



# 2021 USHJA HUNTER TEAM CHALLENGE - *CENTRAL*

Lamplight Summertime III | July 21-25, 2021

Open to Riders competing in the Children's/Adult Hunter Sections, Children's/  
Adult Hunter Low Sections, and Children's Hunter Pony Sections.

## EVENT LISTING

Entry Fee: \$375

- 740. \$5,000 USHJA HUNTER TEAM CHALLENGE OVERALL
- 741. CHILDREN'S HUNTER
- 742. ADULT HUNTER
- 743. CHILDREN'S/ADULT HUNTER LOW
- 744. CHILDREN'S HUNTER PONY

## EVENT SCHEDULE

Rider's Meeting – Friday, July 23, approximately 4 pm. Location to be announced.

### DAY ONE

**Saturday, July 24**

Awards 1-8 to Individuals in each Phase

Points toward Team Total Awarded 10, 8, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1

To be held as an overlay with the first two Over Fences and Under Saddle of the Rider's Respective Section.

Rider must enter the respective section in addition to the Championship.

**1740. USHJA HUNTER TEAM CHALLENGE – Round 1**

**2740. USHJA HUNTER TEAM CHALLENGE – Round 2**

**3740. USHJA HUNTER TEAM CHALLENGE – Under Saddle**

### DAY TWO

**Sunday, July 25**

Awards 1-6 to Teams Overall

Points toward Team Total Awarded 20, 16, 12, 10, 8, 6, 4, 2

To be held as a stand-alone Classic at the Rider's Respective Height.

**4740. USHJA HUNTER TEAM CHALLENGE – Round 2**



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**ELIGIBILITY** - I. Eligibility: Horses/ponies and riders must be an active USHJA member in good standing.

**Children's / Adult Amateur Hunter 3'**: The Rider MAY NOT compete in any class with fences exceeding 3'3" during the current competition year (Exception: USHJA National Hunter Derby, 3'3" Junior/Amateur Owner Hunter, and Children's/Adult Amateur Jumper.)

**Low Children's / Adult Hunter 2'6"**: The Rider MAY NOT compete in any class with fences exceeding 2'9" during the current competition year.

**Children's Hunter Pony 2', 2'6"**: The Rider MAY NOT compete in any class with fences exceeding 3'3" during the current competition year (Exception: USHJA National Hunter Derby, 3'3" Junior/Amateur Owner Hunter, and Children's/Adult Amateur Jumper.) The Pony/Rider combination MAY NOT compete in the Regular Pony Hunter division during the current competition year

**QUALIFYING PROCEDURES** - Riders do not have to apply. Riders must pre-enter the USHJA Hunter Team Challenge a minimum of 24 hours prior to the start of the Team Challenge Rider Meeting.

**NUMBER & COMPOSITION OF TEAMS** - A maximum of 16 riders per section will be accepted on a first come, first served basis, for a grand total of 48 riders. In the event that one section does not fill their allocated 16 spots and one or more other sections have more than 16 riders at the 24 hour cut off, riders will be accepted based on first come, first served, regardless of section until the remaining spots are filled and the Team Challenge reaches the desired number of 48 riders total.

Teams are determined by random draw, and are made up of a maximum of four (4) and minimum of three (3) horse-and-rider combinations, for a maximum of 12 total teams. Ideally Teams will be comprised of one rider from each height section; one 3' Child rider, one 3' Adult rider, one 2'6" (Child or Adult) rider, and one Children's Pony (Small/Medium or Large) rider, until all teams possible have one rider from each section. The remaining riders will have their teams randomly drawn in any combination of height sections. USHJA has the final decision on the composition and combination of the teams.

Teams will have designated colored arm bands, and the option to braid in colored yarn or other team spirit is encouraged and will not be penalized in the rider's regular division.

**SCORING** - Team Challenge Riders will be placed in their regular classes as well as within the Team Challenge Overlay classes. Riders will receive points in the under saddle and two over fences classes of the designated division on Day One. Points awarded through 1-8 as follows: 10, 8, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1. A rider's Overall Score will be determined by adding together the points received for their placing Day One. Overall Scores will count toward their Team's score.

