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**SUBJECT: Revise Duties of Treasurer (Bylaws 2/3 Vote)**

*(This section to be completed by the Agenda and Resolutions Committee.)*

Committees required to review:

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Board of Directors	_____	_____
Bylaws Committee	_____	_____
Governance Committee	_____	_____

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**CONVENTION ACTION:**

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**RESOLUTION:**

(Refer to Article 901 for submission requirements.)

Whereas,                      The current Bylaws regarding the “Duties of the Treasurer” state:

Article VIII, Section 8. Duties of the Treasurer.

Paragraph a. The Treasurer shall be the chief financial officer of Arabian Horse Association and shall receive or cause to be received all moneys belonging to or paid into Arabian Horse Association and safely keep the same.

Paragraph b. The Treasurer shall disburse funds of Arabian Horse Association in accordance with the direction given the Treasurer pursuant to Article IV, Section 4 hereof.

Paragraph c. The Treasurer shall keep complete books of account and shall make an itemized statement and report to the Annual Convention and such interim reports as may be required by the Board of Directors.

Paragraph d. The Treasurer shall have such other duties as may be delegated to the Treasurer pursuant to Article IV, Section 4 hereof; and

Whereas,                      The current duties of the Treasurer in the AHA Bylaws reflect duties that should be the responsibilities of in-house staff; and

Whereas,                      The appropriate duties for the AHA Treasurer should include responsibilities for the oversight of accounting and financial functions; Therefore, Be It

Resolved,                      Article VIII, Section 8 of the AHA Bylaws be changed to read as follows:

“Paragraph a. The Treasurer shall oversee all funds and accounts maintained by the Arabian Horse Association.

Paragraph b. The Treasurer shall oversee the keeping of proper books, showing the disposition of all funds of the Arabian Horse Association, and shall make a full report in writing covering the financial position and results of operations of the Arabian Horse Association at the Annual Convention and at such other times as requested by the Board of Directors.

Paragraph c. The Treasurer shall oversee the preparation of an annual budget and shall report thereon to the Board of Directors.



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2 **SUBJECT: Full Year Membership, Anniversary (Bylaws 2/3 Vote)**

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4 *(This section to be completed by the Agenda and Resolutions Committee.)*

5 Committees required to review:

Committee Action:

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	Market Development & Promotion Committee	_____	_____
	Membership Committee	_____	_____
	Ways & Means Committee	_____	_____

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12 \_\_\_\_\_Withdrawn                      \_\_\_\_\_Referred to Committee\_\_\_\_\_

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14 **RESOLUTION:**

15 (Refer to Article 901 for submission requirements.)

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- 17 Whereas,                      Market Development and Promotion (MDP) Committee is tasked with increasing the AHA  
18 membership; and
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- 20 Whereas,                      A strategic objective of AHA is to “Unify AHA as a broader-based organization with a new culture  
21 and identity”; and
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- 23 Whereas,                      MDP’s vision of AHA is that of a friendly, inviting association for all members whether or not they  
24 show; and
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- 26 Whereas,                      The MDP Committee’s opinion is that joining any association and paying dues should entitle the  
27 member to a full year’s services; and
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- 29 Whereas,                      AHA shows and events are distributed throughout the year, and competitors join throughout the year;  
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- 32 Whereas,                      New members purchase horses all during the year and therefore join AHA all during the year; and
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- 34 Whereas,                      Owners register their horses all during the year and therefore join AHA all during the year; and
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- 36 Whereas,                      Members joining a club between July 1<sup>st</sup> and convention are never counted for club delegate  
37 representation; and
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- 39 Whereas,                      80% of the AHA clubs are on line, which means that renewal notices are computer generated by AHA  
40 thus saving membership chairs and clubs the cost and time previously dedicated to yearly renewals;  
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- 43 Whereas,                      Software programming currently tracks associate members for their renewals on an anniversary date  
44 schedule and could be used to track and renew all memberships on an anniversary date; and
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- 46 Whereas,                      All AHA Affiliate and Youth memberships currently expire on December 31<sup>st</sup> so the clubs will still  
47 have the majority of their members renewing by the end of the year for planning purposes; and
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- 49 Whereas,                      One of the best ways to increase the membership is to retain current members; and

50 Whereas, The MDP Committee believes that AHA needs the full year to have the opportunity to prove to  
51 new/old members that our Association has many benefits such as the *Arabian Horse Magazine*, awards  
52 programs for all levels of participation (Achievement for horse & rider, Open Event Incentive  
53 Programs, Distance Programs, Dressage, etc.), discounted member registrations & transfers, shows and  
54 events for all interests, the opportunity to participate in Sweepstakes and Futurities, website services  
55 (Horses for Sale, Stallions at Stud, Products & Services) and the camaraderie of fellow Arabian  
56 enthusiasts; Therefore, Be It  
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58 Resolved, The membership year for all membership categories will commence upon the postmarked/electronic  
59 transaction date of payment to the AHA Office and expire on the last day of that month, twelve months  
60 later; and, Be It Further  
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62 Resolved, Full annual dues are payable to the AHA Office before the end of the expiration month. Renewals  
63 paid any time prior to the expiration date will retain the same original expiration month; and , Be It  
64 Further  
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66 Resolved, The member will lose all membership privileges as of the expiration date if dues are not paid as of the  
67 expiration date.  
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69 Effective: Beginning with the 2006 membership year  
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71 **PROPONENT'S FINANCIAL IMPACT:**  
72 (Refer to Article 901.2.e. for financial requirements.)  
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74 Anniversary year may increase revenue for AHA. Currently new competitors pay a non-member fee to show or ride in  
75 our late summer or fall events because it is not cost effective to pay the AHA membership fees to join and then have the  
76 memberships expire before they ever receive any benefits. With this change, all members receive benefits for a full year,  
77 whether they join in January or December. We have gained these members and have a full year to encourage them to  
78 renew.  
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80 **AHA IMPACT STATEMENT:**  
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82 Member benefits will be lost if club membership payments are not submitted by membership secretaries in a timely  
83 manner.

84 Contact Person: Joe Hull Vice Chair Agenda & Resolutions Committee (614) 877-9864  
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86 Other major breed organizations (Quarter Horse, Paint, Miniature Horse, Appaloosa will be in 2005) are on an  
87 anniversary date. It's more welcoming and fair to new members. It encourages people to join any and every day of the  
88 year. Jim Kelley, the Executive Secretary of the American Paint Horse Association credits the move to anniversary year  
89 for their record levels in membership.

90 Going to an anniversary date would be inviting and member friendly. A member would get a full year of member  
91 benefits no matter what date they join or renew. For example, if a person joins July 10, 2005 that membership would be  
92 valid until July 31, 2006 (expiring at the end of the month to aid the show secretaries), whereas on a calendar year that  
93 same member would only have member benefits from July 10, 2005 until December 31, 2005 and still pay the full  
94 membership fee.

95 The club delegate count would be affected positively as well. For example, the member joining July 10, 2005 isn't  
96 counted toward the delegate count under the current calendar year. However, under an anniversary date the member  
97 joining July 10, 2005 would count toward the delegate count in 2006, because he/she would be on the club roster as of  
98 June 30, 2006.

99 The expiration date on the membership card will be prominently displayed, for the show secretaries ease. The  
100 memberships would expire at the end of each month (July 10, 2005 – July 31, 2006). The expiration date would  
101 resemble the expiration dates currently seen on a credit card, rather than just a "valid through 2006" date.

102 Currently, the Associate (former Registry) memberships, composed of approximately 20,000 members, are on an  
103 anniversary date and all other categories are on a calendar year. By allowing an anniversary date, all membership  
104 categories would be recognized and processed in the same manner, making it less confusing and more consistent for  
105 members. In addition, AHA’s computer system currently accommodates anniversary year membership.

106 Processing memberships throughout the year would even out the workflow at the office. Historically, registration  
107 receipts are heavier in the fall along with sweepstakes breeding entries, futurities and memberships this causes an  
108 increased amount of processing at the end of the year, which can affect turnaround time. This would also lower the staff  
109 requirements during the peak processing period.

110 The change from calendar year to anniversary year membership will need to reflect an accounting adjustment that will  
111 impact revenue recognition in the first year, but will not impact cash flow. The majority of the affiliate memberships  
112 would continue to renew on the December 31st date. Once we have experienced a full year with this change, annual  
113 revenue recognition will stabilize and return to normal levels.

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116 Contact: Lorie Liddicoat, AHA Sr. Director Membership – (303) 696-4587,  
117 Debbie Fuentes, AHA Sr. Director Registration – (303) 696-4518,  
118 Steve Josephs, AHA Sr. Director Marketing – (303) 696-4566,  
119 Barbara Burck, AHA Executive Vice President – (303) 696-4551  
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121 SUBMITTED BY:

122 Name: Market Development and Promotion Committee

123 Member Organization Committee Commission Board Region (check one )

124 Who voted: Members Board Delegates (check voting body)

125 Total Number Eligible to Vote: 7 Number of Yes votes: 7 Number of No votes: 0

126 How vote was taken: mail email phone meeting (check one) (Must have Quorum with majority of yes votes)

127 Where documentation of this vote is recorded: By Cynthia Richardson

128 Date vote taken: Aug. 17, 2004

129 Contact Person: Cynthia M Richardson (Has authority to amend, combine or withdraw)

130 Phone: (303) 652-1442 Email: [cynrich213@aol.com](mailto:cynrich213@aol.com) Fax: (303) 652-1552

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2 **SUBJECT: EVP Duties & Responsibilities (Bylaws 2/3 Vote)**

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4 *(This section to be completed by the Agenda and Resolutions Committee.)*

5 Committees required to review:

Committee Action:

Approve Disapprove

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Board of Directors  
Bylaws Committee  
Governance Committee

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8 **CONVENTION ACTION:**

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12 \_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn                      \_\_\_\_\_ Referred to Committee \_\_\_\_\_  
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14 **RESOLUTION:**

15 (Refer to Article 901 for submission requirements.)

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17 Whereas,                      The existing Bylaws provide that the Executive Vice President shall perform such duties as are  
18 assigned to him or her by the President, the Executive Committee and the Board of Directors; and

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20 Whereas,                      The Governance Committee and consultants have recommended that there be one clear line of  
21 accountability, authority and direction for the Executive Vice President; and

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23 Whereas,                      The Governance Committee and consultants have recommended that the Executive Vice President  
24 shall perform such duties as are assigned to the Executive Vice President by the President; and

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26 Whereas,                      The President has the authority and ability to convey the directives of the Executive Committee or the  
27 Board of Directors to the Executive Vice President; and

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29 Whereas,                      The Executive Vice President’s duties and responsibility are limited by the Articles of Incorporation,  
30 the Bylaws, the Merger Agreement and by action of the delegates at the Annual Convention;  
31 Therefore, Be It

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33 Resolved,                      That the AHA Bylaws Article IV, Section 5 be amended as follows:

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35 “Section 5 Duties of the Executive Vice President  
36 The Executive Vice President shall perform such duties as are assigned to **the Executive Vice**  
37 **President** by the President **not inconsistent with law, the Articles of Incorporation, the Bylaws, the**  
38 **Merger Agreement, or with any other duly enacted resolution of the Annual Convention.** The  
39 Executive Vice President shall also make recommendations for approval by the Trustees relating to the  
40 staff providing (i) market development and promotion services, (ii) purebred registration services, and  
41 (iii) racing services. To the extent that such recommendations affect the staff who would perform the  
42 foregoing services as they relate to purebred horses, the Executive Vice President shall obtain the  
43 approval of the Trustees before implementing such recommendations, which approval shall not be  
44 unreasonably withheld. In determining the responsibilities of withholding such approval, among other  
45 things, the Trustees may consider the effect of the recommendations on the quality, information, speed  
46 and integrity of the market development services, registry services, and services relating to the Arabian  
47 Jockey Club as such services were carried out by AHRA prior to the Merger. All employees shall be  
48 subject to the personnel policies and procedures applied uniformly to employees or classifications of  
49 employees of Arabian Horse Association and subject to discipline, including discharge, should they  
50 fail to conduct themselves in accordance with such policies and procedures as the same may be  
51 modified from time to time.”

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53 Effective:                      Immediately



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2 **SUBJECT: Election of At-Large Directors (Bylaws 2/3 Vote)**

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4 *(This section to be completed by the Agenda and Resolutions Committee.)*

5 Committees required to review:

Committee Action:

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- 6 Board of Directors
- 7 Bylaws Committee
- 8 Governance Committee

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9 **CONVENTION ACTION:**

10 \_\_\_\_\_ Approved                      \_\_\_\_\_ Approved with Modification                      \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved

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14 **RESOLUTION:**

15 (Refer to Article 901 for submission requirements.)

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17 Whereas,                      The current Bylaws state that the At-Large Directors are appointed by the 8 Trustees of the Purebred Arabian Trust (PAT); and

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20 Whereas,                      This rule was incorporated into the originally-accepted Merger Agreement; and

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22 Whereas,                      It is the position of the sponsoring club, the At-Large Directors have been useful in bringing the old AHRA (now PAT) together with IAHA (now AHA) in a smooth transition to one new organization; and

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26 Whereas,                      Now that we are one organization it is time to move forward; and

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28 Whereas,                      It is the position of the sponsoring club, the next step is to have the At- Large Directors be elected by the general membership of AHA; and

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31 Whereas,                      It was understood at the time of the delegates’ acceptance of said Merger Agreement that changes would have to be made from time to time to better facilitate the original Merger Agreement and to accommodate the changing times; Therefore, Be It

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36 Resolved.                      Article VII. Directors.; Section 1.; Qualifications; be changed to read:

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38 “The Board of Directors shall consist of twenty-nine (29) persons elected in accordance with this Article. Each Director or At-Large Director shall, at all times during his or her continuance in office, be an Affiliate, Direct or Life Member in good standing as determined pursuant to Article III, Section 2.” Each elected member of the Board of Directors shall be an Affiliate or Life Member. Each elected at-large member of the Board of Directors shall be an Affiliate, Direct or Life Member”; and, Be It Further

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45 Resolved.                      Article VII. Directors; Section 2. Enumeration; Paragraph d. At-Large Directors be changed to read:

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47 “There shall be four (4) At-Large Directors initially selected by the AHRA prior to the Merger with and into Arabian Horse Association, two (2) of whom will serve for a one-year term and two (2) of whom will serve for a two (2) year term. Thereafter, beginning with the 2005 AHA Convention, as these appointed terms expire, two (2) of the four (4) At-Large Directors shall be elected by the membership (defined as any AHA Affiliate, Life or Direct Member who is in good standing each year at the time of the Annual Convention). Each At-Large-Director shall represent the AHA membership as a whole and be answerable to same.; and, Be It Further

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55 Resolved. Article VII. Directors; Section 4. Regional and At-Large Directors Term and Limitation.; Paragraph b.  
56 be changed to read:

