



*Youth &*

*Mid-Summer*

*Nationals*

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## NEW/CHANGES FOR 2025

### REVIEW

# 2025 YNL/MSN Omnibus

## general information:

### SHOW OFFICE

#### Office Hours:

Phone will be available during the following:

Monday - Thursday, July 14 - 17 8:30 AM - 5 PM

Friday - Saturday, July 18 - 26 7 AM - 1/2 hr after last class

### BARN OFFICE

**NO Arrivals before 6 AM Saturday, July 12**

#### Office Hours:

Saturday - Tuesday, July 12 - 15 10 AM - 10 PM

Wednesday - Saturday, July 16 - 26 7 AM - 7 PM

### FEED & BEDDING INFORMATION

Feed and Bedding must be ordered thru the State Fair Park. You may order online or by phone using the phone number or link below. Exhibitors are permitted to bring in outside feed and bedding for personal use. **HOWEVER, third-party deliveries or sales are strictly prohibited.**

State Fair Park Feed and Bedding  
(405) 948-6786 or (405) 948-6787

[www.okcfaerground.com/event-services/feed-and-bedding](http://www.okcfaerground.com/event-services/feed-and-bedding)

### FACILITY SHIPPING INFORMATION

Packages for the horse show will only be accepted from July 15 - 26. Neither AHA nor State Fair Park is responsible for lost or stolen packages.

#### Fed Ex/UPS packages to:

State Fair Park  
Attn: Arabian Youth Nationals  
(Include Exhibitor/Vendor/Stable Name, cell number of recipient)  
333 Gordon Cooper  
Oklahoma City, OK 73107

#### Please send **US Postal** packages to:

State Fair Park  
Attn: Arabian Youth Nationals  
(Include Exhibitor/Vendor/Stable Name, cell number of recipient)  
3001 General Pershing  
Oklahoma City, OK 73107

### SHOW COMMISSION

**Sharon Richards**, Chair California  
**Cynthia Richardson**, Vice Chair Florida  
**Rocky Glidden** Texas  
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Show Commission can be contacted at:

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Attn: YNL Show Commission  
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Greenwood Village, CO 80111  
Phone (303) 696-4500 • Fax (303) 696-4599  
NationalEvents@ArabianHorses.org  
[www.ArabianHorses.org](http://www.ArabianHorses.org)

### class entry FEES:

Youth Classes	\$225
Mid Summer Classes	\$250
Exhibition Classes	\$100
UPHA Finals Class Fee (U) (Mandatory)	\$50

#### Cattle Fee > per class

Youth Classes, Sponsored	\$00
Adult Classes	\$100

Jump (JO) > per class (lowered) \$10

Working Hunter Warm Up (W) \$30

*(R/H combination, included with each Working Hunter class)*

Trail (TO) > per class \$10

Trail Warm Up (T) \$15

*(R/H combination, Included with each class)*

#### MANDATORY FEES > per horse

Office Fee	\$85
Education/Evaluation Fee (Res. 9-90)	\$25
Scoring	\$15
Horse Stall	\$275

#### Post Fees > Refer to Important dates & deadlines

Post Horse > per horse \$500/\$1000

Post Class for pre-entered horses > per class \$100/\$200

USEF Show Pass > per person

*Must be purchased online with USEF*

WDAA Non-Member **\$55 Adult / \$40 Junior**

Failure to Close Open Show Accounts \$100

Non-Competing Horse \$425

*(includes stall, office, and per horse fee)*

Late Rider/Horse Equ Change not filed before the class \$50

Scratch Fee per class not filed before the class \$50

#### STALL FEES

**\*Please DO NOT split cost of tack stalls on your entry form**

Tack Stall (each) \$275

Removal of Stall Panel Varies up to \$500

*(per Panel/Stall)*

#### OPTIONAL FEES

Cow Practice (CP) per cow \$75

Equine Services Permit Varies

Horse for Sale Listing per horse \$50

Show Program \$10

*(one free copy is provided to each owner)*

VIP RV Parking \$1,200

**EVENT SPONSORSHIP/PARTICIPATION:**

Arena Sign – Video Side	\$600
Farm Flag Sponsorship	\$750
Youth Jacket/Buckle Sponsorship	\$300
Full Class Awards Sponsorship	\$1,300
Champion Awards Sponsorship	\$450
Reserve Champion Awards Sponsorship	\$400
Champion Blanket & Reserve Champion Garland Sponsorship	\$200
Champion Blanket Sponsorship	\$135
Reserve Champion Garland Sponsorship	\$65
Gold Level Sponsorship	\$5,000
Silver Level Sponsorship	\$3,000
Bronze Level Sponsorship	\$1,500

**Patronships**

Package 1	\$3,500
Package 2	\$3,000

Call AHA at (303) 696-4500 option #1 or email [nationalevents@ArabianHorses.org](mailto:nationalevents@ArabianHorses.org) for more Sponsorship information

**officials**

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**Announcers**

OG & E Dan Savage

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12630 Merrill Rd, Pilot Point, TX 76258 (940) 686-0112

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**JUDGES**

The management reserves the right to vary or add to this list. Panel order are subject to change.

**OG & E COLISEUM PANEL (C)**

Judging panels will rotate using the following 6 judges

Michelle Blackwell-Betten MI

Laura Gault NC

Christine Johnston GA

John Ranneberg FL

Christine Ryan PA

Mike Wilson FL

**WORKING WESTERN PANEL**

Jim Hitt CO

Trevor Gerardi-Miller CA

Jill Mitchell CA

**WORKING HUNTER**

Irving Evans NH

Paddy Downing-Nyegard NC

Page Tredennick FL

**Dressage/Western Dressage**

Heather Stalker FL

Renee Johnson CA

## Please refer to General Rules for All Shows

### entry information

#### Please refer to the General Rules GR 18

- Exhibitors are advised to use a form of expedited, traceable mail service when sending entries in order to ensure entries are received by AHA.
- METERED MAIL will only be accepted with an official postmark from a post office from the country of origin that indicates the location and date the Postal Service accepted custody of a mail piece and cancels affixed postage.
- **If you email your entries, please contact AHA if you do NOT get a return email acknowledging the receipt of your entry on the same or next business day.**
- AHA will accept faxed/emailed entries with a valid credit card. However, we strongly discourage faxed entries. Photos of an entry form will not be accepted. Photos and Faxed Copies are often illegible.
- **DO NOT SUBMIT AN ENTRY BY MORE THAN ONE METHOD AS CREDIT CARDS MAY BE CHARGED MULTIPLE TIMES.**
- **FULL PAYMENT must accompany your entry.**
- **Please do not split any charges for an entry between exhibitors, horses or stables.**
- Checks and credit cards covering multiple entries need to be accompanied by a detailed description of how the money is to be applied listing all the horses and total fees on a per horse and a contact phone number.

#### Mail to: Attn: YNL/MSN Nationals

6030 Greenwood Plaza Blvd., Suite 100  
Greenwood Village, CO 80111

Fax to: 303-696-4599 (please include cover sheet)

Email to: NationalEvents@ArabianHorses.org

## IMPORTANT DATES & DEADLINES

The Youth Commission urges exhibitors to enter by the initial close of **MAY 27** and no later than **June 17**.

*The goal is to have a more accurate Tentative Schedule earlier, enabling exhibitors to plan travel, etc., earlier than in past years*

**ENTRY DEADLINE – Tuesday May 27 Midnight (MT)**

#### POST ENTRY DEADLINES

Entries not received by the closing date may not be listed in the program. Every effort will be made to stall post entries with horses from the same barn.

#### NEW HORSES

**NO Dressage entries will be accepted after June 17**

- **Wednesday, May 28 thru Tuesday, June 17** (New horses may be entered online)
  - \$500.00 per horse if qualified for any class before May 27, including classes that do not require qualifications.
- **Wednesday, June 18 – Monday, July 14 @ 5 pm Local Time**
  - \$1,000.00 per horse if qualified for any class before May 27, including classes that do not require qualifications

**ADDING CLASSES FOR HORSES ALREADY ENTERED** *Must be submitted on an entry form and waivers signed*

**Added classes for Dressage will NOT be accepted After June 17**

- **Tuesday, May 28 thru Tuesday, Tuesday, June 17**
  - Regular class fee plus \$100 late class fee – *regardless of when qualified*
- **Wednesday, June 18 thru Monday, July 14@ 5 pm Local Time**
  - Regular class fee plus \$200 late class fee 2 - *regardless of when qualified.*

**NO ENTRIES ACCEPTED AFTER Monday, July 14 @ 5 pm Local time for any reason.**

#### ENTERING CLASSES NOT QUALIFIED BY THE CLOSING DATE:

Horses and riders that enter by May 28 but are not qualified for some of class(es) but intend to qualify for the class(es) before the start of the National Show they are entering **MUST** enter the non-qualified class(es) and pay the fees.

*By entering non-qualified class(es) by May 28, helps to determining if a class must be split and a revised schedule can be published before the start of the show.*

Qualifications for classes can be earned up to the start of the show.

If you do not qualify for the class, the class fee will be refunded.

*When entering, please be aware of entering classes which might run in different rings at the same time. Every effort will be made to solve these conflicts, however rings will not be held for extensive periods to solve conflicts. Entry fees will be forfeited in case of time conflicts caused by two rings running simultaneously that can't be resolved.*

#### **Arrival & Stalling Information**

- Group Stabling Requests MUST be in house by Tuesday, **June 17**
- **ARRIVAL** – Saturday, **July 12, NO Arrivals before 6 AM**
- **DEPARTURE** – Sunday, **July 27**, by Midnight

*Stalls must be vacated \*NO EXCEPTIONS.*

### **ENTRY REFUNDS**

Please refer to **GR 8.10**

### **SHOW ACCOUNTS**

All open accounts must be closed by 5 PM on the last day of the show, or management will close all remaining show accounts and may be assessed a Failure to Close Out fee of \$100.00.

### **HORSES NOT ENTERED IN THE SHOW (NON-COMPETING HORSES)**

Please refer to **GR 31**

Must be listed on the stall form.

There will be a \$750.00 fine per NC horse for not filing an official entry form with the show office.

### **UNREGISTERED HORSES**

Please refer to **GR 45**

### **RIDER/HANDLER EQUITATION HORSE CHANGES**

Please refer to General Rules for all shows – GR 8.9.

Any changes to the rider, driver, handler or equitation horse originally entered must be submitted to the Show Secretary by:

**8 PM > the night prior for Morning classes**

**11 AM > for Afternoon classes**

**4 PM > for Evening classes**

**Changes after the deadline will result in a late change fee.**

**Changes can be done on the AHA App, web site or in person at the show office.**

Once a class section has run, rider/driver/handler changes for advancing sections are not allowed except for a medical emergency per USEF rules. Please make sure the correct rider is listed for your classes.

**For Equitation classes riders must use the same horse throughout all phases of the competition unless the show veterinarian certifies that the horse used at the beginning is unsound and the required forms are filed at the horse Show Office.**

### **SCRATCHES & NO SHOWS**

Please refer to **GR 8.5**

By scratching as early as possible enables the show commission to make a timely decision on cancelling sections.

