# 2010-2011 IHSA INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP PLACEMENT FORM

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NOTE: IF YOU HAVE COMPETED IN “recognized shows” – for IHSA purposes that is USEF, USCTA, USEA, AGA, AQHA, NRHA -- you are required to submit a printed copy of your competition/points record along with this form. See Rule 8101.A and 9101.A for details.

**Student must summarize weeks and/or years of experience in each discipline and category:**

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**Note: This form is not valid without both rider and coach signatures**

With my signature below, I release to IHSA, Inc. the use of my name, address, and photo images for use in IHSA, Inc. business. I have read and understand Rule I, 1200-1309 of the IHSA Rules and affirm that all submitted information is correct.

Rider’s Signature __________________________ Date ________________

Coach’s assignment of IHSA Divisions:

(You MUST assign a division for BOTH disciplines, even if the student has no intention on competing in the other division)

Coach’s Signature __________________________ Date ________________

**Rule 1, 1308:** The falsification of the membership or eligibility forms may be cause for immediate expulsion of the individual, coach, or college from the IHSA, or any other penalty assigned by the Regional Standards and Ethics Committee.
Please refer to the IHSA Rule Book for full descriptions of class requirements. This form indicates suggested placement, but the IHSA Rules always takes precedence in matters of placement.

**NOTE:** Because of the YES/NO format of this form, the questions in each section are NOT INTENDED to always match the class description of that same section. Rather, a “YES” answer in a section in many cases is affirmation of your being OVER-qualified for the class description of the next lower class.

Please refer to Rule VIII, 8100-8202 and Rule IX 9100-9202 of IHSA Rules for exact class qualifications. Note that there is no crossover rule – flat, fences, western are placed by this form independently of each other based on the rulebook. Novice fences riders must be originally placed at least in novice flat level.

### Notes: (from IHSA Rule Book Rule 8101)
- References to “recognized competitions” includes any event that is sanctioned by the United States Equestrian Federation (USEF); American Grand Prix Association (AGA); American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA); National Reining Horse Association (NRHA); United States Eventing Association (USEA) and United States Combined Training Association (USCTA). 4H state and regional competitions will be recognized for Western Horsemanship only.
- RE: “instruction”: any number of lessons taken within a week (Monday-Sunday) constitutes a week of instruction.
- References to “hunter seat equitation classes” are any classes that are judged on hunter seat equitation specifically – NOT hunters or jumpers.
- For any association jumping class that is run within a height range, the maximum allowable height will be recognized for IHSA placement purposes. For number of blue ribbons counted in AQHA over fences classes, blue ribbons must have been won in classes where AQHA points were counted, excluding AQHA Hunter Hack classes.
- References to “international competitions” are for riders who are entering the IHSA with only International experience will need to follow the corresponding fence heights and ribbons won from competitions that are recognized/sanctioned by that country’s governing body.
- References to “academic year” for IHSA purposes means any two consecutive semesters.
- All class descriptions refer to the guidelines specified in Rule VIII 8100-8202 and Rule IX 9100-9202.
- Rule 1202B: ALL hunter seat riders MUST be members of USHJA – at least at the “collegiate” level – and will be required to provide USHJA number in IHSA registration form.

### Class 8 – Open Hunter Seat Equitation over Fences
*Open riders over fences are those who have won more than 6 classes over fences 3’6” or higher in recognized competitions.*

Have you won more than six blue ribbons in classes over fences 3'6" or higher in recognized competitions (refer to the above description of “recognized” competitions)?

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### Class 7 – Open Hunter Seat Equitation on the Flat
*Open riders on the flat are those who have won more than 10 equitation classes on the flat in recognized competitions.*

Have you won more than 10 hunter seat equitation classes on the flat in recognized competitions?

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### Class 6 – Intermediate Hunter Seat Equitation over Fences
*Intermediate riders over fences are those who have won no more than 6 classes over fences at 3’6” or higher in recognized competitions.*

Have you won MORE THAN a total of 6 blue ribbons in classes over fences 3’, 3’3”, 3’6” or higher in recognized competitions?

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### Class 5 – Intermediate Hunter Seat Equitation on the Flat
*Intermediate riders on the flat are those who have won 6-10 equitation classes on the flat in recognized competitions.*

Have you won more than 5 hunter seat equitation classes on the flat in recognized competitions?

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Did you answer “YES” to any question in the “Class 8” section above?

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The FIRST division in which you answer “yes” will indicate initial rider placement.
NOTE: TO BE ELIGIBLE TO COMPETE IN IHSA NOVICE OVER FENCES DIVISION, YOU MUST HAVE AT LEAST SIX MONTHS CONTINUOUS AND PROFESSIONAL INSTRUCTION OVER FENCES WITHIN THE PAST YEAR.

Have you had at least 6 months continuous professional instruction over fences within the past year?  (Answer does not by itself place you into Novice.)  

Class 4 – Novice Hunter Seat Equitation over Fences
Novice riders over fences are those who have won no more than 6 classes over fences 3’ or higher in recognized competitions.

Have you competed over fences higher than 3’ in ANY competition, recognized or not?  

Class 3 – Novice Hunter Seat Equitation on the Flat
Novice riders on the flat are those who have won no more than 5 equitation classes on the flat in recognized competitions.

Have you competed in a “recognized” (refer to description above) competition?  

Have you competed over fences higher than 3’ in ANY competition, recognized or not?  

Did you answer “YES” to any question in the “Class 6 or Class 4” sections above?  