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58 “No person shall be eligible to hold the office of Director or At-Large Director for a continuous period  
59 in excess of two (2) consecutive terms (four years). The foregoing limitation shall not preclude any  
60 Director or At-Large Director elected to serve the remainder of an unexpired term and thereafter being  
61 elected and re-elected to serve two (2) consecutive two-year terms; and, Be It Further  
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63 Resolved. Article VII. Directors.; Section 5. Regional and At-Large-Directors Vacancies.; last sentence “Any  
64 At-Large Director vacancy shall be filled by the candidate receiving the next-highest vote count in the  
65 election at the Annual Convention at which the vacating At-Large Director was elected.. If there is no  
66 candidate available from that election, the position will remain vacant until the next Annual  
67 Convention.”; and, Be It Further  
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69 Resolved. Article IX. Committees and Commissions; Section 3. Nominating Committee. Add Paragraph e.  
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71 e. Beginning with the elections occurring at the Annual Convention in 2005, the Nominating  
72 Committee shall primarily serve as a credentialing committee. At such time, any Affiliate, Life or  
73 Direct Member who is in good standing may nominate themselves as a candidate for any Arabian  
74 Horse Association At-Large-Director position. It shall be the duty of the Nominating Committee to  
75 develop a standard form to detail the relevant biographical information of each nominee and require  
76 each nominee to submit the standard biographical information form to the Nominating Committee at  
77 least 120 days prior to the elections. Members may vote electronically or may request a paper ballot  
78 for mailing vote to AHA office (mail-in ballot request information to be published in AHA magazine  
79 or equivalent), all ballots of any kind to be in the AHA office no later than the closing date of voting  
80 which will be 30 days prior to the Annual Convention. The results of this election are to be announced  
81 at the immediately-following Annual Convention where election results of delegate voting are  
82 announced. All other duties of the Nominating Committee as described in Article IX, Committees and  
83 Commissions; Section 3. Nominating Committee; Paragraph d. shall apply; and, Be It Further  
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85 Resolved. That upon passage of this resolution by the AHA delegates and approval of the Purebred Arabian Trust  
86 Trustees, all appropriate changes will be made in all wording contained in all appropriate  
87 IAHA/AHRA Merger Documents referring to the At-Large Directors appointed by the Trustees of  
88 PAT as necessary to implement this change, including AHA Bylaws; and, Be It Further  
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90 Resolved. That all other membership rights and privileges not modified herein shall remain unchanged.  
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93 Effective: January 1, 2005 and upon approval of the Purebred Arabian Horse Trustees as per AHA Bylaws  
94 Article XIV, Amendments.  
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96 PROPONENT'S FINANCIAL IMPACT:  
97 (Refer to Article 901.2.e. for financial requirements.)  
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99 Cost of including candidate information and mail-in ballot request in the AHA magazine and staff costs for conducting  
100 electronic voting and counting of e-votes and paper ballots.  
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102 AHA IMPACT STATEMENT:  
103 There are several fundamental errors in this resolution:  
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- 105 a) The resolution states that *“the At-Large Directors have been useful in bringing the old AHRA (now PAT)*  
106 *together with IAHA (now AHA) in a smooth transition to one new organization...”*

107 This statement is incorrect. At the time of merger, both business operations of the AHRA and the IAHA equally  
108 became the Arabian Horse Association (AHA). The PAT is not the old AHRA, but rather is a separate organization  
109 formulated for a specific purpose outside of AHA.

110 b) The resolution suggests that *“the next step (following the merger) is to have the At-Large Directors be elected*  
111 *by the general membership of AHA.”*

112 It goes on to say that these *“At-Large Directors shall be elected by the membership (defined as any AHA Affiliate,*  
113 *Life or Direct Member...)...Each At-Large Director shall represent the AHA membership as a whole and be*  
114 *answerable to same...”*

115 The Associates (former members of the AHRA) are AHA members in good standing and composed of our breeders,  
116 and recreational and amateur owner population. These members make up 45% of AHA’s current membership and  
117 currently have no representation in the governance of AHA. The other membership categories, i.e., Affiliate, Life  
118 and Direct members, are currently represented by the 18 Regional Directors.

119 The fact is that the general AHA membership consists of approximately 45,000 members, 5,000 of which are youth  
120 members, 20,000 are Affiliate, Life and Direct members and 20,000 consist of Associate members. This resolution  
121 does not accommodate any opportunity for the election of the At-Large Directors by the Associate membership. The  
122 omission of 45% of our membership contradicts the resolution’s stated purpose of having the At-Large Directors  
123 elected by the general membership of AHA.

124 c) The statement contradicts itself in the resolution by stating that *“Any At-Large Director vacancy shall be filled*  
125 *by the candidate receiving the next-highest vote count in the election at the Annual Convention at which the*  
126 *vacating At-Large Director was elected.”*

127 The proposed future elections of At-Large Directors based on a general membership vote, via electronically or by  
128 ballot, would not take place at the Annual Convention, but prior to that event. Therefore, there would be no one that  
129 would have received a vote at the Annual Convention to replace a vacancy in the office of any At-Large Director.

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131 Contact Person: Barbara Burck, AHA Executive Vice President – (303) 696-4551  
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133 SUBMITTED BY:

134 Name: Insallah Arabian Horse Club

135 Member Organization Committee Commission Board Region (check one )

136 Who voted: Members Board Delegates (check voting body)

137 Total Number Eligible to Vote: 11 Number of Yes votes: 9 Number of No votes: 0

138 How vote was taken:  mail email  phone meeting (check one) (Must have Quorum with majority of yes votes)

139 Where documentation of this vote is recorded: Insallah electronic files

140 Date vote taken: July 2004

141 Contact Person: Georgine Ryter (Has authority to amend, combine or withdraw)

142 Phone: 405-848-8231 Email: georginer@msn.com Fax:

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**SUBJECT: Election of At-Large Vice Presidents (Bylaws 2/3 Vote)**

*(This section to be completed by the Agenda and Resolutions Committee.)*

Committees required to review:

Committee Action:

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Board of Directors	_____	_____
Bylaws Committee	_____	_____
Governance Committee	_____	_____

**CONVENTION ACTION:**

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\_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn                      \_\_\_\_\_ Referred to Committee \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION:**

(Refer to Article 901 for submission requirements.)

- Whereas,                      The current Bylaws state that the At-Large Vice Presidents are appointed by the 8 Trustees of the Purebred Arabian Trust (PAT); and
- Whereas,                      This rule was incorporated into the originally-accepted Merger Agreement; and
- Whereas,                      It is the position of the sponsoring club, the At-Large Vice Presidents have been useful in bringing the old AHRA (now PAT) together with IAHA (now AHA) in a smooth transition to one new organization; and
- Whereas,                      Now that we are one organization it is time to move forward; and
- Whereas,                      It is the position of the sponsoring club, that the next step is to have the At- Large Vice Presidents be elected by the general membership of AHA; and
- Whereas,                      It was understood at the time of the delegates’ acceptance of said Merger Agreement that changes would have to be made from time to time to better facilitate the original Merger Agreement and to accommodate the changing times; Therefore, Be It

Resolved.                      Article VIII. Officers, Section 2. Election., Paragraph a. be changed to read:

“The President shall be elected by ballot for a two (2)-year term. The President will be eligible for a maximum of two (2) consecutive terms excluding any period of time completing the term of a predecessor. The two (2) At-Large Vice Presidents shall be elected by the membership (defined as any AHA Affiliate, Life or Direct Member who is in good standing each year at the time of the Annual Convention), each for a term of one (1) year. All other Officers shall be elected by the Voting Delegates for a term of one (1) year. All Officers shall serve until their successors are elected and take office at the close of the Annual Convention following the successor’s election. All elections shall be conducted by a written ballot at the Annual Convention in the case of Delegate-elected officers, and written or electronic ballot in the case of the At-Large Vice Presidents; provided, however, in the event that one person is nominated for an office the election may be by voice vote in the case of those officers elected by the Delegates at the Annual Convention.”; and, Be It Further

49 Resolved, Article VIII. Officers, Section 3. Qualifications. Be changed to read :

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51 “Each Officer elected by the Annual Convention shall at all times during his or her continuance in

52 office, be an Affiliate Member in good standing as determined pursuant to Article III, Section 2.

53 Paragraph 1. Individuals elected by the membership as At-Large Vice Presidents at all times during

54 their continuance in office shall be an Affiliate, Direct or Life Member in good standing .”; and, Be It

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57 Resolved, Article VIII., Officers, Section 4. Vacancy., be changed to read:

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59 “In the case of a vacancy in the office of President, the Vice President shall become President. A

60 vacancy in the office of either At-Large Vice President positions shall be filled by the candidate

61 receiving the next-highest vote count in the election at the Annual Convention at which the vacating

62 At-Large Vice President was elected. If there is no candidate available from that election, the position

63 will remain vacant until the next Annual Convention.”; and, Be It Further

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65 Resolved, Article VIII, Officers, Section 9. Officer Disability Policy., be changed to read:

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67 “The Board of Directors may remove from office an Officer elected in accordance with Article VIII of

68 the Bylaws for reason of disability.....”; and, Be It Further

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70 Resolved, Article VIII, Officers, Section 10. Officer for Cause Policy., be change to read:

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72 “The Board of Directors may remove from office, “for cause,” an Officer elected in accordance with

73 Article VII of the Bylaws .....”; and, Be It Further

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75 Resolved, Article IX. Committees and Commissions; Section 3. Nominating Committee. Add Paragraph e:

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77 “e. Beginning with the elections occurring at the Annual Convention in 2005, the Nominating

78 Committee shall primarily serve as a credentialing committee. At such time, any Affiliate,

79 Life or Direct Member who is in good standing may nominate themselves as a candidate for

80 any Arabian Horse Association At-Large Vice President. It shall be the duty of the

81 Nominating Committee to develop a standard form to detail the relevant biographical

82 information of each nominee and require each nominee to submit the standard biographical

83 information form to the Nominating Committee at least 120 days prior to the elections.

84 Members may vote electronically or may request a paper ballot for mailing vote to AHA

85 office (mail-in ballot request information to be published in AHA magazine or equivalent), all

86 ballots of any kind to be in the AHA office no later than the closing date of voting which will

87 be 30 days prior to the Annual Convention. The results of this election are to be announced at

88 the immediately-following Annual Convention where election results of delegate voting are

89 announced. All other duties of the Nominating Committee as described in Article IX,

90 Committees and Commissions; Section 3. Nominating Committee; Paragraph d. shall apply,”

91 and, Be It Further

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93 Resolved, That upon passage of this resolution by the AHA delegates and approval of the Purebred Arabian Trust

94 Trustees, all appropriate changes will be made in all wording contained in all IAHA/AHRA Merger

95 Documents referring to the At-Large Vice Presidents appointed by the Trustees of PAT as necessary to

96 implement this change, including AHA Bylaws; and, Be it Further

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98 Resolved, That all other membership rights and privileges not modified herein shall remain unchanged.

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100 Effective: January 1, 2005 and upon approval of the Purebred Arabian Horse Trustees as per AHA Bylaws

101 Article XIV, Amendments.

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## 105 PROPONENT'S FINANCIAL IMPACT:

106 (Refer to Article 901.2.e. for financial requirements.)

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108 Cost of including candidate information and mail-in ballot request in the AHA magazine and staff costs for conducting  
109 electronic voting and counting of e-votes and paper ballots.

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## 111 AHA IMPACT STATEMENT:

112 There are several fundamental errors in this resolution.

113 a) The resolution states that ***“the At-Large Vice Presidents have been useful in bringing the old AHRA (now***  
114 ***PAT) together with IAHA (now AHA) in a smooth transition to one new organization...”***115 This statement is incorrect. At the time of merger, both business operations of the AHRA and the IAHA equally  
116 became the Arabian Horse Association (AHA). The PAT is not the old AHRA, but rather is a separate organization  
117 formulated for a specific purpose outside of AHA.118 b) The resolution suggests that ***“the next step (following the merger) is to have the At-Large Vice Presidents be***  
119 ***elected by the general membership of AHA.”***120 It goes on to say that these ***“At-Large Vice Presidents shall be elected by the membership (defined as any AHA***  
121 ***Affiliate, Life or Direct Member...”***122 The Associates (former members of the AHRA) are AHA members in good standing and composed of our breeders,  
123 and recreational and amateur owner population. These members make up 45% of AHA’s current membership and  
124 currently have no representation in the governance of AHA. The other membership categories, i.e., Affiliate, Life and  
125 Direct members, are currently represented by the President, Vice-President, Treasurer and other officers.126 The fact is that the AHA membership consists of approximately 45,000 members, 5,000 of which are Youth  
127 members, 20,000 are Affiliate, Life and Direct members and 20,000 consist of Associate members. This resolution  
128 does not accommodate any opportunity for election of the two (2) At-Large Vice Presidents by the Associate  
129 membership as they are not mentioned as one of the membership categories. The omission of 45% of our membership  
130 contradicts both the resolution’s stated purpose of having the At-Large Vice Presidents elected by the general  
131 membership of AHA.132 c) The resolution states that ***“a vacancy in the office of either At-Large Vice President positions shall be filled by***  
133 ***the candidate receiving the next-highest vote count in the election at the Annual Convention at which the***  
134 ***vacating At-Large Vice President was elected.”***135 The proposed future elections of At-Large Vice Presidents based on a general membership vote, via electronically or  
136 by ballot, would not take place at the Annual Convention, but prior to that event. Therefore, there would be no one  
137 that would have received a vote at the Annual Convention to replace a vacancy in the office of any At-Large Vice  
138 President.

139 Contact Person: Barbara Burck, AHA Executive Vice President – (303) 696-4551

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## 141 SUBMITTED BY:

142 Name: Insallah Arabian Horse Club

143 Member Organization Committee Commission Board Region (check one )144 Who voted: Members Board Delegates (check voting body)

145 Total Number Eligible to Vote: 11 Number of Yes votes: 9 Number of No votes: 0

146 How vote was taken:  mail  email  phone  meeting (check one) (Must have Quorum with majority of yes votes)

147 Where documentation of this vote is recorded: Onsallah electronic files

148 Date vote taken: June 2004

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2 **SUBJECT: Add Surgical Alteration Disclosure to Rules of Conduct**

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4 *(This section to be completed by the Agenda and Resolutions Committee.)*

5 Committees required to review:

Committee Action:  
Approve                      Disapprove

6	Equine Stress/Research & Education Committee	_____	_____
	Ethical Practice Review Board	_____	_____
	Probable Cause Panel	_____	_____
	Registration Commission	_____	_____

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8 **CONVENTION ACTION:**

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10 \_\_\_\_\_Approved                      \_\_\_\_\_Approved with Modification                      \_\_\_\_\_Disapproved  
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12 \_\_\_\_\_Withdrawn                      \_\_\_\_\_Referred to Committee\_\_\_\_\_

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14 **RESOLUTION:**

15 *(Refer to Article 901 for submission requirements.)*

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17 Whereas,                      The Arabian Horse Association Code of Ethics and Sportsmanship under Rules of Conduct has several  
18 rules pertaining to the ethical exhibition and transfer of title of the ownership of the Arabian horse; and

19 Whereas,                      The implementation by the general membership of AHA of Articles 304.7 and 304.9 (page 12) proves  
20 that we, the AHA members, wish to have our horses honestly represented and to have the ability to  
21 breed and show and see our horses in an informal and discretionary manner without concerns ~~of~~  
22 horses being misrepresented to the judges, breeders, potential buyers, exhibitors or to any enthusiasts  
23 of the Arabian horse; and

24 Whereas,                      The genotype which is determined at conception is responsible for the phenotype (the natural  
25 expression of the genotype) which naturally evolves as the horse develops; and

26 Whereas,                      Changes in the phenotype (or natural look) of a horse can unnaturally result from surgical procedures;  
27 and

28 Whereas,                      The physical alteration of an individual horse may misrepresent the horse and constitute fraud; and

29 Whereas,                      Castration, a form of surgical alteration, has historically been recorded on the official certificate of  
30 registration.; Therefore, Be It

31 Resolved,                      That AHA Article 304.9 be amended to read as follow:

32                      “9. (a) Members, their agents, servants and employees, shall not perform, aid, instruct, conspire with  
33 another, or employ another to perform any surgical procedure on a horse, to be shown, used for  
34 breeding, or sold as a breeding animal, that conceals any genetic defect or any undesirable trait, unless  
35 such surgery is necessary for therapy to the horse as attested and sworn to in writing by a qualified  
36 veterinarian. Such surgery must be reported to AHA by the owner, lessee, manager or other person  
37 who authorized the surgery within thirty (30) days of the surgery commencing with surgery performed  
38 July 1, 2005 and thereafter. Surgery performed December 1, 2004 until June 30, 2005, must be  
39 reported no later than July 31, 2005, to permit the development, production and distribution of  
40 necessary report forms.

