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VHSA & The League Show Series Commonwealth Park

APRIL 13-14 | JUNE 28-30 | AUGUST 9-11 | SEPTEMBER 21-22, 2024



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SHOW APPROVALS: THE LEAGUE | VSHA
 The League Presented by Marshall & Sterling Insurance
 Associate Recognized by the Virginia Horse Shows Association, Inc.

The Competition Management for these events is HITS, LLC



SHOW 1 April 13-14

Closing Date Friday, April 5th

SHOW 2 June 28-30

Closing Date Friday, June 21st

HUNTER, JUMPER & EQUITATION JUDGES

Mr. Philip LongRaleigh, NC
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HUNTER, JUMPER & EQUITATION JUDGES

Ms. Claudine LiberatoreJackson, NJ
 Mr. Phillip Williamson.....Lynchburg, VA
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SHOW 3 August 9-11

Closing Date Friday, August 2nd

SHOW 4 September 21-22

Closing Date Friday, September 13th

HUNTER, JUMPER & EQUITATION JUDGES

Mrs. De De Bache-Shumate.....Culpeper, VA
 Mr. Philip LongRaleigh, NC
 Mr. Randy Neumann.....Raleigh, NC

HUNTER, JUMPER & EQUITATION JUDGES

Ms. Elise CookMoorestown, NJ
 Ms. Kathy Pinera.....Emerson, NJ
 Ms. Michelle Sturtz.....Virginia Beach, VA

ENTRY COSTS	SHOWS 1 & 4 (2 DAY)	SHOWS 2 & 3 (3 DAY)
All Inclusive Facility Fee	\$30	\$30
Stall	\$75	\$100
RV Space	\$100	\$150
Paddock	\$100	\$150
Warm Up (When Offered)	\$25	\$25
Hunter Division Fee	\$65	\$65
Individual Class Fee	\$30	\$30
Post Entry Fee	\$15	\$15

SCHEDULE UPDATES

Please visit HITSShows.com to print and download weekly show schedules.
 Please visit the ShowManagementSystem.com dashboard to declare classes, view up to date class counts, results and daily schedules throughout the competition.

VENUE LOCATION

HITS Commonwealth Park, 13256 Commonwealth Parkway, Culpeper, VA, 22701

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Credit Card transactions will be processed at Retail Prices which are 3% higher than the prices in this Prize List.

To use your Visa, MasterCard or American Express to pay for amounts due with entries such as horse deposit, stalls, RV's, etc., please complete the form below and send with your entry(ies). **PLEASE NOTE:** This form must be filled out completely. All fields are required in order to process payment. Incomplete forms may cause entry(ies) to be considered late.

Amount due with Entry(ies) \$ **Trainer:** _____
Horse: _____

Office Use only

 Name on Card (exactly as it appears)



 Billing Address of Card City State Zip Code

[] Visa [] MC [] AMEX _____
 Card # Expires MM/YY Security Code

I authorize HITS, LLC to charge my card for all amounts due to HITS, LLC with respect to the enclosed entry(ies).

X _____
 Signature Date Phone Email

CLASS LISTING

HUNTERS

DIVISION/CLASS	HEIGHT	CLASS NUMBERS	DIVISION FEE	CLASS FEE	ASSOCIATION
OPEN HUNTER SECTION					
<i>The last class # is Under Saddle. Please see the schedule for The League & Handy classes.</i>					
2' Schooling Hunter	2'	1,2,3,4,5	\$65	\$30	The League
2'3" Schooling Hunter	2'3"	6,7,8,9,10	\$65	\$30	-
2'6" Schooling Hunter	2'6"	11,12,13,14,15	\$65	\$30	The League
2'9" Schooling Hunter	2'9"	16,17,18,19,20	\$65	\$30	The League
3' Schooling Hunter	3'	21,22,23,24	\$65	\$30	-
The above divisions are open to horses and ponies of any age. Distances will NOT be adjusted for ponies.					
3'3" Schooling Hunter	3'3"	25,26,27	\$65	\$30	-
Open to horses. <i>This division will run the June (Show 2) and August (Show 3) only.</i>					
Thoroughbred Hunter	2'6"	520,521,522,523	\$65	\$30	VHSA
Open to horses of any age that are registered in any Stud Book recognized by the Jockey Club.					
Green Hunter	2'6" - 2'9"	35,36,37,38	\$65	\$30	VHSA
Open to green horses of any age in their first or second year of showing in any classes that require horses to jump the designated height for green horses.					
Working Hunter	2'9" - 3"	40,41,42,43	\$65	\$30	VHSA
Open to horses & ponies that are not entered in a pony division at the same show.					
NON-PROFESSIONAL HUNTER SECTION					
<i>The last class # is Under Saddle. Please see the schedule for Handy.</i>					
Adult Hunter	2'6" - 3'	105,105,107,108	\$65	\$30	VHSA
Open to horses ridden by an Adult Amateur rider. Amateurs on ponies may not accumulate points in this division and distances will not be adjusted.					
Adult Hunter Pleasure	-	109,110,111	\$65	\$30	VHSA
Open to horses ridden by an Adult Amateur rider. To be shown on the flat in Hunter Tack.					
Junior / Children's Hunter	2'6" - 3'	160,161,162,163	\$65	\$30	VHSA
Open to horses ridden by Juniors.					
Junior Hunter Pleasure	-	112,113,114	\$65	\$30	VHSA
Open to horses ridden by a Junior rider. To be shown on the flat in Hunter Tack.					
Short Stirrup Hunter	18"	595,596,597	\$65	\$30	VHSA
Open to horses and ponies ridden by children 12 years and under. Riders, ponies and horses may not cross enter into any other VHSA Associate Division or VHSA Associate rated Equitation Class with the exception of Pleasure Pony Hunter at the same competition.					
PONY HUNTER SECTION					
<i>The last class # is Under Saddle. Please see schedule for Handy.</i>					
Green Pony Hunter	2', 2'3", 2'6"	170,171,172	\$65	\$30	
VHSA					
Open to ponies ridden by juniors. A Green Pony is a pony of any age in their first year of showing in any classes that require ponies to jump the designated height for green pony. May be combined with the Small/Medium or Large Pony Hunter.					
Small / Medium Pony Hunter	2',2'3"	150,151,152,153	\$65	\$30	VHSA
Open to ponies ridden by juniors. May be combined with the Large Pony or Green Pony Hunter.					
Large Pony Hunter	2'6"-2'9"	155,156,157,158	\$65	\$30	VHSA
Open to ponies ridden by juniors. May be combined with the Small/ Medium Pony or Green Pony Hunter.					
Pony Hunter Pleasure	-	115,116,117	\$65	\$30	VHSA
Open to ponies ridden by a Junior rider. To be shown on the flat in Hunter Tack.					

