



REMINDERS

for the 2020 show season

➤ **PAYMENT SUBMITTED BY CARD** – Any payment submitted to AHA using a card (debit or credit) will be charged a 3% convenience fee.

➤ **UNRELATED OWNERS IN OWNER CLASSES** – For the purposes of showing in Junior Owner and Amateur Owner classes, two non-related owners will now be able to co-own a horse and show in owner classes provided the following rules are followed. The ownership **MUST** be an **AND** relationship and not an **OR** relationship. No family member of a professional may enter into this relationship. “Non-family owners” are

defined as two distinct individuals who are not related as family as defined by US Equestrian or Equestrian Canada. The horse must be registered with one of the five Registries in US or Canada or another approved Registry. Family members of these two co-owners are **NOT** permitted to show in owner classes. Both co-owners must be members of USEF or EC and hold valid amateur cards. Co-ownership is limited to two distinct individuals (no farms or business entities). A horse can only be in (1) one non-related Co-ownership per show season – if a co-ownership is terminated, another co-ownership cannot be entered into for that horse until the next year. An individual can only enter into (2) two distinct non-related co-ownerships at any one time. Show management may deny horses in this relationship entry into AO/JO classes with payout in excess of \$2,500. Please see **USEF AR110.4.e** for complete requirements and limitations.

➤ **DRESSAGE TEST OF CHOICE CLASSES** - If you offer Test of Choice for a single level in dressage, there are 2 ways to report the results:

As one class (preferred). You can divide the class into A, B, and C sections for each test if your program does automatic calculations, but the final results must be ranked and reported as one class.

As separate classes (not preferred). Each test will be placed as a separate class and the prize list must state which test number is being recorded under which class number. The best way is to have a completely separate class number for each test. (i.e. 1, 2, and 3, vs. 1A, 1B, and 1C.)

➤ **MEMBERSHIPS TAKEN AT SHOWS** - All membership applications, renewals & upgrades taken at AHA recognized shows must be sent to AHA for processing. Please make sure you collect the correct fees including any club dues and GST/HST Tax for Canadian residents, if applicable. Please use the current AHA Membership Application which is available on the AHA web site and will be in your pre show packet.

➤ **JUDGES CARDS** - All the current judge’s cards can be found at <http://www.arabianhorses.org/competitions/j-s/jsforms.asp>

➤ **WALK TROT CLASSES & USEF SHOWS** - To have your exhibitors exempt from the USEF membership requirement, “Walk/Trot” must appear in the class title. i.e. Showmanship **Walk/Trot** 10 & Under. If Walk/Trot is not in the title, they will not consider the exhibitor as being exempt from the USEF membership rule and will assess the show the non-member fee. For exhibitors competing in Short Stirrup Reining 10 & Under, USEF membership is required (Per **USEF 4/2015**). **Note: Walk/Trot/Jog classes for 11& Over has passed the AHA Convention but will not be in effect until it is passed by USEF/EC. You can run these classes but they will not count until they appear in the USEF/EC Rule Book.**

➤ **TBA CLASSES** - To be more exhibitor friendly, the following is an acceptable statement for TBA classes in your prize lists:

“Any class on the AHA Class List or that is recognized by AHA.”

If there are classes you do **not** want to offer, please state the exceptions. i.e. “Any class on the AHA Class List or

that is recognized by AHA, with the exception of Dressage, Sport Horse, Cutting, Reined Cow, “

TBA time slots must be listed in the time schedule. A show will be charged **\$30** for any TBA slots added after the prize list has been published. See **COMP 301.16.a.** for details.

REGIONAL TBA CLASSES – TBA Classes may be offered at Regional Championship Shows. (Exception: Sweepstakes mandatory classes must be held and may not be offered as TBA’s. Sweepstakes exempt classes may be TBA’s, however, if added as a TBA, they are ineligible for Sweepstakes money. – refer to COMP 302.4 for list)

- **REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS & OFFSITE CHAMPIONSHIPS** – Please remember Championship classes cannot be duplicated at a Regional Championship or between the Regional and the Regional Offsite Championship. Duplicated classes are defined as classes with the exact same class title. i.e. if your Regional show offers a Hunter Seat Equitation AATR Championship, your Regional Offsite Championships can’t offer that class, but it would be acceptable for the Regional Offsite to offer Hunter Seat Equitation AATR 19-39 and Hunter Seat Equitation AATR 40 and Over. If your Regional Championship offers a Western PL AAOTR 19-39 and a Western PL AAOTR 40 and Over, someone could request that a Western PL AAOTR 50 and Over be added.
- **CHANGES TO SHOW APPLICATION AFTER APPROVAL** - If there is a change in the Manger, Judge or Steward, AHA must be notified in writing prior to the competition or notification should be submitted with the results. If there is a change of Show Secretary, please notify AHA as soon as the change is made. This will insure the show packet goes to the right person.
- **FORMS** - Please use the website for the most up-to-date versions of the forms you need. Most forms can be found in one convenient location at <https://www.arabianhorses.org/additional/forms/>.
- **RESULTS SUBMISSION** - All AHA Recognized Local shows must place first (1) through sixth (6) regardless of the number of awards recognized or issued (all placings must be submitted if placing more than six). Show results not submitted in an acceptable electronic format will be assessed an office fee in the amount of \$50. Please refer to “**Results Submission Tips**” for more information. <https://www.arabianhorses.org/additional/forms/competition-forms/>
- **ALL FEES MUST BE FULLY DISCLOSED (COMP 301.4)** - For shows in Canada, if you need to add an exchange rate, DO NOT place it within any of the AHA fees.

