

RULE BOOK 2016

AQHA MISSION STATEMENT

- 1. To record and preserve the pedigree of the American Quarter Horse while maintaining the integrity of the breed and welfare of its horses.
- 2. To provide beneficial services for its members which enhance and encourage American Quarter Horse ownership and participation.
- 3. To develop diverse educational programs, material and curriculum that will position AQHA as the leading resource organization in the equine industry.
- 4. To generate growth of AQHA membership via the marketing, promotion, advertising and publicity of the American Quarter Horse.
- 5. To ensure the American Quarter Horse is treated humanely, with dignity, respect and compassion at all times.

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2015 AQHA Mission Statement and AQHA Show Vision Statement are included for reference; the current AQHA

BCQHA ZONE BOUNDARIES

Statements will govern.

- 1. Lower Mainland Quarter Horse Association (LMQHA) Hope and West including the Sunshine Coast.
- 2. South Central Quarter Horse Association (SCQHA) 100 Mile House to Hope, East to Alberta, and south to USA Border.
- 3. Northern B.C. Quarter Horse Association (NBCQHA) From 100 Mile House to Prince Rupert to McBride to Alaska.
- 4. Vancouver Island Quarter Horse Association (VIQHA) Vancouver Island including the Gulf Islands and Powell River.

ZONE RESPONSIBILTIES

1. To further the objectives of the Association by carrying on its business within the Zone.

- 2. Coordinating the AQHA Shows and events within each Zone under the rules and regulations of the AQHA and the BCQHA.
- 3. Managing the daily business of the Association within each Zone.
- 4. Reporting directly to BCQHA all Association business through BCQHA Directors at each Directors Meeting and the Annual General Meeting and ensuring those Directors report back to the Zone on all Directors meetings.

SHOWS

Worldwide Horse Show Vision Statement The vision of AQHA shows on a worldwide basis is to:

- 1. Offer a roster of classes that are judged consistently and by a set of rules that exhibitors understand
- 2. Be a place where the accomplishments of horses and riders are enthusiastically celebrated and where advancement is nurtured
- 3. Constantly emphasize the benefits of and ways to ensure the welfare of all animals used in competition
- 4. Have the most innovative show organizers who guarantee the integrity of competition and safeguard the AQHA point structure
- 5. Develop shows that have value and invite member participation at all levels
- 6. Make all American Quarter Horses owners proud of the horses they own

BCQHA SHOWS

- 1. Applications for AQHA must be sent to BCQHA with the approval of the Zone prior to AQHA Show Approval Application with the prescribed fee for each show.
- 2. Shows will be run under the AQHA Rules.
- 3. Show results will be requested from AQHA when they are ready and sent to point tabulaters.
- 4. Levy fees for awards and drug testing must be submitted to the BCQHA Treasurer within 30 days after the show.
- 5. To exhibit a member must be in good standing with AQHA and BCQHA to receive credit towards year end high points.

BCQHA YEAR END AWARDS

- 1. Only BCQHA members residing in BC are eligible for awards. The name(s) on the membership list must be exactly as it appears on the AQHA registration papers.
- 2. A Class must be offered a minimum of five times and held in at least two zones for BCQHA to offer an individual award.
- 3. At least two horses must be shown in the class when it is offered.
- 4. All approved BCQHA shows to be counted towards BCQHA Year End awards

- 5. All Around Awards will be given to horses shown in at least three AQHA approved events in three or more categories, in the AQHA- Division as defined by AQHA to be considered All Around. All Around Youth and Amateur Awards will be given to a one-horse/one-rider combination competing in at least three AQHA approved events in three or more categories in their respective division as defined by AQHA.
- 6. That all BCQHA Show Points to be tabulated from the AQHA Show results and all BCQHA show points for each horse or individual are to count towards the BCQHA Year End Awards.
- 7. BC BRED Award will be offered each year. To be eligible the horse must belong to a BC resident and the horse was foaled in BC. The horse's Sire and Dam were resident in BC at the time of breeding and a BC resident owned the horse's sire and dam at the time of breeding. Annual Application (available on the BCHQA website or from a BCQHA Director) must be made on the BC Bred Application and sent to the BCQHA postal address post marked by September 30 and recieved by October 15 of the award year. Open, Amateur and Youth are to count for the BC Bred Award. All points are to count for BC Bred award.
- 8. In the event of a tie the following procedure(s) will be used to break the tie:
 - a) The horse that has gone in the least number of classes.
 - b) The horse that has the most wins,
 - c) The horse that has beaten the other horse(s) the most times.
 - d) The horse that has beaten the most horses
 - e) Coin toss by the BCQHA President
- 9. Show points will be calculated by assessing 1 point for each horse in the class down to 1 with a maximum of 9 points. (ie 1 horse = 1 point, 2 horses in a class first place receives 2 points and second place receives 1 point, 3 horses in a class first place receives 3 points and second place receives 2 points and third place receives 1 point, etc.)
- 10. Grand Champion horse to receive two (2) points regardless of numbers and Reserve Champion horse to receive one (1) point regardless of numbers. If there is not a Grand and Reserve award, no additional points will be awarded.
- 11. All Select/Amateur riders must declare to the BCQHA President or designated person at the beginning of each competition year whether they are competing for Select or Amateur year- end awards so points earned in combined classes can be properly allocated. (Application is available on the BCQHA website or from a BCQHA Director)

