

Rule Change Type	Effective Date	Draft Received	Board Action
Extraordinary	9/1/2024	12/22/2023	

Extraordinary Change Reason

The Maclay specifications have already been updated for the 2024 qualifying period, and the rule is being adjusted to reflect the newest specifications.

Rule Change Intent

The current 2024 Maclay class specifications are posted on the National Horse Show website (www.nhs.org), and these changes will align the language in the USEF rule book with those class specifications. Proposed changes include updates to the qualifying criteria, changing the timeline for posting the point requirements, removing language about specs being posted on the USEF website, and adding a reference to a definition.

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Linked Rules	Comments
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Committee Actions

SUBCHAPTER EQ-2 HUNTER/JUMPING SEAT EQUITATION SECTION

EQ111 Requirements for Specific Classes

6. ASPCA HORSEMANSHIP CLASS. Open to Junior members of USEF or ~~Equine Canada~~ who have not reached their 18th birthday *in accordance with GR127*. Rider and trainer (or coach when applicable, see GR108) must be current members of the ASPCA/NHSAA. Fees are payable online by credit card to the National Horse Show Association of America by visiting www.nhs.org and clicking the ASPCA Maclay tab at the top of the page. All contestants are required to perform over at least eight fences at 3'6" with or without wings. The course must include at least two changes of direction, a combination including an oxer, and 1/3 of the obstacles must be oxers. A liverpool or water is prohibited in ASPCA Maclay classes including Regionals and Finals. In addition, all courses must include at least three of the following: bending line, narrow jump (5'6"-8'), rollback turn, fence at the end of the ring, long approach to a single jump. Two cumulative refusals in the ASPCA Maclay Finals will result in elimination, see EQ108.1. 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%. Only one rider per horse (See EQ113 for approved tests). To fill a class three (3) competitors must complete the course. If 50 or more entries are received the class must be divided by every other number and run as two separate classes.

- a. For the point and qualifying system, see ~~the Federation website at www.usef.org and the National Horse Show website at www.nhs.org. Point system will be set no later than **December 1st each year**. ~~fifteen (15) days prior to the start of the qualifying period. Once a rider has obtained the point requirements of their state of residence, as defined in these rules, the rider is qualified to compete in the ASPCA Maclay Finals for that competition year. Competing in an ASPCA Maclay Regional Finals in that competition year is optional for any riders qualified for the ASPCA Maclay Finals.~~ Riders may compete in a total of fourteen (14) ASPCA Maclay classes in a single qualifying period. Any rider who continues to compete after they have competed in fourteen (14) qualifying classes will no longer be eligible to compete in the ASPCA Maclay Regionals ~~Finals~~ or the ASPCA Maclay Finals. (Exception: If a rider is not yet qualified for the ASPCA Maclay **Regionals Finals** based on the point requirements of their state of residence after fourteen (14) classes, that the rider may continue to compete until qualified ~~for the Finals~~. However, upon qualifying, that rider must stop competing in Maclay classes or they will no longer be eligible to compete in any ASPCA Maclay Regionals ~~Finals~~ or the ASPCA Maclay Finals. ~~)).~~ It is the rider's responsibility to calculate and know their points as well as the number of classes in which they have competed. For complete details on application to offer this class, as well as instructions on submitting results, competition management should contact the National Horse Show. See the National Horse Show website at www.nhs.org for contact information. Classes held at competitions with a start date after August 31 will count toward the next year's finals. Any rider in their final junior year may not compete in any qualifying classes held at a competition with a start date after August 31 of that competition year. Effective 12/1/22~~