**2014-15 IHSA Hunter Seat & Western Policies**

**Use of spurs in 2B: Advanced Walk Trot Canter**

**Spurs provided by the horse provider are permitted in Class 2B, Advanced Walk-Trot-Canter, by UNANIMOUS vote of all the schools in the Region at regular season shows and Regional Championships. For example, all schools would need to vote yes to allow the possibility of spur use. Then, once that approval is done, it is up to each horse provider to determine if they will allow spurs to be used on their horse in Class 2B. The spur policy needs to be voted on at the first show of the Fall season EACH YEAR.**

**Use of spurs in 12: Intermediate II**

**Non-rowelled ball spurs provided by the horse provider are permitted in Class 12B, Intermediate II, by UNANIMOUS vote of all the schools in the Region at regular season shows and Regional Championships. For example, all schools would need to vote yes to allow the possibility of spur use. Then, once that approval is done, it is up to each horse provider to determine if they will allow spurs to be used on their horse in Class 12B. The spur policy needs to be voted on at the first show of the Fall season EACH YEAR.**

**Use of rowelled spurs in Open Horsemanship**

**In addition to ball spurs, rowelled spurs will be allowed in Open Horsemanship classes, on the advice of the horse provider, by UNANIMOUS vote of all the schools in the Region at regular season shows and Regional Championships. Rowelled spurs must not be “rockgrinders” and must be Steward-approved before the class.**

**Judges’ seating during Reining Classes**

**For the safety of the judges, horses and exhibitors, judges shall be seated outside of the arena, if possible, for Reining classes at the IHSA National Championship Horse Show.**

**Use of flying changes in Open Horsemanship testing**

**Considering the training level of horses used in regional IHSA Open Horsemanship classes, flying changes for Open Horsemanship tests may be used b**y **UNAMINOUS vote of all the Western schools in the region. All available horses used in Open Horsemanship must execute flying changes.**

**Posting of Judges' Cards**

**Horsemanship and Reining judges' cards may be posted at the conclusion of the Semi-finals and Nationals, with a printed statement that reining scores and placement includes a horsemanship component.**