

# Maryland Governor's Cup Young Rider Group Award

## The D.M. Smithwick Award

### Rules:

- For riders who have not had their 21st birthday as of January 1st of current year.
- Rider must be a member in good standing with an MSA recognized Hunt Club, Pony Club or Riding Club.  
*Good standing is defined as a paying member and/or has hunted with club five or more times in current season.*
- Rider may apply points to multiple clubs with which he/she is member in good standing
- Only points accumulated in races in the Maryland Governor's Cup Series will qualify for Maryland YRGA
- Eligible entries will be awarded points for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place as follows:

#### Jump races:

- 1st place = 6 points
- 2nd place = 3 points
- 3rd place = 1 point

#### Flat races:

- 1st place = 3 points
- 2nd place = 1.5 points
- 3rd place = .5 point

All entries completing a race earn a minimum .5 point.

- In the event of a tie, prize money will be split evenly.
- Only riders with signed verification from their group(s) will earn points
- All participants must keep track of their own race record and send results in with the club verification (see attached form).
- Points may be earned in any jumping or flat race held at a Governor's Cup Race meet, with the exclusion only of lead line and relay races.
- No points will be allocated to a non-finisher and/or disqualified entry.
- All applications must be received NO LATER than June 1st of the current year.

### CLUB VERIFICATION FORM

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RIDER NAME & PARENT NAME

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D.O.B.

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TELEPHONE #

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EMAIL

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CLUB(S) REPRESENTED

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SIGNATURE OF CLUB OFFICIAL

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PRINTED NAME

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TITLE

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TELEPHONE #

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EMAIL

PLEASE RETURN FORM TO:

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