CLASS LISTING

MEDALS

MEDAL & EQUITATION SECTION	HEIGHT	CLASS NUMBERS	CLASS FEE	ASSOCIATION
Dover Saddlery Adult Medal	3'	385	\$30	The League
The League Junior Medal	3'6"	386	\$30	The League
Pyranha / The League Children's Medal - Horse	3'	387	\$30	The League
The League Junior/Amateur Horsemanship	3'3"	388	\$30	The League
The League 2'6" Children's Medal	2'6"	389	\$30	The League
The League 2'6" Adult Medal	2'6"	390	\$30	The League
The League Child Large Pony Medal	2'6"	396	\$30	The League
The League Child Small / Medium Pony Medal	2'	397	\$30	The League
VHSA/EMO Junior / Child Equitation Medal	3'	780	\$30	VHSA
VHSA /EMO Junior Equitation Flat	-	781	\$30	VHSA
VHSA/EMO Adult Medal	3'	782	\$30	VHSA
VHSA/EMO Adult Equitation Flat	-	783	\$30	VHSA
VHSA/EMO Pony Equitation Flat	-	784	\$30	VHSA

JUMPERS

JUMPER SECTION				
Baby Schooling Jumper	2'3"	200	\$30	-
Low Schooling Jumper	2'9"	201,202,203	\$30	VHSA
Schooling Jumper 3'3"-3'6"	3'3" - 3'6"	207,208,209	\$30	VHSA
Open Jumper 2'3"-2'6" *	2'3" - 2'6"	210,211	\$30	-
Open Jumper 2'9"-3' *	2'9" - 3'	220,221	\$30	-
Open Jumper 3'3"-3'6" *	3'3" - 3'6"	216,217	\$30	-
Open Jumper 3'6"-3'9" *	3'6" - 3'9"	218,219	\$30	-
Thoroughbred Jumper	2'9"	222,223,224	\$30	VHSA
Novice Jumper 2'3"-2'6"	2'3" - 2'6"	225,226,227	\$30	VHSA
Novice Child/Adult Jumper 2'3"-2'6"	2'3" - 2'6"	228,229,230	\$30	VHSA
Child/Adult Jumper 2'9"-3'	2'9" - 3'	231,232,233	\$30	VHSA
Modified Jumper 3'6"-4'	3'6" - 4'	237,238,239	\$30	VHSA

*Open Jumper Divisions will be offered at the June (Show 2) & August (Show 3) shows only. They will not be offered in April (1) or September (4).

SPECIAL CLASSES

SPECIAL CLASS SECTION	
CLASS DESCRIPTION	ENTRY FEE
628. THE LEAGUE TINY BIT O' HUNTER DERBY 2'	\$30
Fences 2' with options to 2'4". No Cross entry of Horse/Rider Combination into Class 629. Two round classic. Open to Junior and Amateur riders on Horses and Ponies. Horse/pony must have entered in two classes over fences at the same show. No cross entry of rider into any class with fences 3' or higher. Round 1 Classic. Round 2 Handy.	
629. THE LEAGUE BIT O' STRAW HUNTER DERBY 2'6"	\$30
Fences 2'6" with options to 2'10". No Cross entry of Horse/Rider Combination into Class 628. Two round classic. Open to Junior and Amateur riders on Horses and Ponies. Horse/pony must have entered in two classes over fences at the same show. No cross entry of rider into any class with fences 3' or higher. Round 1 Classic. Round 2 Handy.	
630. HITS 3' HUNTER DERBY	\$30
Fences 3' with options to 3'3". Two Round Classic. Fences 3' with 3'5" options. Round 1 Classic. Round 2 Handy.	

PRE-SHOW FEED & BEDDING ORDER, HORSE WATCH

DELIVERY INFORMATION

Trainer's Name _____
(Trainer's Name - Not Farm Name)

Arrival Date _____ Arrival Time _____

Stable With _____
(If different from Trainer above) (Trainer's Name - Not Farm Name)



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CULPEPER, VA



ORDER INFORMATION

Shavings _____ (45 bags in a pallet)

Hay (T&A) _____

Omolene 100 - _____
10% Sweetfeed

Omolene 200 - _____
14% Sweetfeed

Ultium _____

Purina Strategy _____
Healthy Edge

Purina Equine Senior _____

Purina Strategy _____
GX

Bran _____

Impact _____
- 10% Pellet

BILLING INFORMATION - PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

1. IF BILLED TO TRAINER: Enter Trainer's Name (DO NOT Use Farm Name) TRAINERS PLEASE NOTE: You may split your charges for feed and bedding among your customers after arrival. This must be done in the show office by Friday of each horse show week. You should advise your customers that these charges will be on their horse show bill and that they should not check out until after you have split your charges. Only the total dollar amount will be split, i.e., we will not split specific quantities of shavings or hay to each customer. However, you may charge different dollar amounts to your customers to account for individual usage.

