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2 **SUBJECT: Work-Off With Multiple Judge System**

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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

Education/Evaluation Commission			
Equine Stress/Research & Education Committee			
Judges & Stewards Steering Committee			
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Professional Horsemen Committee			

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7 **CONVENTION ACTION:**

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9 \_\_\_\_\_ Approved                      \_\_\_\_\_ Approved with Modification                      \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved  
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11 \_\_\_\_\_ Withdrawn                      \_\_\_\_\_ Referred to Committee \_\_\_\_\_  
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13 **RESOLUTION:**  
14 (Refer to Article 901 for submission requirements.)

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16 Whereas,            Under AHA Article 1220.2.a for Regionals it states that there shall be no work-off in performance classes,  
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19 Whereas,            Under AHA Article 1315.2 for Nationals it states there shall be no-work off in performance classes, and  
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21 Whereas,            Work-offs allow the judges to pull out the top horses for additional work without "running them into the  
22 ground" until the last horse is left standing. This is to enhance the overall performance and the welfare of  
23 the horse; Therefore, Be It  
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25 Resolved,            That AHA Articles 1220.2.a (Regionals) and 1315.2 (Nationals) remove the no work-off statements and  
26 include the following wording;

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28 **WORK-OFFS**

- 29 1. Any judge may request a work-off in any class by communicating through the Ringmaster. The judge making the  
30 request must state what horses he wants called and for which positions they are to be worked. The Ringmaster  
31 relates this to the other judges one at a time. A work-off requires agreement by two of the three, or the positions  
32 must be filled without a work-off. If a work-off is agreed upon, the Ringmaster must ask the other Judges if they  
33 wish to add other horses to those being sent to the rail. The Ringmaster must be sure that all judges know what  
34 horses are working for what position.  
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36 2. In order to be included in a work-off, an entry must appear on two judges' cards. If an entry does not receive two  
37 votes for inclusion in the work-off, that entry does not return to the rail. If no entries receive two work-off votes,  
38 there is no work-off and the class is placed.  
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40 3. The Ringmaster must inform the Announcer of the work-off request. Whenever horses are being called for a  
41 workout, the Announcer must call for them in numerical order.  
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43 **AUTOMATIC WORK-OFFS (Identical Tie for First Place)**

- 44 1. When a three way identical tie occurs for first place, a work-off is mandatory.  
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46 2. If the tie is still identical after the work-off, the class will be placed by the fall of the cards (see scoring supplement).  
47 At no time will horses ever be asked, or required, to perform more than one work-off per class (Exception:  
48 Equitation).  
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50 3. When the identical three-way tie is for second place or lower, the class is determined by the fall of the cards.

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52 Effective: January 1, 2008

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

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58 **AHA IMPACT STATEMENT:**

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60 It is not likely in a three judge system that a 2 way tie would happen. However, if it should happen, a 2 way identical tie  
61 would be calculated by checking the judge's cards for the number placed highest by 2 of the 3 judges.

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66 **SUBMITTED BY:**

67 Name: Judges & Stewards Steering Committee Region:

68  Member Organization  Committee  Commission  Board  Region (check one )

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

70 Total Number Eligible to Vote: 9 Number of Yes votes: 6 Number of No votes: 0

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: Committee Minutes (Must have printed documentation on file)

73 Date vote taken: August 14, 2007

74 Contact Person: Duane Esser (Has authority to amend, combine or withdraw)

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