



CET MEDAL REGIONAL FINAL & CET MINI MEDAL FINAL

Briefing Call

September 14, 2026 @ 7:00 PM

Agenda

- Welcome – **Victoria McDonald, President OHJA**
- Stakeholder Introductions – **EC, OHJA & Angelstone**
- Briefing Purpose & Objectives – **Victoria McDonald**
- Review Rules - **Victoria McDonald / Fran McAvity**
- Question Period - **All**



Briefing Purpose & Objectives

Rule Consistency

Ensure all qualified riders, trainers, and officials have complete clarity on Equestrian Canada Section G specifications before competing in the CET Regional Finals.

Education

Eliminate confusion around eligibility, cross-entry limits, phase scoring, and mandatory horse management regulations.

Clarification

Give finalist riders and their support teams the opportunity to ask clarifying questions prior to the competition.



CET Mini Medal & CET Medal Rules

Rule Overview

- **G1101 — General Rules Pertaining to CET Medal Classes**
- **G1109 — CET Mini Medal Class Specifications**
- **G1111 — CET Medal Specifications and Class Routine**
- **G1112 — CET Medal Regional Finals**

CET MEDAL PATHWAY REVIEW

STEP 1

Regular Season

Qualifying classes held at Gold sanctioned shows across the region (60% jumping / 40% flat).

STEP 2

Regional Final

2-day championship testing (Phase I Flat/Gymnastic & Phase II Jumping (50% jumping /50% flat/gymnastic).

STEP 3

Mandatory Ride-Off

Top 6 riders execute a shortened course with track options under strict time and decision pressure.

ARTICLE G1101: General Framework

Membership & Point Rules

CET Membership: Riders competing in the CET Medal Program must hold the appropriate CET Medal or OHJA membership for Mini Medal competitors prior to competition.

Non-Retroactive Points: Points are only accumulated after official membership processing. Points cannot be applied retroactively under any circumstance.

Senior Amateurs: Senior riders competing in Mini Medal or Medal divisions must hold a valid EC Amateur Card under Article G108.

Qualifiers: The Top 20 from each region will qualify to compete at the Regional Finals provided they have earned points in the qualifiers. In the event a rider cannot compete, the next rider, provided they have earned points in the qualifiers, will move up to keep the number of qualified riders at 20.



CET Mini Medal vs. CET Medal Comparison

Feature / Specification	CET Mini Medal (G1109)	CET Medal (G1111 / G1112)
Jumping Phase Height	Max 1.00m	1.10m – 1.15m (Spreads to 1.40 m)
Gymnastic Phase Height	Max 0.90m	Max 1.10m
Eligibility Limit	Ineligible if jumping 1.20m+ during the season. Open to riders of all ages.	Open to junior/amateur members under 21.
Tack Requirements	No Standing Martingale	No Standing Martingale
Same-Show Entry	Cannot cross-enter both at same show	Cannot cross-enter both at same show
Regional Final Eligibility	May qualify both; choose ONE Final	May qualify both; choose ONE Final

ARTICLE G1112: CET Regional Finals Rules

24-Hour Horse Protocol

The horse must be on event grounds **24 hours prior** to Phase I.

Exclusive Competitor Riding: Only the entered rider may ride the horse during the competition and the preceding 24-hour window. No riding by trainers or third parties.

Order of Go

Phase I: Combined Flat & Gymnastics (Order of go: reverse qualifying standings).

Phase II: Jumping Phase (Order of go: reverse Phase I standings).

Scores are cumulative.

Flat Phase Evaluation Criteria

-  **Required Gaits & Execution:** Competitors must demonstrate working walk, sitting trot, rising trot, stride lengthening at trot and canter, and working canter.
-  **Counter-Canter Testing:** Riders considered for awards must perform both counter leads.
-  **Rider Assessment Focus:** Judges look beyond horse performance to evaluate effective aids, balanced seat, quiet hands, pace management, and group spatial awareness.
-  **Class Weighting:** Standard qualifying classes score 50% Flat / Gymnastics and 50% Jumping to measure the complete horsemanship spectrum.

Gymnastic Phase & Course Walking

Technical Gymnastics

Designed to test precise horse management, control between fences, and execution of posted distances and gaits:

- **Course Walking Protocol:** Trainers and coaches are permitted to walk the gymnastic course with competitors to provide strategic coaching advice.
- **Phones/communication devices:** prohibited in the competition ring and during ride-offs.
- **Warm up:** 30 mins prior to the start of the class, can be verticals, oxers and liverpool can be jumped. No trot poles or bounces.
- Riders must be provided at **least 15 minutes** to walk the published diagram layout for both Gymnastic and Jumping phase.



Jumping Phase Requirements

Technical Demands

- No one other than the rider entered in the class may walk the Jumping Phase course.
- The Jumping Phase requires a minimum of 10 fences. Must include a double combination, a triple combination, spread obstacles, and a mandatory Liverpool.
- Warm up 30 mins prior to class can only be verticals, oxers and liverpools can be jumped. No trot poles or bounces.
- Time Allowed: Calculated strictly at 350 metres per minute
- There will be a bell in the Jumping phase and the Ride-Off phase.

Mandatory Ride-off Requirements

Top 6 Independent Decision Test

The top six riders return in reverse order of cumulative scores for a shortened course of at least 8 fences including a double combination. The ride-off course will be posted and walked with the Jumping Phase course.

- **Track Options:** Course features include skill-testing and time-saving turn options.
- **Strict Independence:** Only competitors may walk the jumping/ride-off course. Trainers cannot assist.
- **Judged Under Pressure:** Evaluates tactical choice, accuracy, risk management, and composure.



Results and Prizes

CET Mini Medal – presented by the OHJA

- Ribbons to 10th
- Medals to top 3
- Cooler to the winner

\$500 bursary awarded to each of:

- Year End Overall Winner
- Final Winner
- Winning Trainer at the Final

CET Regional Final

- The top four riders at the Regional Final will qualify for the National Final at the Royal.
- If one of the top four riders is unable to attend, the 5th place rider may be chosen as alternate
- OHJA will award a \$2500 bursary to the Regional winner of the final to support the cost of travelling to the National Competition





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QUESTIONS & DISCUSSION

Thank you for attending the CET Medal Regional Final & CET Mini Medal Final Briefing.

Best of luck to all competitors!