Bill To: Trainer Name _____
(Trainer's Name - Not Farm Name)

OR

2. IF BILLED TO INDIVIDUAL: Enter Horse Name (of horse entered in show), Owner Name and Trainer Name.

Bill To: Horse Name _____
Owner Name _____
Trainer Name _____
(Trainer's Name - Not Farm Name)

**ALL PRE-SHOW ORDERS MUST
BE ON THIS FORM OR SUBMITTED
ONLINE AT HITSSHOWS.COM**

**PLEASE DO NOT PHONE IN
FEED ORDERS**

YOU MAY SEND OR FAX AT A LATER DATE

During the Horse Shows please fax to 540.827.1175 or email to CulpeperStabling@HITSShows.com. You may also place your order online at HITSShows.com.

ENTRIES MAY NOT BE FAXED OR MAILED

ENTRIES MAY NOT BE FAXED

Ordered By _____ Signature _____ Date _____

HITS HORSE WATCH

(Please complete this form. Horse Watch is a mandatory service. See Rules and Regulations.)

Trainer _____ Cell _____

Arrival Date _____ Depart Date _____ Farm Name _____

Hotel Name or
On-site RV description _____ Rm/Lot # _____ Hotel Ph _____

Emergency Contact 1 _____ Cell _____

Hotel Name or
On-site RV description _____ Rm/Lot # _____ Hotel Ph _____

Emergency Contact 2 _____ Cell _____

Hotel Name or
On-site RV description _____ Rm /Lot # _____ Hotel Ph _____

EQUINE HEALTH ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

HITS Commonwealth Park | Culpeper, Virginia

Protecting the health of your horse and other horses at HITS Culpeper Show Series is of the utmost importance to HITS. HITS has implemented Required Biosecurity Measures to decrease the risk of introduction and/or spread of contagious or infectious disease at its shows.

Horses must arrive only between the hours of **8 am - 5 pm daily**. Off-hours arrival must obtain permission from Show Management by calling 540.825.7469 24 hours prior to arrival.

UPON ARRIVAL TO HITS COMMONWEALTH PARK, ALL HORSES MUST HAVE AND PROVIDE:

NEGATIVE COGGINS

REQUIRED

Dated within twelve months (365 days) of the ending date of each show. This includes horses that originate from the state where the event is being held. All horses entering the Show Grounds must have a Negative Coggins on file. Coggins must reflect the horse's SHOW NAME.

PROOF OF VACCINATION

REQUIRED

Via a signed statement from the attending veterinarian that the horse has been vaccinated against the following:

Within 6 months (180 days) of each show: **Equine Influenza (EIV)**

Within 6 months (180 days) of each show: **Rhinopneumonitis (EHV 1 and EHV 4)**

If a vaccination will expire during one of the shows, the horse must receive its new vaccination prior to being issued a competition number for that show.

PRESENTATION OF HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

The Equine Health Requirements are Required for all horses entering the Show Grounds both Showing and Non-Showing.

These documents must be filed in the Show Office **before any competition numbers will be issued**. In addition, random checks for Equine Health Requirements will occur. Be sure to keep a copy of all of your horse's Equine Health Requirements in an easily accessible spot (in your tack room or tack trunk, truck or trailer) to ensure you can comply with this requirement. The results on all required papers must indicate the horse's registered (show) name.

Any horse not accompanied by these documents will be directed to the Show Veterinarian to obtain the required documents and/or vaccinations, and/or will be placed in quarantined stabling until the proper documents are obtained. Any horse showing signs of fever/illness/stress is subject to examination by HITS Officials and/or the Show Veterinarian, who may at their sole discretion, place the horse in quarantined stabling or take further action if deemed necessary.

SHIP-INS / DAY TRIPPERS

Any Horse entering the Grounds of HITS Culpeper, showing or non-showing, must abide by the Equine Health Requirements as set forth in the prize list. In addition, horses that ship-in daily for their classes, for warm-ups, or that are on the grounds for any reason and do not reside in a stall on the show grounds must also abide by the following:

Health Documentation: All ship-ins/day trippers (showing or non-showing) must file the proper Health Requirements in the show office, and must be prepared to present those health records at any time while on the show grounds. Ship-ins/day trippers will be subject to random checks by HITS Staff. Keep a copy of all of your horse's records in your truck or trailer to ensure you can comply with this requirement. If proper records are not immediately available, the horse(s) a.) must remain under HITS Staff observation until the paperwork is presented, or b.) will be asked to leave the grounds.

See Rules and Regulations for more information, and visit HITSShows.com for the most up to date requirements.

CONDITIONS & SPECIFICATIONS

GENERAL

Poling: Manual poling, or the use of offsets, is prohibited on competition grounds. Per USEF GR843.

The League presented by M&S Insurance: League membership is required for points to count for Classics and Classes that are affiliated with the League presented by Marshall & Sterling Insurance.

Websites: For additional Rules, Regulations and Specifications, visit these websites:

HITS HITSShows.com **The League** HITSShows.com **VHSA** VHSA.com

Awards: Ribbons will be awarded to eighth place in all Hunter and Jumper Classes unless otherwise noted.

