

1 SUBJECT: Addition of Purebred Arabian Liberty (USEF/EC)

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3 (STANDARD)

4 Refer to Chapter 9, RULE 101 for submission requirements

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6 Committees required to review: (This section to be completed by the Agenda & Resolutions Committee) Committee Action:  
Approve Disapprove

Amateur Committee			
Breeding/In-Hand Committee			
Competition Advisory Committee			
Education/Evaluation Commission			
Equine Stress/Research & Education Committee			
Judges & Stewards Steering Committee			
Professional Horsemen Committee			
USEF Arabian Division Committee			

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8 CONVENTION ACTION:

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10 \_\_\_\_\_Approved \_\_\_\_\_Approved with Modification **X** Disapproved  
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12 \_\_\_\_\_Withdrawn \_\_\_\_\_Referred to Committee\_\_\_\_\_

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14 PROPOSED CHANGE: (Check one) X Add new rule \_\_\_\_\_ Delete existing rule \_\_\_\_\_ Change existing text  
15 Indicate affected Article/Rule number (AHA/USEF/EC) USEF AR122

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17 RESOLUTION: Use ***bold/italic*** for new wording, ~~strike through~~ to indicate deletion

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19 Whereas, The establishment of an AHA recognized Liberty Class for purebred Arabian Horses would allow for an  
20 additional class that exhibitors could compete in; and  
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22 Whereas, The Scottsdale Arabian Horse Show has held a Liberty Jackpot class successfully for years that is well  
23 attended by exhibitors and spectators; and  
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25 Whereas, In the opinion of the proponent, the establishment of an AHA recognized Liberty Class for purebred  
26 Arabian Horses could benefit the organization in marketing and promotion of our beloved breed; and  
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28 Whereas, In the opinion of the proponent, the addition of this recognized class could be a shining example of our  
29 breed, drawing more entries and spectators to witness the majesty of the Arabian horse; Therefore, Be It  
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31 Resolved, That USEF AR122 Subchapter AR-2 Purebred Arabian Breeding/Gelding In-Hand Section be amended by  
32 adding LIBERTY class rules as follows:
- 33 1. ***The ideal Liberty horse is:***
    - 34 a. ***Brilliant, confident, and has Arabian type while performing with a “look-at-me” attitude.***
    - 35 b. ***The horse should have great expression and is exciting to watch perform loose in the arena.***
    - 36 c. ***The horse should give a brilliant performance with style and presence while making use of the entire arena.***
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38 2. ***Judging Criteria/Categories:***

39 ***Judges will score each horse from 1-10 with 10 being the highest score on each of the below categories. The highest***  
40 ***possible total score for a horse is 50 points. Judges are required to consider each category of the performance equally.***  
41 ***If an individual horse is average or below average for a single criteria, a deduction from the score in that particular***  
42 ***criteria should be given. Liberty classes are not to be judged solely on the individuals trot as some horses may trot***  
43 ***very little but still exhibit type, animation, and presence while giving a brilliant performance.***

    - 44 a. ***Arabian Type***
    - 45 b. ***Animation & Charisma***
    - 46 c. ***Movement***
    - 47 d. ***Use of Arena***
    - 48 e. ***Crowd Participation***

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- 3. **Liberty Rules:**
  - a. *Open to Purebred Arabian stallions, mares and geldings, two years old and older.*
  - b. *Horses must be shown without tack, equipment, artificial appliances or appendages.*
  - c. *A three (3)-minute time limit will be allowed for each horse in the qualifying rounds and in the championship final round for the horse to perform at Liberty.*
  - d. *No more than two (2) handlers per horse are allowed in the ring at one time.*
  - e. *Handlers will lead horse to designated marker.*
  - f. *Time and music will start when halter is removed.*
  - g. *Time will expire at the signal of the time keeper; at this time handlers have 3 minutes to retrieve horse or it will be eliminated and no score will be given.*
  - h. *While at Liberty, the horse may perform at any gait, ~~horses may perform tricks~~ within their 3 minute time at Liberty to count towards their performance score.*
  - i. *Handlers shall not touch the horse with whip or ride the horse at any time from entrance into the show ring until after the expiration of the time limit.*
  - j. *The use of a standard halter show whip is allowed (AR114.2).*
  - k. *Horses are encouraged to exhibit Arabian presence.*
  - l. *Each entry must furnish music for their performance. The music must be identified with the horse’s name, and entry number. If not provided, the show reserves the right to select the music; and, Be It Further*

Resolved, That the remaining USEF chapter be re-numbered.

Effective: December 31, 2018 or when approved by USEF/EC

(If a Standard resolution, the effective date will be December 31 of the year after the Convention)

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RESOLUTION TYPE (**REQUIRED**): Standard  X  Extraordinary  “If indicated as “Extraordinary”, the proponent must list reasons which establish Chapter 9, RULE 101.2 has been met)

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PROPOSERS FINANCIAL IMPACT (**REQUIRED**): Refer to Chapter 9, RULE 101.3.e. for financial requirements

Minimal – Approximately \$35 to add class codes, \$90 to create and post new score sheet.

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AHA IMPACT STATEMENT: None

Contact Person:

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SUBMITTED BY: Golden Gate AHA Region Number: 3

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: 7 Number of No votes: 1

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: With the Club President (*Must have printed documentation on file*)

Date vote taken: August 11, 2017

Contact Person: Kathryn J. Wickstrom (*Has authority to amend, combine or withdraw*)

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