Team Scores will be determined by adding each team member's Overall Score from Day One. Four-member teams will

drop their lowest score. Three-member teams will drop the lowest score and double the second lowest score. This will ensure that all teams have the benefit of a dropped score.

Final Team Scores for awards are determined by adding the Team Scores from Day One and points from the team's highest placed rider from the Final Round. Points in the Final Round awarded 1-8 as follows: 20, 16, 12, 10, 8, 6, 4, 2.

**TEAM CHALLENGE FORMAT** - The Awards presentation will immediately follow the conclusion of the Final Round. Riders may complete their regular division classes as scheduled at the conclusion of the awards presentation.

**Day One** – Two Over Fences and Under Saddle  
Team Challenge classes will run concurrently with the horse show's regular division classes on the first day. Scores will be tracked after each class is complete and will be displayed throughout the day. Points awarded through 1-8 in each phase as follows: 10, 8, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1.

**Day Two** – Final Round  
The top six (6) teams with the highest Team Scores from Day One are invited to compete in the Final Round. Order will be drawn within each height section. Each rider will compete over one Classic style round at their respective height. The Final Round will be placed as one section 1-8 with points awarded as follows: 20, 16, 12, 10, 8, 6, 4, 2. Points from the highest placed rider on each team will be added to Team Scores. If a horse/rider combination from one of the top six teams is unable to compete in the Final Round for any reason, there will be no substitutions and the team will compete in the Final Round with only their available team members who competed on Day One.

**OVERALL TEAM CHAMPIONS** - The Team Champion is the Team with the highest Total Score after the Final Round. In the case of a tie for any top-six overall team placing, the team with the highest combined score from the second over fences class on Day One will break the tie. If the tie remains, the highest pointed rider from each team will answer a tie-breaking question pulled from the USHJA Horsemanship Quiz Challenge Study Guide. Questions will be given by a horse show official and will be tailored to the level of the rider's height section. If there are multiple riders with the same score on one team, a designated rider will be chosen to answer the question.

**AWARDS** - Ribbons 1-6 to Teams Overall. Medals Gold, Silver and Bronze to Teams 1-3 overall; Coolers to the Champion Team.  
Prize Money divided equally among Team Members 1-6 Overall as follows: \$1500 \$1100 \$900 \$600 \$500 \$400

**ZONE HORSE OF THE YEAR BONUS POINTS**  
The following Zone HOTY points will be awarded to each team member of the top 8 teams overall. Points to be awarded to each horse-and-rider combination's applicable section for the current competition year. Bonus Points to be awarded 1-8 as follows: 40, 35, 30, 25, 20, 15, 10, 5





# HITS CHICAGO SERIES - LAMPLIGHT EQUESTRIAN CENTER

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UNITED STATES EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION : 4001 WING COMMANDER WAY : LEXINGTON, KY 40511 : 859.258.2472 : FAX 859.231.6662 : USEF.ORG

For and in consideration of United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. dba US Equestrian ("USEF") allowing me, the undersigned, to participate in any capacity (including as a rider, driver, handler, vaulter, longeur, lessee, owner, agent, coach, official, trainer or volunteer) in a USEF sanctioned, licensed or approved event or activity, including but not limited to equestrian clinics, practices, shows, competitions and related or incidental activities and HITS Chicago Series ("USEF Event" or "USEF Events"); I, for myself, and on behalf of my spouse, children, heirs and next of kin, and any legal and personal representatives, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns, hereby agree to and make the following contractual representations pursuant to this Agreement (the "Agreement"):

**A. RULES AND REGULATIONS:** I hereby agree to be bound and abide by the rules, regulations, and policies of USEF as published in the USEF Rule Book and on the website at [www.usef.org](http://www.usef.org), as amended from time to time.