HJ106.2: All horses regardless of show or non-showing are required to submit an entry with the Horse Show Office and wear or display the back number at all times. Any horse without a back number or with an incorrect back number will be asked to leave the area.

HUNTERS

Warm-Up: Warm-up schedule will be posted in the Show Office. Rounds are \$25 each and will be billed to the back number worn at the ring.

Schooling: is prohibited in the competition rings, unless a warm-up is being offered.

2024 Zone 3 Specifications: (Check USHJA.org for the most updated specs.)

- **Adult Amateur Hunter:** To be ridden by an Amateur in possession of a valid Amateur Card. A rider is not eligible to compete in any class where fence heights exceed 3'3" with the exception of the Children's/Adult Jumper Division, and the USHJA National Hunter Derby. Fences 3'. If also showing in Amateur-Owner Hunter 3'3", rider may only show a horse they own in Adult Hunters at the same show. The horse may not cross enter into the Amateur-Owner Hunter section at the same show.
- **Children's Hunter Horse:** Open to horses only. To be shown by Junior Exhibitors. A rider is not eligible to compete in classes where fences exceed 3'3", except age group Equitation, Medal classes, Children's/Adult Jumper, Pony Jumper Classes and the USHJA National Hunter Derby. Horses may not cross enter into any Junior Hunter Class at the same show.
- **Children's Hunter Pony:** Open to ponies not showing in a rated division, ridden by a rider not showing over fences exceeding 3' at that show. Small and medium ponies to jump 2'. Large ponies to jump 2'6". Combinations are not permitted.
- **General: Course shall consist of no less than eight fences.** Spreads not to exceed height of fence. To be judged on performance, manners, way of going and soundness. Sections may be combined if there are fewer than 4 entries in any section.

JUMPERS

Eligibility: Any horse, regardless of winnings, is eligible to enter any 2'3"-4' and Open Jumper Classes.

Amateur Jumper: Amateurs may compete up to two horses, they do not own, per height section of Amateur Jumpers per competition. There is no limit on the number of horses that may be ridden by the owner or an amateur member of the owner's family.

Declarations: Nominated Jumpers must declare on the appropriate form in the Show Office the day before the class is to be held. Late declarations will be subject to the Post Entry Penalty and may require the horse to work first in the order. Classes entered on the initial entry constitute a Declaration.

Jumper Tables: Refer to the Time Schedule. Management reserves the right to change tables based on weather, entries or other criteria.

Time Allowed: The Time Allowed will be based on a speed 382 yards per minute for all other sections unless otherwise noted, and may be adjusted accordingly.

Martingales & Draw Reins: 4'3" or below: No martingale restrictions when used in a conventional manner. Draw Reins permitted. **Above 4'3"** (and all classes restricted to young horses): Only running martingales used in the conventional manner. **Draw Reins / German Martingales** allowed when schooling or in classes 3'11" or below that do not offer prize money. No other headset devices allowed in any class. **Note:** Ponies may not be ridden by a Junior in draw reins or German martingales at any time.

Ties: Ties involving first place will be Jumped-Off. Ties not involving first place will be decided upon time unless otherwise stated.

2024 Zone 3 Specifications: (Check USHJA.org for the most updated specs.)

- **JR/AM 1.0m-1.05m:** Open to Juniors and Adults on horses and ponies. Riders are not eligible to show in any other Jumper classes where fence height exceeds 1.15m (3'9").

SPECIAL CLASSES

The General Rules and Regulations of the Horse Show will prevail for the Special Classes except as provided for each individual class and as noted herein.

The League presented by Marshall & Sterling Insurance Group Membership

• **Child/Adult Classic Riders:** Membership for The League presented by M&S Insurance is required for points to count for Classics and Classes that are affiliated with the The League presented by Marshall & Sterling Insurance.

Special Class Nomination/Declaration: Special Classes entered on the initial Entry constitute a Declaration. Special Classes must be added the day before the class or will be required to work first in the order.

Attire: Formal attire required in Special Classes.

Awards: Winners to ride for presentation of awards in Special Classes.

Trophy & Ribbons: 1-8 in Special Classes unless otherwise stated.

GENERAL INFORMATION, RULES & REGULATIONS

● CONDITIONS OF COMPETITION ●

Every class offered herein which is covered by the rules and specifications of the current VHSA Rule Book will be conducted and judged in accordance therewith.

● VHSA ENTRY AGREEMENT ●

By entering and signing this entry blank as the Owner, Lessee, Trainer, Manager, Agent, Coach, Driver, Rider, or Handler, and on behalf of myself and my principals, representatives, employees and agents, I agree that I am subject to the rules and regulations of the Competition, The League, and the Virginia Horse Show Association and agree that:

