

RESOLUTION 10 - 17

SUBJECT: In-Hand Working Western Performance (USEF/EC)

Amendment 1

(STANDARD)

Refer to Chapter 9, RULE 101 for submission requirements

Committee Action:

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

Amateur Committee			
Competition Advisory Committee			
Education/Evaluation Commission			
Judges & Stewards Steering Committee			
Professional Horsemen Committee			
Working Western Committee			
USEF Arabian Division Committee			

CONVENTION ACTION:

_____ Approved _____ Approved with Modification _____ Disapproved

X Withdrawn _____ Referred to Committee _____

PROPOSED CHANGE: (Check one) X Add new rule _____ Delete existing rule _____ Change existing text
 Indicate affected Article/Rule number (AHA/USEF/EC) USEF AR-5

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

Whereas, Many breeders of Arabian and Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian horses, breed specifically for Working Western Stock Horse Performance abilities; and

Whereas, ~~In-Hand Working Western Performance~~ ***Stock Horse Halter*** has become a very popular class in other breeds; and

Whereas, There has been a steady growth in the Working Western divisions during the last few years; and

Whereas, In the opinion of the proponent, evaluation and rewarding of excellence in form to function can improve both the capability and durability of our Working Western stock type horses; and

Whereas, In the opinion of the proponent, there is a need for ~~in-hand~~ ***Stock Horse Halter*** classes to be offered in conjunction with Working Western class divisions ***in order for these horses to earn advanced AHA Achievement Awards.*** Classes ~~to~~ ***may*** be judged by qualified Arabian judges or any judge that is USEF/Western, NRCHA or NCHA carded or any one credentialed to judge a western stock horse, with the goal of evaluating the athletic potential of the horses shown for Working Western. ***This is not a halter class for breeding horses, but rather a discipline halter class as in other Stock Horse breeds;*** and

Whereas, ***In order to stay in line with the other Stock Horse breeds, AHA needs to add these classes.*** Currently there is no in-hand division available exclusively to showcase the Arabian and Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Working Western performance horses, ***and small clubs attempting to put on shows, especially specialty shows, cannot afford to hire a second judge to judge halter classes;*** Therefore, Be It

Resolved, That USEF Subchapter AR 5 be amended by inserting a new section as follows:

Subchapter AR-5 In-Hand Working Western Performance-Stock Horse Halter

- 1. The purpose of ~~In-hand Working Western Performance~~ Stock Horse Halter is to select well-mannered individuals that are the most positive combination of balance, structural correctness, and movement appropriate for various activities of a working ranch horse, while maintaining the breed standards characteristics of ~~an~~ that Arabian horses are known for. The Stock Horse Halter class will fall under the USEF Western Division rules. Judging is a positive evaluation of balance, structural correctness, breed and sex characteristics and muscling. When judging, it is***

important to make a positive evaluation of each horse's resemblance to the ideal Arabian and to find the horse that best combines the traits listed above. It is easy to find what you don't like about any animal and eliminate horses on that basis. However, when a positive evaluation is used, it produces a consistent result that finds the most complete horse. All judging involves the ability to find those animals that most resemble the ideal Arabian and to rank them accordingly. (See also AR-1/101, 103, 104, 105 and AR-2/115