41                      (b) Reportable Surgeries are as follows: 1) cutting the dorsal or ventral tail muscles; 2) ear trims;  
42 3) Forssells operation; 4) implantations (saline, latex, silicone, etc.); 5) inferior check desmotomy; 6)  
43 liposuction; 7) Modified Forssells operation; 8) partial removal of the anterior 1/3 of the tongue; 9)  
44 partial severance of the ligamentum nuchas; 10) subcutaneous injection of materials to fill in defects  
45 and 11) tattooing.

(c) A Surgical Review Panel shall be appointed by the AHA President to serve during the President's tenure. The Panel is to be composed of four (4) members; two (2) members of the Equine Stress/Research and Education Committee; one (1) member of the Registration Commission and one (1) veterinarian who is recognized as an equine practitioner. This Panel will maintain (making additions to or deletions from), and will consider applications for exception to, the list of Reportable Surgeries in 9 (b).

(d) A Memorandum of Understanding is to be pursued between AHA and the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) whereby veterinarians will file a report with AHA if they perform any of the procedures found in 9 (b). on any Arabian horse, identifying the date of surgery, name of horse and name of owner and any other information that AHA and AVMA might consider important for reporting."

(e) Any surgical procedure stated in 9 (b) must be documented on the Registration Certificate or on an Official Surgical alteration Addendum to this certificate.

Effective: AHA Article 304.9 (a), (b), (c), (d) effective December 1, 2004  
AHA Article 304.9 (e) effective upon approval by the Registration Commission

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**PROPONENT'S FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

(Refer to Article 901.2.e. for financial requirements.)

Minimal: Cost of forms, clerical and posting to registration certificate.

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**AHA IMPACT STATEMENT:**

Following are some of the issues that may arise if this Resolution is implemented:

1. How often can/will the Panel change the list?
2. How will the members be notified of the changes in the list?
3. What if the surgery disclosure list changes (without the transferee's knowledge) the day before a horse is transferred without the owner's disclosure of the newly listed surgery?
4. What happens if the current Panel deletes a previously required reportable surgery? Will all the papers have to be changed to delete reference to that surgery?
5. When a reportable surgery is added to the list by the Panel, do horses which previously had that particular surgery have to then add it to their papers? What is the time limit to do so?
6. Will there be confusion (or a presumption) that disclosing a surgery that is on the list will protect a person from a Section 9 unethical surgical alteration? (in other words, "If the surgery is on the list and I disclose it, then it is not a violation?");
7. Does the statement 'Arabian' in Line 51 include Half-Arabian and Anglo-Arabians?
8. Was Staff time taken into consideration?
9. Should the Memorandum of Agreement be with the American Association of Equine Practitioners?
10. Will there be legal issues with AVM? What if the veterinarian fails to report the surgery?
11. What if the AVMA refuses to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding?
12. What happens if no report is made?
13. What will be the Committee costs?

Contact Person: Joe Hull, Vice Chair, Agenda & Resolutions Committee (614) 877-9864

Surgical alteration of an Arabian horse to improve appearance and performance is an ethical issue that has been addressed under AHA rules (see Codes of Ethics). Disclosure of this surgery, as required under Resolution #6-04, would be left up to the integrity (ethics) of the owner and veterinarian authorizing and performing the surgery.

Disclosure would be voluntary at best. The few owners and veterinarians who feel surgical alteration is necessary will most likely not disclose the surgery as it would publicly announce that the horse has a problem.



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2 **SUBJECT: Rescind Affidavits, Require Single Event Member Fee (SEM)**

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4 *(This section to be completed by the Agenda and Resolutions Committee.)*

5 Committees required to review:

Committee Action:

Approve                      Disapprove

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Competitions Advisory Committee  
Membership Committee  
Ways & Means Committee

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8 **CONVENTION ACTION:**

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10 \_\_\_\_\_ Approved                      \_\_\_\_\_ Approved with Modification                      \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved  
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12 \_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn                      \_\_\_\_\_ Referred to Committee \_\_\_\_\_  
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14 **RESOLUTION:**

15 *(Refer to Article 901 for submission requirements.)*

- 16
- 17 Whereas, Resolution 4-94 implemented an affidavit membership system that amended Resolution 11-77; and
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- 19 Whereas, The AHA member affidavit process is confusing to many of our exhibitors and many sign it for
- 20 competition purposes without being a current member or having an Associate non-competitive
- 21 membership; and
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- 23 Whereas, The most common excuse is that the trainer instructed them to hurry and sign the affidavit and get the
- 24 back number so that the horse can enter the ring; and
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- 26 Whereas, Other common responses to the AHA Office include the owner was usually in a hurry, did not read the
- 27 affidavit form, did not know what they were signing, and would have gladly paid the \$15 if they would
- 28 have known; and
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- 30 Whereas, The rule that requires that if the horse placed and any participant of that horse is not a member, the
- 31 awards must be returned, the horses moved up and a \$50 fee must be paid to the show, has been in
- 32 place since January 2003; and
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- 34 Whereas, Signing an affidavit without current membership automatically subjects the signer to a \$100 fine; and
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- 36 Whereas, The club membership secretary may have not sent in the membership which creates necessary pending
- 37 work for entering show results and slows down the process of reporting results on the AHA website;
- 38 and
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- 40 Whereas, In some breeds you must purchase another membership that is not refundable, in others you pay a non-
- 41 refundable non-member fee, and in some you cannot show without presenting your membership card;
- 42 and
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- 44 Whereas, Presenting a correct membership card or paying a Single Event Member fee resolves all pending work,
- 45 speeds up the result process, including reporting on results to the AHA website and eliminates loss of
- 46 placings; Therefore, Be It
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- 48 Resolved, That Resolution 4-94 be rescinded; and, Be It Further
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50 Resolved, That in order to show at AHA Recognized Events, all participants (Owner, Trainer,  
51 Rider/Handler/Driver and anyone who signs an entry form) must either be an Affiliate, Direct, Youth,  
52 Life or Business member of AHA, or pay a Single Event Member fee. (Single Event Member fees are  
53 not accepted at AHA Regional and National Events.)  
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55 Effective: January 1, 2005  
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57 **PROPONENT'S FINANCIAL IMPACT:**  
58 (Refer to Article 901.2.e. for financial requirements.)  
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60 With a potential of 2,200 affidavits per year, a Single Event Member fee @ \$10\* would be a total of \$11,000 for AHA  
61 and \$11,000 for Affiliated Clubs per year.

62 *\*Note: The Board of Directors, at their August 2004 meeting, passed a motion to reduce the Single Event Member fee to*  
63 *\$10 upon approval of this resolution.*  
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65 **AHA IMPACT STATEMENT:**  
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67 The AHA Staff supports this Resolution.

68 Contact Person: Janet C Holloway, Sr. Director Competition Services – (303) 696-4585  
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70 **SUBMITTED BY:**

71 Name: Competition Advisory Committee

72  Member Organization  Committee  Commission  Board  Region (check one )

73 Who voted:  Members  Board  Delegates (check voting body)

74 Total Number Eligible to Vote: 9 Number of Yes votes: 9 Number of No votes: 0

75 How vote was taken:  mail  email  phone  meeting (check one) (Must have Quorum with majority of yes votes)

76 Where documentation of this vote is recorded: Minutes of Meeting

77 Date vote taken: August 11, 2004

78 Contact Person: Dan Stevenson (Has authority to amend, combine or withdraw)

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**SUBJECT: Convention Site Selection**

*(This section to be completed by the Agenda and Resolutions Committee.)*

Committees required to review:

Committee Action:

Approve

Disapprove

Annual Convention Planning Committee

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CONVENTION ACTION:

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\_\_\_\_\_ Referred to Committee \_\_\_\_\_

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RESOLUTION:

(Refer to Article 901 for submission requirements.)

Whereas, One of the "Resolves" of Resolution 18-94 states: That Regional bid presentations may continue to be made by a region in keeping with past tradition, provided that the proposal meets the Convention criteria standards, and is economically beneficial to the membership; and

Whereas, The schedule for upcoming conventions has been shortened making a regional bid more economically feasible for a hosting region; and

Whereas, The presentation of non-hosted sites may no longer be necessary; and

Whereas, Choosing non-hosted sites each year even if a regional bid is forthcoming can cause AHA to loose credibility with hotels; and

Whereas, The regions are often not able to commit to host an upcoming convention four (4) years out, thus consistently causing the convention delegates to vote on motions to postpone the convention selection; Therefore, Be It

Resolved, That The Annual Convention Planning Committee will submit a site for a non-hosted convention if a site has not been approved two years prior and an acceptable regional bid is not forthcoming; and Be It Further

Resolved, That the site selection presentation and vote take place at least two (2) years prior to the convention.

Effective: January 1, 2005

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PROPONENT'S FINANCIAL IMPACT:

(Refer to Article 901.2.e. for financial requirements.)

None

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AHA IMPACT STATEMENT:

None

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**SUBJECT: Submitting Convention Sites with Major Hotel Chains**

*(This section to be completed by the Agenda and Resolutions Committee.)*

Committees required to review:

Committee Action:

Approve

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Annual Convention Planning Committee

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CONVENTION ACTION:

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RESOLUTION:

(Refer to Article 901 for submission requirements.)

Whereas, The current convention selection process prohibits AHA from negotiating with major hotel chains for multiple year consecutive conventions; and

Whereas, Such negotiations could prove financially valuable to AHA and its member delegates; and

Whereas, Sites within these hotel chains could be regionally hosted or non-hosted conventions; Therefore, Be It

Resolved, That the Annual Convention Planning Committee may submit sites with major hotel chains which may include multiple year conventions, hosted and non-hosted.

Effective: January 1, 2005

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PROPONENT'S FINANCIAL IMPACT:

(Refer to Article 901.2.e. for financial requirements.)

None

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AHA IMPACT STATEMENT:

Utilization of multi-year contracts can yield significant benefits:

1. More cost savings and perks to the association (room rates, service, audio visual, etc.).
2. Establish better relationships with well established, nationally recognized hotel chains.
3. Focus on long-term convention goals (increased attendance, additional networking opportunities, expanding exhibits, etc.).
4. Focus on enhanced hotel service and performance in terms of our expectations.
5. Improved management of convention through established relationships.
6. Reduced paperwork – no site annual site selections and contracts.

Committing to a multi-year agreement with a national hotel chain helps AHA and the hotels establish good initial communications and a road map of expectations for the future conventions.

Contact Person: Lorie Liddicoat, Sr. Director Member Services & Youth Programs – (303) 696-4587



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2 **SUBJECT: Convention Held in Denver 2007 and 2008**

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4 *(This section to be completed by the Agenda and Resolutions Committee.)*  
5 Committees required to review:

Committee Action:  
Approve            Disapprove

6 Annual Convention Planning Committee	_____	_____
Board of Directors	_____	_____
Professional Horsemen Committee	_____	_____
Ways & Means Committee	_____	_____

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8 **CONVENTION ACTION:**

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10 \_\_\_\_\_Approved                      \_\_\_\_\_Approved with Modification                      \_\_\_\_\_Disapproved  
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12 \_\_\_\_\_Withdrawn                      \_\_\_\_\_Referred to Committee\_\_\_\_\_

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14 **RESOLUTION:**  
15 *(Refer to Article 901 for submission requirements.)*

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17 Whereas,            The financial best interest of the Arabian Horse Association must now be considered in every possible  
18 way; and

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20 Whereas,            Significant AHA dollars are spent every year transporting AHA staff, documents and material to  
21 various locations for the annual convention; and

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23 Whereas,            Certain Convention locations chosen over the years have a vastly greater financial cost in  
24 transportation and temporary lodging for both the AHA staff and the attending delegates, as well as  
25 shipping ; Therefore, Be It

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27 Resolved,            That, the annual AHA convention shall be held in the Denver area for the years 2007 and 2008; and,  
28 Be It Further

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30 Resolved,            That a comprehensive cost comparison analysis be performed after the second year in Denver to  
31 determine the potential savings of money due to the continuity of location and venue.

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33 Effective:            2007

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35 **PROPONENT'S FINANCIAL IMPACT:**  
36 *(Refer to Article 901.2.e. for financial requirements.)*

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38 Savings of flight costs of convention staff, currently budgeted at \$350 per person for 13 staff members, as well as  
39 shipping costs for materials and paperwork, etc. This resolution will add real data to determine whether there is, as most  
40 would expect, in fact a real cost benefit to doing business more than one year in the same area, without flight and  
41 transportation costs for staff and material.

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43 **AHA IMPACT STATEMENT:**

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45 While continuity of location and venue may be of benefit when it comes to horse shows, it is not necessarily the case  
46 with the travel and hospitality industry. This resolution if passed would tie the hands of the staff that negotiate the hotel  
47 contracts. By mandating certain restrictions like staying in one location it severely hampers the negotiations as the hotel  
48 knows that AHA is limited and cannot shop around.

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 50 While the proponent is proposing a cost savings of approximately \$5,000, having the flexibility to negotiate locations  
 51 enables AHA to provide more cost savings for attendees (hotel room rates, airports, etc.) In addition, it would:  
 52 1. potentially attract new delegates/guests because of geographic rotation  
 53 2. keep the convention from becoming stagnant  
 54 3. keep activities fresh and interesting

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 56 There are many factors to consider when selecting a site for convention; accessibility, affordability, airline service,  
 57 appeal to attendees, required hotel resources (meeting space, guest rooms, technology and equipment). The AHA  
 58 meeting room to guest room requirements already limits us to certain size hotels. By mandating the convention in one  
 59 location year after year reduces the number of sites that we will be able to fit into and further reduces our negotiating  
 60 power.

61 In this case, mandating the hotel to stay in one location is not necessarily a cost savings when all factors are considered.

62 Contact Person: Lorie Liddicoat, Sr. Director Member Services & Youth Programs – (303) 696-4587  
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66 SUBMITTED BY:

67 Name: Arabian Professional and Amateur Horsemen’s Association

68 Member Organization    Committee    Commission    Board    Region (check one )

69 Who voted:                    Members    Board    Delegates                    (check voting body)

70 Total Number Eligible to Vote:                    Number of Yes votes:                    Number of No votes:

71 How vote was taken:  mail     email     phone    meeting (check one) (Must have Quorum with majority of yes votes)

72 Where documentation of this vote is recorded:

73 Date vote taken: July 29, 2004

74 Contact Person: Mary Trowbridge                    (Has authority to amend, combine or withdraw)

75 Phone: 860-354-8926                    Email: mary@trowbridgesltd.com                    Fax:

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**SUBJECT: Endurance Ride 25+ Miles to be Recorded for Achievement Awards**

*(This section to be completed by the Agenda and Resolutions Committee.)*

Committees required to review:

Committee Action:

Approve

Disapprove

Awards Committee

Endurance Ride Committee

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CONVENTION ACTION:

\_\_\_\_\_ Approved

\_\_\_\_\_ Approved with Modification

\_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved

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RESOLUTION:

(Refer to Article 901 for submission requirements.)