Class 2B – Walk-Trot-Canter Hunter Seat Equitation
Walk-Trot-Canter riders are those who have not competed in any over fences higher than 3’ in any competition, nor have these riders competed in recognized competitions.

Class 2A – Beginning Walk-Trot-Canter Hunter Seat Equitation
Beginning Walk-Trot-Canter riders are those who have had more than 24 weeks of instruction and who have not competed in a mounted competition that required them to jump more than eighteen inches.

Class 1 – Walk-Trot Hunter Seat Equitation
Walk-Trot riders are those who have had no more than 24 weeks of instruction and who have not competed in a mounted competition which required them to canter or lope. Riders have two years of eligibility starting with their initial completion of the online individual membership form.

NOTE: If you compete at a canter in one IHSA discipline you MAY NOT START in the walk-trot division in the other discipline.  (Rule 8102B)

TO DOCUMENT / REFERENCE PRIOR COMPETITION RECORDS:
LIST YOUR NAME EXACTLY AS IT APPEARS IN ASSOCIATION RECORDS, AND list your ID# FOR each association in which you have actually competed (not just been a card holding member, but actually competed):

United States Equestrian Federation (USEF)
American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA)
United States Eventing Association (USEA)
US Combined Training Association (USCTA)
American Grandprix Association (AGA)
National Reining Horse Association (NRHA)
Other

YOU MUST ANSWER QUESTIONS FOR BOTH HUNTER AND WESTERN DIVISIONS, EVEN IF YOU ARE ANTICIPATING COMPETING IN ONLY ONE DIVISION. Continue…
NOTE: A STUDENT MUST BE A FULL-TIME UNDERGRADUATE AT THE TIME OF ANY IHSA COMPETITION. PROPER DOCUMENTATION MUST BE ON FILE WITH THE REGIONAL PRESIDENT PRIOR TO THE FIRST COMPETITION OF EACH ACADEMIC TERM.

Class 16 – Reining
Are you eligible for Class 15 Open Horsemanship?  YES  NO

Class 15 - Open Western Horsemanship
Open Riders are those who have competed in a Nationally Recognized Qualifying Competition such as a World or National breed competition or Quarter Horse Congress Team Competition; have finished in the Top Five at a Non-Qualifying World or National breed competition; or finished in the Year-end top three in a recognized state breed association in any Western Division excluding roping, games, halter, showmanship or novice classes.

Have you competed in a nationally recognized qualifying competition, in a western division other than roping, games, halter, showmanship, or novice?  YES  NO

Have you ever finished in the Top-Five at a Non-Qualifying World or National breed competition?  YES  NO

Have you ever finished in the year-end Top Three in a recognized state breed association in any Western Division excluding roping, games, halter, showmanship or novice classes?  YES  NO

Class 14 - Advanced Western Horsemanship
Advanced riders are those who have won more than 5 blue Western Horsemanship ribbons in recognized competitions in classes of five or more riders, or have earned 26 or more points from any breed association in western classes excluding roping, games, halter, showmanship or novice classes.

Have you won more than 5 blue western horsemanship ribbons in recognized competitions in classes of five or more riders?  YES  NO

Have you earned 26 or more points from any breed association in western classes excluding roping, games, halter, showmanship or “novice” division classes?  YES  NO

Class 13 - Novice Western Horsemanship
Novice riders are those who have competed in mounted classes in recognized competitions to include any western class and who have not earned more than 25 points from any breed association in western classes, excluding roping, games, halter, showmanship, non-loping classes, or “novice” division classes.

Have you competed in mounted classes in a “recognized” competition in any discipline?  YES  NO

Class 12B - Intermediate II Western Horsemanship
Intermediate II riders for class 12B are those who have competed in non-recognized competitions which required them to lope or canter.

Have you competed in any mounted competition which required you to canter or lope?  YES  NO

Class 12A -- Intermediate I Western Horsemanship
Intermediate I riders are those who have had more than 24 weeks of instruction and who have not competed in a mounted competition that required them to lope or canter. Once the Intermediate I rider has accumulated 18 points, s/he must move to Intermediate II.

Have you had (in any discipline) more than 24 weeks of instruction on a horse?  YES  NO

Class 11 -- Beginner Western Horsemanship
Beginner riders are those who have had no more than 24 weeks of instruction and who have not competed in a mounted competition which required them to canter or lope. Not open to new IHSA riders eligible for Class 2A or above.

Have you had (in any discipline) 24 or less weeks of instruction on a horse?  YES  NO

NOTE: If you canter in one IHSA discipline you MAY NOT start in the walk-trot division in the other discipline.
COACH: If you believe this rider should be placed in a division other than the one indicated by this form, please explain here and suggest an appropriate level, or attach an explanation page.

STUDENT: If you consider yourself a lower level rider than this form indicates, explain your circumstances here or attach an explanation page.

NOTE: This MUST be brought to the attention of the Regional President so this rider can be evaluated by show stewards for alternate placement.

This form must be complete and legible, and must be signed by both the rider and the coach. It must be filed with the Regional President by the deadline imposed by the Regional President, and before the first competition.

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If this rider is later moved to a lower division than that indicated on this form (per IHSA Rule 1304 and 5304, Rule 8102C), it must be indicated in this section, and signed and dated by 2 show stewards and regional president.

Explain circumstances here, or attach a report:

Approved:

_________________________________ (Signed and dated by Regional President)

_________________________________ (Signed and dated by show steward)

_________________________________ (Signed and dated by show steward)