

Rule Change Type	Effective Date	Draft Received	Board Action
Standard	12/1/2018	10/23/2017	

Proposed Change

**HU132.8 General** [CHAPTER HU-5 JUDGING]

[Linked to USHJA RCP to GR842, EQ107.1.i.1 & JP139.6]

HU132 General

[...]

7. In the event of elimination, the horse must exit the ring immediately.

**8. In the event of a fall of a horse within the competition ring at a Federation licensed Hunter, Jumper or Hunter/Jumper competition, the judge shall notify a steward, regardless of whether an EMT is called, and the steward must include the details of the incident on his report to the Federation.**

**8 9.** Obstacle Not Properly Set. If a competitor jumps an obstacle that has not been reset, or has been reset improperly, due to it being downed by a previous competitor, the weather, or some other factor, the competitor receives no penalty. However, if the competitor knocks down the obstacle he will be penalized accordingly.

[...]

HU137 Faults

[...]

3. The following constitute elimination.

a. Three refusals (Exception: USEF Pony Hunter National Championship and USEF Junior Hunter National Championship, exhibitors will be eliminated after two cumulative refusals).

b. Off course

c. Jumping course before it is reset

d. Bolting from the ring

e. Fall of horse and/or rider (rider shall not remount in the ring). **Refer to HU132.8 for reporting requirements**

[...]

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Rule Change Intent

In the interest of both horse welfare and rider safety, all falls occurring in the competition ring during any hunter, jumper, and hunter/jumping seat equitation classes should be immediately reported to the competition steward who must include the details of the incident on his report to the Federation so the information can be recorded and tracked.

Linked Rules Comments

EQ 107 (195-17), GR 842 (338-17), JP 139 (170-17)

**Web:** Reporting Falls - Hunter Ring

## Committee Actions

### Competition Management

**Draft 1:** No Action

**Draft 2:** Recommends Disapproval 12/04/2017

**Draft 1:** No Comments

**Draft 2:** The committee feels this would be difficult for a steward to keep track of and enforce.

### Council - Admin & Finance

**Draft 1:** No Action

**Draft 2:** Recommends Disapproval 01/08/2018

**Draft 1:** No Comments

**Draft 2:** Council felt that there needs to be better tracking between judge and steward. Recommends the following language, "The steward, if notified by the judge of a fall, must include the details of the incident on his report to the Federation so the information can be recorded and tracked."

### Council - Natl Breed & Discipline

**Draft 1:** No Action

**Draft 2:** Recommends Approval 01/04/2018

**Draft 1:** No Comments

**Draft 2:** No Comments

### Licensed Officials

**Draft 2:** Recommends Disapproval 01/05/2018

**Draft 2:** The Committee feels this rule will be difficult for the stewards to comply with if the judge doesn't report the fall to the steward in a timely manner.

### National Hunter Committee

**Draft 1:** No Action

**Draft 2:** Recommends Disapproval 11/06/2017

**Draft 1:** No Comments

**Draft 2:** The committee feels this rule will be a hardship for the stewards to keep track of all the falls. Additionally, the details of the fall and the cause are often a judgement call and we are not sure who this responsibility falls on.

### Steward-Technical Delegate Committee

**Draft 1:** No Action

**Draft 2:** Recommends Disapproval 01/05/2018

**Draft 1:** No Comments

**Draft 2:** The Committee feels this rule will be difficult for the stewards to comply with if the judge doesn't report the fall to the steward in a timely manner.

### USHJA

**Draft 1:** No Action

**Draft 2:** Recommends Approval 12/14/2017

**Draft 1:** No Comments

**Draft 2:** No Comments