show management, will be convened as soon as feasible to rule on the protest.
- This committee will be the sole arbiter of the protest and its decision will be final without further recourse of any kind.

RIDER/TRAINER MEETING:

- There will be a rider/trainer meeting with the technical delegate, the judges if available, and a designated management representative, during which questions may be asked about the parameters and expectations of the class.
- The draw will be held at this meeting.
- The time for the meeting will be listed on the schedule and posted in the horse show office.