Scratches must be recorded with the Show Secretary to be considered official and be in the show office by;

**8 PM > the night prior for Morning classes**

**11 AM > for Afternoon classes**

**4 PM > for Evening classes**

**Scratches after the deadline will result in a late change fee.**

**Changes can be done on the AHA App, web site or in person at the show office.**

Exhibitors who scratch at the gate MUST still submit an official form.

### **CLASS SECTIONS & REQUESTS**

Please refer to **GR 8.6**

Eight (8) horses will be selected from each section to move forward to compete in the finals.

Exhibitors with possible ring conflicts, should identify section requests on the Official Entry Form. At the show sections can be requested via the AHA App, web site or in person at the show office.

All requests **MUST** be submitted **BY NOON** the day prior to when the sections are to be posted. Sections will be posted one day prior to the scheduled class.

If you have multiple classes on the same day, it is strongly advised that you look closely at the schedule and request a section that best suits your situation.

## STALLIONS

Stallions are prohibited from being exhibited in Showmanship, Walk/Trot-Jog and Lead Line classes.

## ARENA SIGNS

Arena signage may be purchased using the form found on the AHA website. Arena signage space is limited and will be sold on a first come, first served basis. AHA will provide the arena signs that will be displayed in the arena of your choice. The signs are 3' x 4'.

Logo for the signs must be emailed to [NationalEvents@arabianhorses.org](mailto:NationalEvents@arabianhorses.org) to AHA by June 1.

Artwork must be in .jpg or .png format and must be high resolution. AHA is not liable for an exact color match. More Information can be found on Youth & Mid-Summer webpage or call AHA at (303) 696-4500.

## AWARDS/PRIZE MONEY

**Please refer to GR 5 for complete information**

Awards room will be open from July 18 - 26 from 8 AM until 30 minutes after classes end.

**All awards not claimed by the close of the show will be forfeited with no exceptions. No awards will be mailed.**

**Duplicate Awards** can be purchased anytime and will be for sale in the Awards Room for Champion, Reserve Champion Trophy and Top Ten Plaques and for Youth only, jackets and belt buckles. The Duplicate Award Order Form can be found on the National Events homepage @ Duplicate Award Order Form or email [NationalEvents@arabianhorses.org](mailto:NationalEvents@arabianhorses.org)

### JACKETS & BUCKLES

Each exhibitor will be awarded only one Championship jacket or belt-buckle per Youth National show. For example, should a rider receive 3 Championship titles, the rider will only be awarded one jacket or one buckle for the first Championship title earned.

Any exhibitor who earns more than one Championship title has the opportunity to purchase additional jackets and/or buckles. Additional buckles may be purchased from the Awards Room during the show, or from the AHA Office once the show has ended.

### SPECIAL AWARDS

#### DRESSAGE HIGH SCORE

The highest dressage score earned by a JTR or JOTR in Training level or above will be presented an award.

### PRIZE MONEY

**Checks for AHA classes offering prize money will be mailed within 60 days after the show's completion.**

If a prize money check issued BY AHA is not presented for payment by December 31 of the year following the year in which the prize money was won, the prize money shall be forfeited.

**All non-AHA classes offering prize money will be issued by that association.**

### ARABIAN BREEDERS SWEEPSTAKES CLASSES

**Refer to GR 3**

REFER TO SWP 116, SWP 117, AND SWP 118 REGARDING PAYBACK FOR ABS-NOMINATED HORSES

The following classes will be awarded ABS Prize Money Program for the Mid-Summer Nationals.

Arabian Ranch Rail Pleasure AAOTR

HA/AA Ranch Rail Pleasure AAOTR

Arabian Ranch Riding AAOTR

HA/AA Ranch Riding AAOTR

Classes are open to Sweepstakes and non-Sweepstakes horses. Only the Sweepstakes horses enrolled as a Breeding or Original Entry are eligible to receive prize money. \$10,000 will be allocated for each class. Champion will receive \$2,500; Reserve Champion \$1,500 and remaining Top Ten \$750. These classes will be paid out based on the 50% rule.

Beginning in 2026, only horses enrolled as a Breeding or Original Entry will be eligible to enter these classes.

## CAMPER & RECREATIONAL VEHICLE FACILITIES

A large RV park with water, electricity, and a sewer station is located on the Fairgrounds. Both 50 amp and 30 amp services are available. For more information, call the Oklahoma State Fairground Office at (405) 948-6700.

Camper space must be reserved directly from the Fairground.

No motor homes, travel trailers, campers or other RV's may park in the Fairground's parking lots or on the roads of the Fairgrounds.

Premium VIP RV Spots must be reserved directly with AHA. Reservations will be accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis. The VIP lot is located at the north end of Barn 9 close to all arenas and barns. The lot is paved, and each site has full hook-up, including power (50 amp), sewer, and water.

The VIP reservation form is located on the website at [www.ArabianHorses.org/YNL](http://www.ArabianHorses.org/YNL).

## CLASS INFORMATION & SPECS

**All classes will be shown and judged under the class specifications set forth in the Arabian Division of the USEF Rule Book. Any exceptions will be noted as "USEF Exception."**

When entering, please be aware of entering classes that might run in different rings at the same time. Every effort will be made to solve these conflicts; however, rings will not be held for extensive periods to solve conflicts. Entry fees will be forfeited in case of time conflicts caused by two rings running simultaneously that can't be resolved.

### **ARABIAN WESTERN PLEASURE ASSOCIATION **AOTR** MATURITY**

***This prize money is separate from AHA prize money programs and is not issued by AHA.***

For current and complete rules, deadlines, and information please visit the AWPAs website at [www.arabianwesternpleasure.com](http://www.arabianwesternpleasure.com)

**THE AWPAs MATURITY ENTRY FORM MUST BE COMPLETED ONLINE AT [ARABIANWESTERNPLEASURE.COM](http://ARABIANWESTERNPLEASURE.COM).**

**PAPER ENTRY FORMS WILL NO LONGER BE ACCEPTED.**

If you have questions, please email [arabianwesternpleasure1@gmail.com](mailto:arabianwesternpleasure1@gmail.com)

The AWPAs Arabian and Half-Arabian Western Pleasure **AOTR** Maturities are held each year at the Mid-Summer National Arabian Horse Show. The classes are open to four- and five-year-old horses ridden by Adult Amateur owners only. **Non-related co-ownership is not allowed.** Prize money is determined by the AWPAs. The AHA will award a National Champion, Reserve National Champion, and eight Top Ten in the AWPAs Maturity Classes.

**All prize money is determined and paid out by AWPAs.**

**The ONLY four- and five-year-old's allowed to compete in the AWPAs Maturities will be those who were nominated in utero by December 31st of their breeding year. The Mare Nomination lists are available at [www.arabianwesternpleasure.com](http://www.arabianwesternpleasure.com).**

To participate in the AWPAs Futurities, the owner or agent MUST complete the AWPAs Entry form and provide payment on the AWPAs website. **\*\*You will also need to complete the Nationals Entry Form and pay AHA fees to compete\*\***

All fees must be paid in full to both AWPAs and AHA to be considered complete.

Entries will be shown and judged according to the class specifications set forth in the Arabian Division of the USEF Rule Book for Western Pleasure Junior Horses, with a change in the order of judging criteria listed below. Entries must be shown in a snaffle bit or hackamore (Refer to AHA Handbook).

A five-judge total points system will be used. Judges will be drawn randomly from the Nationals judging panels. Quality is the number one criterion for judging, followed by performance, suitability, and manners. In the event of a tie, the final placing will be determined by the placing and the number of placings each horse received.

Placings will be turned into points using the following table:

<b>1st = 40</b>	<b>2nd = 36</b>	<b>3rd = 32</b>	<b>4th = 28</b>	<b>5th = 24</b>
<b>6th = 20</b>	<b>7th = 16</b>	<b>8th = 12</b>	<b>9th = 8</b>	<b>10th = 4</b>
<b>11th or any Reserve = 0</b>				

An AWPAs representative may choose to meet with the riders at the Mid-Summer National Show prior to one or both sections of the Maturity class. During this meeting, the AWPAs representative will advise the riders on class procedures, rules, and how the horses are to be presented.

### **Eliminations**

Class eliminations will be run as standard Western Pleasure Junior Horse classes. Entries will be shown at a walk, jog, and lope in both directions of the ring. Seven (7) horses will advance from each section to the finals.

### **Finals Class Procedure:**

Phase 1. Rail Work (80% of judging **OR** score)

Horses will be shown at the walk, jog, and lope in both directions of the ring. Judging criteria will be in this order: quality, performance, suitability, and manners. After the rail work is completed, exhibitors will be asked to line up head to tail, split evenly by numbers on either long side of the arena.

Phase 2. The Stand Up (20% of judging **OR** score)



Once all horses are in line, two attendants per horse will be allowed into the arena to assist with removing saddles and pads. They are allowed to bring a saddle rack, towel, and brush. They are not allowed to show the horse during judging. Riders are to stand up their horse to be assessed for conformation suitable for a western pleasure horse by the judges. The horses shall stand relaxed with weight evenly dispersed on all four feet (not stretched). Whips may not be used. Once the judging panel has completed their examination of your horse, it should then be resaddled. After all horses have been re-tacked, riders will be asked to remount, and attendants will be excused from the ring.

### Phase 3. Placing & Awards

Exhibitors will be retired to the paddock after the judges turn in their cards. The Top Ten will then be called back into the ring in numerical order. The Reserve Champion and then the Champion will be placed and given their awards. The horses will leave the arena in reverse order of their placings (tenth place first and Champion last). As they exit, the prize money won by each will be announced.

## **ARABIAN HUNTER PLEASURE ASSOCIATION**

***This prize money is separate from AHA prize money programs and is not issued by AHA.***

### **AHPA AOTR JACKPOT**

For current and complete rules, deadlines, and information please visit the AHPA website at [www.arabianhunterpleasure.com](http://www.arabianhunterpleasure.com)

To participate in the AHPA Futurities, the owner or agent MUST complete the AHPA Entry form, **\*\*You will also need to complete the Nationals Entry Form and pay AHA fees to compete\*\* All fees must be paid in full to AHPA and AHA to be considered complete.**

To be eligible for either AHPA Hunter Pleasure AOTR Jackpot classes, any previously nominated AHPA horse may enter and compete. A list of nominated horses is available at [www.arabianhunterpleasure.com](http://www.arabianhunterpleasure.com)

**A horse that is co-owned by two distinct non-family owners cannot be shown in an AHPA Futurity class at any show.**

AHPA Futurity classes will be judged and run in accordance with the Junior Horse rules in the Hunter Pleasure Section in the Arabian Chapter of the current USEF rulebook.

The AHPA Futurities will use a five (5) judge system and be randomly selected from the Youth & Mid-Summer Nationals Judging Panel.

### **Eliminations**

Eight (8) horses will be selected from each section to move forward to compete in the AHPA Hunter Pleasure Futurity Finals. Each judge's placing will be ranked, and points will be applied according to the following table:

**1st = 50   2nd = 46   3rd = 42   4th = 38   5th = 34  
6th = 30   7th = 26   8th = 22   9th = 18   10th = 14  
11th = 10**

### **FINALS**

Judges will complete two cards in the final. One will be completed after Phase 1, and the second will be completed after Phase 2. Points from each card will be combined to determine the final placings. Each judge's placing will be ranked, and points will be applied according to the following tables.

