

Short Circuit Division Specifications – 2011

In the divisions listed below, year-end awards will be made to the top four riders accumulating the most points during the season

LEADLINE: For riders 6 years of age and under. Rider not eligible for any other classes and must not have competed in any class other than Leadline. Rider to be led at the walk. Pony to be on lead at all times. Division consists of three classes: (1) 100% pony suitability and manners; (2) 100% rider equitation; and (3) 50% equitation/50% pony suitability.

PRE-SHORT STIRRUP EQUITATION: *Properly attached anti-grazing reins are acceptable for this division only.* For riders 9 years of age and under. May cross enter into pleasure walk/trot but must not have ever competed over fences or shown at the canter. Divisions consist of three classes: (1) Walk; (2) Walk & trot; and (3) Walk, trot, sit-trot, & jump position at the walk. May not cross enter in any other Equitation class.

BEGINNER EQUITATION: May not cross enter in any other Equitation class. For riders 11 years and under. May not enter any classes where fences exceed 18". Must not have shown at any show over jumps exceeding 18" in height. Division consists of three classes: (1) Walk & trot; (2) 4 fences at 18" - may trot or canter; and (3) same as class 2.

YOUNG ENTRY EQUITATION: May not cross enter in any other Equitation class. For riders 12 years of age and under. Jumps not to exceed 2'. May cross enter into Pleasure and other divisions where jumps do not exceed 2'. Must not have shown at other shows jumping higher than 2'. Divisions consist of three classes: (1) minimum of 6 fences at 2'; (2) same as class 1; and (3) Walk, trot and canter.

STUDENT EQUITATION: May not cross enter in any other Equitation class. For riders in their 1st or 2nd year of showing at 2' or higher. Jumps not to exceed 2'. May cross enter into Pleasure and other divisions where jumps do not exceed 2'. Must not have shown at other shows jumping higher than 2'. Divisions consist of three classes: (1) 4-6 fences at 2'; (2) same as class 1; and (3) Walk, trot and canter. Riders may trot or canter over fences and simple changes are permitted.

LIMIT RIDER HUNTER: Open to horses or ponies. Riders must be juniors or adult amateurs who are not entered in any classes jumping 2'6" or higher. These riders are not eligible to compete in VHSA Adult Amateur Equitation, VHSA Pony Equitation, or VHSA Children's Equitation. Ponies must be ridden by juniors. Horses/ponies may be cross-entered into other divisions. Courses to be a minimum of 6 fences set at 2'3".

VHSA PONY EQUITATION CLASSIC: One class for Junior riders. Judged on hands, seat, guidance and control of mount. To be ridden over a separate course of at least 8 fences. At least 1/4 of riders completing the course will return to work on the flat. Over fences phase to count 50%, flat phase 50%. Run in accordance with VHSA guidelines. Small ponies to jump 2', medium ponies to jump 2'3", large ponies to jump 2'6".

VHSA CHILDREN'S HUNTER EQUITATION CLASSIC: One class for Junior riders. Judged on hands, seat, guidance and control of mount. To be ridden over a separate course of at least 8 fences. At least 1/4 of riders completing the course will return to work on the flat. Over fences phase to count 50%, flat phase 50%. Run in accordance with VHSA guidelines. To jump 2'6" or 3' (rider's choice).

VHSA ADULT AMATEUR EQUITATION CLASSIC: Open to Adults only. Judged on hands, seat, guidance and control of mount. To be ridden over a separate course of at least 8 fences. At least 1/4 of riders completing the course will return to work on the flat. Over fences phase to count 50%, flat phase 50%. Run in accordance with VHSA guidelines. To jump 2'6" or 3' (rider's choice).

VHSA PONY PLEASURE: Open to Junior Riders only. Division consists of three classes; (1) Walk & trot; (2) Walk, trot & canter; and (3) Walk, trot & go-as-you-please.

VHSA HORSE PLEASURE: Open to Juniors or Adults on horses. Division is same classes as Hunter Pony Pleasure. If class is split into Junior and Adult, the same horse can not compete in both Pleasure Divisions.

The following divisions will consist of 3 classes: (1) over 8 fences; (2) over 8 fences; and (3) Under saddle. Each division should have at least three entries to fill the section. Otherwise small/med and large ponies may be combined and the Children's/Adult-Amateur may be combined.

VHSA SMALL-MEDIUM PONY HUNTER: For Junior riders. Small ponies not to exceed 12.2h and to jump 2'; Medium ponies are over 12.2h but not to exceed 13.2h and to jump 2' 3".

VHSA LARGE PONY HUNTER: For Junior Riders. Large ponies are over 13.2h but not to exceed 14.2h and jump 2'6".

VHSA CHILDREN'S HUNTER: For Junior Riders on horses over 14.2h and to jump 2'6" or 3' (rider's choice).

VHSA ADULT AMATEUR HUNTER: Open to adults who qualify as amateurs. Horses to jump 2'6" or 3" (rider's choice).

VIRGINIA PONY BREEDERS ASSOCIATION: Open to Junior riders on ponies that are properly registered with the VPBA, exhibited under their registered name and in the name of its last recorded owner who must be a current member of the VPBA for points to count for SCHSA year end awards. Small/medium ponies jump 2' and large ponies jump 2'6".

VHSA GREEN PONY HUNTER: For Junior riders. To follow VHSA rules on jump height and year of showing. (2', 2'3", 2'6")

VHSA GREEN HORSE HUNTER: For Junior or Adult riders on horses. To follow VHSA rules on jump height and year of showing. (Minimum height 2'6")