EVERY ENTRY AT A RECOGNIZED SHOW SHALL CONSTITUTE AN AGREEMENT AND AFFIRMATION THAT THE PERSON MAKING IT, ALONG WITH THE OWNER, LESSEE, TRAINER, MANAGER, AGENT, COACH, DRIVER, RIDER AND THE HORSE: (1) SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE CONSTITUTION AND RULES OF THE VIRGINIA HORSE SHOW ASSOCIATION (VHSA) AND THE LOCAL RULES OF THE SHOW; (2) THAT EVERY HORSE, RIDER, AND/OR DRIVER IS ELIGIBLE AS ENTERED; (3) THAT THE OWNER AND ANY OF HIS REPRESENTATIVES ARE BOUND BY THE CONSTITUTION AND THE RULES OF THE VHSA, AND THE SHOW AND WILL ACCEPT AS FINAL THE DECISION OF THE HEARING COMMITTEE ON ANY QUESTION ARISING UNDER SAID RULES, AND AGREE TO HEARING COMMITTEE ON ANY QUESTION ARISING UNDER SAID RULES, AND AGREE TO HOLD THE SHOW, THE VHSA, THEIR OFFICIALS, DIRECTORS, AND EMPLOYEES HARMLESS FOR ANY ACTION TAKEN; (4) THAT THE OWNER, RIDER/DRIVER AND ANY OF THEIR AGENTS OR REPRESENTATIVES AGREE TO HOLD THE VHSA, THE SHOW, AND THEIR OFFICIALS, DIRECTORS, EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS HARMLESS FOR ANY INJURY OR LOSS SUFFERED DURING OR IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE SHOW, WHETHER OR NOT SUCH INJURY OR LOSS RESULTED, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, FROM THE NEGLIGENT ACTS OR OMISSIONS OF SAID OFFICIALS, DIRECTLY, FROM THE NEGLIGENT ACTS OR OMISSIONS OF SAID OFFICIALS, DIRECTORS, EMPLOYEES OR AGENTS OF THE VHSA OR SHOW.

Horse Show Management reserves to itself the right to limit entries in any class, section or division, to refuse, accept conditionally, or to cancel any entries, disqualify any riders or exhibitors, prohibit exhibition of entries, and cancel award prizes, without any claim for damages; to change any course, to add a dotted line, to cancel or combine any unfilled classes, or to reschedule classes, after due notice to exhibitors; to change rings or rotate judges; to change specifications in jumper classes as competition warrants.

Every horse entered herein for competition will be under the control of the Horse Show Management, but the Show Management will in no case be responsible for any loss or damage that may occur, and it shall be a condition of entry that each exhibitor shall hold the Horse Show and the officials, employees, directors, officers, sponsoring entities of the Horse Show and the facilities at which the Horse Show is held blameless for any loss or accident to his horse(s), employee(s), or equipment which may occur from sickness, fire or any other cause and for any loss to a person, animal or property caused by the exhibitor or his horse or animal.

ENTRY PROCEDURE

- Entries must be submitted online via Show Management System. **FAXED, MAILED OR EMAILED ENTRIES WILL BE NOT BE ACCEPTED**
- Visa, MasterCard, & American Express are accepted. A 3% convenience fee will be added to all credit card transactions. See the insert in this book for forms and instructions for paying by credit card.
- All Inclusive Facility Fee, Stall/Ship-in Fee and all other applicable fees on the Entry must be submitted with the Entry or the Entry will be considered Late.
- Post Entry Fee for late entries will be \$15

ENTRY POLICY

- Entries received after the Closing Date will be Late and subject to the Post Entry Penalty of \$15.
- A Signed Open Check or Credit Card Authorization must be lodged with the Show Secretary before back numbers are issued.
- Accounts must be closed at the end of each show week. Management will close Exhibitor Accounts that have not been settled at the conclusion of each show. Billing questions or refunds will not be considered.
- Back numbers will not be issued until previous week balances are closed.
- Exhibitors are encouraged to close out their account in person. Exhibitors who do not close out in person automatically authorize HITS to close their account using the Credit Card on file. Billing questions or refunds will not be considered after the conclusion of the show.
- The Horse Show policies herein stated regarding scratches and refunds will be followed regardless of weather and in place of GR 912.
- An **All Inclusive Facility Fee of \$30** will be assessed to all showing horses. This fee entitles the horses to unlimited adds / scratches according to the add/scratch policy (does not apply to Special classes) as well as access to riding and lungeing areas, and qualified Medical Personnel during the hours of the shows.

BILLING POLICY

- All entry, stall, feed, and other charges are to be paid weekly and, without exception, must be paid in full by the conclusion of the show.

TRAINER'S BARN ACCOUNT

- Trainers must create a "Barn Account" Entry if ordering tack stalls, paddocks, RVs, Feed/shavings may be split.
- Complete a "Barn Account" Entry for each week you will be showing.
- Individual owners/riders should add miscellaneous items such as extra stalls, paddocks, RVs, etc., to their horse's Entry Form.

ENTRY CLARIFICATION

- Classes may only be entered or declared by using a Class Number. A Class Number written on the Entry Form, Add Scratch Form, or Barn Add/Scratch Form or submitted online constitutes a Class Entry or Class Declaration.
- Equitation riders must ride the horse and wear the number of the horse they have entered to ride. There is no penalty for the rider to scratch an Equitation Class from one horse and add it on another horse. Exhibitors who enter an equitation class on one horse and ride or wear another horse's number will be charged on both horses.

- Any exhibitor who does not compete in a class in which he/she is officially entered, and does not scratch according to the Scratch Procedures outlined below, will be billed for the class.
- Horses shown in a class without being officially entered will be assessed a penalty as shown below.
- Exhibitors are responsible for a knowledge of the Rules and Regulations governing the Horse Show and for their own errors and omissions. In the case of a violation of a cross entry restriction, the exhibitor will forfeit the entry fee, class placing and award.
- Show means the Show Week.
- **Non-Showing Horse** must be properly entered, wear a back-number and provide coggins and vaccinations and will be charged the All Inclusive Facility Fee of \$30.

ADD/SCRATCH/CHANGE - Any class add, scratch, or change, or any complete Show Scratch must be made in writing in the Show Office on an official form or via ShowManagementSystem or the show's online add/scratch form by email and received prior to the start of the applicable class or show. Scratching a class "at the gate" does not constitute an official scratch. Once a class or division begins, it may not be scratched, except for a Vet Scratch. If a Vet Scratch, the horse must be scratched in the Show Office on the day of the class and the Official Show Vet's Certificate must be received that day. Scratch Fee will still apply. A class that has been closed may not be scratched.

