

# ***World Equestrian Center Premier Equitation Cup***

## **Horse Show Information**

Open to all USEF and Equine Canada member shows who apply to the WEC Premier Equitation Cup, c/o Ryegate Show Services, for recognition. Shows must apply at least 30 days prior to their scheduled show in order to offer the class. Shows applying within 30 days may be granted with a late fee. Early application will ensure inclusion on upcoming schedules.

Only one class may be offered per USEF/Equine Canada competition.

Results must be **submitted** within 10 days from the completion of the show. Payment of \$7.00 per rider must accompany results.

**Shows which fail to file timely results will not be awarded future dates. Shows not on the upcoming list will not count for points.**

The WEC Premier Cup may be combined with an existing local or regional medal class using the same specs.

## **Points**

Points will be awarded to sixth place in the same manner as Hunter Championships (i.e.; 10, 6, 4, 2, 1, 1/2). This number will then be multiplied by the number of riders competing in the class to determine the number of points received. Classes that are split using the "California Split" pinning will determine the # of exhibitors by taking the total # of exhibitors and dividing by the # of sets of ribbons awarded and rounded up. All splits at one show will have the same # of exhibitors used in determining points. (example - 99 total riders, 2 sets of ribbons, both sets of results will use 50 riders as the # of exhibitors).

## **Qualifying Period**

All classes held at shows starting on or after February 1 of the previous year, through shows starting on or before January 31 of the current year will be counted toward current year finals.

## **Class Conditions**

- 1). Class to be judged in accordance with current USEF standards for equitation.
- 2). Conventional tack per USEF EQ106
- 3). Splitting of classes: Classes with less than 25 competing entries may not be split. Classes with greater than 50 competing entries must be split using one of the following methods. No other method of splitting is allowed.
  - The preferred method of splitting is using the "California Split" method of pinning, with one set of ribbons per 25 riders.
  - At managements discretion, classes of more than 25 riders may be split by age of the rider using a floating split method.

## **WEC Premier Cup Qualifier**

### **Class Specifications**

Open to all Junior members of the USEF/USHJA and Equine Canada. To be shown over a minimum of eight fences 3'6" in height, spread not to exceed 4' (exception: triple bar type obstacles, maximum spread of 5'.) The course may be either a Jumper or Hunter type course and must include at least two changes of direction, a combination and two of the following: bending line, narrow jump (5'6"-8'), roll back turn, fences at end of ring, long approach to a single jump. Water obstacles (i.e.; water jump, liverpool) are not permitted. A minimum of twelve riders, if available, are required to show at a walk, trot and canter. To be judged on seat, hands, guidance and control of horse. The Under Saddle performance of those riders selected to show under saddle shall count 50%. A rider must complete both phases to be eligible for a placing. Only one rider per horse. The same horse must be used in all phases. Class to be judged in accordance with the current USEF Standards for equitation. USEF tests EQ113 permitted. Three riders must complete the course for the class to count.

### **WEC Premier Cup Finals**

To be held at the World Equestrian Center, Ocala, FL.

A minimum of 70 riders are desired for the finals. Riders earning a minimum of 120 points will be guaranteed a spot in the finals. Should we not reach the desired number of riders, we will issue invitations moving down the ranking list until the desired number of riders (70) is reached if possible. One horse per rider, one rider per horse.

Wild Cards: A total of 6 Wild Card spots are available. Any riders accepted from the Wild Card option, would be in addition to the 70 riders.

- Wild Card 1 can be obtained by the top 2 placed riders not already qualified for the final from the WEC Premier Cup Qualifier during Week 5 of the Ocala Winter Circuit. If all placed riders are already qualified, no wild card will be issued.

- Wild Card 2 can be obtained by the top 2 placed riders not already qualified for the final from the WEC Premier Cup Qualifier during Week 8 of the WEC Ohio Winter Circuit. If all placed riders are already qualified, no wild card will be issued.

- Wild Card 3 can be obtained by 2 riders chosen by WEC Management. These riders will be chosen solely at the discretion of WEC. Riders may or may not be on the ranking list.

Any rider that earns enough points to be accepted for the finals by the end of their last junior year, may still participate in the finals, provided they hold USEF amateur status.

The finals will be conducted over a course of at least 10 fences at the appropriate height including either a triple or two double combinations. Complete course specs will be available in the show office. Two cumulative refusals will constitute elimination. The top 20 riders will return for the flat phase and for a second round of at least eight fences including a combination. Additional testing at the Judge's discretion. Numerical scoring will be used for the first phase only. One horse per rider, one rider per horse. The same horse must be used in all phases. USEF tests EQ113 permitted. Ribbons to the top twelve, trainers award to the top four trainers.

A random order of go will be drawn by 6pm the night before the final.

24 hour rule will be in effect and all potential equitation horses must be entered and declared in the horse show office. All horses must be presented at the check-in and provide their stall location. From that point on, all horses must wear their horse show issued number at all times out of the stall. Horses may be substituted with any other declared equitation horse before rider competes in the first phase.