

## 2010 Open Show Rules

### Open Show Award Rules:

The purpose of this program is to recognize Quarter Horse owners who exhibit their Quarter Horses in competition with other breeds outside of Quarter horse shows in Pennsylvania and the surrounding states.

**NOMINATIONS:** There is a nomination fee of \$5.00 per horse/rider combination per category and a nomination fee of \$5.00 for the high point horse (Adult or Youth). No points will count unless both the membership and nomination fees have been paid.

### GENERAL:

**Register-** you must be a member in good standing with the PQHA. The horse you ride or use must be registered with AQHA and nominated with the PQHA for the given year.

**Sale of horse-** Transfer of ownership will not affect accumulated points of the same horse in open division, provided the new owner is a PQHA member and the point chairperson is notified of the transfer.

**Postmark-** In order to receive points for a show, your membership in PQHA and your nominations must be postmarked one day prior to the show date in order for your points to count.

### ELIGIBILITY:

PQHA will recognize and award points for a year-end award in those open shows which our members have participated, providing: The show management, organization or affiliate must have a record keeping, governing body that will sign PQHA's verification form. NO SUBSTITUTE FORMS ACCEPTED!

The exhibitor/owner submits a properly executive PQHA Open Show Exhibitor's Report and a show flyer to the point chairperson. This MUST be completed and postmarked within 10 days after the show, except after the 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend in October they must be postmarked by the following Tuesday in October for the points to count.

Shows open to all breeds qualify and no special membership requirements are needed to show. Registered breed shows, color shows, 4-H round up, District, and State Shows do not count.

The horse show season is considered to run from the 1<sup>st</sup> full weekend in April to the 2<sup>nd</sup> full weekend of October.

**POINTS:** Points to count for year-end awards will be based on your ONE HIGHEST PLACING CLASS IN EACH CATEGORY ONLY PER SHOW with a maximum of 20 placings out of 30 shows to count.

### POINTS WILL BE AWARDED AS FOLLOWS:

# of Entries	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th
6	6	5	4	3	2	1		
5	5	4	3	2	1			
4	4	3	2	1				
3	3	2	1					
2	2	1						
1	1							

In order to receive an award in a category, at least 15 points must have been earned. Awards will be presented to the top five horses in each category provided there are five horses qualified.

### CATEGORIES:

ADULT: 19 & over as of January 1

YOUTH: 18 & under as of January 1

English: Performance points under English tack/attire, must Walk, Trot & Canter.

Western: Performance points under Western tack/attire, must Walk, Trot & Canter

Trail: Points earned in Trail class – English or Western tack

Times Events: Points earned in any and all timed events

Halter/Showmanship: Conformation and/or in-hand classes

Walk-Trot: English or Western tack/attire only Walk & Trot

THERE WILL BE A HIGH POINT & RESERVE YOUTH & HIGH POINT & RESERVE ADULT YEAR-END AWARD GIVEN (YOU MUST NOMINATE FOR THIS)

### NOTE:

- Events such as Egg & Spoon, Break & Out, Command, etc. will not count for any of the divisions.
- Points to count for one horse and rider combination ONLY
- Exhibitor/owner is responsible for a photocopy of the PQHA exhibitors report and sending the completed form, which includes the open competition form and the show class schedule, to the point chairperson, so points will be counted.
- In the event of a tie, the first tiebreaker will be the total number of horses defeated in the course of the year.
- The cut-off date for any adjustments in the point standings from the first full weekend in April through July 31 will be August 31 of the current year. For shows from August 1 through the second full weekend in October, the cut-off date will be November 10. After these dates, the point chairperson's figures will be considered official.

ALL rules follow the PQHA guidelines and AQHA rulebook. Further questions; refer to the Annual Awards Rules

### ALL COMPETITION FORMS AND SHOW FLYERS SHOULD BE SENT TO:

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