

SHOW JUMPING NEWSLETTER 2008

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Read all about it! Here is the latest news from the Show Jumping Committee for 2008.

- The USPC National Office has published the new Show Jumping Rulebook for 2008 and a separate Organizers Guide for Rallies. There are not any substantive rule changes from the 2004 Rulebook. Mainly, wording and language usage were clarified to help comprehension of the rules. Please let us know if you notice anything that has been missed this time around. Also notice that **Two Phase Competitions** have been added to the competitions list (Article 33). Popularly known as Power and Speed, it is a fun class and combines riding with a Time Allowed and against the clock in the same round. Please contact us if you need any further clarification to run the class at a rally. Who knows, we might use it at Championships.
- **All Qualifying Rally organizers** - Please remember to include on the Steward/TD Report the course designer(s) name(s) and to indicate that a minimum of 3 rounds were completed during the rally. You may have to add this info to the existing Steward Report. And then make sure the Report is sent in to the Activities Director at the National Office. The Show Jumping Committee uses these reports to determine the health of Show Jumping in all regions around the country.
- The Show Jumping Committee also strongly recommends that each Region have a written policy for qualifying for Championships and then perhaps publish it in their Regional Rally program for all to see.
- The Committee would also like to re-emphasize the need for educational opportunities around the country in order to raise the standard of Show Jumping nationally, especially with the advent of the Show Jumping ratings. This might take the form of inter-regional clinics or maybe organizing a day of clinics before the Show Jumping Rally. This format has been used very successfully in different regions around the country. Please contact us to get more information or resources for your regions.
- And finally we want to invite all pony jumper riders to join the qualifying process for the USPC Team that goes to compete at the USEF National Pony Jumper Championships at the USEF Pony Finals. They are held each year in early to mid-August at the Kentucky Horse Park. Go to www.ponyclub.org and click on Opportunities and Events and then Special Opportunities to see the qualifying criteria. You must declare your intention to qualify for the USPC Team by March 15, 2008. Contact Wayne Quarles at 859-254-7669 or activities@ponyclub.org or Erin Woodall at erin@ponyclub.org for more information.
- And as always contact any member of the Show Jumping Committee for any more info and answers to your questions.

