

OPEN SHOW POINTS RULES:

The purpose of this program is to recognize Quarter Horse owners who exhibit their Quarter Horses in competition with other breeds outside of the Quarter Horse shows in Pennsylvania and the surrounding states which ONLY includes Maryland, NJ, WV, NY and Ohio and Delaware.



NOMINATIONS: Exhibitor must be a current member of PQHA. 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. .

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!**

Beginner Division: Open to all ages. Riders who are in their 1st or 2nd year of showing in any division or discipline. If you place in the top 2 of the PQHA year-end adult or youth division, you will not be eligible for the Beginner Division in the subsequent year. Riders in the Beginner Division may NOT cross over into the adult or youth open show divisions.

Riders can only sign-up for the beginner division OR a division within the Open Adult or Open Youth show program - to clarify:

*Riders who sign up for the Beginner Division may not sign up for any other open show division.

*Riders who sign up for the open Adult or open Youth divisions, may also sign up for the open walk trot division, but NOT the Beginner Division.

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.

Shows and/or classes open to all breeds qualify. Registered breed shows, color shows, 4-H round up, District, and State Shows DO NOT count. Shows and/or classes that require any special membership in order to show DO NOT count. For example: CRC (Columbia Riding Club) Jackpot Pleasure (w/t) Any CRC member only.

The horse show season is considered to run from the 1st full weekend in April to September 30th.

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 15 placings out of 20 shows to count.

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.

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							

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

Beginner Halter/Showmanship: Conformation and/or in hand classes, **See rule above**

Beginner Walk/Trot: English or Western tack/attire only Walk & Trot or Jog, **See rule above***

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 September 30 date will be October 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: (Prefer scanning and emailing results if possible, rather than faxing, easier to track.) Angie Buckwalter, 5839 Clarkson Drive, East Petersburg, PA 17520 pqhaopenshowpoints@yahoo.com Phone /Fax 717-569-6489