Phase 1. Rail Work (75% of judging)

In the finals only, judges are not to walk the line after the completion of this phase. Each judge's placing will be ranked and points will be applied according to the following table:

**1st = 38   2nd = 35   3rd = 32   4th = 29   5th = 26  
6th = 23   7th = 20   8th = 17   9th = 14   10th = 11  
11th = 8**

Phase 2. Conformation & Suitability (25% of judging)

Please refer to the AHAP website for complete details on this phase. Two headers/attendants properly attired in business attire or appropriate show attire will be allowed into the arena per horse to assist in removing the saddle. They will be allowed to bring a saddle rack, one body brush, one tail brush, and one rag/cloth to prepare the horse. After **all** horses have been re-tacked, riders will be asked to remount, and attendants will be excused from the ring.

Judges will place emphasis on correct conformation, soundness, and movement. Each judge's placing will be ranked, and points will be applied according to the following table:

**1st = 12   2nd = 11   3rd = 10   4th = 9   5th = 8  
6th = 7   7th = 6   8th = 5   9th = 4   10th = 3  
11th = 2**

Phase 3. Placing & Award giving

The scores from phases 1 & 2 will be added together for the final placing.

After the judging is completed, the horses will be retired from the lineup to the paddock or to the in-gate area. The Top Ten will be announced in numerical order. As they exit, the total of their prize money will be announced.



## **AHPA HUNTER SEAT PLEASURE EQUITATION CLASSIC EXHIBITION**

The AHPA is proud to introduce a new Youth Equitation class. This class is designed to serve the needs of the many exhibitors who ride Hunter Pleasure.

A program enrollment fee of \$25 per year will be available online through the AHPA website. All riders must enroll in the AHPA Hunt Seat Equitation program prior to the beginning of the competition to be eligible to compete in the AHPA Hunter Seat Pleasure Equitation Classic Exhibition. ***\*\*You will also need to complete the Nationals Entry Form and pay AHA fees to compete\*\**** All fees must be paid in full to AHPA, and AHA to be considered complete.

For current and complete rules, deadlines, and information please visit the AHPA website at [www.arabianhunterpleasure.com](http://www.arabianhunterpleasure.com).

Will be judged using 3 main ring Judges and the MOS Scoring System

Will run in accordance with the following USEF rules.

**Appointments** Refer to EQ 106.1-5

**Position** Refer to EQ 105. 1-4. The correct seat position is in tune with the mount and its way of moving.

**Class Routine** Refer to EQ 108.2,3, and 4. "TO BE JUDGED ON" Riders' position and style and basic equitation skills. The rider demonstrates correct leads and diagonals, conveying the impression of effective and easy control. Exhibitors are to be judged on their skill in effectively controlling the horse and showing the horse to its best advantage. **The horse is not to be judged.**

The Walk/Trot JTR 10 & Under will be rail work only. If fewer than twenty (20) riders are entered, may be run only as a final.

The 18 & Under. Sections must be held if more than twenty (20) riders are entered.

In Phase I, riders will be judged on rail work only. In Phase 2 (the Final), the top four contestants may be asked to perform both the rail work and two or more individual tests from Equitation rule EQ 113, Tests 1-6, 20, as outlined in the AHA Handbook REQ 209.8.

## **BREEDING/GELDING IN-HAND CLASSES**

In all breeding classes, the order of go will be determined and posted by birth date of the horse from oldest to youngest.

**(Exception: The Youth National Championship Show Commission may modify the order of go to avoid conflicts with other rings) USEF AR113.2.**

All Breeding/Gelding In-Hand classes will be judged comparatively using the Majority Opinion System (MOS).

Controlled paddock procedures in the General Rules for all National Shows (GR 9) will include the following restrictions for Breeding In-Hand classes:

**ONLY TRAINER OR FAMILY MEMBERS PERMITTED**

**NO SHAGGING**

**NO WHIPS**

**NO NOISE MAKERS OR**

**NO ADDITIONAL NOISE ALLOWED IN THE PADDOCK AREA.**

The above will be strictly enforced by the Youth & Mid Summer National Show.

Those in violation will be removed from the paddock.

## **DRESSAGE/WESTERN DRESSAGE CLASSES**

**Tests will be as follows:**

USDF Introductory Dressage Test B

Training Level Test 3

First Level Test 3

Second Level Test 3

Western Dressage Intro Test 4

Western Dressage Basic Test 4

Western Dressage Level 1 Test 4

Horses may enter no more than two consecutive levels. The exception is USDF Walk/Trot 10 & Under Intro Level.

Only one ride will be used to determine the Champion, Reserve Champion, and Top Ten.

Readers are only allowed at the Introductory Level and Western Dressage. For Reader exception see USEF DR 122.4 and the General Rules GR 24

No Whips Allowed, except in Western Dressage.

Dressage Award Presentations will be held after the last dressage classes each day in the order they close out.

## **DRESSAGE HELMET RULE**

When cross-entry by rider or horse/rider combination is permitted between Dressage and other Arabian classes at a competition, USEF DR 120 and USEF DR 121 apply only to the designated Dressage warm-up and competition areas or when an exhibitor is actually warming up for Dressage classes.

## **WESTERN DRESSAGE** (WDAA Show approval # 25-135)

To be eligible to participate and/or compete as an exhibitor, owner, lessee, agent, coach, or trainer in any Western Dressage class or at any Western Dressage Federation Licensed Competition persons must be active members of WDAA or pay a non-member fee equal to the price of an annual membership for each competition. **Please refer to the General Rules GR 28.2**

## **EQUITATION**

Refer to AHA handbook REQ 209

For Equitation classes, riders must use the same horse throughout all phases of the competition unless the show veterinarian certifies that the horse used at the beginning is unsound and the required forms are filed at the Horse Show Office.

## **ENGLISH DRESSAGE SEAT EQUITATION**

Qualifications must be earned in a Dressage Seat Medal class or Regional Top 5. In addition to rail work, all contestants are required to perform three or more individual tests from USEF DR133.

## **FUN CLASSES**

The YNL/MSN show, working with AHYA, has added 3 fun classes for all exhibitors, one will be held in each ring. There is Egg & Spoon, a Water Cup Challenge, and a Bareback Sit a Buck (bring your own buck- winner take all). Costumes encouraged. There is no charge for the class. The days and times for each ring will be determined once all the entries are in and an appropriate day and time are found.

You will need to sign up by noon the day before the class. After the noon deadline, late entries will be accepted based on available supplies for the class and on a first come first serve basis.

The exhibitor must be registered as a rider at Youth or Mid-Summer OR a waiver must be signed and on file at the show office before the class.

Come and have some fun and a chance to win fun prizes. Bring your family and friends to cheer you on.

## **REINING SEAT EQUITATION**

Qualifications must be earned in a Reining Seat Medal Class or Regional Top 5. All Reining Seat Equitation classes will have one (1) go-round.

## **SADDLE SEAT EQUITATION**

Qualifications must be earned in a Saddle Seat Medal Class or Regional Top 5. Refer to AHA handbook REQ 209.5 for allowable tests.

## **HUNTER SEAT EQUITATION**

Qualifications must be earned in a **Hunter Seat Medal Class or Regional Top 5**. Refer to USEF SUBCHAPTER AR-28 & USEF EQ. 2

### **1. NOT TO JUMP (AR 288.3)**

Refer to EQ108.2 for the class routine. It will have a rail work portion, and each competitor will be asked to perform two or more tests as outlined in the AHA Handbook REQ 209.8.

Judges must work with competitors in groups of twenty (20) or less. Exhibitors will be excused from the ring following rail work and will perform their tests individually.

### **2. OVER OBSTACLES JTR (AR 288.2)**

Qualifications required

A Medal in a class of 3 **OR** a Regional Top 5 **OR** 2 medal points and 1 participation from a Regional OF class.

Refer to USEF EQ108.1 for the class routine. The course will be posted 24 hours prior to class.

Fence heights are 2'9". This class will follow the procedures outlined in the USEF EQ-2 and USEF AR 288.2.1.2 .All competitors will compete in one round over the Hunt Seat Equitation course. There is no rail work. The top four competitors from each judge's card will remain in the ring and will be required to perform two or more tests from USEF EQ 113, Test 1-17, as designated by the call judge. In determining the Champion and Reserve Champion in the AHA Hunter Seat Equitation Final, the final test may only be completed by the top four riders.

## **UPHA ARABIAN BREEDS CHALLENGE CUP**

UPHA winners receive awards provided by UPHA.

All UPHA riders must be a current UPHA Member at the time they qualify.

Qualifications must be earned in:

1. Placing 1 – 4 in a UPHA Arabian Breeds Challenge Cup Class (AHA Qualification verified)
2. Placing 1 – 4 in a UPHA All Breed Challenge Cup class **on an Arabian or HA/AA QUAL 117.**(UPHA Qualification verified)

The winner of the respective UPHA Arabian Breeds Junior (11- 13) Challenge Cup National Final may compete for the respective UPHA Arabian Breeds Challenge Cup National Final in any subsequent year but is ineligible for further

competition in the respective UPHA Arabian Breeds Junior Challenge Cup classes or National Final. The respective UPHA Arabian Breeds Challenge Cup (14 – 17) National Final winner is ineligible to compete in any future respective UPHA Arabian Breeds Challenge Cup qualifying classes or the respective UPHA Arabian Breeds Challenge Cup National Final. BOD 6/20/22 Effective 12/1/22

**UPHA rules EQ 119.15.8.d the SAME horse must be used for BOTH phases except with a vet certificate.**

All UPHA Arabian Breeds Challenge Cup class entries must be qualified seven days before the beginning of the show.

*Qualifications earned after 7 days prior to the start of the show, will count for the next year – UPHA rules refer to USEF EQ 119.15.*

For the 14-17 and the 13 & under classes, in Phase I, all contestants must work as a group (or in groups) of twenty (20) or less on the rail and complete an individual workout. A minimum of twelve (12) and no more than fourteen (14) riders will be chosen for Phase II, which is the final section. No predetermined number needs to be selected from each group.

For Walk/Trot 10 & Under Riders will work in groups of twelve (12) or less and will not be asked to perform an individual workout. Ten (10) riders shall be chosen to return for Phase II.

For UPHA questions regarding rules or qualifications, refer to the USEF rule book EQ 119.15 or contact UPHA at (859) 231-5070, [info@uphaoline.com](mailto:info@uphaoline.com).

**LEAD LINE EXHIBITION CLASS**

Lead Line classes are open to riders 2 through 6 years of age. The age of the rider will be determined using the child's age as of December 1, 2024. Lead Line riders may not cross-enter any other class in the show. Riders/trainers/owners in Lead Line classes are exempt from AHA/USEF membership if the horse entered is not entered in any other class in the show.

