

UPDATES

New for the 2023 show season

IMPORTANT CHANGE IN LATE FEE – AHA will now be following the same USEF procedure for late results submission. Results are due via postmark/electronic transaction dated within 10 days of the end of the competition to AHA. This includes the submission of competition fees. **After the 10 days, a \$50 penalty fee per day will be assessed.** This late fee will be in effect for all AHA/USEF/EC recognized competitions including AVS shows.

2023 LEVELING VIEW - The leveling view for the 2023 competition year has been loaded on the AHA website. This view only reflects competitions received and entered by December 1 of 2022. Any results received after this date will fall into the 2024 view.

HA/AA YEARLING HALTER CLASSES – The HA/AA Yearling Halter classes at U.S. Nationals are no longer being held as Sweepstakes classes. These classes are included in Category II and require one participation for Regionals and two for U.S. Nationals. Please consider offering these classes in your prize list or listing them in your selections of TBA's.

UPCOMING COMPETITION CARD INCREASES – Will become effective on April 1, 2023

- Adult with club affiliation one year - \$40
- Adult without club affiliation one year - \$80
- Adult with club affiliation three year - \$120 [\$105+(\$5x3)]
- Adult without club affiliation three year - \$240 [\$225 +(\$5x3)]
- Youth with club affiliation one year - \$30
- Youth without club affiliation one year - \$30

USEF SHOW PASS FORM – This form must be done online with USEF. **As of 12/1/2022, only one Show Pass Form is allowed per competition year.** If you have already submitted a Show Pass Form for the year, a competing membership is required. See link: [https://www.usef.org/show-pass?utm_source=SilverpopMailing&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Industry%20News%20-%20Show%20Pass%20update%20%20-%2011.07.22%20\(1\)&utm_content=](https://www.usef.org/show-pass?utm_source=SilverpopMailing&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Industry%20News%20-%20Show%20Pass%20update%20%20-%2011.07.22%20(1)&utm_content=)

Contact USEF with any questions you have regarding show passes and USEF membership requirements.

HORSE NUMBER INCREASED FOR AVS – Previously AHA Value Shows could not have a historic average of more than 175 horses as determined by the previous two consecutive years. If they exceed this limit, they must seek recognition as a USEF/AHA recognized competition. This has now been increased to a horse limit of 200 for the 2023 competition year and forward.

SPORT HORSE NATIONALS – The Sport Horse Nationals contract will be renewed at the World Equestrian Center in Wilmington, Ohio for 2024, 2025 and 2026. An additional Board Motion was made that reads: “the Sport Horse National Show be renamed East Sport Horse National Show, and that a second show commission be created to initiate a West Sport Horse National Show no later than FY25.” This motion was referred to committee.

2023 AHA HANDBOOK – Once the Handbook is updated & printed, it will be on the web site and all Show Managers/Secretaries/Judges/Stewards on file will be sent one automatically.



Ranch Horse Ranch Rail Pleasure W/T 10 & Under and Ranch Trail W/T 10 & Under classes for Arabian and HA/AA classes are now in effect.

2022 RESOLUTION CHANGES – See the approved resolutions for more information on the following changes:

<https://www.arabianhorses.org/membership/convention/resolutions/>

- Res 3-22 Senior Judges (USEF/EC)
- Res 5-22 Allow USEF Arabian Judge to Officiate SHIH and SHUS Classes with an AHA Sport Horse Specialty Card; development of the SH Specialty Card (USEF/EC)
- Res 6-22 Further Addressing Un-natural and Altered Tails (USEF/EC)
- Res 7-22 Shoeing Rule Modification (USEF/EC)
- Res 8-22 Use of Tongue Ties in the Show Ring for Horses in Full Bridles and Driving (USEF/EC)
- Res 9-22 Hunter Hack Warmup (USEF/EC)
- Res 10-22 Amends USEF 164.2 - Cross Rails 10 & Under Not to Canter in Under Saddle Classes (USEF/EC)
- Res 11-22 Dressage Seat Equitation – National's Scoring/Placing (USEF/EC)
- Res 12-22 Addition of Western Dressage to the Sport Horse Disciplines (USEF/EC)
- Res 13-22 Working Western Rewrite (USEF/EC)
- Res 14-22 Horse Substitution in Equitation Classes (USEF/EC)
- Res 15-22 Horsemanship Lead Changes (USEF/EC)

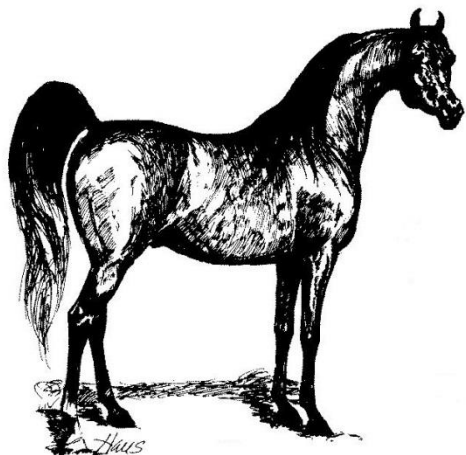
Note: 2022 Resolutions are pending USEF/EC approval and effective dates.