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| • Scratch Prior to Shows: Fax 845.246.6371 | Questions Prior to Shows: 845.246.8833 | Email: info@HITSShows.com |
| • Scratch During Shows: Fax 540.827.1175 | Questions During Shows: 540.825.7469 | Email: CulpeperSecretary@HitsShows.com |
| • Scratch Class | \$0 | No Charge if scratched before class starts. Once class has started it may not be scratched. |
| • Scratch Show | \$15 | After the closing date of entries. |
| • Horse Shown in class but not Entered | \$20 | Per class, if not entered in the Show Office according to the procedure above. |

CLOSING DATES FOR THE VSHA & THE LEAGUE SERIES OF SHOWS

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| • Show 1 - April 13-14 | Friday, April 5, 2024 |
| • Show 2 - June 28-30 | Friday, June 21, 2024 |
| • Show 3 - August 9-11 | Friday, August 2, 2024 |
| • Show 4 - September 21-22 | Friday, September 13, 2024 |

COMBINING, DIVIDING OR CANCELING DIVISIONS, CLASSES OR CLASSICS

The Decision to Combine, Cancel or Divide classes will be made at the discretion of Show Management within one hour of the close of the Horse Show Office the night before the class. The update will be noted on the "How Many" schedule on the website.

- **Combining:** Once a class/classic/division has been combined due to insufficient entries, it will not be re-divided for additional entries on the day of the class.
- **Dividing:** A class/classic/division that has been offered as split may be combined on the day of if scratched entries warrant. Management has the right to run all sections of the class/classic/division in their entirety before pinning if insufficient entries seem likely.
- **Canceling:** A class/classic/division that has been cancelled due to insufficient entries will not be reinstated for additional entries on the day of the class.

REFUNDS

- **Refund of pre-paid fees** will be given for show scratches received in writing, and adhering to the procedure above, prior to or on the Closing Date.
 - **Refund for Horse Deposits, Stalls, Paddocks and RV Sites** will not be given for entries scratched after the Closing Date.
- Exhibitors are responsible for any such outstanding fees.
- **If eligible for refund**, a check will be mailed or the funds returned to the credit card on which the payment was made within 30 days of the completion of the Show.
 - **Billing questions or requests for Refund** will not be considered after the conclusion of the show in question.

NON-NEGOTIABLE CHECKS / CREDIT CARDS

- **Returned Checks or Credit Cards**, for any reason, will be assessed a penalty of \$50 or 10% of the face value of the check/credit card charge, whichever is greater. Upon notification, exhibitors will have three days to make full payment, including penalty, in certified funds, cashier's check, money order, or credit card. An additional 3% Convenience Fee will be added to all Credit Card transactions. Sanctioning organizations will be notified if exhibitors fail to pay in full within three days. A monthly service fee equal to 18% per annum will begin accruing after 30 days. **Note:** First time returned checks will automatically be redeposited.
- **A declined credit card** will be resubmitted within several days.
- A closed account, Stop Payment, incorrect or incomplete credit card information or a chargeback will be turned over to sanctioning organizations immediately.
- **Cash ONLY:** May be required if you have previously given a non-negotiable check or credit card to HITS. Contact our office.

SERVICES

- **Feed Store:** Hay, grain and bedding may be purchased on the grounds. For deliveries prior to or upon arrival, use the Feed Order form in the prize list or online at HITSShows.com. Place orders by 2 pm for same day delivery. No deliveries on Sunday. Discrepancies in billing or delivery will not be considered unless brought to the attention of the Feed Office within 24 hours of placing the order. No commercial feed or bedding source will be permitted to deliver on the HITS Culpeper show grounds.
- **Horse Watch:** Horse Watch extends from approximately 9 pm until 5 am daily. Horses will be checked approximately 5 times a night each night of the Show Week. Trainers/owners should provide emergency contact information for Horse Watch personnel. Forms will be available in the Feed Office or in the Prize List on Feed Order form. Cell phone numbers for Horse Watch will be available in the Feed Office for trainers/owners to be able to contact Horse Watch personnel directly.
- **Trainer's Splits:** This service allows trainers to split the show charges for miscellaneous items to their clients. Splits will be accepted until close of business Friday. Only items billed by the Horse Show such as feed, bedding, tack stalls, etc., will be split. Only dollar amounts will be split and totals will be rounded up. Splits will revert back to the trainer for payment if uncollected.

MOVE IN/MOVE OUT DATE RESTRICTIONS - Note: Arrival for stabling assignments must be between the hours of 3pm -5pm Monday, 8 am - 5 pm Tuesday through Sunday. Off-hour arrival allowed only with prior approval of Horse Show Management.

- **Stalls, RV Spots & Paddocks:** May be occupied the day prior to the start of the competition until Monday, 8am of each Show Week. Early arrival will incur a charge for early arrival, and must be organized through the Stabling Manager.

STABLING Permanent Stalls are approximately 12'x12' with doors, dirt floors. Permanent stalls will be available on a first come, first serve basis. Stall Fees are non-refundable after the Closing Date of Entries. Any stall order made by Entry, Fax, Email, Phone, Text or other method will be considered an official stall order

and exhibitors will be responsible for payment. Stalls are not transferable or sublettable except within the same trainer group. Bedding on straw is prohibited except when the horse's health is at issue. Please obtain prior approval from Stable Office. Clean-up fee may apply. Exhibitors are responsible for using only those stalls assigned to them; any unassigned stall used for horses, tack, feed, grooming, dogs or storage of any item(s) will be added to the account and billed as a late weekly stall. Exhibitors should notify the show office if any stall part is in need of repair; unless notified, the Horse Show will assume the assigned stall(s) are deemed safe by the exhibitor, which should be satisfactory for USEF.