2. For a show to offer this division, the show must also offer at least one class from any one or more of the following divisions: Reining, Reining Seat Equitation, Herd Work, Reined Cow, Working Cow, Cutting, Ranch Riding, Western Trail, Western Dressage or Gymkhana. ~~The In-hand Working Western Performance~~ Stock Horse Halter classes must be held after the conclusion of the other qualifying divisions and classes. To be eligible to compete in this class a horse must enter, show and receive a score in any class or classes from the divisions listed above. A Disqualification (DQ) is not a score.
3. Horses are to be shown in a good working halter (rope, nylon or plain leather). A chain or leather strap, under the chin or leather pieces connecting the two sides of the halter under the chin, are permitted. Horses may also be shown in a working bridle suitable to the age of the horse. Silver is allowed but not preferred over a clean working halter or bridle. Lip Cords and chains are not permitted in the horses mouth.
4. Open, Amateur and Junior Exhibitor classes may be held. Classes will not be split by age. Exception: Prospect class for horses two years old and under at the discretion of show management. Classes must be separated by Arabian and Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian. In addition, they must be separated by ~~Arabian~~-stallion, mare and gelding ~~and Half-Arabian~~-stallion, mare and gelding. All horses three years of age and older must have shown in a performance class in any of the following divisions Reining, Reining Seat Equitation, Herd Work, Reined Cow, Working Cow, Cutting, Ranch Riding, Western Trail, Western Dressage or Gymkhana at the same show in which the ~~In-hand Working Western Performance~~ Stock Horse Halter class is being offered.
5. All stallions 3 years old and over shall be examined to confirm that they have two visible testicles. If examination reveals that a horse is cryptorchid, such horse should be excused from the ring prior to final placing by the judge.
6. No whips, schooling devices, "bagging" shakers, noisemakers or aids of any kind are permitted. Horses may be shown with bridle path, ears, eyes and nose clipped but it is not mandatory. Cutting Horses may be shown shaved/roached. Horses shown clipped will not be preferred over a horse that is shown natural. Appropriate western attire is required which includes, pants (slacks, trousers, jeans), long sleeves and collar (band, stand up, tuxedo, etc.) western hat and cowboy boots. Western suits with tie or bolo is acceptable. No bling, sequins or rhinestones.
7. The horse's body condition and over all fitness should be assessed. The hair coat should be clean, well-brushed and in good condition. The mane, tail, forelock and wither tuft may not contain ornaments, (ribbons, bows, etc.), hooves should be natural without paint or hoof dressing.
8. Horses will be presented in a relaxed and unstretched manner with the feet squarely underneath the body (no hard stance). Horses will walk to the judge(s) one at a time. As the horse approaches, the judge(s) will step to the right (left of the horse) to enable the horse to trot straight to the cone placed approximately 50 feet (15 meters) away. At the cone the horse will continue trotting, turn to the left making a true "L" and trot toward the next cone placed before the left wall or fence of the arena. After trotting, horses will be lined up head to tail for individual inspection by the judge(s). The judge(s) shall inspect each horse from both sides, front and rear. Excessive schooling, training or shanking, willful abuse, loss of control of the horse by the exhibitor, shall be cause for elimination.
9. At a single judged show, the judge should line the horses to be placed in a head to tail order according to preference.
- ~~10. An exhibitor may enter one or more horses in a class, but each horse may have only one rider/handler per class; and,~~

Be It Further

Resolved, That the remaining USEF sub-chapters 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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108 RESOLUTION TYPE (**REQUIRED**): Standard X Extraordinary _____ “If indicated as
109 “Extraordinary”, the proponent must list reasons which establish Chapter 9, RULE 101.2 has been met)

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111 With the trend of increasing popularity of the Working Western classes in the open all breed shows, memberships
112 and participation in AHA is continuing to decline and show entries are being lost to these all breed shows. With
113 open shows being attended in lieu of AHA classes, this is revenue being lost to both AHA and approved
114 shows/organizations. As it stands there is no venue for the Working Western stock type Arabian and Half-
115 Arabian/Anglo-Arabian horses to show in-hand. With the addition of In-Hand Working Western Performance, both
116 AHA and shows will see an increase in revenues as well as a growth in numbers for clubs.

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118 This resolution is being supported by AWCHA – Arabian Working Western Cow Horse Association, its Board of
119 Directors and members.

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

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123 Time required to set up class codes and qualifications and place into the AHA Handbook and on web; 1 to 4 hours estimated
124 depending on number of classes and qualifications required. Cost Estimated at up to \$80. If shows choose to offer these
125 classes, ribbons and trophies will be an additional cost which can be offset by the class entries.

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127 There will be a revenue increase to AHA as these classes are offered and the \$4.00 per horse class fee is collected. Estimated
128 that on the low end, 100 horses will compete the first year and revenue to AHA will be \$400.00. As the class gains
129 popularity, more revenue will be collected.

131 AHA IMPACT STATEMENT: None

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133 Contact Person:

135 SUBMITTED BY: The Arabian Cutting Horse Association Region Number: 8

136 Member Organization Committee Commission Board Region (*check one*)

137 Who voted: Members Board Delegates (*check voting body*)

138 Total Number Eligible to Vote: 12 Number of Yes votes: 12 Number of No votes: 0

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

140 Where documentation of this vote is recorded: Email (*Must have printed documentation on file*)

141 Date vote taken: August 9, 2017

142 Contact Person: Dave Dickerson (*Has authority to amend, combine or withdraw*)

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