The Lead Line classes will be exhibition classes only. All participants will receive a specially designed trophy and ribbon. Please sign up for this class on the entry form. Post entries will be accepted at the show office up to one day prior to the class. Leaders must be at least 14 years of age. Leaders are to walk on the near side of the horse. (Res. 27-97)

**LEVELED CLASSES – SELECT, CHOICE & ELITE CLASSES**

Please refer to the General Rules GR 27.

Riders may level up to a higher level (USEF AR110.2.g)

**Riders may only ride 1 level on the same horse and ride that level for both Arabian and HA/AA horses.** i.e. A Choice Western Pleasure rider may level up to Western Pleasure Elite but can't ride both Choice & Elite Western Pleasure or ride an Arabian in Choice and a HA/AA in Elite in the same division

Cross-entry is permitted into any class in the same section, provided qualifications are met.

**PERFORMANCE HALTER**

**Order of go will be at the discretion of competition management. USEF AR 124.4**

Ring procedure will be announced at the show.

Performance Halter will use the AHA scorecard. The scorecards will be turned into placings and, in turn, run through the Majority Opinion System (MOS) to determine the Champion, Reserve Champion, and Top Five.

**Handlers may only show one (1) horse in a class.**

The horse must have been entered, shown, and judged in any Youth and/or Mid-Summer Nationals performance class. Showmanship classes do not count as Performance Classes. Performance Halter rules, specifications and procedures will be strictly enforced, **AND** must be entered, shown, and judged (per USEF GR 147) in a performance class or section of a performance class at Youth and/or Mid-Summer Nationals **for which they are qualified. THIS IS the ONLY qualification required.**

**If a horse places in the Performance Halter class, then scratches all performance classes OR is excused or disqualified in a performance class after placing in the Performance Halter class, that horse will be disqualified from the Performance Halter, and GR 117 rules will be followed. No refund of the forfeited Performance Halter class will be issued.**

**SPORT HORSE IN-HAND CLASSES**

Will be judged using the AHA Sport Horse Score Sheet. All Sport Horse In-Hand classes will utilize the "Triangle" method of presenting their horses to the judges. The classes may be conducted using a proportionally smaller triangle.

There is an order of go for in-hand classes. The Order of Go will be definite, but the times listed are approximate. In the event of a conflict with other rings, management will work with exhibitors within the time frame for each class as much as possible. If you miss your go, you missed your class.

**You can sign up for an order of go at the show on the AHA app and web site. If you do not sign up by Noon the day before** your scheduled class, a go order will be assigned to you.

**WALK/TROT/JOG 10 & UNDER CLASSES**

Open to Exhibitors 10 years old and under as of as of December 1, 2024. Stallions are prohibited.

## **WORKING HUNTER CLASSES**

Fence Heights are listed with the class titles.

The Championship will run as defined by USEF in Articles AR 169 & AR 170 and follow the procedures outlined in the AHA Handbook REQ 213 /NATIONAL.

Working Hunter Championships have two jumping classes (A and B) followed by an under-saddle class (C), which is the Final. Riders may not be different from class to class (A, B, and C). **Exception:** In the Working Hunter Championship classes, if an exhibitor is showing more than one horse, they may appoint another **eligible** rider to ride their other entries in the under-saddle class per USEF AR 139.3. **This new designated rider(s) must report to the Show Office for signature(s) and to show proof of membership before the session that the Under Saddle class is held REQ 117.2.** The substitute rider must be in the same age range. i.e., for the W/T 10 & Under Cross Rail, the substitute rider must be 10 or under. All horses can compete in both jumping rounds; however, this is not a requirement. A disqualification or elimination from any of the Over Fence's classes or the Under Saddle class does not disqualify the horse from a Championship award. The first order of go shall be drawn. Riders may be permitted to ride back-to-back rounds at their discretion. A rider may be permitted to compete out of order to minimize delays but must be approved by management.

## **WORKING HUNTER 14.2 & UNDER JTR CH**

This championship is open to any 14.2 and under Working Hunter. Measurement cards must be sent with your entry. Fence heights are 2'3" (USEF AR 166). The Championship will run as defined by USEF in Articles AR 169 & AR 170 and follow the procedures outlined in the AHA Handbook REQ 213 /NATIONAL.

## **HUNTER HACK CLASSES**

Hunter Hack Championship classes will follow the procedures outlined in the AHA Handbook (REQ 210). Fence heights 2'3".

## **HUNTER WARM UP/SCHOOLING**

### **ALL EXHIBITORS MUST WEAR BACK NUMBERS WHEN SCHOOLING OVER FENCES**

A Jump Obstacle fee of \$10 per class is included with Working Hunter, Hunter Hack, and Hunt Seat Equitation Over Obstacles classes.

One Hunter warm-up round of \$30 is included with each Working Hunter class and will precede your judged round.

The Working Hunter schooling time is listed in the time schedule. No sign-up or fee is required. No horses will be allowed to participate that are not entered in Working Hunter or Hunt Seat Equitation Over Obstacles classes. Trainers and riders will be allowed to ride the horse during the open schooling.

Protective Headgear must be worn in the open schooling ring, in the paddock, and in other schooling areas designated for Working Hunter/Hunt Seat Equitation Over Obstacles horses.

## **WORKING WESTERN CLASSES**

Will run in accordance with Arabian Division of the USEF rulebook subchapter AR 26

## **TRAIL & TRAIL WARM-UP**

A Trail Obstacle fee of \$10 per class and a \$30 per class warm-up fee is included with each trail class.

All entries will compete in two (2) rounds. The cumulative score of both rounds will determine the champion, reserve champion, and top ten.

Back numbers must be worn.

## **REINING & SHORT STIRRUP REINING**

Will have one (1) go.

## **LIMITED REINED COW HORSE**

Will have one (1) go.

Limited Reined Cow Horse introduces the rider to the boxing phase of cow work. Riders may not have gone down the fence in any judged class(es) or event(s) except for horse sales. Being entered in a class that includes the fence work will be counted as going down the fence regardless of whether the rider boxed the cow and pulled up before the run was completed.

## **RANCH HORSE RAIL PLEASURE**

Will be judged using the MOS system.

## **RANCH HORSE RIDING**

Ranch Horse Riding will have one (1) go.

## **VRH RANCH HORSE TRAIL**

**QUALS WAIVED FOR 2025 & 2026.**

VRH Ranch Horse Trail will have one (1) go.

## **VRH LIMITED RANCH COW WORK AMATEUR/JUNIOR**

**QUALS WAIVED FOR 2025 & 2026.** Will have one (1) go and run in accordance with AR 275-277

Exhibitors in the VRH Limited amateur and VRH Limited Youth Ranch Cow Work may not have shown more than three times down the fence in any Cow Horse class, Reined Cow Horse class or VRH Cow Work class.

### **COW PRACTICE**

Back numbers must be worn. You will need to sign up for cow practice for 3 minutes (1 cow) @ \$75.00 per cow.

**You will be able to sign up at the show on the AHA APP and website.**

## **COMPETITION ARENAS**

The following table specifies the dimensions and footing of the competition arenas:

### **ARENA: DIMENSIONS FOOTING**

<b>OG &amp; E Arena</b>	270x 140	Sandy Loam	<b>No lunging at any time is permitted</b>
<b>Performance Arena</b>	120' x 250'	Sandy loam	<b>No lunging at any time is permitted</b>
<b>Specialty Arena (Barn 8)</b>	130' x 255'	Sandy loam	<b>No lunging at any time is permitted</b>

### **WARM UP RINGS**

When classes are in session, the only horses allowed in the paddock/warm up arenas are the horses in the next class.

- Superbarn – 100' x 220'
- Barn 3 – 200' x 80'
- Barn 7 – Two 80' x 170' warm up rings
- Outdoor Covered Arena – 100' x 200'
- West Outdoor Covered Arena – 100' x 400'
- Lunging Arenas – 10 dedicated 63' round pens

## **DRUG TESTING, SHOE & HOOF MEASURING**

Please refer to the General Rules GR 16 and GR 47 Complimentary hoof measurements will NOT be provided by USEF/EC Stewards at any National Show.

## **DOGS & OTHER PETS/ANIMALS**

Please refer to GR 14

## **EQUINE HEALTH ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

Please refer to GR 21

Any updates on the following requirements will be posted on the AHA website.

***BRING ALL YOUR HORSES HEALTH & VACCINATION PAPERS WITH YOU. Do not send them to AHA or mail them with your entries.***

***Horses who fail to arrive with appropriate equestrian forms and paperwork cannot unload onto the show grounds.***

All horses entering the State Fair Park grounds must have:

- Proof of a current negative Coggins test (within 12 months)
- A 30-day certificate of veterinary inspection is required for all horses, including Oklahoma horses.
- Proof of mandatory vaccinations is required per US Equestrian rules.

## **FIRE MARSHAL REGULATIONS**

Please refer to GR 23

Stalls can only be covered in a red rosin construction grade paper or (butcher block paper), cheesecloth, either regular or restaurant type grade. Wood strapping – 3' max. on center to attach paper is allowed. **Any stalls that are covered containing electrical appliances, (refrigerator, microwave, coffee pots) are required to have an operating smoke detector.**

Any aisle space between stalls can be covered only if equal open space to material does not exceed four (4) feet. If your material is a maximum of 4 feet, then the open space between the materials must be a minimum of 4 feet.

No tents or canopies are allowed inside the barns, arena, or livestock areas. This includes, but is not limited to, EZ-UP pop-up tents.

No hay, straw, shavings, or similar combustible materials used for decorations are permitted within any facility unless they have been treated in ACCORDANCE WITH NFPA 701 to make them flame retardant and a certificate or similar proof is supplied to the OKC Fire Marshal's Office prior to its placing. (Hay or straw for feed and bedding of animals can be kept in stall areas)

Combustible storefront elevations shall be treated in ACCORDANCE WITH THE NFPA 701 to make them flame retardant and certificate or similar proof is supplied to the Oklahoma City Fire Marshal's Office prior to it placing. Material that is being treated by user must be done in the presence of an inspector from the City of Oklahoma City Fire Marshal's Office.

## FORMAL NIGHT

Formal night is designated for Saturday, July 26.

## MOTORIZED VEHICLE/GOLF CARTS

For information contact Fore Wheeler Golf Cars, 3805 S Meridian Ave, Oklahoma City, OK 73119, (405) 682-8444. Please refer to GR 30 and USEF Rule GR1301.7 regarding the use of motorized vehicles, including golf carts, motorcycles, scooters, or other farm utility vehicles by minors.

**Motorized vehicles & Scooters are NOT allowed in any buildings.**

## MUSIC – EQUITATION

Exhibitors in Equitation and Freestyle Reining classes will be allowed to submit their own music selection for their pattern work in the Semi-Finals/Finals section only. UPHA classes allow music for phase I only.

**Music requests with the name of the song and artist must be submitted at least one day prior to the session in which the Semi-Final/Final is held.** Please check with the show office on how to submit your music.

***No music will be accepted once the session has started.***

## PARKING INFORMATION

There is NO charge for entrance onto the grounds or for parking.

Designated lots will be marked for Patrons, Judges, and Officials. You must have a Parking tag for these lots, or your vehicle will be towed.

Parking is not allowed in any fire lanes or any barn areas.