Whereas, Endurance Ride participation of less than 50 Miles is becoming more popular with Arabian Horse enthusiasts; and

Whereas, The current rules call for Endurance Ride Achievement Point Table (AHA Article 2107) to begin at 50 miles, many riders choose to ride 25-49 miles; and

Whereas, Expanding the Endurance Ride Point Table would bring it in line with the Competitive Ride Achievement Point Table; and

Whereas, Allowing recognition to be given to this group of riders and horses may result in more event participation; Therefore, Be It

Resolved, That the Endurance Ride Achievement Point Table (AHA Article 2107 be amended as follows:

“ Note: ride must be a minimum of 25 miles to count for Achievement Award Points.”

3. Figuring Point Value:  
(ADD) 25 Miles = 25%, etc.

Effective: January 1, 2005

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PROPONENT'S FINANCIAL IMPACT:

(Refer to Article 901.2.e. for financial requirements.)

Impact should be minor with enrollment fees covering any additional costs. Also, there is a possibility that income could be realized due to increased membership from Arabian owners competing in these disciplines that are not currently members. The software was just updated in 2004 and should be able to handle this change with little or no impact.

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AHA IMPACT STATEMENT:

As pointed out in the whereas, this will bring the Endurance Ride points inline with the current Competitive Trail points. Programming is currently in place to handle the Competitive Trail tabulation and can be instituted for Endurance Ride points.

Contact Person: Leslie Lockard, Director Competition Records – (303) 696-4521



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2 **SUBJECT: Class Specification Changes to In-Hand/Breeding Classes (USEF/EC)**

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4 *(This section to be completed by the Agenda and Resolutions Committee.)*

5 Committees required to review:

Committee Action:  
Approve                  Disapprove

6 Amateur Committee	_____	_____
Equine Stress/Research & Education Committee	_____	_____
Judges & Stewards Steering Committee	_____	_____
Professional Horsemen Committee	_____	_____

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8 **CONVENTION ACTION:**

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10 \_\_\_\_\_ Approved                  \_\_\_\_\_ Approved with Modification                  \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved

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12 \_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn                  \_\_\_\_\_ Referred to Committee \_\_\_\_\_

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14 **RESOLUTION:**

15 *(Refer to Article 901 for submission requirements.)*

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17 Whereas, USEF Article 1607.1b, 1c, and 1d states that breeding/in-hand class protocol dictates that horses  
18 entering the ring must first walk to a cone and then trot. It also states that horses should be walked on  
19 a loose line in both directions; and

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21 Whereas, We feel that the current procedures detract from the natural brilliance of the Arabian horse and its  
22 appeal to the general public; and

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24 Whereas, This proposed resolution would allow judges ample time to review the horses in a relaxed state. This  
25 would save show management time and be more attractive to the viewers. It would allow the exhibitors  
26 to show their horses in a more natural and appealing manner; Therefore, Be It

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28 Resolved, That USEF Article 1607.1b, 1c and 1d be deleted and replaced with the following and re-letter  
29 accordingly:

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31                  “b. That breeding/in-hand horses entering the ring, trot through the gate.

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33                  c. That breeding/in-hand class horses walk only in one direction in the ring on a loose line,  
34 circle, and then return to their place in line.”

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36 Effective: When approved by USEF/EC

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38 **PROPONENT'S FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

39 *(Refer to Article 901.2.e. for financial requirements.)*

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43 **AHA IMPACT STATEMENT:**

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SUBMITTED BY:

Name: Half-Arabian Association of Michigan

Member Organization    Committee    Commission    Board    Region    (check one )

Who voted:                    Members    Board    Delegates                    (check voting body)

Total Number Eligible to Vote: 5                    Number of Yes votes: 5                    Number of No votes: 0

How vote was taken:  mail     email     phone    meeting    (check one)    (Must have Quorum with majority of yes votes)

Where documentation of this vote is recorded: In club minutes

Date vote taken: August 1, 2004

Contact Person: Gayle Ledwidge                    (Has authority to amend, combine or withdraw)

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1 **SUBJECT: Ginger Testing (USEF)**

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3 *(This section to be completed by the Agenda and Resolutions Committee.)*

4 Committees required to review:	Committee Action:	
5	Approve	Disapprove
Equine Stress/Research & Education Committee	_____	_____
National Event Operational Procedures (NEOP) Committee	_____	_____
Professional Horsemen Committee	_____	_____
USEF Arabian Division Committee	_____	_____
Ways & Means Committee	_____	_____

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7 **CONVENTION ACTION:**

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9 _____ Approved	_____ Approved with Modification	_____ Disapproved
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12 **RESOLUTION:**

13 (Refer to Article 901 for submission requirements.)

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16 **Whereas,** The rules impose a longstanding and explicit prohibition of the practice of altering tail carriage; and

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18 **Whereas,** The alteration of tail carriage is a serious infraction of the rules, in that it constitutes misrepresentation of the breed type; and

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21 **Whereas,** There exists the means and motivation to enforce the rules prohibiting this practice; Therefore, Be It

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23 **Resolved,** That the first sentence of USEF Article 1601.4 be amended to read as follows:

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25 4. Horses must wear a long, natural, unbraided mane (with or without clipped bridle path), and a

26 natural, unset, ungingered tail; see Article 1601.5; and be it Further

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28 **Resolved,** That a new USEF Article 1601.5 be added as follows and renumber accordingly:

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30 “5. Ginger, Capsaicin, and Other Irritants.

31 (a) No horse may compete in a class in the Arabian or Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Division

32 with a tail carriage that has been altered in any manner or by any means, including by application to

33 its anus, vulva, rectal area or vaginal area of a chemical or other irritant of any kind. Violations of

34 this Article are considered serious infractions, because such alterations constitute misrepresentations

35 of the breed type.

36 (b) No horse may compete in a class in the Arabian or Half-Arabian/Anglo Arabian Division with

37 any chemical or other irritant of any kind present on its anus, vulva, rectal area or vaginal area,

38 regardless of the origin of the irritant and whether or not it was applied or its presence resulted from

39 dietary or environmental or unknown origins, and whether or not the horse’s tail carriage was affected

40 by its presence.

41 (c) The trainer (see Articles 121 and 404), owners, and their agents, of a horse entered to

42 compete in a class in the Arabian or Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Division are insurers of the horse’s

43 condition and compliance with this Article, and accordingly they are responsible and accountable for

44 safeguarding the horse and controlling its diet and environment prior to, during and following the

45 class and at the time of the sampling provided for below, so as to prevent exposure to a chemical or

46 other irritant of any kind, regardless of its origin, and whether or not exposure was intentional, and

47 whether or not the horse’s tail carriage was affected by its presence, and these individuals/entities are

48 subject to charges of rule violation should the sampling and testing provided for below be positive for

49 the presence of a chemical or irritant of any kind.

- 50 (d) Any trainer, owner, agent or other person who administers, attempts to administer, instructs,
- 51 aids, conspires with another to administer, or employs anyone who administers or attempts to
- 52 administer a chemical or other irritant of any kind onto the anus, vulva, rectal area or vaginal area of a
- 53 horse entered to compete in a class in the Arabian or Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Division shall be
- 54 subject to penalties as provided for in (i) below.
- 55 (e) Competition management is authorized to appoint representatives to collect swab samples of
- 56 substances present on the anus, vulva, rectal area or vaginal area of horses following their exit from
- 57 the ring, in connection with a class in the Arabian or Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Division, and to
- 58 test the samples, as follows:
- 59 1) competition management may choose all horses in such a class to be sampled, or it may select
- 60 one or more placings from the class for sampling or it may select some of the horses from such a
- 61 class for sampling; in making such selections competition management may act on the request of a
- 62 judge of the class but is not required to do so;
- 63 2) competition management shall appoint only a licensed veterinarian or veterinarians to
- 64 supervise the sampling, who may utilize technicians working under direct supervision of the
- 65 veterinarian(s);
- 66 3) competition management shall implement the standardized documentation of the chain of
- 67 custody provided by the laboratory identifying the horse from which each sample was taken;
- 68 4) competition management is authorized to provide for testing of the samples by the Iowa State
- 69 University laboratory or another comparable laboratory acceptable to the USEF, and shall
- 70 implement the standardized documentation of the chain of custody provided by the laboratory for
- 71 transporting the samples to and from the laboratory, and while at the laboratory.
- 72 (f) The trainer, owner, and their agents of a horse competing in a class in the Arabian and Half-
- 73 Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Division must submit to the above sample collections performed by
- 74 representatives of competition management, and they must do so with no unnecessary delays; they
- 75 must cooperate with the above sample collection personnel, and must assist them by helping to
- 76 restrain the horse properly during the sample collection(s), and they must exhibit polite attitude and
- 77 actions toward them.
- 78 (g) In the event the laboratory reports to the competition management the presence of a chemical
- 79 or other irritant of any kind in a horse’s sample, competition management shall forward to USEF the
- 80 original copies of the laboratory report, the analytical data, and the documented chain of custody for
- 81 identifying the horse from which the sample was collected and identifying the laboratory results as
- 82 being from that horse’s sample.
- 83 (h) Upon receipt of the above documents, USEF shall review them and relevant competition and
- 84 Federation records, and shall determine whether they serve as a basis for charges of rule violation
- 85 against the horse’s trainer, owner, and/or their agents, pursuant to this Article of the Rules and Rules
- 86 VI and VII; any charges issued shall be heard and determined by the Federation’s Hearing Committee
- 87 pursuant to the procedures specified in Articles VI and VII of the Rules.
- 88 (i) In the event the Hearing Committee determines a violation to have occurred, the trainer,
- 89 owner and/or their agents each shall be subject to any and all penalties imposed by the Hearing
- 90 Committee in its discretion pursuant to Articles VI and VII of the Rules, including suspensions, fines,
- 91 and the revocation and redistribution of winnings, a notice or notices of which shall be published in
- 92 Equestrian magazine. The suggested minimum penalty for a first offense is the revocation of all the
- 93 horse’s winnings in connection with the entire competition in question, a suspension of 60 days and a
- 94 fine of \$1000.00. Subsequent violations of this Article by any of the above individuals/entities shall
- 95 be subject to such greater penalties as determined in the discretion of the Hearing Committee.”
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97 Effective: When approved by USEF

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100 **PROPONENT'S FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

101 (Refer to Article 901.2.e. for financial requirements.)

102 There will be no financial impact to AHA upon approval of this resolution, except perhaps in connection with  
103 competitions that AHA manages (e.g. U.S. Nationals or Youth Nationals), should said competition management exercise  
104 its option to conduct “ginger testing.”



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**SUBJECT: Holding of Western Reins (USEF/EC)**

*(This section to be completed by the Agenda and Resolutions Committee.)*

Committees required to review:

Committee Action:

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USEF Arabian Division Committee  
Working Western Horse Committee

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CONVENTION ACTION:

\_\_\_\_\_ Approved                      \_\_\_\_\_ Approved with Modification                      \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved  
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RESOLUTION:

(Refer to Article 901 for submission requirements.)

Whereas,                      In the interest of continuity, the Arabian Division wishes to abide by the Western Division rules; and

Whereas,                      The Western Division rules have been modified to read that there must be 16” of slack between hands when using romal reins; Therefore, Be It

Resolved,                      That the Arabian Division rule, Article 1679.4 be amended to;

“The rider may hold romal or end of split reins to keep them from swinging and to adjust the position of the reins provided it is held with at least 16” of slack between the hands.”

Effective:                      When approved by USEF/EC

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PROPONENT'S FINANCIAL IMPACT:

(Refer to Article 901.2.e. for financial requirements.)

None.

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AHA IMPACT STATEMENT:

None

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39 SUBMITTED BY:

40 Name: USEF Arabian Division Committee

41  Member Organization  Committee  Commission  Board  Region (check one )42 Who voted:  Members  Board  Delegates (check voting body)

43 Total Number Eligible to Vote: 18 Number of Yes votes: 10 Number of No votes: 0

44 How vote was taken:  mail  email  phone  meeting (check one) (Must have Quorum with majority of yes votes)

45 Where documentation of this vote is recorded: Yes

46 Date vote taken: 8/16/04

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**SUBJECT: Tying Tails to Show Vehicle (USEF/EC)**

*(This section to be completed by the Agenda and Resolutions Committee.)*  
Committees required to review:

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USEF Arabian Division Committee

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CONVENTION ACTION:

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RESOLUTION:

(Refer to Article 901 for submission requirements.)

Whereas,                  In driving classes, the present wording is ambiguous on regulations regarding the attachment of tails to the show vehicle; and

Whereas,                  In the interest of safety for horses with long tails, which poses the possibility of becoming entangled in the spokes or wheels of the show vehicle; making a small braid or knot in the end of the tail is permitted, which may then be attached to the show vehicle; Therefore, Be It

Resolved,                  That USEF Articles 1650.4, 1654.5, 1658.5 be added with the following:

                                         “In the interest of safety horses with long tails; a short, inconspicuous braid or knot may be made in the end of the tail, permitting it to be fastened to the show vehicle.”

Effective:                  When approved by USEF/EC

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PROPONENT'S FINANCIAL IMPACT:

(Refer to Article 901.2.e. for financial requirements.)

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AHA IMPACT STATEMENT:

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**SUBJECT: Junior Horse NRHA Exception for Bridles (USEF/EC)**

*(This section to be completed by the Agenda and Resolutions Committee.)*

Committees required to review:

Committee Action:

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USEF Arabian Division Committee  
Working Western Horse Committee

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CONVENTION ACTION:

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RESOLUTION:

(Refer to Article 901 for submission requirements.)

Whereas,                      The Arabian reining horse division is growing rapidly and in today’s industry more and more exhibitors participate at both breed shows and NRHA shows; and

Whereas,                      The NRHA Handbook specifies that all horses are to be shown one handed no matter what their age (with the exception of an occasional 2 handed snaffle bit/hackamore class); and

Whereas,                      The current Arabian Division rule prohibits any horse that has been shown in a bridle from returning to the Junior Horse Division and be shown in a snaffle or hackamore; and

Whereas,                      In the proponent’s opinion, this rule conflict discourages participation in both venues and ultimately causes the exhibitor to choose with which they wish to continue; Therefore, Be It

Resolved,                      That the following be added at Article 1679.3 of the USEF rule book:

“A horse shown in either a hackamore or snaffle must never have been shown in any western event in a bridle (except NRHA events).”

Effective:                      When approved by USEF/EC

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PROPONENT’S FINANCIAL IMPACT:

(Refer to Article 901.2.e. for financial requirements.)

None

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AHA IMPACT STATEMENT:

None

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2 **SUBJECT: Wording Change to Trail Scoring Penalties Section (USEF/EC)**

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4 *(This section to be completed by the Agenda and Resolutions Committee.)*

Committee Action:  
Approve          Disapprove

5 Committees required to review:  
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Education/Evaluation Committee	_____	_____
USEF Arabian Division Committee	_____	_____
Working Western Horse Committee	_____	_____

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8 **CONVENTION ACTION:**

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14 **RESOLUTION:**

15 (Refer to Article 901 for submission requirements.)

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17 Whereas,                  The trail scoring system is constantly evolving with continual input from judges and exhibitors alike;  
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20 Whereas,                  Many gray areas in the system continue to exist; Therefore, Be It

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22 Resolved,                  That the first sentence of USEF Article 1690C.4c be deleted and replaced with the following:

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24                                          “Horse misses/evades or adds an element/component of an obstacle.”

