

MOTION by Allan Ehrlick,

- Whereas, The AHA Board instructed the U.S. National Show Commission to recommend a point system and to present it to the board at the August 2004 board meeting for their consideration; and
- Whereas, A standardized point system would ensure that the best horses move forward to the National Show, increase the participation at the USAE/EC recognized shows, provide a measurable value for show horses and create a more easily understood qualification system; and
- Whereas, The Point System reflects the number of points a horse receives based on the number of horses shown and judged. Horses will earn one point for every horse in the class. Example: 12 horses entered – 1st place = 12 points, 2nd place = 11 points, 3rd place = 10 points, etc.; and
- Whereas, For the purpose of keeping track of points, a horse's record will reflect the amount of points it has acquired for qualifications or for a lifetime record and can be accessed by any AHA member on the AHA website or by contacting the AHA office; and
- Whereas, These points have the potential to be used at the national, regional, state, and club levels, or any other configuration, to be used in award systems; and
- Whereas, The Point System promotes the best horse going forward. Currently we reward any first or second place horse by qualifying it for Regionals and any top five, qualifying it for Nationals regardless of quality or the number of horses in the class; and
- Whereas, The current system has encouraged show management to put in more classes with fewer entries and/or to split classes that are not full classes, this in essence costs the local shows more money as well as making these shows marathons; and
- Whereas, The new Point System is a proactive system encouraging more entries per class and less classes, providing a system with a positive "user friendly" perception to the public; Therefore, Be It
- Moved, That the Point System as reflected on the attached National Class List be implemented for all National and Regional classes for the 2005 show season, with the understanding that all horses that qualified for Regional or Nationals in the 2004 show year will be able to use that qualification for 2005; and, Be It Further
- Moved, That the Qualification Chapter in the 2005 Handbook be updated to replace any references to categories with the point system; and, Be It Further
- Moved, That the number of points a horse receives is based on the number of horses shown and judged. Horses will earn one point for every horse in the class. Example: 12 horses entered – 1st place = 12 points, 2nd place = 11 points, 3rd place = 10 points, etc., and all other qualification rules remain the same. [Click Here](#) for Detailed AHA Regional & National Class List Point System

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Motion Passed Unanimously. **(Motion #21-8/14/04-BOD)**