**B. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RISK:** I knowingly, willingly, and voluntarily acknowledge the inherent risks associated with the sport of equestrian and know that horseback riding and related equestrian activities are inherently dangerous, and that participation in any USEF Event involves risks and dangers including, without limitation, the potential for serious bodily injury (including broken bones, head or neck injuries), sickness and disease (including communicable diseases), trauma, pain & suffering, permanent disability, paralysis and death; loss of or damage to personal property (including my mount & equipment) arising out of the unpredictable behavior of horses; exposure to extreme conditions and circumstances; accidents involving other participants, event staff, volunteers or spectators; contact or collision with other participants and horses, natural or manmade objects; adverse weather conditions; facilities issues and premises conditions; failure of protective equipment (including helmets); inadequate safety measures; participants of varying skill levels; situations beyond the immediate control of the USEF Event organizers and competition management; and other undefined, not readily foreseeable and presently unknown risks and dangers ("Risks").

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**C. ASSUMPTION OF RISK:** I understand that the aforementioned Risks may be caused in whole or in part or result directly or indirectly from the negligence of my own actions or inactions, the actions or inactions of others participating in the USEF Events, or the negligent acts or omissions of the Released Parties defined below, and I hereby voluntarily and knowingly assume all such Risks and responsibility for any damages, liabilities, losses, or expenses that I incur as a result of my participation in any USEF Events. I also agree to be responsible for any injury or damage caused by me, my horse, my employees or contractors under my direction and control at any USEF Event.

**D. WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY, HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNITY:** In conjunction with my participation in any USEF Event, I hereby release, waive and covenant not to sue, and further agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the following parties: USEF, USEF Recognized Affiliate Associations, the United States Olympic & Paralympic Committee (USOPC), USEF clubs, members, Event participants (including athletes/riders, coaches, trainers, judges/officials, and other personnel), the Event owner, licensee, and competition managers; the promoters, sponsors, or advertisers of any USEF Event; any charity or other beneficiary which may benefit from the USEF Event; the owners, managers, or lessors of any facilities or premises where a USEF Event may be held; and all directors, officers, employees, agents, contractors, and volunteers of any of the aforementioned parties (individually and Collectively, the "Released Parties" or "Event Organizers"), with respect to any liability, claim(s), demand(s), cause(s) of action, damage(s), loss, or expense (including court costs and reasonable attorney fees) of any kind or nature ("Liability") which may arise out of, result from, or relate in any way to my participation in the USEF Events, including claims for Liability caused in whole or in part by the negligent acts or omissions of the Released Parties.

**E. COMPLETE AGREEMENT AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE:** This Agreement represents the complete understanding between the parties regarding these issues and no oral representations, statements or inducements have been made apart from this Agreement. If any provision of this Agreement is held to be unlawful, void, or for any reason unenforceable, then that provision shall be deemed severable from this Agreement and shall not affect the validity and enforceability of any remaining provisions.

### I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS DOCUMENT IN ITS ENTIRETY, UNDERSTAND ALL OF ITS TERMS AND CONDITIONS, AND KNOW IT CONTAINS AN ASSUMPTION OF RISK, RELEASE AND WAIVER FROM LIABILITY, AS WELL AS A HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFICATION OBLIGATIONS.

By signing below, I (as the participant or as the Parent/Legal Guardian of the minor identified below) hereby accept and agree to the terms and conditions of this Agreement in connection with my (or the minor's) participation in any USEF Event. If, despite this Agreement, I, or anyone on my behalf or the minor's behalf, makes a claim for Liability against any of the Released Parties, I will indemnify, defend and hold harmless each of the Released Parties from any such Liabilities as the result of such claim. The parties agree that this agreement may be electronically signed. The parties agree that the electronic signatures appearing on this agreement are the same as handwritten signatures for the purposes of validity, enforceability, and admissibility.

#### OWNER/AGENT

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

(Required if Rider/Handler is a minor)

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIG.: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

#### RIDER/HANDLER

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

#### TRAINER

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

COACH SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

(if applicable)

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Emerg. Contact Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

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