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26 Effective:                  When approved by USEF/EC

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28 **PROPONENT'S FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

29 (Refer to Article 901.2.e. for financial requirements.)

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33 **AHA IMPACT STATEMENT:**

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2 **SUBJECT: Sport Horse Classes to Use Open Cards (USEF/EC)**

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4 *(This section to be completed by the Agenda and Resolutions Committee.)*  
5 Committees required to review:

Committee Action:  
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USEF Arabian Division Committee \_\_\_\_\_

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8 **CONVENTION ACTION:**

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12 \_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn          \_\_\_\_\_ Referred to Committee \_\_\_\_\_  
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14 **RESOLUTION:**  
15 (Refer to Article 901 for submission requirements.)

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17 Whereas,          Scheduling of shows is always a concern for show management; and  
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19 Whereas,          Individual-go classes with large entries can sometimes conflict with the running of the main show ring;  
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22 Resolved,          That USEF Article 1604.1 be changed to read:  
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24                          “(...Exception: Working Hunter and Sport Horse In Hand may be run on open cards...)”

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26 Effective:          When approved by USEF/EC  
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28 **PROPONENT'S FINANCIAL IMPACT:**  
29 (Refer to Article 901.2.e. for financial requirements.)

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31 Positive. This will contribute to increased participation at shows.  
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33 **AHA IMPACT STATEMENT:**

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35 None  
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**SUBJECT: Rewrite of Sport Horse Rules in USEF/EC Rulebooks (USEF/EC)**

*(This section to be completed by the Agenda and Resolutions Committee.)*

Committees required to review:

Committee Action:

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Sport Horse Committee

USEF Arabian Division Committee

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CONVENTION ACTION:

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RESOLUTION:

(Refer to Article 901 for submission requirements.)

Whereas, The sport horse division is becoming more popular each year; and

Whereas, It is desirable to have the rules for this division be as easily understood as possible; and

Whereas, The format for this section had been different from the other sections in the Arabian rules Chapter; Therefore, Be It

Resolved, That the USEF Chapter 12 be deleted and replaced with the following

**“CHAPTER XII – SPORT HORSE SECTION**

Article 1649. Purpose.

1. To evaluate and encourage the breeding of Arabian and Half-Arabian/Anglo Arabian horses suitable for dressage, working hunter, eventing, jumper, combined driving, competitive trail and endurance; and to provide an opportunity to demonstrate the effectiveness of breeding programs. Form to function will be emphasized.

Article 1649A. General

1. In-Hand, under saddle and show hack sport horse classes for 1) Arabians and 2) Half-Arabians/Anglo Arabian sport horses may be held separately or in conjunction with any recognized Arabian competition. Sport horse in-hand, under saddle and sport horse show hack classes may be held for stallions, mares and geldings. Refer to Chapter XXVII for rules on Half-Arabians and Anglo Arabians and 1699W.4 for eligibility of stallions to show.
2. In-Hand classes may be held in any age groups deemed appropriate by competition management and published in their prize list with the exception that horses of one sex shall not be judged against those of the opposite sex. Specified group classes or specified championship classes are excepted. See Art. 1699X.3. Judge must excuse from the ring any unruly horse or one whose actions threaten to endanger other exhibitors or their entries. A whip may be used to guide the horse. Excessive use of the whip or actions that may disturb other entries shall be severely penalized. See Articles 1607.6 for additional causes for mandatory elimination from the arena or designated judging area. See also Article 1607.7.
  - 2.1 Group Classes- Get of Sire (without sire) – two or three offspring entered under the sire’s name; and Produce of Dam (without dam) – two or three offspring entered under the dam’s name. Multiple ownership permitted, all owners must be listed. More than one entry per sire/dam is permitted in the same class. All horses must have been judged in their individual in-hand classes.
  - 2.2 SPORT HORSE IN-HAND CHAMPIONS AND RESERVES shall be at least two years of age. The Champion shall be the top scoring horse in each section for which a Championship is offered, and the Reserve Champion shall be the horse with the second highest score in their section. This is determined by points, without further showing. Special overall Grand Championships or Junior Championships may be offered at the discretion of competition management. Details must be included in the prize list.
  - 2.3 Articles 1601, 1602, 1604, and 1605, apply to Sport Horse in-hand classes.

- 55 2.4 Articles 1601, 1602, 1604, 1605, 1612, 1613, and 1614 apply to Sport Horse Under Saddle and Sport Horse Show  
56 Hack classes.
- 57 3. When possible, the announcement of placings will include the breeding of the horses placed: sire and dam as well  
58 as the name of the owner and breeder.
- 59 4. Sport Horse In-Hand Classes. Conformation is to be evaluated in terms of potential trainability, potential  
60 performance and predisposition to soundness. Form to function is to be emphasized. Blemishes are not to count  
61 unless resulting from conformation faults. Gaits are to be evaluated in terms of purity, quality and correctness.  
62 Correct gaits which contribute to ease in training and the horse remaining sound and useable are most important.  
63 Purity and quality are judged mainly in profile. Correctness is judged mainly while the horse is coming to and going  
64 from the judge's position. Colts and stallions two years and over must have both testicles descended.

65 Article 1649B. Appointments

- 66 1. Braiding is optional.
- 67 2. Boots or bandages of any kind are forbidden during a class. (Exception: Article 1612.7)
- 68 3. SPORT HORSE IN-HAND CLASSES. Bridles mandatory on horses three years and older. A bridle shall be  
69 dressage or hunter type with snaffle bit, with or without cheeks, keepers allowed, reins and headstall with  
70 throatlatch. Noseband is optional. A split or single chain may be used with or instead of reins. Horses age two  
71 years may be shown in a bridle or a plain leather stable halter. Horses under the age of two years must be shown in  
72 plain leather stable halters.
- 73 3.1 The handler may carry only one whip, maximum length 6', including lash and without attachments; i.e. plastic bags,  
74 ribbons, etc.
- 75 3.2 Conservative casual attire is recommended for the handler. Dressage or hunter attire is also appropriate. Gloves,  
76 hat, vest, jacket are optional. (See Art. 318.1)
- 77 4. SPORT HORSE UNDER SADDLE CLASSES. Dressage or hunter type bridle required, with a snaffle, with or  
78 without cheeks, keepers allowed; or a pelham. Kimberwicks are prohibited. Unconventional bits may be penalized  
79 at the discretion of the judge. Martingales prohibited, breastplates permitted. Type of saddle shall be dressage or  
80 forward seat. Girth may be leather or other suitable material.
- 81 4.1 Dressage (Art. 1920.1) or informal hunter (Art. 1636.5) attire required. Rider may carry a whip or crop, maximum  
82 length 4'.
- 83 5. SPORT HORSE SHOW HACK CLASSES. Dressage or hunter style bridles, single snaffle or double bridle or  
84 pelham bit acceptable. Converters on pelham bit not permitted. Kimberwick bit is not permitted. If using a double  
85 bridle, the lever arm (length below mouthpiece) must not exceed 10 cm. (3.94"). The inside diameter of the bridoon  
86 ring must not exceed 3.15". Non-conforming bits may be penalized at the judge's discretion. Martingales not  
87 permitted. Type of saddle must be dressage or forward seat. Girth may be leather or other suitable material.
- 88 5.1 Conservatively colored dark coat, breeches and boots, with hunting cap, derby or protective headgear. Protective  
89 headgear may be worn without penalty (See Gen. Rules, Art. 318). Formal attire consisting of white breeches, top  
90 hat and shadbelly coat may be worn. It is usual to wear such attire after 6:00 p.m. or in championship classes.

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92 *TAKE OUT CURRENT 1649D – COMPETITION VETERINARIAN This issue is covered in General Rules – Article*  
93 *1040.4.1 and 4.2, and Article 1205.*

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95 1649C. Qualifying Gaits.

- 96 Innate quality movement is a priority in the sport horse classes. All gaits should be pure in rhythm, and should be  
97 without tension or resistance.
- 98 1. (a) Walk.(also Normal Walk) The rhythm of the walk is 4 beats. The walk is to be regular and unconstrained.  
99 (b) Collected Walk. The rhythm is 4 beats. The stride maintains the marching quality of the normal walk, with  
100 hindlegs well engaged. The stride covers less ground but tends to be higher than the normal walk.
- 101 (c) Extended Walk. The rhythm is 4 beats. While maintaining the march quality, the horse does not rush, but with  
102 regular steps, will clearly show the hind feet touching the ground in front of the footprints of the forefeet. The  
103 rider allows the horse to stretch forward with head and neck, but does not release contact with the mouth.
- 104 2. (a) Trot. (also Normal Trot). The rhythm of the trot is 2 beats. The trot is free, active and regular. The steps should  
105 be balanced and elastic with the horse demonstrating a supple back and well engaged hindquarters,  
106 (b) Collected Trot. The rhythm is 2 beats. The horse continues to move forward with impulsion, and demonstrates  
107 an ability to further engage the hocks, which allows the shoulders of the horse to become lighter and the stride  
108 to become shorter. The neck is raised and arched, but not constrained.
- 109 (c) Extended Trot. The rhythm is 2 beats. The horse covers as much ground as possible, while maintaining  
110 regularity and balance. The stride lengthens as a result of great impulsion. The rider allows the horse, while  
111 remaining on the bit, to reach with its frame. The forefeet should touch the ground where they point. The  
112 transitions to and from should be balanced and smoothly executed.

- 113 3. (a) Canter (also Normal Canter). The rhythm of the canter is 3 beats. The canter should be light, cadenced (rhythm  
114 with a suitable tempo combined with springy impulsion) and regular. Transitions should be without hesitation and  
115 balanced. The canter should always be straight on straight lines.
- 116 (b) Collected Canter. The rhythm is 3 beats. The horse moves forward with impulsion, through increased  
117 engagement of the hindquarters and lightness of the forehand. The neck is raised and arched but not  
118 constrained. The back remains supple and the strides are shorter.
- 119 (c) Extended Canter. The rhythm is 3 beats. The horse covers as much ground as possible while maintaining  
120 regularity and balance. The stride lengthens as a result of great impulsion from the hindquarters and the rider  
121 allows the horse to lower and extend the neck, without losing contact with the bit, or leaning.
- 122 4. Lengthening Stride – when a lengthening of stride is requested at walk, trot, or canter, the horse should maintain  
123 rhythm, regularity and balance, while reaching with the frame and stride. The rider should maintain contact with the  
124 bit, while allowing the lengthening. The strides should be more ground covering and the horse should remain calm  
125 and supple.
- 126 5. Hand Gallop. The rhythm is 3 beats. The hand gallop is performed with long, free, ground covering strides. The  
127 amount of ground covered will vary between horses due to the difference in the natural length of stride. The hand  
128 gallop shows a looser, freer elongation of stride and frame of the horse. The horse must remain mannerly, correct,  
129 and straight. Extreme speed to be penalized.
- 130 6. Rein-back. The rhythm is 2 beats. The feet are raised and set down by diagonal pairs. The horse should remain  
131 calm and obedient, lifting and setting down the feet, without shuffling.

132 Article 1649D. Conduct of Classes.

- 133 1. ARABIAN SPORT HORSE IN-HAND CLASSES. The AHA Individual Score Sheet shall be used. Each Judge  
134 will be assigned a scribe who will record scores and comments as dictated by the judge. Horses will be shown  
135 individually on the triangle. Following a posted or announced order, or on request from the judge, entries in each  
136 class will approach the judging area one at a time, walking to the apex of the triangle. Conformation judging may  
137 take place before or after performance on the triangle, so wait for the judge's instructions. Wait for the judge's  
138 request to proceed on the triangle. The handler will lead the horse on the perimeter of the triangle at the walk and  
139 trot, returning to the apex and wait for further instructions. At the completion of the judging the handler will lead  
140 the horse away from the judging area. The triangle may be adjusted to fit local conditions.
- 141 1.2 Triangle corners should be well defined. A marker will be used at the apex and at each corner to define placement  
142 of the turn for the exhibitor. Use of plants or flowers is allowed.
- 143 2. The horse is to be shown in an "open position" for conformation judging. The traditional way of showing open  
144 position would be with the right front leg slightly back and the right hind leg slightly forward; but as long as all four  
145 legs of the horse are visible to the judge when standing on either side of the horse, this would be acceptable. The  
146 horse's head and neck should be allowed to show in a natural and comfortable carriage, and the handler should stand  
147 away from the horse with a loose lead line.
- 148 3. ARABIAN SPORT HORSE GROUPS IN-HAND (Get of Sire/Produce of Dam). The AHA Group Score Sheet shall  
149 be used. Each Judge will be assigned a scribe who will record scores and comments as dictated by the judge.  
150 Groups will be examined one group at a time, but not necessarily on the triangle. The judge will require the  
151 individuals of each group to move at the walk and trot. Horses shall stand for conformation judging before and/or  
152 after completion of the group's movement.
- 153 4. Foals may not be shown loose.
- 154 5. All horses to be awarded Championships In-Hand, will be called to the arena as a group and remain while all  
155 Championship awards are given. The awards will be presented as soon as possible, following the last In-Hand class.
- 156 6. ARABIAN SPORT HORSE UNDER SADDLE. To enter the ring counterclockwise at the trot. To be shown at the  
157 walk, trot and canter, both directions of the ring. Judge may request lengthening of stride at any gait and may  
158 request horses to back in the line-up.
- 159 7. ARABIAN SPORT HORSE SHOW HACK. To enter the ring counterclockwise at the normal walk or normal trot.  
160 To be shown at the walk, trot and canter - collected, normal and extended gaits to be called for, and the hand gallop.  
161 Horses should stand quietly and back readily.
- 162 8. Judges are required to consider the performance at each gait equally in adjudicating Sport Horse Under Saddle and  
163 Sport Horse Show Hack classes.

164 Article 1649E. Arabian Sport Horse Class Specifications.

- 165 1. IN-HAND CLASSES. Horses shall be shown at the walk and trot on the triangle. The AHA Score Sheet is divided  
166 as follows:  
167 Movement – 40% (20% for walk and 20% for trot)  
168 Conformation – 40%  
169 Expression, Manners, Willingness – 10%  
170 Quality, Balance and Harmony, Suitability as a Sport Horse – 10%  
171 Transmissible weaknesses or predisposition to unsoundness shall be penalized commensurate with severity.