- **Stall - Shows 1 & 4 (2 day)** \$75 Available Friday through Sunday
- **Stall - Shows 2 & 3 (3 day)** \$100 Available Thursday through Sunday

PADDOCKS - A limited number of paddocks are available. Paddocks are of permanent construction. Each paddock has its own gate and exhibitors should bring their own locks to secure their paddocks. Any horse turned out in a paddock not assigned to the trainer group will incur a weekly charge for the paddock. Exhibitors should notify the Show Office if any part of their assigned paddock is in need of repair; unless notified, the Horse Show will assume the assigned paddock(s) are deemed safe by the exhibitor, which should be satisfactory for USEF. After the closing date of entries, Paddock fees are non-refundable.

- **Paddock - Shows 1 & 4 (2 day)** \$100 Available Friday through Sunday
- **Paddock - Shows 2 & 3 (3 day)** \$150 Available Thursday through Sunday

RV SPACES - On-site RV spaces include water and 30 AMP electric hook-up. RV Spaces are nonrefundable after the closing date of entries. All RV's, tents or alternative living quarters on the grounds will be charged a site fee according to the VA Board of Health. Sewer and Grey water pump out must be arranged in the Horse Show Office and will be charged accordingly.

- **RV Space - Shows 1 & 4 (2 day)** \$100 Available Friday through Sunday
- **RV Space - Shows 2 & 3 (3 day)** \$150 Available Thursday through Sunday

ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP & FEE REQUIREMENTS

MEMBERSHIP - PEOPLE

- **Owner-Rider-Trainer:** Must be active members of VHSA & THE LEAGUE Presented by Marshall & Sterling or join at the show in order to collect points.
- **Adult or Amateur Status:** Riders showing in classes restricted to Adults or Amateurs must have USEF Amateur Certification.

MEMBERSHIP - HORSES

- **Measurement Card:** Pony Hunters, must have valid USEF Measurement Card or copy of a valid Measurement Form, or be measured at the show. Foreign Measurement cards are not acceptable as proof of Measurement.

HEALTH & VETERINARY

- **Sharps & Medical Waste** – Appropriate Sharps Containers for the disposal of used Needles will be placed in all barns and tent stabling areas, at the end of aisles or at the breezeways. Sharps must only be disposed of in these containers. Anyone found in violation of proper disposal or in vandalism or removal of any provided Sharps Container will be fined \$100 and may face further penalties deemed necessary by Show Management. See GR1210.4 for complete details.
- **Show Veterinarian** phone number will be posted at the Show Office.
- **Equine Health Requirements will be enforced.** All horses (competing or not) that enter the grounds are required to present the Required Health Entry Requirements, including Negative Coggins, and Proof of Vaccination. All horses are be subject to examination by HITS officials/designated representatives and/or state officials (collectively "officials") for determining whether such animals are, have been infected/exposed, or are likely to become infected with an infectious or contagious disease. If after such examination, officials have reason to believe that an animal's health condition places other animals at risk, such officials, at their sole discretion, may quarantine such animal (and others that may have been infected/exposed) or, if appropriate, require that such animals be transported off the grounds. All participants agree to fully cooperate with event officials and abide by their decisions and instructions. Failure to comply shall be grounds for immediate expulsion and potential disciplinary action by organization, state/local or federal animal health officials. All exhibitors are encouraged to review the equine health entry/transport requirements of the destination state prior to entry. Additional information can be obtained from the State Vet Office.

FACILITY INFORMATION

- **Footing** at the HITS Culpeper show grounds is sand and textile mix.
- **Ring Sizes** GP Ring – 375' x 220'; Jumper 1 – 300' x 200'; Hunter 1 – 310' x 165'; Hunter 2 – 275' x 150'; Hunter 3 – 320' x 165'; Hunter 4 – 320' x 140'.
- **Riding Areas** GP Schooling - 100'x400'; Jumper 1 Schooling - 100'x400'; Hunter 1 Schooling - 60'x180'; Hunter 2 Schooling - 60'x180'; Hunter 3 Schooling - 60'x180'; Hunter 4 Schooling - 60'x180'
- **Lungeing Areas** Two Areas Measuring: 125'x300', 100'x200'
- **Food Service** will be available on competition days.
- **Lungeing** will be allowed in the designated areas only. Details will be posted at the Show Office.

SAFETY

- **Emergency Medical Centers** *The nearest Hospital and Trauma 1 Medical Centers to HITS Commonwealth Park are:*
 - HOSPITAL:** Novant Health UVA Culpeper Medical Center, 501 Sunset Ln, Culpeper, VA 22701, 540.829.4100, 7 miles (10 minutes) by car.
 - TRAUMA 1 MEDICAL CENTER:** University of Virginia Medical Center, 1215 Lee Street, Charlottesville 22908, 434.924.0000, 45 miles (1 hour) by car.
- **Accidents Involving Competitors:** GR1317. In the event of a head injury due to a fall/accident at a licensed competition, the competitor may be prohibited from further competition until released by medical personnel. In some cases, the competitor may not return to competition without a signed release from a licensed medical professional. The competitor may be placed on suspension by USEF until this criteria is met. Competitors are advised to familiarize themselves with this new rule.
- **Protective Headgear:** It is compulsory for all persons with Federation licensed hunter, jumper or hunter/jumper competitions in all Hunter, Jumper and Hunt Seat Equitation classes, when mounted anywhere on the competition grounds, to wear properly fastened protective headgear which meets or exceeds ASTM (American Society for Testing and Materials)/SEI (Safety Equipment Institute) standards for equestrian use and carries the SEI tag. It must be properly fitted with harness secured. It is the responsibility of the rider, or the parent or guardian or trainer of the junior exhibitor to see to it that the headgear worn complies with appropriate safety standards for protective headgear intended for equestrian use, and is properly fitted and in good condition, and the Federation, Show Committee and Licensed Official are not responsible for checking headgear worn for such compliance. GR 801.2.7.
- **Motorized Vehicles:** Minors who do not have a valid driver's license which allows them to operate a motorized vehicle in the state in which they reside will not be permitted to operate a motorized vehicle of any kind, including, but not limited to, golf carts, motorcycles, scooters, or farm utility vehicles, on the competition