BCQHA YEAR END AWARDS

ALL AROUND

All Around-Open Horse All Around Level 1 (Novice) Youth All Around Rookie Amateur All Around Level 2 & 3 Youth Overall Hi Point Halter - Open All Around Level 1-(Novice)-Amateur All Around Level 2 & 3 Amateur Overall Hi Point Halter - Amateur All Around Amateur Select Overall Hi Point Halter - Youth

All Around Rookie Youth All Around BC Bred

OPEN DIVISION-HALTER

HI POINT 2 YEAR OLD COLT HI POINT 3 YEAR OLD STALLION HI POINT AGED STALLION HI POINT WEANLING GELDING HI POINT YEARLING GELDING HI POINT 2 YR OLD GELDING HI POINT 2 YR OLD GELDING HI POINT AGED GELDING HI POINT YEARLING FILLY HI POINT WEANLING FILLY HI POINT 2 YR OLD FILLY HI POINT 3 YR OLD MARE

HI POINT AGED MARE HI POINT PERFOMANCE STALLION HI POINT PERFORMANCE MARE HI POINT PERFORMANCE GELDING

OPEN DIVISION – PERFORMANCE

HI POINT REINING

HI POINT HUNTER UNDER SADDLE HI POINT - TRAIL HORSE HI POINT HUNTER HACK HI POINT WESTERN RIDING HI POINT WORKING HUNTER HI POINT BARREL RACING HI POINT WESTERN PLEASURE HI POINT RANCH RIDING

AMATEUR DIVISION Level 2 & 3- HALTER

HI POINT WEANLING COLT HI POINT YEARLING COLT HI POINT 2 YEAR OLD COLT HI POINT 3 YEAR OLD STALLION HI POINT AGED STALLION HI POINT WEANLING GELDING HI POINT 2 YR OLD GELDING HI POINT YEARLING GELDING HI POINT 2 YR OLD GELDING HI POINT AGED GELDING HI POINT YEARLING FILLY HI POINT WEANLING FILLY HI POINT 2 YR OLD FILLY HI POINT 3 YR OLD MARE

HI POINT AGED MARE HI POINT PERFOMANCE STALLION HI POINT PERFORMANCE MARE HI POINT PERFORMANCE GELDING

AMATEUR DIVISION Level 2 & 3 – PERFORMANCE

HI POINT SHOWMANSHIP HI POINT WESTERN PLEASURE HI POINT HUNT SEAT EQUITATION HI POINT WESTERN RIDING

HI POINT WORKING HUNTER HI POINT TRAIL

HI POINT HUNTER HACK HI POINT WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP

HI POINT HUNTER UNDER SADDLE HI POINT REINING

HI POINT RANCH RIDING HI POINT BARREL RACING

SELECT AMATEUR DIVISION – PERFORMANCE

HI POINT SHOWMANSHIP HI POINT WESTERN PLEASURE HI POINT HUNT SEAT EQUITATION HI POINT WESTERN RIDING HI POINT TRAIL

HI POINT WORKING HUNTER

HI POINT HUNTER HACK HI POINT WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP

HI POINT HUNTER UNDER SADDLE HI POINT REINING

HI POINT RANCH RIDING HI POINT BARREL RACING

Rookie & Level 1 (NOVICE) AMATEUR DIVISION – PERFORMANCE

ROOKIE

HI POINT SHOWMANSHIP
HI POINT HUNTER UNDER SADDLE
HI POINT HUNT SEAT EQUITATION
HI POINT WESTERN PLEASURE

HI POINT WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP HI POINT TRAIL

HI POINT REINING HI POINT RANCH RIDING

LEVEL 1 (NOVICE)

HI POINT SHOWMANSHIP

HI POINT HUNTER UNDER SADDLE

HI POINT WESTERN PLEASURE

HI POINT WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP HI POINT TRAIL

HI POINT REINING HI POINT RANCH RIDING

YOUTH DIVISION – HALTER

HI POINT WEANLING COLT
HI POINT 2 YEAR OLD COLT
HI POINT 3 YEAR OLD STALLION
HI POINT AGED STALLION
HI POINT YEARLING GELDING
HI POINT 2 YR OLD GELDING
HI POINT 2 YR OLD GELDING
HI POINT WEANLING FILLY
HI POINT 2 YR OLD FILLY
HI POINT 3 YR OLD MARE

HI POINT AGED MARE

HI POINT PERFORMANCE STALLION

HI POINT PERFORMANCE GELDING

YOUTH DIVISION - PERFORMANCE

HI POINT SHOWMANSHIP

HI POINT HUNTER UNDER SADDLE

HI POINT HUNT SEAT EQUITATION

HI POINT WESTERN PLEASURE

HI POINT WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP
HI POINT RANCH RIDING
HI POINT REINING

ROOKIE & LEVEL 1 (NOVICE) YOUTH DIVISION

ROOKIE

HI POINT SHOWMANSHIP

HI POINT HUNTER UNDER SADDLE

HI POINT WESTERN PLEASURE

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HI POINT RANCH RIDING
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LEVEL 1 (NOVICE)

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HI POINT RANCH RIDING
HI POINT REINING

Reserve awards are offered in each of the above classes providing that there are have qualified entries.

PLEASE NOTE: The BCQHA levy fee is \$4 per horse per show. Anything over and above this amount must be clearly stated in the program as being charged by the host club or zone - e.g. Office charge \$7 per horse per day (\$4 to BCQHA, \$3 to Host Club or Zone).

BCQHA recognizes the AQHA levelling program for horses and competitors and is moving towards the new system but is still maintaining our sovereignty.