- 172 2. GROUP CLASSES. (Get of Sire/Produce of Dam). Horses will be judged at the walk and trot, but not necessarily  
173 on the triangle. Horse shall stand for conformation judging before and/or after completion of the group's movement.  
174 The AHA Score Sheet is divided as follows:  
175 Movement – 40% (20% for walk and 20% for trot)  
176 Conformation – 40%  
177 Quality and Uniformity of Quality (Reproductive likeness) – 10%  
178 Overall Quality, Balance, Harmony (Apparent ability of sire or dam to produce or beget Sport Horse performance or  
179 breeding stock – 10%
- 180 3. UNDER SADDLE CLASSES. To be shown at the walk, trot and canter, both directions of the ring. Judge may  
181 request lengthening of stride at any gait and may request horses to back in the line up.
- 182 3.1 OPEN, MAIDEN, NOVICE, LIMIT, STALLIONS, MARES, GELDINGS, LADIES, GENTLEMEN. To be  
183 judged on performance (purity and quality of gaits), manners, conformation, suitability as a Sport Horse and quality.
- 184 3.2 CHAMPIONSHIP. To be eligible, horse must have been entered, shown and judged in a designated Open  
185 qualifying class in the Sport Horse Under Saddle section at that competition. To be judged on performance (purity  
186 and quality of gaits.), manners, conformation, suitability as a Sport Horse and quality.
- 187 3.3 JUNIOR HORSE. To be judged on quality, suitability as a Sport Horse, performance (purity and quality of gaits),  
188 conformation and manners.
- 189 3.4 JUNIOR HORSE CHAMPIONSHIP. To be eligible, horse must have been entered, shown and judged in a  
190 designated Junior Horse qualifying class in the Sport Horse Under Saddle section at that competition. To be judged  
191 on quality, suitability as a Sport Horse, performance (purity and quality of gaits), conformation and manners.
- 192 3.5 ATR, AOTR, AAOTR, JTR, JOTR. To be judged on manners, performance (purity and quality of gaits), suitability  
193 as a Sport Horse, conformation and quality.
- 194 3.6 CHAMPIONSHIP – ATR, AOTR, AAOTR, JTR, JOTR. To be eligible, horse must have been entered, shown and  
195 judged in a designated Amateur horse qualifying class in the Sport Horse Under Saddle section at that competition.  
196 To be judged on manners, performance (purity and quality of gaits), suitability as a Sport Horse, conformation and  
197 quality.
- 198 4. SPORT HORSE SHOW HACK CLASSES. To be shown at a walk, trot, and canter – collected, normal and  
199 extended gaits to be called for, and the hand gallop. Horses should stand quietly and back readily.
- 200 4.1 OPEN, MAIDEN, NOVICE, LIMIT, STALLIONS, MARES, GELDINGS, LADIES, GENTLEMEN. To be  
201 judged on performance, manners, quality and conformation.
- 202 4.2 CHAMPIONSHIP. To be eligible, horse must have been entered, shown and judged in a designated Open  
203 qualifying class in the Sport Horse Show Hack section at that competition. To be judged on performance, manners,  
204 quality and conformation.
- 205 4.3 ATR, AOTR, AAOTR, JTR, JOTR. To be judged on manners, performance, quality and conformation.
- 206 4.4 CHAMPIONSHIP – ATR, AOTR, AAOTR, JTR, JOTR. To be eligible, horse must have been entered, shown and  
207 judged in a designated Amateur horse qualifying class in the Sport Horse Show Hack section at that competition.  
208 To be judged on manners, performance, quality and conformation.
- 209 Article 1649F. Scoring Procedures.
- 210 1. The judge shall use the AHA approved individual score sheets for individual classes, and the individual group score  
211 sheet for group classes (Get of Sire/Produce of Dam). The AHA score sheets will be provided to competition  
212 management by AHA. Competition management may make as many individual copies as necessary for their  
213 competition. Score sheets are not required for Sport Horse Under Saddle, or Sport Horse Show Hack classes.
- 214 2. Decimals may be used in scoring.
- 215 3. A scribe shall be provided for each judge whose main duty is to record the judge's scores and comments on the  
216 score sheets. The scribe may be asked to transfer scores from the individual sheets to the master score sheet.
- 217 4. Tied scores shall be broken first by referring to the totals of the movement scores. If still tied, the tie may be broken  
218 at the judge's discretion by the use of decimals, or the horses may be examined again (movement only).
- 219 5. When more than one judge is officiating, each judge will have a separate triangle, separate score sheets and scribes.  
220 When more than one judge is officiating and there should be a tie still existing after re-examination, the call judge  
221 shall break the tie.
- 222 6. Scores shall be reported as a total based on the slated percentages against a possible total of 100% and all scores and  
223 placings must be posted. Unofficial scores may be posted during the class and/or final score may be posted at the  
224 end of each class.
- 225 7. If a mathematical error on the score sheet is discovered, it must be brought to the attention of competition  
226 management within one hour of the official posting of the scores from the last class of the competition day.  
227 Competition management must announce said posting, and must make score sheets available to competitors  
228 immediately.”

229 Article 1649G. Triangle Pattern (Note: Remove 'v' Pattern)

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231 (PATTERN TO SHOW HERE)

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233 Effective: When approved by USEF/EC

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235 PROPONENT'S FINANCIAL IMPACT:

236 (Refer to Article 901.2.e. for financial requirements.)

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240 AHA IMPACT STATEMENT:

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244 SUBMITTED BY:

245 Name: Sport Horse Committee

246 Member Organization Committee Commission Board Region (check one )

247 Who voted: Members Board Delegates (check voting body)

248 Total Number Eligible to Vote: 80 Number of Yes votes: 37 Number of No votes: 0

249 How vote was taken:  mail  email  phone meeting (check one) (Must have Quorum with majority of yes votes)

250 Where documentation of this vote is recorded: Committee minutes

251 Date vote taken: December 3, 2003

252 Contact Person: Janet Henderson (Has authority to amend, combine or withdraw)

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2 **SUBJECT: Add English Trail Horse Class to USEF/EC Rulebooks (USEF/EC)**

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4 *(This section to be completed by the Agenda and Resolutions Committee.)*

5 Committees required to review:

Committee Action:  
Approve                  Disapprove

6 Amateur Committee	_____	_____
Education/Evaluation Committee	_____	_____
USEF Arabian Division Committee	_____	_____

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8 **CONVENTION ACTION:**

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10 \_\_\_\_\_ Approved                  \_\_\_\_\_ Approved with Modification                  \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved

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12 \_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn                  \_\_\_\_\_ Referred to Committee \_\_\_\_\_

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14 **RESOLUTION:**

15 (Refer to Article 901 for submission requirements.)

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- 17 Whereas,                  There are exhibitors who ride English style who wish to participate in Trail classes; and
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- 19 Whereas,                  The current Trail class is restricted to Western Tack and attire; and
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- 21 Whereas,                  The current offering of trail classes in Arabian/Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian shows is currently very
- 22 small, and by making its appeal broader for English riders, would encourage more offerings of the
- 23 class as well as more entries in the existing Western classes; and
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- 25 Whereas,                  All English style riders could enter, (Hunter Pleasure classes constitute the largest/fastest growing
- 26 group of Arabian/HA/AA show classes), and there are exhibitors who ride English style who want the
- 27 opportunity to participate in additional classes such as Trail classes; and
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- 29 Whereas,                  Allowing Hunter Pleasure tack and attire in a Trail class more closely aligns with the traditional scope
- 30 and purpose of the “Hunter Pleasure” discipline; and
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- 32 Whereas,                  English Trail would be a class that would allow exhibitors to participate in a Trail class that would not
- 33 be focused on jumps; Therefore, Be It
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35 Resolved.                  That, an English Trail class be added to the AHA Standard Class List and that the English Trail class

36 be added to the USEF Arabian Division Chapter XXVI. Miscellaneous with the following class

37 specifications:

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39 “Article 1699W1. English Trail Horse - General

40 The class conduct and scoring system procedures stated herein shall be used in adjudication of all English Trail classes in

41 the Arabian division. Competition Management shall provide scribe(s) at judge(s) request. A trail horse is one that can

42 maneuver through a course of obstacles with physical skill, expression and a good mental attitude. It should travel

43 through and between obstacles with an inquisitive desire to go forward without compromising its calm, relaxed attitude

44 and way of going. It should approach each obstacle squarely with authority and correct form, with its own style, yet

45 maintaining its willingness to be dictated to completely by the rider with no apparent resistance. Maximum credit should

46 be given to the trail horse that negotiates its way through an entire course efficiently, in a timely manner, without

47 excessive hesitation, with curiosity, expression, smoothness and style; in a manner that raises the degree of difficulty

48 without sacrificing carefulness, control, and/ or attitude showing suitability of horse to rider. Ultimately, the trail horse is

49 skillful, eye appealing, confident, and leaves one with the impression of being sure, safe and a pleasure to ride over a

50 course of obstacles.

51 In the case of ground tying, the snaffle rein or equivalent should be used to ground tie. English Trail horses being shown

52 in closed reins may be hobbled when instructed to ground tie in a class.

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54 1. The order of go will be drawn. The competition management shall announce to the exhibitors a specified time and  
55 place that the drawing will occur. The management will have numbers (one through the total number entered) equal to  
56 the number of horses entered in the class in a basket (i.e. hat or something similar). At the announced specified time that  
57 the draw will take place, all exhibitors wishing to make their own draw will assemble with the management. The  
58 management will call, in program order, the exhibitors with multiple horses to draw first. Exhibitors with multiple horses  
59 will not be back to back, where total number of horses entered will permit. If an exhibitor with multiple horses draws  
60 back to back, he puts the last number drawn back in the hat and re-draws. The management will then call the remaining  
61 exhibitors, in program order, to draw from the hat. No horse shall perform as the first horse in more than one class (go-  
62 around/section) per competition unless there are more classes than horses. If a horse is drawn up first for the second time,  
63 exhibitor puts the number back and re-draws. The number drawn will be that exhibitor's order of go. NO CHANGES  
64 with the exception of an extraordinary circumstance as determined by the judge(s) and steward(s). Management will  
65 draw for those exhibitors who do not appear for the announced drawing. When the number of horses in a class permits,  
66 riders with multiple horses must be drawn with a minimum of two horses spread between runs.

67 2. The order of go will be posted at least one hour before the start of the class.

68 3. When specified patterns are required, patterns for each class must be posted at least one hour prior to the start of the  
69 class. The posted pattern is to be followed unless a change becomes necessary due to safety considerations. If a pattern or  
70 course is posted and publicly announced and there is a discrepancy between the posted and the announced pattern, the  
71 posted pattern is to be followed.

72 4. Use of videotape. Videotape may be used by the judge(s) to review any entry's performance only in a class in which  
73 entries perform individually. a) The videotape must be provided by an "official competition videographer," and the judge  
74 must have reason to believe all horses have been videotaped; b) Whether or not to review the videotape is the sole  
75 discretion of the judge(s), and the decision of the judge(s) in this regard is non-protestable; c) The judge's decision to  
76 review the videotaped performance must be made prior to announcing the official results of the class; d) If a judge  
77 decides to review any videotaped performance in a class, the official results of the class must be delayed until after the  
78 review and a decision has been made.

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80 Article 1699W2. English Trail Horse Appointments. For rules regarding correct attire and appointments, refer to Arts.  
81 1616, 1620, 1624, 1628, 1632, 1636, 1649c.

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83 Article 1699W3. English Trail Horse General Scoring.

84 1. When a judge is adjudicating in a multiple judge system, the scores should be transferred to the ring steward or clerk  
85 in a manner that the other judges do not hear their score.

86 2. Ties for first place, Champion, Reserve Champion, fifth in a Top Five and tenth in a Top Ten class will be worked off  
87 using the same pattern, order of go and scoring technique as was used in the event; however, there will not be more than  
88 one work off. Exhibitors disqualified in a work-off cannot be placed any lower than the lowest consecutive placing  
89 which results from breaking the tie. Ties for second place in a non-championship class will stand tied and all involved  
90 exhibitors will qualify for AHA Regional competition; prize money (if any) for the placings involved will be added  
91 together and equally split between the respective exhibitors. All other ties are not worked off and will involve as many  
92 places as there are horses tied. Prize money (if any) for the placings involved will be added together and equally split  
93 between the respective exhibitors. Ties for sixth in a Top Five and 11th in a Top Ten will be broken by a flip of a coin by  
94 the steward in the presence of the riders involved. If a mathematical error on a score sheet is discovered, it must be  
95 brought to the attention of the competition management. A class will be complete and the posted scores will be  
96 considered "official" thirty minutes following the last class of the day.

97 3. The class conduct and scoring system procedures stated herein shall be used in adjudication of all English Trail  
98 classes in the Arabian Division.

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100 Article 1699W4. Conduct and Definitions

101 1. All entered exhibitors will be allowed to walk and inspect the course with the judge and with the course designer, if  
102 present, prior to the start of the class. In amateur and junior exhibitor classes, exhibitors may be accompanied by their  
103 trainer.

104 a) No time outs will be allowed.

105 b) All horses enter the arena with a score of 70. With each obstacle, the judge will instruct a scribe to assign a score as  
106 well as any appropriate penalties if one or more occurs. At the end of the work, obstacle scores will be totaled. Any  
107 penalties will then be subtracted to arrive at a final score. All horses are judged from the time they enter the arena until  
108 the completion of the last obstacle.

109 c) Judge(s) may review official video on no score, zero, 10 point, or 5 point penalties only. Refer to Art. 1682.4. (Video  
110 review is solely the judge(s) decision.)

111 d) Refer to Rule XXXIX Chapter III, Art. 3925 for the mandatory obstacle dimensions. The Judge may alter the course  
112 prior to the course walk (exception Art. 3923.3.).

- 113 e) Jumps are not required or desired.
- 114 2. Knockdown: When any component, element, or portion of an obstacle is displaced from its original position-by horse
- 115 or rider.
- 116 3. Refusal: Any action taken by the horse to avoid performing an obstacle, part of a combination of obstacles or portion
- 117 of a trail course. These actions may include, but are not limited to the following:
- 118 a) Balking: (Any action that results in a horse blatantly and continuously refusing a rider's command).
- 119 b) Evading or running past an obstacle to be negotiated.
- 120 c) Each complete loss of the gate.
- 121 d) Any blatant action by the horse that demonstrates an unwillingness to approach, negotiate and/or complete an
- 122 obstacle.
- 123 When a judge deems three (3) refusals have occurred at an obstacle the exhibitor will be instructed to proceed to the next
- 124 obstacle. (In multiple judging situations the call judge will determine when to instruct the exhibitor to proceed to the next
- 125 obstacle.)
- 126 NOTE: Any time a judge instructs an exhibitor to proceed to the next obstacle a 10 point penalty will also apply for
- 127 negotiating an obstacle in a manner that does not constitute elimination, but is not in accordance with course directions.
- 128 This penalty is in addition to a 15 point penalty for three (3) refusals.
- 129 4. Off Course:
- 130 a) Taking an obstacle in the wrong direction.
- 131 b) Negotiating an obstacle from the wrong side.
- 132 c) Skipping an obstacle unless directed by the judge.
- 133 d) Negotiating obstacles in the wrong sequence.
- 134 e) Not following the correct line of travel (i.e. the drawn pattern and Judge's instruction).
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- 136 Article 1699W5. English Trail Scoring General
- 137 Each obstacle will be scored as follows:
- 138 +3 EXCELLENT: The horse approaches and negotiates obstacle in correct form with definite style. The horse performs
- 139 in an efficient manner with curiosity and athleticism, while maintaining the qualities of an ideal trail horse. The horse's
- 140 performance over the obstacle is VISUALLY IMPRESSIVE.
- 141 +2 VERY GOOD: The horse approaches and negotiates obstacle in correct form with noticeable style. This horse
- 142 definitely displays many qualities of the ideal trail horse. The horse's performance over the obstacle is VISUALLY
- 143 ATTRACTIVE.
- 144 +1 GOOD: The horse approaches and negotiates obstacle in correct form with some degree of style. This horse may
- 145 display some qualities of the ideal trail horse, but lacks those qualities to the degree they are exhibited by the Very Good
- 146 or Excellent performer. The horse's performance over the obstacle is VISUALLY PLEASING.
- 147 O AVERAGE: For the most part, horse approaches and negotiates obstacle in correct form. Minimal style is exhibited. If
- 148 the horse's performance displays any qualities of the ideal trail horse they are negated by slight errors in form. The
- 149 horse's performance over the obstacle leaves a visually NEUTRAL IMPRESSION.
- 150 -1 POOR: The horse fails in some way to approach and/or negotiate obstacle in correct form. There is a noticeable void
- 151 in some of the qualities of the ideal trail horse. Willingness to guide or control may have been compromised but not
- 152 safety.
- 153 -2 VERY POOR: The horse approaches and negotiates obstacle, but noticeably fails to do so in correct form. There is a
- 154 definite deficiency in the qualities of the ideal trail horse. Safety may have been compromised. The horse exhibits
- 155 noticeable resistance.
- 156 -3 EXTREMELY POOR: The horse approaches and/or negotiates obstacle in unacceptable form, but avoids elimination.
- 157 This horse's performance is probably reckless, careless, and/or dangerous. The horse exhibits significant resistance
- 158 towards the rider's commands.
- 159 Half point increments can be used from +3 to -3.
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- 161 Article 1699W6. Scoring Penalties
- 162 In addition to the obstacle score, each entry may incur penalties for the following infractions:
- 163 1. NO SCORE
- 164 a) Illegal equipment. This includes any attachment which alters the movement of or circulation to the tail.
- 165 b) Abuse to the animal inside or outside the competition arena and/or evidence that an act of abuse has occurred. This
- 166 includes lameness and/or fresh blood in the mouth, chin, shoulder, barrel, flank or hip areas.
- 167 c) Spurring in front of the forward cinch.
- 168 d) Disrespect or misconduct by exhibitor.
- 169 2. ZERO SCORE
- 170 a) Off course
- 171 b) Fall of horse or rider.

