



# International Jumper Futurity

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## Format for IJF 4-Year-Old Regionals

Classes are open only to 4-year-old horses that have been nominated to the International Jumper Futurity.

**COURSES:** All courses for IJF competitions will be made as inviting as possible for green horses with limited or no experience in a show ring situation. Very simple tracks will be used with hunter-type lines and jumper-type fences. The course will be designed to aid the horses in showing their natural talent in the very early stages of their training. Judges will be considering the potential of these young horses for a future in the jumper/grand prix rings. A rail down or refusal will not automatically eliminate a horse from placing well in the competition if, in the judges' opinions, the fault occurred due to rider error or a "green" mistake.

**ROUND 1:** Each horse will perform an individual 2-minute "freestyle" flat phase with trot and canter circles in both directions, demonstrating lengthening and shortening of stride. The horse will remain in the ring and upon the sound of the tone will jump a course of fences with simple distances. A trot fence may be included in this round. Fences in Round 1 will not exceed 3' in height and 3'6" in width, giving the judges and course designers the opportunity to evaluate the quality and experience of the horses at each particular event. Horses may be shown in running or standing martingales, but draw reins are not allowed.

**ROUND 2:** All horses will return (generally the following day) to be shown over a course of fences up to 3'3" in height and 3'6" in width. Simple double combinations may be included. At the Course Designers and Judges discretion options may be included at a maximum of two of the fences. These options may not exceed 3'9" in height and will allow riders to show their horses to their own best advantage. Judges will not reward or penalize solely on the basis of which option is chosen. Horses may be shown in running or standing martingales, but draw reins are not allowed.

### PRIZE MONEY DISTRIBUTION:

Horses completing all three phases	\$1000
Stallion nominator (per offspring completing courses)	\$200
Young horse nominator (per horse completing courses)	\$100

### ADDITIONAL CASH AWARDS:

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<b>BEST SCOPE / TECHNIQUE:</b> Awarded to the horse that best displays the scope and technique consistent with a future grand prix jumper.	500	250	125
<b>BEST TYPE / MOVEMENT:</b> Awarded to the horse that represents the best jumper type and athletic way of moving.	500	250	125
<b>MOST CONSISTENT / RIDEABLE:</b> Awarded to the horse that delivers the most consistent performance and exhibits good rideability.	500	250	125

**ENTRIES:** Entry blanks are mailed annually to the owner of record for all eligible 4-year-olds. Be sure to keep transfers of ownership and address information up to date. Class entries are made directly to the International Jumper Futurity. **STABLING AND DRUG FEES:** must be paid directly to the horse show