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

Updated 1/2023 /v commons/competitions./recognition/New for YR Flyers

REMINDERS

for the 2023 show season



- **SAFE SPORT SANCTIONS** – Remember to check your entries against the current USEF Safe Sport Suspension list. Please keep in mind that individuals with a sanction listing a breed other than “Arabian” or a discipline must also be checked against your list of entries. **ALL** AHA Recognized shows must adhere to the sanctions posted, including AHA Value Shows.
<https://www.usef.org/safe-sport/sanction-list>
- **JUDGES CARDS** - All the current judge’s cards can be found at
<http://www.arabianhorses.org/competitions/j-s/jsforms.asp>
- **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.
- **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**).
- **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 **\$15** for any TBA slots held. See **COMP 301.17.a & .b** 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 ensure 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 shows must include all horses who were entered, shown and judged (finished the class) must be reported. Those not placed will require a 0 in the placing field.**
- 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>	\$5		
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 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. 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. Equitation was added into the leveling in 2022.

- **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 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.
- **REMINDER: AHA VALUE SHOW RULES** – These shows do not require USEF approval, but you must still adhere to their rules. You can find the complete rules under on the website under Competitions, AHA Recognized, 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**.
- **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 **can now** be named Champion or Reserve Champion.
- **DISQUALIFICATIONS** - Show Management at Qualifying and Regional shows will be required to collect for redistribution: trophies, prizes, ribbons and monies won. In addition, the disqualified exhibitor(s) will be directed to pay to Show Management a fee of \$50 per horse in conjunction with these penalties. **COMP 105.1.a**.

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



AHA Checklist – Prize List/Entry Form Requirements For All Shows

- ___ All Prize Lists must be submitted to AHA at least 90 days prior to the show. Prize list submitted 30 days or less are subject to a fine of \$150.00.
- ___ List the Region the show is qualifying for.
- ___ List Judges and the classes they are adjudicating, for which Region, and are from the approved list.
- ___ For Concurrent shows, list which judge is doing which show recognition number and or classes.
- ___ USEF Steward is from the approved list. (Not applicable for One Day Show).
- ___ **CURRENT** Class codes are listed in the schedule or class description. (in the schedule is preferred)
- ___ Contain the AHA recognition page with; 1. Show Recognition number, 2. Sponsor listed and 3. Membership Contact name and contact information. Value Shows may use the abbreviate form without the picture.
- ___ TBA Time Slots **MUST** be listed in the time schedule or they will not be recognized (USEF AR 107.4.b) **AND** a TBA Statement must be in the prize list.
- ___ **TBA Suggested wording for Prize Lists**
Any class on the AHA Class List or that is recognized by AHA, (You Must List Exceptions i.e. *with the exception of Dressage, Sport Horse, Cutting, Reined Cow,*)
- ___ **You must submit a \$15 fee per held TBA or added class.**
- ___ Offer all required AHA equitation and medal classes (Not applicable for One Day Show).

Saddle Seat Equitation JTR	AHA Saddle Seat Medal JTR
Western Horsemanship JTR	AHA Western Horsemanship Medal JTR
<i>Western Seat Equitation JTR</i>	AHA Reining Seat Medal JTR
Hunt Seat Equitation Not To Jump JTR	AHA Hunt Seat Medal Not To Jump JTR
Hunt Seat Equitation Over Fences JTR	AHA Hunt Seat Medal Over Fences JTR
* <i>Dressage Seat Equitation JTR</i>	* <i>AHA Dressage Seat Medal JTR</i> * <u>Required Only if Dressage is offered</u>
- Medal specs no longer are required in the prize list since they are now in the USEF/EC rulebook
- Western Seat Equitation can serve as the required equitation class for both the Reining Seat and Western Horsemanship Medal classes
- ___ Colt/Gelding In-Hand classes are limited to weanling/yearling. If not, classes will not be recognized.
- ___ List Halter procedure - if it is in ring or exit ring procedure.
- ___ If classes are split by age or type they must be all inclusive per AHA handbook. ie. Sport Horse In Hand if you offer Hunter type you must offer Dressage type, and Western PI if you offer 14-18 you must offer 13 & under.
- ___ Indicate if the show is holding Working Hunter Championships and if so results must be reported for the Championship as well as all sections (2 Over Fence sections & 1 Under Saddle Section).
- ___ May not offer more than 1 Championship class with the same title per show/recognition number. If entries warrant the class may be divided into section that run into a Final Championship. (exception: Concurrent shows)
- ___ Must fully disclose all fees including AHA, USEF & EC fees.
- ___ Contain the AHA Membership statement. The following membership statement must appear in bold type in a prominent place:

AHA MEMBERSHIP STATEMENT

EACH COMPETITOR (THIS INCLUDES AT LEAST ONE RECORDED OWNER AND ALL TRAINERS, DRIVERS, RIDERS, HALTER HANDLERS, COACHES AND THE PERSON(S) SIGNING THE ENTRY BLANK) IN AN ARABIAN HORSE ASSOCIATION RECOGNIZED ARABIAN DIVISION, AT THE TIME OF ENTRY INTO A COMPETITION, MUST SUBMIT A COPY OF A VALID AHA MEMBERSHIP/COMPETITION CARD, JOIN AHA OR PAY AN AHA SINGLE EVENT MEMBERSHIP FEE PER COMPETITOR.