## QUALIFICATIONS

**Please refer to GR 37**

**For UPHA refer to the UPHA ARABIAN BREEDS CHALLENGE CUP earlier in this omnibus.**

You are qualified from the earliest date you earn the participation required. There is no such thing as re-qualifying.

**Qualifications have been waived for 2025 & 2026 for the following classes at Youth and Mid-Summer Nationals:**

1. A/HA/AA Limited Reined Cow
2. Arabian, & HA/A VRH Ranch Cow Work (box, drive, box, drive)
3. Arabian & HA/AA VRH Ranch Horse Trail

**Qualifications are required for 2025 unless otherwise specified. Please refer to the AHA Handbook or the website at the following link: [www.arabianhorses.org/export/content.export/aha-docs/AHA\\_Approved\\_Qualifications.pdf](http://www.arabianhorses.org/export/content.export/aha-docs/AHA_Approved_Qualifications.pdf)**

## SCHEDULE & RING CONFLICTS

**Please refer to GR 38**

## SCORING SYSTEM

**Please refer to GR 39**

Sport Horse In-Hand classes will be judged by 1 judge. Dressage will be judged by 2 judges.

Performance Halter will use the AHA scorecard. The scorecards will be turned into placings and, in turn, run through the Majority Opinion System (MOS) to determine the Champion, Reserve Champion, and Top Five.

## SEATING

Certain box seating areas are designated for Patron, VIP or Judge seating only.

## STABLING/ARRIVAL INFORMATION & FEED & BEDDING

**Please refer to GR 43**

Feed and Bedding are available through State Fair Park for ON-SITE purchases. Please order feed and bedding prior to your arrival on the enclosed form. The contact phone number is (405) 948-6786. Exhibitors are permitted to bring in outside feed and bedding for personal use; HOWEVER, ***third-party deliveries or sales are strictly prohibited.***

Exhibitors will be financially responsible for any alteration/ damage to their stalls on the premises.

Removal of Stall Panel Varies up to \$500 (per Panel/Stall)

**All stall setups must be completed before the start of the first show day.**

**NO set up or construction will be allowed when the show is in session.**

**If a stall panel is removed, they MUST be moved to the outside of the barns and not left in the aisle or leaning against other stalls.**



When setting up, emergency fire exit signs cannot be moved, altered or blocked and MUST remain visible at all times.

- Private schooling areas or bathing areas are NOT permitted in any stall areas.
- Absolutely no concealment or covering stalls except for sitting areas for people, dressing rooms, tack, or storage areas.

### **ARRIVAL**

**Saturday, July 12**

**NO Arrivals before 6 AM**

### **DEPARTURE**

**Sunday, July 27, by Midnight**

**Stalls must be vacated**

**\*NO EXCEPTIONS**

All stall fees must be paid in full at the time of entry as follows:

\$275 per stall (12' x 12') (horse or tack)

All entered horses will be automatically charged for one (1) horse stall, even if it will be occupying a vacated stall for a vet out or scratched horse, except for legal substitutions per GR 8.7. A stall reconciliation form will be required from the barn manager for any stall refunds. No subletting of stalls will be allowed.

### **TACK STALLS**

Please refer to GR 43.4

**PLEASE DO NOT LIST ADDITIONAL TACK STALLS ON JUST THE STALL REQUEST FORM OR THEY MAY GET MISSED.**

**PLEASE Fill out an entry form with the Owner/trainer information filled out. Leave the horse information blank.**

Tack stalls may be used for the following purposes: sitting areas, dressing rooms, tack rooms, ready rooms, feed rooms, sleep rooms for staff, and equipment storage rooms.

### **GROUP STABLING STALL RESERVATION FORM**

Please refer to GR 43

### **SUBMIT ONLY 1 FORM PER GROUP**

AHA must receive a Stable Request for exhibitors wishing to be a part of a group (including online entries) filled out completely listing every owner and horse; otherwise, your stalling is NOT guaranteed.

This form must be sent with the entries before **Tuesday, June 17** at Midnight (MT) In-House/Electronically Dated to guarantee the request.

If your name does not appear on the Stabling Request Form, we cannot guarantee you will be with the group.

ALL non-competing horses must be listed on the stall Reservation form.

**After June 17, for additional stalls, you MUST contact the Barn Manager Mike Moak at (706) 540-7326**

**or ammoakga@gmail.com**

### **PATRON STABLING**

**PLEASE refer to GR 32 & GR 43**

The deadline to enroll as a Patron, with fees paid in full to receive stalling preference, is June 1.

Preferred Patron stalling will be available only to 2025 Patrons.

Patron stalling assignments will be based on overall Patron seniority within the show. Stalling seniority from the past sponsorship program will carry over.

## **VIOLATIONS**

The AHA National Show Commissions have the authority to penalize participants for infractions of the AHA Rules and/or violation of any show facility rules. At the Commission's direction, such penalties can include (but are not limited to) fines, suspension, loss of patron seniority, and/or cancellation of patronship (and the associated benefits).



## NEW/CHANGES FOR 2025

# 2025 Omnibus General Rules

## Contact info

### Arabian Horse Association

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## AHA Officers

<b>Lisa Blackstone</b>	President
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## AHA Directors

Debbie Price	Region 1
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Jim Porcher	Region 8
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Hillary Hoffman	Region 10
Tony Reid	Region 11
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Ronald Grekiere	Region 13
David Daugherty	Region 14
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Susan Racey	Director at Large

## Event Numbers

These shows are recognized by the Arabian Horse Association

<b>Youth &amp; Mid Summer Nationals</b>	<b>#16451</b>
<b>Sport Horse Nationals</b>	<b>#16452</b>
<b>U.S. Nationals</b>	<b>#16453</b>

Regular Member United States Equestrian Federation Arabian Division.

<b>Youth &amp; Mid Summer Nationals</b>	<b>7318</b>
<b>USDF 7318 / WDAA 25-135</b>	
<b>Sport Horse Nationals</b>	<b>317471</b>
<b>USDF 317471 / WDAA 25-136</b>	
<b>U.S. Nationals</b>	<b>206</b>

## Judges & Stewards

### Selection Committee

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The Judges & Stewards Commissioner is responsible for handling written and signed complaints relating to the judges', stewards', and other show officials' conduct when filed by exhibitors, show officials, AHA members or others, and when accompanied by the filing fee. (Res. 5-90) Other comments, compliments, questions, inquiries are encouraged when appropriate (no filing fee required). Write to: AHA, Judges & Stewards Commissioner, 6030 Greenwood Plaza Blvd, Suite 100, Greenwood Village, CO 80111; call (303) 696-4539.

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**EVERY CLASS OFFERED HEREIN, WHICH IS COVERED BY THE RULES AND SPECIFICATIONS OF THE CURRENT USEF/EC RULE BOOK, WILL BE CONDUCTED AND JUDGED IN ACCORDANCE THEREWITH.**

**ANY CHANGES OR CORRECTIONS AFTER THE PUBLICATION OF THE OMNIBUS FOR ANY RULES WILL AUTOMATICALLY BECOME PART OF THIS PRIZE LIST AND WILL APPEAR ON THE AHA WEBSITE (WWW.ARBIAHORSES.ORG).**

The Youth & Mid Summer Nationals, Sport Horse Nationals, and U.S. Nationals are conducted in accordance with the rules of the United States Equestrian Federation (USEF). The official rulebook of each organization will prevail for all shows, particularly the Arabian, Half-Arabian, and Anglo-Arabian Horse Division and the rules of the Arabian Horse Association.

Every participant in each show is responsible for knowledge of these rules and is subject to these rules. The Show Commissions reserve the right to make changes to what is listed in the omnibus at any time.

For assistance, please call the AHA office at (303) 696-4500 (option 1), or fax at (303) 696-4599, Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM (Mountain Time), or e-mail us at [NationalEvents@ArabianHorses.org](mailto:NationalEvents@ArabianHorses.org).

### **MICROCHIPPING**

The US Equestrian Board of Directors approved a new microchipping rule during the 2023 Mid-Year Board meeting. **Beginning December 1, 2025**, under GR1101.1., all horses competing in USEF licensed or endorsed competitions must be microchipped with a 15-digit ISO compliant 11784/11785 chip.

<https://www.usef.org/compete/resources/forms/competition-management/competition-safety-biosecurity/microchipping>

## **GR 1 AHA INDEMNITY & NON-RESPONSIBILITY CLAUSES**

All entries are accepted with the understanding that the Arabian Horse Association and State Fair Park, World Equestrian Center, and Tulsa Expo Square, their officers, officials, and employees will not be held responsible for any loss, damage, or injury to any exhibitor, his or her agent or employee, or to any horse or any article of any kind. The exhibitor will be responsible for any loss, damage, or injury to any person, animal, or property occasioned by him/her, his/her agents or employees, or by any animal owned or exhibited by him/her, and shall indemnify the Arabian Horse Association and State Fair Park, World Equestrian Center, Tulsa Expo Square against any and all loss, damages and liability thus occasioned, including, but not limited to any and all legal costs, including attorney fees, which may be incurred as a result. The submission of any official entry form to the show secretary shall constitute an acceptance of these provisions by each person or agent signing the entry form.

**Violations Please refer to GR 48**

## **GR 2 ADMISSION TO THE RING & CONTROLLED PADDOCK PROCEDURE**

No one will be permitted to enter the ring except class participants, judges, their assistants, and show officials. Attendants and grooms may enter the ring only when summoned by the judges' order. Attendants and grooms who enter the ring shall be considered a part of the showing team and must be neatly dressed in proper show attire, wearing unmarked dusters at all times when they are in the ring.

**Only standard grooming equipment will be allowed in this area. There will be no whips, noisemakers, or other such equipment, devices, or objects in the in-gate area that might disturb or create a hazard to horses or handlers except a show whip carried properly by a handler.**

**1. FOR PERFORMANCE CLASSES** At the discretion of Show Management, the order of entry into the ring may be predetermined for any class. A maximum of two grooms and one handler per horse will be allowed at the in-gate area.

**2. FOR IN-HAND CLASSES** In all breeding classes, the order of go will be determined and posted by the horse's birth date from oldest to youngest. Entries will enter in the order as posted and will be inspected for signs of abuse by the Show Steward immediately prior to entrance into the ring for judging. The manner of inspection will be at the discretion of Show Management.

**Performance Halter Order of go will be at the discretion of competition management and may be on open cards.**

**3. CONTROLLED PADDOCK** Please refer to Youth and Mid-Summer for additional rules. The one specified person assisting with the entrance of in-hand horses into the ring will be allowed to use only the same length whip and appendages as are currently allowed for the individual handling the horse. Rule reference AR114.2: Whips are to be no longer than 6' including snapper/lash/appendage. Small appendages (no more than 12 inches in length) of ribbon, plastic, etc. are permitted. The designated person **will not hit or use any other objects, such as trash cans, walls, etc., to make any noise.** In addition, **effective immediately**, the use of plastic or paper bags of any type or size is prohibited in assisting with entrance(s) into the arena. It is the responsibility of Show Management, along with the USEF Steward(s) to ensure the "designated person" understands this policy and their role. Should this rule/policy be violated, a warning card may be issued to both the handler and the designated person or groom who initiates this violation.