- 172 c) Equipment failure or loss of shoe that delays completion of course.  
 173 Note: Neither a “no score” nor a “zero score” penalty may receive an award in that class. A “zero” score may advance in  
 174 a multiple-go event.
- 175 3. 10 POINT PENALTIES  
 176 a) Temporary loss of control, stampeding, running through or jumping over entire obstacle when jump is not called for.  
 177 b) Falling off side of bridge.  
 178 c) Being asked to proceed to next obstacle by judge(s) without completing current obstacle.  
 179 d) Pulling gate when designated to push in course directions (or visa versa).  
 180 e) Sidepassing the wrong end of horse in slot.  
 181 f) Blatant disobedience (kicking, bucking, rearing, biting, striking, horse leaving designated ground tie area).
- 182 4. 5 POINT PENALTIES  
 183 a) Each refusal. Refusals are cumulative. After three (3) refusals at a single obstacle or when deemed necessary by the  
 184 judge, the judge will ask the contestant to proceed to the next obstacle for a total of 15 penalty points.  
 185 b) Placing two or more feet outside of a confining element.  
 186 c) Horse misses/evades an element/component of an obstacle that is part of a series. Losing drag or object being carried.  
 187 d) Placing one foot off side of bridge.  
 188 e) Obvious cueing or touching of horse in front of forward cinch including, but not limited to use of free hand to instill  
 189 fear or praise.  
 190 f) Performing obstacle at the wrong gait or lead.
- 191 5. 2 POINT PENALTIES  
 192 a) Knockdowns or obviously displacing the original configuration of an obstacle.  
 193 b) Skipping slot (walkovers, trot-overs, canter-overs, or tires)  
 194 c) Placing one foot outside of a confining element.  
 195 d) Each time switching leads where not called for, picking up wrong leads, or cross leading. NOTE: If a horse switches  
 196 leads and must be broken down to correct the lead, then two penalties have been incurred. [The first for switching leads  
 197 (2 points) and the second for breaking of gait (1point).]  
 198 e) Holding of saddle with free hand. (Exception: over a jump, elevated trot over(s) or elevated canter over(s).  
 199 f) Approaching obstacle at wrong gait or lead. During transition areas between obstacles, if horse is, for instance,  
 200 cantering where a trot is called for, or trotting where a walk is called for, a two point penalty has occurred.
- 201 6. 1 POINT PENALTIES  
 202 a) Double striding or adding strides or adding steps. (Walkovers, trot-overs, canter-overs, tires).  
 203 b) Break of gait.  
 204 c) Stepping on an element of an obstacle.
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 206 Article 1699W7. Scoring Procedures  
 207 1. The prescribed AHA score sheet must be used. Obstacle scores and any penalties will be totaled to arrive at a final  
 208 score.  
 209 2. Scores to be announced following the conclusion of each work and before the next horse begins the course.  
 210 3. Score sheets must be posted.  
 211 4. For method of breaking ties in Trail classes see Art. 1684.3. In the event of a further tie, refer to the order of the judges  
 212 cards (i.e. #1, #2, #3).
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 214 Article 1699W8. English Trail Horse Class Specifications.  
 215 1. OPEN, MAIDEN, NOVICE, LIMIT, STALLIONS, MARES, GELDINGS, ATR, AATR, JTR, AOTR, AAOTR,  
 216 JOTR, LADIES, GENTLEMEN.  
 217 2. JUNIOR HORSE (Five years and under).  
 218 3. CHAMPIONSHIP. To be eligible, horse must have been entered, shown and judged in a  
 219 designated qualifying Arabian English Trail Horse class at that show.  
 220 4. JUNIOR HORSE CHAMPIONSHIP (Five years and under). To be eligible, horse must  
 221 have been entered, shown and judged in a designated qualifying Arabian English Trail Horse class  
 222 for Junior Horses.  
 223 5. CHAMPIONSHIP - ATR, AATR, JTR, AOTR, AAOTR, JOTR. To be eligible, horse must  
 224 have been entered, shown and judged in a designated qualifying Arabian English Trail Horse class for amateurs and/or  
 225 owners at that show.
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 227 Effective: When approved by USEF/EC.  
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231 PROPONENT'S FINANCIAL IMPACT:  
 232 (Refer to Article 901.2.e. for financial requirements.)  
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 234 Additional entries would positively impact any shows offering this class.  
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236 AHA IMPACT STATEMENT:  
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 238 None  
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240 SUBMITTED BY:  
 241 Name: North Texas Arabian Horse Club  
 242 Member Organization    Committee    Commission    Board    Region    (check one )  
 243 Who voted:                      Members    Board    Delegates                      (check voting body)  
 244 Total Number Eligible to Vote: 10                      Number of Yes votes: 9                      Number of No votes: 1  
 245 How vote was taken:  mail     email    phone    meeting    (check one)    (Must have Quorum with majority of yes votes)  
 246 Where documentation of this vote is recorded: Board minutes  
 247 Date vote taken: August 18, 2004  
 248 Contact Person: Linda Abston                                              (Has authority to amend, combine or withdraw)  
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**SUBJECT: Rescind Performance Qualification for Breeding Classes**

*(This section to be completed by the Agenda and Resolutions Committee.)*

Committees required to review:

Committee Action:

Approve

Disapprove

National Championship & Regional Classes Committee

Professional Horsemen Committee

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**CONVENTION ACTION:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Approved                      \_\_\_\_\_ Approved with Modification                      \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved

\_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn                      \_\_\_\_\_ Referred to Committee \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION:**

(Refer to Article 901 for submission requirements.)

Whereas, AHA Article 1710 states, **ARTICLE 1710. BREEDING AND IN-HAND QUALIFICATIONS FOR NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP CLASSES**

- 1. In Breeding classes, stallions must earn Breeding qualifications in Stallion Breeding classes (Refer to Article 1710.5.), mares must earn Breeding qualifications in Mare Breeding classes and geldings must earn In-Hand qualifications in Gelding In-Hand classes.
- 2. In the U. S. National Arabian Stallion Breeding Championship class, the U. S. National Arabian Mare Breeding Championship class, the Canadian National Arabian Stallion Breeding Championship class and the Canadian National Arabian Mare Breeding Championship class, horses six years old and older must earn a performance qualification in any one of the following: (Res. 42-00)
  - a. Been entered, shown and placed in USEF "A" or "B" rated division, or EC equivalent of at least three horses. Only placings up to 50% , rounded up, of the horse judged shall be eligible for this performance requirement (e.g. -for a class where five placings are awarded and seven horses judged, only the first four placings shall be eligible for this performance requirement. For a class where five placings are awarded and nine or more horses judged, all five placings shall be eligible for this performance requirement.), or
  - b. Completed an AERC Endurance Ride or Competitive Trail Ride, sanctioned by an AHA approved Ride Organization, (Refer to Chapters 15 & 16.) or
  - c. Completed an AJC approved race, or
  - d. Proof of comparable achievement in its country of origin. (Res. 49-96)
- 3. When the performance requirement has been met or has previously been met, the qualification is good for life. (Res. 49-96) Horses qualifying after January 1, 2002, must meet the performance qualification requirements in effect at the time of the national show for which qualification is required. (BOD 2/01) (Refer to Article 1702.1.)
- 4. The performance requirement for the National Breeding class must be met prior to the final deadline to qualify for an event as set forth in the prize list of the relevant national show. (Res. 49-96) (Res. 43-00) National qualifications earned as a stallion will be carried forth with the horse as a gelding if the horse is castrated

Whereas, In the opinion of the proponent, AHA Article 1710 is not effectively improving structural soundness and movement in our breeding classes, therefore the original intent for Article 1710 has not been accomplished; Therefore, Be It

Resolved, That the provisions in AHA Article 1710.2, 1710.3, 1710.4 be deleted.

Effective: January 1, 2005



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**SUBJECT: Hunter Seat Equitation Judges at National Shows**

*(This section to be completed by the Agenda and Resolutions Committee.)*

Committees required to review:

Committee Action:

Approve

Disapprove

- Arabian Horse Youth Association
- Equitation/Showmanship Committee
- Judges & Stewards Steering Committee
- National Event Operational Procedures (NEOP) Committee

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**CONVENTION ACTION:**

_____ Approved	_____ Approved with Modification	_____ Disapproved
_____ Withdrawn	_____ Referred to Committee _____	

**RESOLUTION:**

*(Refer to Article 901 for submission requirements.)*

- Whereas, The Arabian Division provides 5 different types of under saddle equitation classes; Reining seat, Hunter Seat Over Obstacles, Hunter Seat Not to Jump, Saddle Seat, and Western Horsemanship; and
- Whereas, Each of these equitation classes was created to test a rider’s skills in different areas; and
- Whereas, The type of performance expected of a rider in the Hunter Seat Over Obstacles verses Hunter Seat Not to Jump is vastly different not unlike that difference between the Reining Seat and Western Horsemanship classes; and
- Whereas, The Hunter Seat Not to Jump and the Hunter Seat Over Obstacles classes are the only ones requiring 3 Hunter judges to adjudicate; and
- Whereas, This requirement puts a burden on the exhibitor who is adjudicated at both the Local and Regional levels by one type of judge and at the National level by another type of judge; and
- Whereas, This requirement puts a burden on the Youth National Show in that they must hold the “over fences” judges for three additional days for the Hunter Seat Not to Jump classes while the Hunter Pleasure judges are available during those days; Therefore, Be It

Resolved, That the following be added to AHA Article 1314.6:

“Hunter Seat Equitation Over Obstacles Judges at the National Championship Show must have at least an USEF "r" or EC equivalent in Hunter Seat Equitation”; and, Be It Further

Resolved, That the following sentence be removed from AHA Article 1123.2.b.

“Hunter Seat Equitation Not to Jump, an USEF/EC judge licensed in the Hunter Seat Division.”

Effective: January 1, 2005



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**SUBJECT: Rescind Resolution 53A-92 Mandatory Drug Testing at U.S. & Canadian National Shows**

*(This section to be completed by the Agenda and Resolutions Committee.)*

Committees required to review:

Committee Action:

Approve

Disapprove

Board of Directors

Canadian National Show Commission

National Event Operational Procedures (NEOP) Committee

U.S. National Show Commission

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CONVENTION ACTION:

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RESOLUTION:

(Refer to Article 901 for submission requirements.)

Whereas, Resolution 53A-92 states: "That the U.S. and Canadian National Shows require the champion and one horse selected at random from all top ten national performance and halter classes be required to be drug tested and have one foot measured and shoe weighed"; and

Whereas, Such testing and inspection is becoming more costly to the shows and, in turn to the exhibitors; and

Whereas, USEF has informally notified AHA that they intend to increase the drug testing fees at U.S. Nationals; and

Whereas, It is in the best fiscal interest of AHA that the Show Commissions be authorized to negotiate contracts with USEF, Equine Canada, or alternative drug testing agencies for drug testing at National Shows; Therefore, Be It

Resolved, That Resolution 53A-92 be rescinded; and, Be It Further

Resolved, That the National Show Commissions be authorized to negotiate contracts with USEF, Equine Canada, or other alternative drug testing agencies to provide random drug testing at our National Shows within budgetary limits.

Effective: January 1, 2005

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PROPONENT'S FINANCIAL IMPACT:

(Refer to Article 901.2.e. for financial requirements.)

USEF's informal notification for 2005 is to increase the current contract charge from \$25,000 to \$32,000 which is mandated to U.S. Nationals to comply with Resolution 53A-92.

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2 **SUBJECT: Update Judges & Stewards Selection Committee and Procedures**

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4 *(This section to be completed by the Agenda and Resolutions Committee.)*

5 Committees required to review:

Committee Action:  
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6	Canadian Show Commission	_____	_____
	Judges & Stewards Selection Committee	_____	_____
	Judges & Stewards Selection Review Ad Hoc Committee	_____	_____
	Judges & Stewards Steering Committee	_____	_____
	National Event Operational Procedures (NEOP) Committee	_____	_____
	Sport Horse Committee	_____	_____
	U.S. National Show Commission	_____	_____
	Youth National Show Commission	_____	_____

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8 **CONVENTION ACTION:**

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14 **RESOLUTION:**

15 (Refer to Article 901 for submission requirements.)

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- 17 Whereas,                  Resolution 20-80 states:
- 18                                  “That the names of the judges who will judge the next year’s National Championship Show be first
- 19                                  made public at the annual IAHA Convention. This announcement to be made coincident with the
- 20                                  results of the election of the Judges Selection Committee.”; and
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- 22 Whereas,                  Resolution 31-99 states:
- 23                                  “That the call judge selected to judge the IAHA Youth National shows in the equitation divisions hold
- 24                                  both an AHSA/CEF Arabian large R card and an AHSA/CEF large R card in the discipline seat or an
- 25                                  IAHA Specialty card in the respective discipline seat they are to judge. (Except for Hunt Seat
- 26                                  Equitation over Obstacles.)”; and
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- 28 Whereas,                  Number IX, with all of the amendments, of Resolution 5-90, #9 (as amended) states:
- 29                                  “(IX)    Judges & Stewards Selection Committee
- 30                                  That the Judges and Stewards Selection Committee (previously Judges Selection Committee) be
- 31                                  established with the initial members of the current Judges Selection Committee becoming members of
- 32                                  the new Judges & Stewards Selection Committee. The purpose of the Judges and Stewards Selection
- 33                                  Committee to be as follows:
- 34                                  1)                  This Committee is to select the Judges and Stewards required for the National Shows from the
- 35                                  approved Judges & Stewards, up to 12 months in advance. In the event that less than the
- 36                                  required number of Judges are available from the IAHA Accredited National Judge List (#10-
- 37                                  00) then the Selection Committee may select from the IAHA Accredited Judges List (#10-00)
- 38                                  only after exhausting the list of all IAHA Accredited National/Regional Judges (#10-00), in
- 39                                  that order. (38-97)
- 40                                  2)                  At least 30 days prior to finalizing their selections and assignments that the Selection
- 41                                  Committee provide a confidential list of the individuals proposed by the Committee and their
- 42                                  proposed assignments to the IAHA Commissioner for comment or other input to the Judges &
- 43                                  Stewards Selection Committee (#11-00)
- 44                                  3)                  The Selection Committee will have the final responsibility for the selection and assignment of
- 45                                  judges and stewards for national events. (#11-00)
- 46                                  4)                  The Selection Committee is to make selection of a Judge or Steward for any other IAHA
- 47                                  sponsored functions as directed by the Commissioner, Executive Committee, Board of
- 48                                  Directors or Convention actions.