WHEN AN AGENT SIGNS FOR THE OWNER AT AN AHA RECOGNIZED COMPETITION, BOTH THE OWNER AND AGENT MUST BE MEMBERS OF AHA OR PAY THE AHA SINGLE EVENT MEMBERSHIP.

SINGLE EVENT MEMBERSHIP IS NOT ACCEPTABLE AT AHA REGIONAL OR NATIONAL COMPETITIONS.

EXHIBITORS IN WALK-TROT CLASSES ARE EXEMPT FROM AHA MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS AT QUALIFYING COMPETITIONS, BUT MUST HAVE AN AHA MEMBERSHIP WITH COMPETITION CARD AT AHA REGIONAL AND NATIONAL COMPETITIONS.

EXHIBITORS IN LEAD LINE CLASSES OR PARENTS/GUARDIANS SIGNING FOR MINORS ARE EXEMPT FROM AHA MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS. (BOD 5/12)

___ The Single Event Membership fee must be listed in the prize list and on the entry form except for Regional Show prize lists and entry forms, where membership is required for all exhibitors except those in Leadline only.

___ Show manager and secretary listed in prize list must be the same as the event application. If not, call AHA and update.

ENTRY FORMS must include;

___ AHA Waiver of Liability. *Please ensure all owners, trainers, drivers/riders/handlers sign the waiver.*

___ Single Event fee \$35.00

___ Education (9-90) fee (now due for all shows regardless of the number of horses)

\$10.00 per horse Concurrent shows (the \$10.00 per horse fee covers both A & B Shows)

\$5.00 per horse Regular shows

Additional Regional Show Checklist

___ All Prize Lists must be submitted to AHA at least 120 days prior to the show. Prize list submitted 30 days or less will be subject to a fine of \$150.00.

___ Use the current AHA **Championship** codes for all Regional Championship classes.

___ List all judges and what classes they will adjudicate. Judge can't judge more than 2 Regional shows in one year and can't judge 2 continuous Regions (excluding Specialty class judges).

___ State if a Full Top 5 will be awarded or if Top Five is 50% of the class rounded up method will be used

___ If awarding a full Top Five, then the statement must be included in bold type.

"Top Five Awards will be made regardless of the number of entries in a class. However, only awards made to the top 50% of the class (rounded up and not to exceed 5 awards) will receive Arabian Breeders Sweepstakes payout, AHA Horse Achievement Award, Amateur Achievement Awards, High Point Horse, Achievement Award, High Point Amateur Achievement Award and Distance Award Points."

___ **ARABIAN BREEDERS SWEEPSTAKES:** All Arabian Breeders Sweepstakes classes

All Sweepstakes Classes **MUST** be offered AND will be coded as such by AHA, and can't be on a TBA list (exception Reining Junior Horse & AAOTR, Western Trail Junior Horse & AAOTR, Working Cow Junior Horse & AAOTR, Cutting Junior Horse & Non-Pro, SH Under Saddle AOTR, Dressage Second Level AOTR, and Regular Working Hunter AOTR) or pay \$500 fine per class. Please use a symbol (*, \$, #, etc.) before or after the class title in the prize list.

___ If you are using Leveling you can also offer the age break of that class (example: Hunter PI AAOTR Select Champ, Hunter PI AAOTR Choice Champ, Hunter PI AAOTR Elite Champ, Hunter PI AAOTR 19-39 Champ, & Hunter PI AAOTR 40 & Over), but the Level classes will be the allocated sweepstakes classes.

___ List Off-Site Regionals, their classes, Judges location and date and contact. (COMP 302.3)

REGIONAL ENTRY FORMS must include;

___ AHA Waiver of Liability. *Please ensure all owners, trainers, drivers/riders/handlers sign the waiver.*

___ Education (9-90) fee

\$20.00 per horse Regional Shows

Additional things to remember

All shows must submit a certificate of insurance with AHA named as additional insured at least 3 weeks prior to the show. **Please have your insurance company include your AHA show recognition number and/or show name so we can track the insurance back to the correct show.**

Prize lists may be submitted to AHA for review prior to printing. **It must state it is a DRAFT and that you would like it reviewed.** At least 2 weeks must be allowed for the review.