

## **Zone 4 Regions for 2008-09**

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The Zone 4 regions were determined using the guidelines set forth in IEA Rule 4.C.2.

Zone 4 proposes 5 regions for 2008-09. Zone 4's goal for dividing the zone into regions is to keep the regions large enough to have enough horses and facility options for hosting regular point shows but small enough to create an ease of entry and scheduling. Many teams are clustered in the metro Atlanta area and so, three regions are proposed for the metro Atlanta area. Outside Atlanta, there will be 2 regions: one region in Florida, and one new region in the eastern part of Zone 4.

Regions I, II, III:

Consideration for the following factors was given for the division of the Metro Atlanta area teams:

- a. teams with a shared coach in same region
- b. at least 2 teams with large supply of horses in each region
- c. at least 3 middle school teams in each region
- d. some new teams and some returning teams in each region

Region IV:

The new teams in South Carolina and coastal Georgia are significantly distanced from the Atlanta area to require a new region. The returning team, Evermore, has set dates to host 4 shows in this new region. If this region does not have at least 3 teams by 10/15, then the other teams will be absorbed back into Regions I, II, and III.

Region V: Florida teams

The Florida teams share a common equestrian facility, Sunshine Meadows, and have formed their own organization of shared show responsibilities.

The specific region listing every team in each region is to follow. If any unforeseen teams join, they will be assigned to one of the 5 regions.

Following IEA rules, there will be no more than 12 riders per class at the Zone Finals and no more than 12 teams at Zone Finals. Rider positions and team positions for Zone Finals will be proportionately divided among the regions of the zone based upon the number of members in each region as determined by IEA membership on December 31<sup>st</sup> of each year. If necessary, Regional Finals will be held to determine the zone qualifiers. Regional finals will consist of only teams and riders that have qualified for Zone finals under Rule 4.C.3. Regional finals will be held at least 2 weeks before zone finals.

The Zone 4 chairperson will recruit volunteers to be Region Chairpersons. From these volunteers a zone organization and bylaws will be proposed. The outline for Zone 4's organization is under separate cover, Zone 4 Organization for 2008-09.

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In accordance with IEA Rule 4: C.2 of 2008-09, Zone 4 will be divided into the following 5 regions for the IEA competition year of 2008-09.

Legend: H – high school, M- middle school, Black: returning team, Green: potential team, Blue: new team and has completed paperwork, Purple: team moved to even out regions

### **Huntseat Region I: 8 high schools and 4 middle schools; Chairperson: Carol Sterret**

Holy Innocents H&M  
Falcon Ridge H&M  
Lovett H  
Patchwork H  
Chattahoochee H  
Sonora H & M  
Walton H  
Stonegate H & M  
Northview H

### **Huntseat Region II: 8 High schools, 4 Middle schools, Chairperson: Suzanne Thomas**

North Gwinnett H  
Forsyth Central H & M  
Alpharetta H  
Riverwood H  
Webb Bridge M  
Milton H  
Centennial H  
Brookwood H & M  
Eastside H  
Oak Creek Stables H & M  
Southern Cross  
Louisiana

### **Huntseat Region III: 7 High schools, 2 Middle schools, Chairperson: Amber DeSantis**

South Forsyth H  
Rivendell H & M  
Mill Creek H  
North Forsyth H  
St. Francis H & M  
Blue Creek H  
Pinecrest H& M

### **Huntseat Region IV: 7-3 High schools, 4 Middle schools**

#### **Region IV Chairperson:**

Evermore H & M  
Hammond H & M  
Low Country H & M  
East Cooper

### **Huntseat Region V: 4 High schools, 3 Middle schools**

#### **Region V Chairperson:**

Stillwaters H&M  
Jenifer Horn Stables H  
Sport Horse Int'l. H&M  
Carriage Hill- Palm Beach H&M  
Carriage Hill- Broward H&M

### **Western:**

Forsyth Central, Hammond, Rivendell, EAstside

## **Zone 4 Regional Split Guidelines**

### ***General Rules for Dividing Zone into Regions:***

1. Western teams and hunt seat teams should be considered separately when planning regions.
2. A region should have at least 3 teams to exist and should have no more than 15 teams initially assigned.
3. Teams should be assigned to a region based on geographic proximity, number of riders, and facility/horse resources in that order of priority. Teams should be assigned to a region within the zone by September 1 of each year.
4. Futures teams that exist without an upper school team are to be assigned a region also. Futures teams that are a part of an upper school team should remain in the same region as their upper school team.
5. All teams that join after the initial regional assignments are to be added into a region based on their geographic proximity, number of riders, and facility/horse resources.
6. A region that has more than 15 teams by National Finals ought to split the following IEA competition year.
7. A region that was established but has less than 3 teams register by October 15 should be absorbed back into existing regions.
8. Each region may elect a regional chairperson.
9. Teams hosting shows may include a priority entry period for their Region, or may limit all entries only to their region, or open the entries to the Zone at large. This priority entry period must be stated in the prize list.
10. Hosting / Co-host requirements must be fulfilled within your designated region. Additional co-hosting can occur across regions with co-hosting teams given priority in regards to entry deadlines.

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