grounds of licensed competitions. Minors who have a valid temporary license may operate the above described motorized vehicles as long as they are accompanied by an adult with a valid driver's license. The parent/legal guardian or individual who signs the entry blank as a parent or guardian of a minor operating a motorized vehicle in violation of this rule are solely responsible for any damages, claims, losses or actions resulting from that operation. Violations of this rule will be cause for penalties against those responsible for the child committing the offense. Wheelchairs and other mobility assistance devices for individuals with disabilities are exempt from this rule. The unsafe use of personal electronic transport devices, as determined by the competition officials and management in their sole discretion, that do not require a driver's license to operate, including but not limited to segways, hover boards, and single wheeled scooters is prohibited on competition grounds. Operating such devices in areas where people gather may be deemed "unsafe use" if there is a risk of harm to others. If the operator of the device is a minor, the parent/legal guardian or individual who signs the entry blank as a parent or guardian of a minor operating the device in violation of this rule is accountable and may be subject to penalties. Wheelchairs and other mobility assistance devices for individuals with disabilities are exempt from this rule. **Electric Golf Carts WILL NOT** be permitted to plug into any electrical outlet on the grounds. Violation will result in the plug or charger being confiscated by show management, and/or a Fine if deemed necessary.

- **Dogs must be restrained on the show grounds.** Loose dogs will be picked up and detained and the owner fined \$100. The owner may be barred from showing and expelled from the show grounds for a second offense, or for refusal to pay the fine, and will not be entitled to any refund of entry or stabling fees paid or due. Management reserves the right to call Animal Control to have an animal removed from the premises.
- **Electrical/Fire Regulations:** Electrical installation and connections must meet all state and county codes. Aisles shall be maintained clear for a minimum of six feet wide by eight feet high. No obstructions or projections shall be allowed in these aisles. No Class I Flammable Liquids such as gasoline are allowed inside the buildings. Cooking is not permitted within any stable area. Anyone found in violation shall be subject to dismissal from further participation in the horse show without recourse. Additional appliances are not permitted within any stable area. Anyone found in violation shall be subject to confiscation of the item(s).
- **Stall Alterations are strictly forbidden:** The removal of stall doors is strictly prohibited. Any exhibitor found in violation will be issued a single warning. If violation continues, Management reserves the right to remove from the show grounds all property belonging to or under the control of said violator. Further, Management reserves the right to bar any exhibitor found to be in violation from any further participation in the Horse Show without recourse to any refund of entry or stabling fees paid or due.
- **Damage:** Owners and exhibitors shall be held responsible for damage caused by them, their agents or employees to stalls, buildings and other properties on the show grounds, and shall be billed accordingly.
- **Alcoholic Beverages** in any form may not be brought onto the show grounds.
- **Insurances:** The State of Virginia Equine Activity Liability Act limits liability for injury to a person resulting from the "intrinsic dangers of equine activities" and bars claims or recovery for injury, loss, damage, or death of a person resulting from the "intrinsic dangers of equine activities."

HITS SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY - HITS encourages positivity in the use of social media platforms and urges persons posting information about HITS, its management, shows, exhibitors, officials, equine athletes, and others to exercise good judgement and think about the potential consequences of their posts and interactions on social media platforms. We urge those using social media to refrain from making derogatory, offensive, inflammatory, or false comments about other athletes, trainers, HITS and its management, our equine athletes, USEF, or any individuals associated with our HITS horse shows. HITS reserves the right to remove third-party content from its social media platforms that violates its social media policy and in extenuating circumstances may block a user from HITS social media sites for repeated offenses of its policy.

DIRECTIONS - HITS Commonwealth Park is located just off of Route 522, 4 miles south of the intersection with Rte 3.

From the North (Warrenton): US Hwy 15/29 south to the exit for US Rte 522/VA Rte 3 West, towards Fredericksburg. Turn Left off the ramp, less than 1/8 mile to a right at the light onto Rte 522 south. Commonwealth Park will be about 4 miles on the left.

From the South (Charlottesville): Take US Hwy 29 north to the exit for US Rte 522/VA Rte 3 West, towards Fredericksburg. Turn right off the ramp, take the next right at the light onto Rte 522 south. Commonwealth Park will be about 4 miles on the left.

From the East (Fredericksburg): Take VA Rte 3 west towards Culpeper. Turn left at the light on US Rte 522 south. Commonwealth Park will be about 4 miles on the left.

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• **During Show:** Commonwealth Park | 13256 Commonwealth Parkway, Culpeper, VA 22701 | 540.825.7469 | CulpeperSecretary@HitsShows.com

PARCEL DELIVERIES

Management will not be responsible for mail or parcel deliveries made to exhibitors, vendors or others. Please make arrangements accordingly.



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