## GR 3 ARABIAN HORSE ASSOCIATION PROGRAM CLASSES

**\*\*\*A horse that is co-owned by two distinct non-family members per USEF AR110.e. 1 – 10 cannot be shown in the ABS AAOTR/AOTR Jackpot Classes, ABS AAOTH Performance Halter Classes or Performance Maturity AAOTR Classes at any National Show.**

### 1. Arabian Breeders Sweepstakes (ABS) classes

All Horses entering into Arabian Breeders Sweepstakes (ABS) classes must be Sweepstakes enrolled either as a Breeding entry (BE) or an Original Entry (OE). Arabian Yearlings must be Breeding Entries (BE).

#### **ARABIAN BREEDERS SWEEPSTAKES PRIZE MONEY**

Classes that are eligible for Sweepstakes prize money will be designated in the class list and in the time schedule.

Sweepstakes Prize Money is available in designated Sweepstakes classes for horses placing in these classes, which are enrolled in Sweepstakes as a Breeding Entry or Original Entry and are eligible for prize money.

**The 50% rule is in effect for all designated Sweepstakes classes**, with the exception of the ABS Yearling classes, ABS Green Working Hunter Derby, ABS Dressage Prospect Incentive, the ABS AAOTR/AOTR Jackpot Classes, and the ABS AAOTH Performance Halter Classes.

The Sweepstakes Commission reserves the right to pay the dollar amounts printed in the online version of the AHA Handbook in the event the incorrect dollar amount is announced or presented in the center ring.

Any and all disputes which arise regarding the Sweepstakes program will be presented to the Sweepstakes Commission for resolution and their determination will be final.

## 2. NATIONAL PERFORMANCE FUTURITY/MATURITY/DERBY

All horses must have a certificate of registration with AHA, CAHR, or CPAR and possess a current Certificate of Registration in order to enroll in the Performance Futurity/Maturity/Derby Program.

**A horse that is co-owned by two distinct non-family members per USEF AR110.e. 1 – 10 cannot be shown in the Performance Maturity AAOTR Classes at any National Show.**

**Performance Futurity/Maturity/Derby Prize Money The 50% rule is in effect for all Performance Futurity/Maturity/Derby classes.**

Enrollment in the Performance Futurity/Maturity/Derby is required to be eligible to show in these classes. Enrollment in **the Program does not constitute entry into the National Shows.**

More information and enrollment forms can be found on the AHA website. [www.arabianhorses.org/competition/prize-money-programs/performance/](http://www.arabianhorses.org/competition/prize-money-programs/performance/)

**The owner must:**

1. **Enroll the horse into the Performance Futurity/Maturity/Derby Program. Enrollment into the program must be submitted and paid in full by the close of entries.**
2. **Enter the horse into the corresponding Performance Futurity/Maturity/Derby class(es) for that National Show and all fees paid including post entry fees by the close of entries**
3. **All Half-Arabians competing in the USN Futurity/ Maturity/Derby Classes and the Sport Horse Nationals Maturity Classes must have parentage DNA verified to a purebred Arabian parent and on file at the AHA office before they are allowed to compete.**

**Nominations are due prior to/including:**

**Sport Horse Nationals** > May 1, June 1, and July 1 Late fees apply after the first of each month.

**U.S Nationals** > June 1, July 1, and August 1 Late fees apply after the first of each month.

#### **POST ENTRIES**

Nominations postmarked/electronic transactions dated after the original close of entries must pay the total nomination fee of \$745.00 plus an additional \$910.00 in late fees per performance class.

**NO NOMINATIONS will be accepted after the FIRST show post entry deadline.**

#### **CHANGING CLASSES (USN Only)**

A request to change classes postmarked/electronic transaction dated after August 1 and prior to the original close of U.S. Entries will be allowed with a written request and a \$100.00 change fee. A request to change classes after the original close of U.S. National Entries will be allowed with a written request and a \$250.00 change fee up until **October 1**. Class changes will not be allowed for U.S. Nationals after October 1. Written request to change classes must be sent to [info.comp@arabianhorses.org](mailto:info.comp@arabianhorses.org)

#### **TRANSFERS**

For injured horses, transfers can be made to the following year, provided that a written request from the recorded owner and veterinarian statement is received within 15 days prior to the first day of the show (submit to [info.comp@arabianhorses.org](mailto:info.comp@arabianhorses.org)). This transfer can only be applied to the same horse with the transfer fee of \$100.00. Only the Performance Futurity/Maturity/Derby fees will transfer from one year to the next.

Substitution of horses is prohibited. All nomination payments are final and non-refundable. Any portion of a nomination payment not postmarked/electronic transaction dated by the due dates will cause that entry to be considered a late entry. There will be no refund of the nomination fee, any portion of a nomination fee, or processing fee.

## **GR 4 AMATEUR OWNER**

**Please refer to USEF GR 142 (Owner Classes) and GR 123 (Family)**

An individual's age on December 1 will be maintained throughout the entire competition year.

Leased horses are not eligible. (Contracts of Sale or Bill of Sale will not be accepted in Owner Classes.)

It is unethical to transfer, assist, or facilitate the transfer of a horse with the intent to circumvent the purpose of the rules regarding ownership of horses shown in the amateur owner and/or junior owner classes. It is also unethical for any AHA member to not provide information relating to the transfer in question that the Probable Cause Panel or the Ethical Practice Review Board requests.

In determining whether the transfer was unethical, the EPRB may consider, among others, the following:

The horse returned to the previous owner's name within a year of the original transfer.

The horse is being transferred at less than fair market value (the owner will provide proof of the sales amount).

The prize money went to a person other than the owner or family member.

The owner or family member did not pay the expenses relating to the upkeep and showing of the horse.

**NON-RELATED CO-OWNER Please refer to USEF AR 110.4.e for complete rules.**

Two distinct individuals who are not related may co-own a horse and show in Owner classes except that no family member of a professional may enter into this relationship.

The ownership must be "and" NOT "or".

Both distinct non-family owners must be individuals, no Farm or Corporation co-owned horses are eligible.

Both distinct non-family owners must be members of the USEF or Equestrian Canada and hold valid amateur cards or be juniors or a combination of amateur and junior.

This does not extend to the family of these distinct non-family owners.

A horse that is co-owned by two distinct non-family members cannot be shown in a Maturity and Jackpot classes at any AHA National Championship.

An individual member may enter into only two distinct co-owner relationships and compete with these arrangements in Junior Owner and Amateur Owner classes at USEF/EC approved shows.

## **GR 5 AWARDS**

Top Ten Awards will be made regardless of the number of competing entries. However, only awards made to the top 50% (rounded up not to exceed 10 awards) will receive AHA Horse Achievement Award Points, Amateur Achievement Award Points, High Point Horse Achievement Award points, and High Point Amateur Achievement Award points.

Types of awards are as follows: trophy and championship ribbon to the National Champion; trophy and reserve championship ribbon to the Reserve National Champion; plaques and ribbons for the remainder of the Top Ten for Youth, Mid Summer, Sport Horse, and U.S. Nationals Champion and Reserve Champion will NOT receive Top Ten Plaques. Champion and Reserve Champion may purchase a plaque if they wish to do so in the Awards Room.

All horses qualifying for the semi-finals will receive a ribbon from the Preliminary sections (I, II, III). In addition, all horses in the A/B and SF Sections advancing to the SF/F or FNL will be awarded section ribbons.

**All awards not claimed by the close of the show will be forfeited with no exceptions. No awards will be mailed. If you are not at the show, please make arrangements for someone to pick up your awards.**

**Refer to GR 17 for Duplicate trophies.**

### **AWARDS CEREMONY**

The number of people other than authorized personnel for award photographs for the Championship and Reserve Championship awards at all the Nationals Shows will be determined by each National Show Commission.

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### **AWARDS/SPECIAL**

The National Show Commissions will determine if individual prizes and awards will be presented at the National Shows. AHA is not liable for payment of donated prize money paid by an outside organization. Exhibitors are instructed to contact the individual donors to complete any necessary paperwork.

Sponsored/Special awards are to be considered separate from the Arabian Horse Association's prize list for a national event. Therefore, Arabian and Half-Arabian Nationals and the Arabian Horse Association are not liable for providing or presenting any award (printed or otherwise) if a sponsor cancels or is unable to provide the agreed upon award.

## GR 6 BEDDING/SHAVINGS

Shavings and feed are available for purchase on the show grounds. Outside shaving, deliveries are not allowed on the show grounds.  
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## GR 7 CANCELLATION OR DATE CHANGE OF SHOW

Show Management reserves the right to change the dates and/or the show's location or cancel the show altogether. In the event of a cancellation, all entry fees and stall fees will be refunded upon request. (Office fees are non-refundable.) Neither the Show Management nor AHA shall have any liability to any exhibitor, owner, handler, or other person, firm, or corporation by reason of any change or cancellation of the show, except for the return of the fees mentioned above.

## GR 8 CLASS INFORMATION

### *Standard abbreviations*

<b>AOTR/AOTH/AOTD</b>	Amateur Owner To Ride/Handle/Drive
<b>AAOTR/AAOTH/AAOTD</b>	Adult Amateur Owner To Ride/Handle/Drive
<b>AOTS</b>	Amateur Owned Trained and Shown
<b>JOTR/JOTH/JOTD</b>	Junior Owner To Ride/Handle/Drive
<b>ATR/ATH/ATD</b>	Amateur To Ride/Handle/Drive
<b>AATR/AATH/AATD</b>	Adult Amateur To Ride/ Handle/Drive
<b>JTR/JTH/JTD</b>	Junior To Ride/Handle/Drive

A class is composed of all its sections, including Preliminary (I, II, III), Eliminations (A, B, C), Semi-Finals/Finals (SF/F), Semi-Finals -1st Go (SF), and Finals-2nd/last Go (FNL). Working Hunter Championships are based on points earned from 3 classes (2 over fence classes and 1 under saddle class). Elimination or disqualification from any class does not eliminate a place in the Championship.

Many National classes are divided into sections depending on the number of entries. Please check with the Show Office regarding if a class has sections and which section you have been assigned. If you miss YOUR SECTION, you have missed YOUR CLASS and will not be allowed to advance further. This policy will be strictly enforced.

### **1. ADDING CLASSES**

**Additional class entries for pre entered horses cannot be done online and must be submitted on the Official Entry Form for each show. Please check the box indicating this is an added class for a horse already entered.**

### **2. CANCELLATION OF CLASSES**

The AHA Convention has established a minimum of three (3) entries for all National classes. The Show Commissions may cancel any class with fewer than three entries.

### **3. CLASS CALLS**

- The two-minute limit for gate closing will be strictly enforced. The gate will close two minutes after the first horse enters the ring or in cases with large classes taking more than two minutes, after the entry of the final horse in a continuous string of horses.
- Due to unforeseeable problems with any mechanical device, the public address system and paddock calls over that system must be considered a courtesy.** The exhibitor is responsible for ensuring **that his/her horse is at the gate at the prescribed time. Every effort will be made to maintain a working public address system to carry class calls; however, no protest will be upheld, nor will any section be changed based on public address malfunction alone.**

### **4. CLASS PROCEDURES**

- Riders in Reining, Trail, Working Cow, Cutting, Dressage, Working Hunter, Jumper, Sport Horse In-Hand, Ranch Riding, and Obstacle Driving classes may show more than one horse in the class.
- In all other classes including Performance Halter, a horse may be shown in a class (including sections) by only one rider and only one horse per rider.