- 49 5) The Judges and Stewards will be selected from the then current IAHA approved list
- 50 maintained by the Commissioner, unless specific exception is recommended by the Selection
- 51 Committee and approved by the Education/Evaluation Commission following consultation
- 52 with the Commissioner. (#11-00) (#8-00)
- 53 6) Members of the Committee may not exhibit at any functions for which they select or hire
- 54 Judge or Steward.
- 55 7) The Committee will consist of 6 members elected by the convention delegates with a 2-year
- 56 rotating term. The 3 members receiving the highest number of votes will serve a 2-year term.
- 57 Members of this committee may not serve more than 6 consecutive years. Terms commence
- 58 on January 1st following election.
- 59 8) Members of this Committee will be ineligible to serve any Judges and Stewards Committee
- 60 or Commissions or to serve on the (38-97) National Show Commissions. Current members to
- 61 continue until existing terms expire.
- 62 9) The Judges and Stewards Selection Committee will coordinate with the Commissioner
- 63 (#11-00)
- 64 10) The AHSA Arabian Division Rules Committee be authorized to submit the following
- 65 proposed rule change as an extraordinary matter to the AHSA, requesting it to be effective
- 66 March 1, 1991:
- 67 "The IAHA Commissioner's title and mailing address shall be contained in all Competition
- 68 publications."; and
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70 Whereas, The Judges & Stewards Review Ad Hoc Committee has met several times to review the above process  
 71 and has found that the committee structure and procedures used to select Judges and Stewards is  
 72 obsolete and in need of updating in order to provide the best team of judges and stewards for each  
 73 National Show; and

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 75 Whereas, The National Show Commissions are responsible for the show, class schedule and must listen to  
 76 complaints concerning the selection of judges and stewards, and at times have difficulty with the  
 77 selection themselves, which would indicate that they should have representation on this Committee;  
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 80 Whereas, There are several judges on the National list that have obligations to their clients and personal reasons  
 81 that would exclude them from accepting the position of judge for certain National Shows; and

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 83 Whereas, More judges may be able to accept a National Show Judging position when requested if a procedure  
 84 was in place that would fit into their schedule; and

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 86 Whereas, With a procedure in place that would allow judges to rate themselves in each discipline and note which  
 87 disciplines they preferred adjudicating, the judging teams could be more compatible; and

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 89 Whereas, All judges will be reviewed by the Commissioner’s Office to validate that there are no pending  
 90 disciplinary actions where a judge would not be able serve; and

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 92 Whereas, To eliminate the secret knowledge of who are the selected judges (which is usually not secret) for the  
 93 National Shows, announcements could be made upon the receipt of each judge’s contract through the  
 94 official publications of AHA, therefore requiring that Resolution 20-80 be rescinded; and

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 96 Whereas, The Education/Evaluation Commission no longer offers classes and designations for specialty judges,  
 97 therefore the statement in Resolution 31-99 “...or an IAHA Specialty card in the respective discipline  
 98 seat they are to judge” should be deleted; Therefore, Be It

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 100 Resolved, That Resolution 20-80 be rescinded; and, Be It Further

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 102 Resolved, That the statement “or an IAHA Specialty card in the respective discipline seat they are to judge” in  
 103 Resolution 31-99 be deleted; and, Be It Further

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- 105 Resolved, That Number IX Judges & Stewards Selection Committee of Resolution 5-90 (as amended) be deleted  
 106 and replaced with the following:  
 107 “(IX) Judges & Stewards Selection Committee  
 108 The purpose of the Judges and Stewards Selection Committee to be as follows:  
 109 1) The Judges & Stewards Selection Committee is to select the Judges and Stewards required for the  
 110 National Shows from the AHA approved Judges & Stewards lists, up to 12 months in advance.  
 111 2) Prior to December 1, 2004, the Judges & Stewards Commissioner’s office shall send a questionnaire to  
 112 each of the eligible judges on the AHA National/Regional Judge’s List with a mandatory written  
 113 response from each judge, returned to the Commissioner’s office postmarked no later December 31,  
 114 2004 with all the stipulations listed in the remainder of this paragraph 2. Commencing in 2005 the  
 115 Judges & Stewards Commissioner’s office shall send a questionnaire to each of the eligible judges on  
 116 the AHA National and Regional Judge’s List no later than November 1<sup>st</sup> of each year with a mandatory  
 117 written response from each judge, returned to the Commissioner’s office postmarked no later than  
 118 November 30<sup>th</sup> of that year. A letter of notice will be sent previous to the questionnaire. The  
 119 questionnaire must include a discipline rating by each judge, which disciplines each judge prefers  
 120 adjudicating, what National Shows are preferred in the next three years, and what organization licenses  
 121 are held by the judge. After review and/or comments by the Commissioner, the Commissioner will  
 122 provide a confidential alphabetical list, by discipline, to the Judges & Stewards Selection Committee  
 123 for their selection process. The Committee will return their confidential selections to the Judges &  
 124 Stewards Commissioner’s Office for phone contact and contract commitments. The name of each  
 125 judge will be announced through the official communications of AHA upon the receipt of each  
 126 contract.  
 127 3) The Judges & Stewards Selection Committee will have the final responsibility for the selection and  
 128 assignment of judges and stewards for National Shows.  
 129 4) The Selection Committee is to make the selection of a judge or steward for any other AHA sponsored  
 130 functions as directed by the Commissioner, Executive Committee, Board of Directors or Convention  
 131 actions.  
 132 5) Members of the Committee are not restricted from showing at National Shows.  
 133 6) The present structure of the Judges & Stewards Selection Committee will be discontinued effective  
 134 1/01/05. Commencing on 1/01/05, the Committee will consist of seven (7) members, three of whom  
 135 will be elected by the convention delegates and serve 3-year rotating terms with one  
 136 committeeperson’s term expiring each year. The three present committee members whose terms expire  
 137 in 2005 shall serve as the three elected members in the above described committee structure until the  
 138 Annual Convention in 2005. At the Annual Convention in 2005, the Convention shall elect 3 members  
 139 of the committee, and the candidate receiving the highest number of votes will serve a 3-year term, the  
 140 next highest will serve a 2-year term, and the next highest will serve a 1-year term . Thereafter, one of  
 141 the convention elected positions will be elected each year, and the elected members may not serve  
 142 more than 6 consecutive years. The other four members of the committee shall consist of one  
 143 commissioner from each of the four National Shows, to be elected annually by each respective  
 144 National Show Commission with terms commencing upon election. At the Annual Convention after  
 145 the election results are known and before December 15 of each year, the committee shall elect one of  
 146 its members to serve as chair. The Chair of the Education/Evaluation Commission shall serve in a non-  
 147 voting advisory capacity to the committee.  
 148 7) The Judges and Stewards Selection Committee will coordinate with the Commissioner.”; and, Be It  
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151 Resolved, That all corresponding changes be made to Articles in the current AHA Handbook where appropriate.  
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 153 Effective: Immediately  
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PROPOSER'S FINANCIAL IMPACT:

(Refer to Article 901.2.e. for financial requirements.)

There would be two additional attendees to the meeting which adds two flights of \$350 each \$700  
And lodging for two nights at \$80 each \$320

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AHA IMPACT STATEMENT:

None

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SUBMITTED BY:

Name: Judges & Stewards Selection Review Ad Hoc Committee

Member Organization  Committee  Commission  Board  Region (check one )

Who voted:  Members  Board  Delegates (check voting body)

Total Number Eligible to Vote: 5 Number of Yes votes: 5 Number of No votes: 0

How vote was taken:  mail  email  phone  meeting (check one) (Must have Quorum with majority of yes votes)

Where documentation of this vote is recorded: Minutes of Meeting

Date vote taken: June 22, 2004

Contact Person: Bill Pennington (Has authority to amend, combine or withdraw)

Phone: 513 777-6381 Email: bpennin336@aol.com Fax: 513 777-6381

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2 **SUBJECT: Term of Judges & Stewards Steering Committee Members Be 3 Years**  
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4 *(This section to be completed by the Agenda and Resolutions Committee.)* Committee Action:  
5 Committees required to review: Approve Disapprove  
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7 Judges & Stewards Steering Committee \_\_\_\_\_

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8 CONVENTION ACTION:  
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12 \_\_\_\_\_Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_Referred to Committee\_\_\_\_\_

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14 RESOLUTION:  
15 (Refer to Article 901 for submission requirements.)  
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17 Whereas, Resolution 5-90 created 2-year terms for serving on the Judges & Stewards Steering Committee; and  
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19 Whereas, 2-year terms do not lend themselves to continuity of service and information; Therefore, Be It  
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21 Resolved, That Resolution 5-90 be amended to reflect the term to serve on the Judges & Stewards Steering  
22 Committee be changed to three years; and, Be It Further  
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24 Resolved, That the three-year term be applied to the 2003 and 2004 elections, which terms will expire in 2006  
25 and 2007, respectively.  
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27 Effective: January 1, 2005

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30 PROPONENT'S FINANCIAL IMPACT:  
31 (Refer to Article 901.2.e. for financial requirements.)  
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33 No financial impact

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35 AHA IMPACT STATEMENT:  
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SUBMITTED BY:

Name: Judges & Stewards Steering Committee

Member Organization  Committee  Commission  Board  Region (check one )

Who voted:  Members  Board  Delegates (check voting body)

Total Number Eligible to Vote: 9 Number of Yes votes: 9 Number of No votes: 0

How vote was taken:  mail  email  phone  meeting (check one) (Must have Quorum with majority of yes votes)

Where documentation of this vote is recorded: Minutes of telephone meeting 8/18/04, Commissioner's Office

Date vote taken: 8/18/04

Contact Person: Paul Kostial - Chairman (Has authority to amend, combine or withdraw)

Phone: 214-443-9500 Email: Fax:

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**SUBJECT: AHA Executive Vice President and/or Senior Directors To Submit Resolutions to Convention**

*(This section to be completed by the Agenda and Resolutions Committee.)*

Committee Action:

Committees required to review:

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Disapprove

Board of Directors

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CONVENTION ACTION:

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RESOLUTION:

(Refer to Article 901 for submission requirements.)

Whereas, In the current rules only Member Organizations, any standing or Ad Hoc Committees, an AHA Regional Board of Delegates, the AHA Board of Directors and the AHA President may submit resolutions to the AHA Convention; and

Whereas, When an AHA staff member seeks a solution to, or discovers a requirement not met that cannot be changed by the AHA Board of Directors, they must find a cooperative Member Organization or committee to submit a resolution to address the issue; and

Whereas, This takes time away from their responsibilities required by their job and can be a difficult task; and

Whereas, The delegates at Convention are more than able to discern the facts and decide if the proposal is important enough to be discussed and/or approved; and

Whereas, The members of staff are most familiar with the business processes, and procedures to enhance them, and have AHA's best interests at heart; and

Whereas, Outdated rules prevent streamlining and business efficiencies which prohibit the saving of time and money; and

Whereas, Staff's responsibility is to recommend these business efficiencies and provide solutions to issues.; and

Whereas, Being able to submit a resolution gives staff an integral involvement in the process; Therefore, Be It

Resolved, That the AHA Executive Vice President and the Senior Directors be added to the list of those who may submit resolutions to the delegates in AHA Article 901.1.

Effective: January 1, 2005

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PROPONENT'S FINANCIAL IMPACT:

(Refer to Article 901.2.e. for financial requirements.)

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AHA IMPACT STATEMENT:

The Agenda & Resolutions Committee support this Resolution.

Contact Person: Eleanor Dunn Chair of Agenda & Resolutions Committee (970) 586-9271

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SUBMITTED BY:

Name: Bill Hughes, AHA President

Contact Person: Bill Hughes (Has authority to amend, combine or withdraw)

Phone: (909) 627-2579 Email: [wch@aol.com](mailto:wch@aol.com) Fax: (909) 627-5358

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2 **SUBJECT: Create Budget & Finance Committee**

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4 *(This section to be completed by the Agenda and Resolutions Committee.)*  
5 Committees required to review:

Committee Action:  
Approve Disapprove

6 Board of Directors	_____	_____
Governance Committee	_____	_____
Ways & Means Committee	_____	_____

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8 **CONVENTION ACTION:**

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14 **RESOLUTION:**

15 *(Refer to Article 901 for submission requirements.)*

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17 **Whereas,** The 2003 Recommendations on Governance suggested that the Finance Committee and Ways &  
18 Means Committee be merged into one committee named the Budget and Finance Committee;  
19 **Therefore, Be It**

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21 Resolved, That Resolution #19-84, regarding the creation of the Ways & Means Committee, and its subsequent  
22 amendment, Resolution #17-88, be rescinded; and **Be It Further**

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24 Resolved, That the Budget and Finance Committee be created as follows:

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26 The Budget and Finance Committee shall review and make recommendations on the budget prepared  
27 by staff prior to the budget being submitted to the AHA Board of Directors for approval; monitor  
28 policies and procedures for the financial and accounting management of the Association and the  
29 Breeders Sweepstakes Trust; oversee all Association and Trust investments; make a continuing and  
30 comprehensive study of all possible sources of income and make recommendations to the AHA Board  
31 of Directors and Annual Convention; review and submit recommendations for adjustments to fees  
32 charged by AHA (except Affiliate member dues) to the AHA Board of Directors for approval; and  
33 perform any other duties requested by the AHA Treasurer, Executive Committee or Board of  
34 Directors.

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36 Committee members shall be appointed by the AHA President in addition to those appointed by the  
37 Purebred Arabian Trust and the Breeders Sweepstakes Commission. The Committee shall consist of  
38 the AHA Treasurer, a minimum of seven additional voting members plus two nonvoting members  
39 consisting of the AHA Vice-President and Past President (or their appointed representatives). One  
40 voting member shall be appointed by the Purebred Arabian Trust. One voting member shall be  
41 appointed by the Breeders Sweepstakes Commission. The terms of service for voting members will be  
42 three years. The Committee shall elect its own chair from one of its voting members.

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44 Each appointee shall be a member in good standing with AHA and be familiar with the Association  
45 and Arabian horse industry. A diligent attempt will be made to retain a committee mix that includes  
46 members with one or more of the following qualifications or backgrounds: a strong financial  
47 background, CPA preferred, an owner/operator/executive background and/or a business planning  
48 background.

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51 **Effective:** Immediately

53 PROPONENT'S FINANCIAL IMPACT:  
54 (Refer to Article 901.2.e. for financial requirements.)

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56 Equal or lower cost due to fewer anticipated members on the Committee.

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58 AHA IMPACT STATEMENT:

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60 None

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62 SUBMITTED BY:

63 Name: Governance Committee

64  Member Organization  Committee  Commission  Board  Region (check one )

65 Who voted:  Members  Board  Delegates (check voting body)

66 Total Number Eligible to Vote: 8 Number of Yes votes: 7 Number of No votes: 0

67 How vote was taken:  mail  email  phone  meeting (check one) (Must have Quorum with majority of yes votes)

68 Where documentation of this vote is recorded: Committee minutes

69 Date vote taken: July 13, 2004

70 Contact Person: Howard Pike (Has authority to amend, combine or withdraw)

71 Phone: 941-697-3737 Email: witmerpike@comcast.net Fax: 941-697-0233

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