i.e.	<u>Correct</u>		<u>Incorrect</u>	
AHA Single Event fee	\$35		AHA Single Event fee	\$40
	<u>CA Exchange</u>	<u>\$5</u>		
Total AHA single Event		\$40		
- **JUDGES AND STEWARDS 9-90 FEE** – The 9-90 fee will now be charged for all shows regardless of the number of horses at the show in the previous two years. This also includes the AHA One Day Shows and Arabian Value Shows.
- **CUTTING CLASS PAYOUTS** – All cutting class payouts need to be submitted along with your results. The payout should be reported by class with the amount paid out to each exhibitor. In addition, the amount of added money and intent to have Jackpot classes must be clearly printed in your prize list, and finalized no later than 30 days prior to the show.
- **LEVELING PROGRAM** - A rider may now choose to ride any and all levels at or above their given level unless so stated in a show’s prize list, but cannot ride below their designated level. They must have separate qualifications for each class ridden. This applies to all shows unless restricted by show management. **USEF AR110.2.g.** The leveling view can be found at the bottom of the exhibitor’s leveling record which indicates which level they should be competing at.

- **CUTTING HORSE CLASSES** - All cutting horse classes must be judged by an approved National Cutting Horse Association Judge or must have a Guest Judge Card from the AHA Judges and Stewards Commissioner. Please contact the Judges and Stewards office at 303-696-4539 with any questions.
- **JUDGING BACK TO BACK SHOWS** – This clarification has been added to the AHA Handbook, AHA One Day Show Rules, and Arabian Value Show Rules.

Recognized Judges may not adjudicate in back-to-back AHA recognized shows unless they are not adjudicating the same type of classes. Class type is defined by:

- a. Sections – Western, English/Country English, Hunter, Reining, Trail, etc.
- b. By sex for Breeding/In-Hand – Stallion, Mare, Gelding.

For example: A judge may adjudicate Western Pleasure and Stallion Breeding at the first show and then could adjudicate English/Country English Pleasure and Mare Breeding at the second show. Splitting of judging assignments in a back-to-back situation by AO/JO/AAO/AT/JT/AAT within a section is not allowed.

- **SPECIALTY JUDGE CHANGES** – Specialty judges may adjudicate at back to back competitions including any preshow and Regional Championships. Effective January 1, 2019
- **REMINDER: AHA VALUE AND ONE DAY SHOW RULES** – These shows do not require USEF approval, but you must still adhere to their rules. You can find the complete rules under Competitions, AHA Recognized, One Day & Value Shows.
- **HALTER SCORING/JUDGING SYSTEMS** – Local level shows may now utilize any halter scoring/judging system that is outlined in the AHA Handbook, and Regional Championship shows may utilize any halter scoring/judging system that is outlined in **COMP 501, 502, 506, or 507**. The application for Halter Dispensation is still available for any show that chooses to use a scoring/judging system not outlined herein.
- **YEARLINGS IN HALTER CHAMPIONSHIPS** – Yearlings are now eligible to win the Championship in either a Junior Championship or Grand Show Championship class. See **USEF AR118**. **Sport Horse Yearlings cannot be named Champion or Reserve Champion until the rule is in effect at USEF on December 1, 2020.**
- **SCORES FOR IN-HAND TRAIL AND RANCH HORSE RIDING** – Don't forget that you need to report scores for these recognized Working Western classes.
- **QUALIFICATIONS FOR COW CLASSES** –For Regional qualification, the horse is required to have participated in at least one (1) class at a Recognized AHA Competition within their respective qualifying section and Region. Participation is defined as entered, shown and scored in that class. A zero is considered a score, but a “no score” is not considered a qualifying score. For Nationals, the horse is required to have participated in at least two (2) classes at either a Recognized AHA Competition or a Regional Championship, and the same rules apply. When reporting local level cow classes, remember **ALL** exhibitors must be reported **unless** they had a **NO SCORE** – exhibitors with a **ZERO** score, and all other exhibitors after 6th place should be reported with a zero placing.

Please contact AHA at 303-696-4500, option 4 or info.comp@arabianhorses.org with any questions