### **5. CLASS SCRATCHES & NO SHOWS**

PLEASE refer to the fee chart for each show for late scratch fees.

**NO SCRATCHES WILL BE ACCEPTED BY PHONE.**

**PLEASE BE CONSIDERATE OF YOUR FELLOW EXHIBITORS AND SCRATCH AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.**

Scratching as early as possible enables the show commission to make a timely decision on canceling sections. Scratches must be recorded with the Show Secretary to be considered official and be in the show office by;

- 8 PM > the night prior for Morning classes**
- 11 AM > for Afternoon classes**
- 4 PM > for Evening classes**



**Changes can be made on the AHA app, website, or in person at the show office.** Exhibitors who scratch at the gate MUST still submit an official form. **Scratches not filed by end of the session the class was held will result failure to scratch fee or the no show fee.** Refer to the Fee Chart for each show.

## **6. CLASS SECTIONS**

**If you have multiple classes on the same day, it is strongly advised to look closely at the schedule and request a section that will work best for your situation. Many sections have been split up to aid in conflicts.**

### **a. SECTION, GO FORWARD & DRAW REQUESTS**

Exhibitors with possible ring conflicts, when doing their entries online or using the Official Entry Form, should select their desired section.

**Only one section at a time can be selected online or on your entry form.**

**Once at the show, you can request sections for both prelims (I, II, III) and Eliminations (A/B) via the AHA App, website, or in person at the show office.**

Sections must be requested up to **NOON two days before the section runs.** For example, if sections are to run on Wednesday, a request may be submitted up to noon on Monday. Sections will be posted the day before the sectioned classes.

If a section is not specified, random entry selection will be used to assign sections.

If you miss **YOUR SECTION**, you have missed **YOUR CLASS** and will not be allowed to advance further. This policy will be strictly enforced.

### **b. ONCE A CLASS HAS BEEN SECTIONED OR DRAW POSTED** Requests for section or working order changes must **be handled in the show office** as follows:

- i. If an exhibitor has a conflict between scheduled classes, the exhibitor must request the change in section or working order **at least two (2) sessions** before the earliest class. This change must be requested on the official Section Change Form and be filed with the Show Secretary in the Show Office.
- ii. Show management reviews of all requests for changes and their final rulings. Exhibitors must return to the Show Office to determine if their change request has been granted and must sign the request form indicating they know the action taken relative to their request.
- iii. If Show Management creates a conflict with an exhibitor's scheduled class due to a time change or other adjustment, a section or work order assignment may be changed by Show Management to resolve the conflict. In such a case, the Show Office will try to notify the exhibitor involved of the section/work order change.

## **7. CLASS/HORSE SUBSTITUTIONS**

Substitutions will follow USEF/EC rules. If the owner wishes to use another horse to replace the deceased, sold, or injured horse, substitutions may be made after the announced date of the closing of entries and will be handled as follows:

- a. The Office and the Scoring fee must be paid for the substitute horse. All other fees are transferable.
- b. A copy of the veterinary letter and/or a copy of the notification of death or sale (to the appropriate registry) regarding the death or sale of the horse must be provided with the substitution horse's entry. For an injury, the Vet certificate should give a detailed description of the injury.
- c. The classes must be the same type and rider age breaks or level.
- d. Additional classes may be entered for which the new horse is qualified. Post-entry rules apply.

## **8. POST ENTRIES**

**Please refer to each show's rules for dates, horse post fees, and added classes.** Post entries may not be listed in the program and may not be stalled with horses from the same barn

## **9. RIDER/HANDLER/EQUITATION HORSE CHANGES**

**Please make sure the correct rider is listed and announced for your classes.**

Any changes to the entered initial rider, driver, handler, or equitation horse must be recorded with the Show Secretary by:

**8 PM > the night prior for Morning classes**

**11 AM > for Afternoon classes**

**4 PM > for Evening classes**

**Changes can be made on the AHA app, on the website, or in person at the show office. Changes after the deadline may result in a late change fee. Refer to the Fee Chart for each show.**

Once a class section has run, rider/driver/handler changes for advancing sections are not allowed except for a medical emergency per USEF rules.

For Equitation classes, riders must use the same horse throughout all phases of the competition unless the show veterinarian certifies that the horse used at the beginning is unsound and that the required forms are filed at the Horse Show Office.

## **10. REFUNDS**

**All refunds are done after the show unless otherwise requested.**

**Entries paid with a Credit card will be refunded to the Credit Card used for that entry. Entries paid by check will be refunded by check**

**to the person who cut the check.**

**Cancellations** Cancellation of an entry before the initial close will be refunded all but the Office fee regardless of the reason.

Cancellations are made upon receipt of a suitable Veterinarian/Doctors certificate on their official letterhead attesting to illness or injury, along with a letter from the exhibitor explaining the circumstances. If an injured horse is enrolled into the Performance Futurity/Maturity/Derby Program, submit the vet statement to [info.comp@arabianhorses.org](mailto:info.comp@arabianhorses.org) as well as [nationalevents@arabianhorses.org](mailto:nationalevents@arabianhorses.org).

The fees refunded are as follows:

**Received at the AHA office by:**

- a. On or before 30 days before the first day of the show. All but the office fee
- b. After 30 days and by 10 days before the show's first day: class entry & related class fees (see exceptions below), the 9-90 fee, and the USEF fee.
- c. After 10 days and during the show. The request must be made in writing to the show commission for review.

**Exception – Halter Futurity (please refer to FUT 102), Performance Futurity/Maturity/Derby fees (please refer to PERF 107.9 and PERF 107.12), and ABS AAOTR Jackpot Fee (please refer to SWP 116.9 and SWP 116.10)**

In the case of a deceased horse, a copy of the veterinary letter and/or the notification of death (to the appropriate registry) is required before a refund will be made for all fees, except for the office fee, which AHA will retain.

All fees paid for classes canceled by Show Management shall be fully refunded.

**Non-Qualified Classes.** Refunds for class entries & related class fees (i.e., Cattle, 5 Judge, Jackpot fees, etc.) will be issued.

**Riders not eligible for the level entered (i.e., not a select rider), horses entered in classes where USEF or AHA prohibits cross-entry, or riders entered in the same class multiple times on different horses will not be refunded.**

## GR 9 CLASS CONFLICTS & GATE HOLDS

### RING CONFLICT PROCEDURE

**Request for Gate Hold MUST be submitted at least 12 hours or 2 sessions prior OR they MAY not be considered.**

**Definition:** A class conflict shall be defined as an exhibitor who has a class in which they have to exhibit a horse in another arena simultaneously.

It may also be defined as a horse with two classes scheduled simultaneously in different arenas.

**GATE HOLDS** A Gate hold for back-to-back classes in the same ring, or if an exhibitor has a conflict with classes between different rings in the same session, they can request a gate hold at the show office.

If there is a conflict that involves an order of go, if the go order has been posted, a request for a change of go order can be made with the approval of the commissioner and/or steward or a gate hold for the conflicting ring class can be submitted.

**All requests MUST be submitted in writing to the show office with conflict details.** A commissioner will review the request. The exhibitor requesting the hold must return to the show office to check if the request was granted.

## GR 10 COVID & HEALTH PROTOCOLS

Exhibitors are advised that All AHA National Shows will follow the current guidelines put in place under the recommendations of the CDC, WHO, USEF, EC, and AHA regarding social distancing and public health that are in place at the time of each National Show. Please check the AHA website for updates.

## GR 11 DISCIPLINE

The management reserves the right to remove any horse, owner, lessee, trainer, groom, rider, driver, handler, or family member of the person participating in the show from the show grounds without being liable for compensation of damages.

Any action(s) against a horse that is deemed excessive by a Judge, Steward, or Show Veterinarian in the show ring or anywhere on the competition grounds may be punished by official warning, elimination, or other sanctions that may be deemed appropriate by the Commissions or the Judges & Stewards Commissioner. Such action(s) could include, but are not limited to, excessive use of whips, spurs, or bamboo poles. It is a violation of USEF rules to commit any act or make remarks during the show that are considered offensive or made with the intent to influence or cast aspersions on the judging. (Refer to the current USEF).

Refer to Violations GR 48

## GR 12 DISPUTE NOT COVERED BY RULES

Should any question or dispute arise not provided for in the governing rules of USEF or AHA, the question or dispute shall be referred to the Show Committee, whose decision will be final.



## GR 13 DISQUALIFICATION

Refer to the current USEF Rule Book. Refer to the current AHA Handbook for clarification on how a disqualified horse is replaced.

## GR 14 DNA & DNA TESTING

### CLASSES REQUIRING DNA

Half-Arabians must have the DNA type of the horse and the horse's purebred Arabian parent placed on permanent record with the AHA Registry, and the horse has been shown to qualify as an offspring of the stated purebred sire or purebred dam through DNA type testing.

DNA testing will be at the owner's expense and must be on file with the AHA office before the horse will be eligible to compete.

If the DNA is not on file before the class, the horse will be ineligible to be shown. Anglo-Arabians are exempt from the DNA requirement.

### The following classes require DNA

#### Sport Horse Nationals

- SH IH 3 yr old Jackpot Mares
- SH IH 3 yr old Jackpot Geldings/Stallions
- HA/AA SH Under Saddle Maturity AOTR

#### U.S. Nationals

##### *Halter Futurity*

- HA/AA Futurity Filly CH
- HA/AA Futurity Gelding CH
- Canadian HA/AA Futurity Filly
- Canadian HA/AA Futurity Gelding

##### *Performance Futurity*

- HA/AA English Pleasure Futurity
- HA/AA Country English Pleasure Futurity
- HA/AA Western Pleasure Futurity
- HA/AA Hunter Pleasure Futurity
- HA/AA Reining Horse Futurity 5 & Under
- HA/AA in the Trail Horse Futurity
- HA/AA Ranch Horse Riding
- HA/AA Herd Work

#### *Performance Maturity*

- HA/AA English Pleasure AOTR Maturity
- HA/AA Country English Pleasure AOTR Maturity
- HA/AA Western Pleasure AOTR Maturity
- HA/AA Hunter Pleasure AOTR Maturity

#### *Derby*

- HA/AA Open Reining Derby
- HA/AA in the Open Western Trail Derby

#### *Other Association Program Classes*

- AEPA Half-Arabian Saddle Seat Futurity
- AWWA Half-Arabian Western Pleasure Futurity  
AWWA Half-Arabian Western Pleasure AOTR Maturity
- AHPA HA/AA Hunter Pleasure Futurity  
AHPA Hunter Seat Pleasure Equitation  
AWWA Ranch Horse Challenge  
Breeding Pays Futurity

### DNA TESTING

The Arabian Horse Association reserves the right to do DNA testing at ANY National Show by collecting hair samples (or blood samples, if necessary) from Arabian, Half-Arabian, or Anglo-Arabian horses. Samples will be collected under the overall supervision of the Registry Services Department. Any questionable results will go through the standard investigation process of that department. Prize money may be withheld pending the outcome of questionable results. All Half-Arabians competing in the Halter Futurity and Performance Futurity/Maturity/Derby must have the DNA type on the file of the horse and the horse's purebred Arabian Parent placed on permanent record with the AHA Registry, and the horse has been shown to qualify as an offspring of the purebred sire or purebred dam. DNA must be on file with the AHA office before the horse will be eligible to compete in these classes.

## GR 15 DOGS & OTHER PETS/ANIMALS

Everyone is held accountable for picking up after their pet. Please be courteous of your fellow exhibitors.

No dogs are allowed in the main arena or paddock area except Companion/Guide Dogs, and in accordance with USEF Rules.

Dogs are not permitted to be loose on competition grounds and must be on a leash or otherwise contained. Individuals must not lead dogs on a leash while mounted.

Dog owners are solely responsible for damages, claims, losses, or actions resulting from their dogs' behaviors.

Dog owners failing to comply with this rule may be penalized under USEF Chapters 6 and 7, as well as issued warning cards.

The Show Management further reserves the right to fine any exhibitor or farm whose dog is running loose and has to be confined by show officials. The first offense will be up to \$50.00. The second offense will be up to \$100.00 and expulsion of the animal from the

show grounds.

No animals other than horses, dogs, or cats are allowed on the show grounds without the express written consent of the National Show Commission.

No animals other than horses shall be allowed on the grounds for the purpose of being sold.

## **GR 16 DRUG TESTING, SHOE & HOOF MEASURING**

USEF/EC Stewards will NOT provide complimentary hoof measurements at any National Show.

It is the prerogative of Show Management to require drug testing or the inspection of shoes, pads, and/or hoof length for any entry at any time during the show. This is to be accomplished before the horse leaves a prearranged inspection area. All horses competing in the Arabian, Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Hunter, Jumper, Dressage, Eventing, Combined Driving, Pleasure (Carriage) Driving, Working Western, and Sport Horse Sections are exempt from shoeing regulations. This does not exempt horses that cross-enter any other classes from compliance with applicable shoeing requirements while competing in those classes. See USEF Rulebook for current shoeing and toe length regulations.

Per resolution #24-04, mandatory drug testing will occur at the U.S. Nationals.

## **GR 17 DUPLICATE TROPHIES**

Duplicate Awards may be ordered at any time for any National Show. See each show office for details. All prices include shipping and handling. Forms may be picked up at the Awards Room. The Duplicate Award form can be found on the National Events homepage or please call AHA at (303) 696-4500 (#4), or e-mail [NationalEvents@ArabianHorses.org](mailto:NationalEvents@ArabianHorses.org) for more information.

## **GR 18 EMERGENCY CONTACT**

AHA and the Show Commissioners advise owners and/or trainers to leave their contact information of where they can be reached for the duration your horse(s) are on grounds for the National Show with either the **BARN MANAGER** and/or on a card on the stall door or preferably **BOTH**.

## **GR 19 EXHIBITOR ENTRY INFORMATION**

All AHA Official Forms for each show under Exhibitor Information can be found on the AHA website.

**Exhibitors are advised to use an expedited, traceable mail service when sending entries to ensure their entries are received.**

**AHA will accept faxed/emailed entries using a valid credit card. However, we strongly discourage faxed entries. Photos of an entry form will not be accepted. Photos and Faxed Copies are often illegible.**

**DO NOT SUBMIT AN ENTRY BY MORE THAN ONE METHOD or CREDIT CARDS MAY BE CHARGED MULTIPLE TIMES.**

All entries made by the closing date will be acknowledged by email to the person signing as trainer unless otherwise noted on the entry form or via the online entry system. Due to the large volume of entries, your entry cannot be verified by phone or email. If the show acknowledgment is not received two weeks before the first day of the show, please get in touch with AHA immediately.

**METERED MAIL Will only be accepted with an official postmark from the country of origin that indicates the location and date the Postal Service assumed custody of a mail piece, which cancels affixed postage.**

**FULL PAYMENT Please do not split any charges for an entry between exhibitors, horses or stables. Doing so will delay the processing of your entries.**

All entries must be paid in full when submitted, and payments are processed upon receipt. The entry will be subject to the post-entry fee if payment is not received by the closing date. Fees are in US funds.

Checks and credit cards covering multiple entries need to be accompanied by a detailed description of how the money is to be applied. **Please list each horse and the total fees for each horse.**

Canadian/International exhibitors must draw checks from a U.S. funds account or preprinted with "U.S. Funds". Writing "Payable in U.S. Funds" on the check is NOT acceptable.

Credit cards will be charged only for the entry total amount listed in the entry blank. If you leave the Total amount blank, your card will be charged the amount that AHA totals your entry for.

**NOTE:** Issuing a "bad check" is a criminal offense. Payment made with a returned instrument will be handled under the current AHA Handbook SUS 101.

**Any open checks sent with entries will be made out for the amount of the entry and deposited. NO Post-Dated checks will be accepted.**

Due to AHA policy, payment information in any format via email or attachment is not advised. To ensure the secure delivery of private information, please FAX (303) 696-4599 all payment information with detailed information on what show and horse(s) it is for.

## **ENTERING FOR HORSES & RIDERS NOT QUALIFIED FOR A CLASS BY THE CLOSING DATE**

If you are entering and qualified for some classes but not others as of the closing date but intend to qualify for those classes before the start of the National Show, PLEASE enter the non-qualified classes. Entering by the closing date is extremely helpful in determining the schedule before the show's start for sectioning. Any class not qualified will be refunded.

**Verification of qualification form signed by the show secretary from the qualifying show must be submitted before a non-qualified class will be qualified when you pick up your back numbers.** Refer to GR 8.10 for refunds.

### **1. ENTRY REFUSAL**

The Show Management reserves the right to refuse, accept conditionally, or cancel any exhibitor's entries, as stated in the current USEF Rule Book and the current AHA Handbook.

Management reserves the right to deny entry into the ring to any unruly horse or one whose actions threaten to endanger the rider, driver, handler, or other exhibitors or entries.

### **2. INVALID ENTRIES**

The following will be considered an invalid entry and subject to late or post-entry fees:

- a. **UNREGISTERED HORSES** All Horses must have a certificate of registration when entering any National Show. **Entries for pending registrations will be held until the registration is complete. A post-entry fee will be charged if the registration is NOT completed by the show's closing date.** See each show for further information.
- b. Checks or credit cards for a lesser amount than owed.
- c. NSF checks and declined credit cards will be charged the current AHA NSF fee (see the AHA Handbook SUS 101.3). If Full payment is not received by the closing deadline or within 7 days of notification of the NSF, the entry is subject to additional fees.

### **3. ONLINE ENTRIES**

**PLEASE be careful when entering rider and trainer USEF membership numbers.**

- a. Online entry is available for all National shows. When the online entry system is ready, an email news flash will be sent. If AHA does not have a current USEF/EC membership on file for you, you may enter "N/A". However, you must send AHA a copy of all those USEF/EC membership cards. Please include which show and horse it is for.
- b. If you have problems entering a horse jointly owned online, please call AHA to link that joint ownership. Once linked, you will be able to enter online.
- c. Once your online entry is complete, an email from the AHA shopping cart will confirm your entry and payment with an email to the email address you entered online for all correspondence. If you did not get an email, PLEASE call AHA to confirm your entry.
- d. For group stalling for entries completed online, please refer to GR 43 Group Stabling.

### **4. WHERE TO SEND YOUR ENTRIES**

Email to: **NationalEvents@ArabianHorses.org** with the show name in the subject line

Fax to: (303) 696-4599 Please include a cover sheet

Mail to: Attn. (Name of National Show) **6030 Greenwood Plaza Blvd., Suite 100 Greenwood Village, CO 80111**

**For Emailed entries, please contact AHA if you do NOT get a return email acknowledging the receipt of your entry on the same or the next business day.**

### **5. ENTRY FORM MUST BE COMPLETE**

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY. Entries that are not complete may be returned. If the returned entry form is incomplete and received by the closing date, it will be considered a post-entry. Please see each show for the amount of the post-entry fee.

The entry form is completed with the following:

- a. The complete and correct name and address of the registered owner. The owner is defined as the recorded owner listed on the registration papers. Owners may be listed in the name of a stable or farm only if, the stable or farm is the bona fide owner appearing on the horse's papers, or the stable or farm has been registered with USEF and the number shown on the USEF certificate is noted in the "USEF Farm #" space provided on the entry blank. For entry into any Owner class(es) a USEF Farm Certificate is required and must be sent with the entries.
- b. The complete horse information.
- c. The complete rider information for all riders.
- d. The complete trainer information (must be an adult). If there is no trainer the owner must sign the trainer line.
- e. Entry Forms are signed in at least three (3) places. The Owner, Trainer, and Rider signature lines must be signed. All signatures must be an adult (18 or older).
  - i. In addition, coaches (if applicable) must sign the blank entry.
  - ii. If applicable, the Minor Exhibitor Consent to Show section must be filled out and signed.

## **6. INCLUDE WITH YOUR ENTRY**

a. **PHOTOCOPIES of all registration papers.** If the name on the registration papers differs from the person entering the horse, an affidavit, a copy of the sales contract or authorization form is required. Photocopies of signed transfer are not proof of ownership. In owner classes, Contracts of Sale or Bill of Sale will not be acceptable as proof of ownership.

b. **PHOTOCOPIES of:**

1. **USEF Membership Cards** for USEF for every Owner, Trainer, Rider, Driver, Handler and Coach (if applicable). **A fan member does not meet the USEF membership requirement.**

USEF Amateur Cards are required for all individuals riding in Adult Amateur classes. You cannot do a show pass.

**USEF SHOW PASSES CAN NO LONGER BE PURCHASED AT THE SHOW AND MUST BE PURCHASED DIRECTLY ONLINE WITH USEF AND LIMITED TO ONE SHOW PASS PER YEAR. To show in subsequent shows, membership is required with Safe Sport.**

You can join USEF at the show. ***Each participant over the age of 18 must have completed Safe Sport.***

If there is no trainer, the owner must sign the trainer line.

2. **WDAA** (Western Dressage Association of America) for every Owner, Trainer, Rider, Driver, Handler, and Coach, if applicable are required for Youth & Sport Horse Nationals) if you are in any Western Dressage class.

3. **UPHA** membership cards for UPHA riders and trainers.

c. **STALL REQUEST FORM** – see each show for the deadline for group stalling requests. Please submit only one form per group to be stabled together. Forms received after the due date on the form may not be honored. Please check each show and form for the due date for that show. **All horses that are not entered into the show (non-competing) must be listed on the stall form.**

## **7. EXHIBITOR CHECK-IN & PACKET PICK UP AT THE SHOW**

Check each show for the show's office hours.

All exhibitors/barns are encouraged to make check-in appointments online as soon as you know your arrival date.

## **8. EXHIBITOR SHOW ACCOUNTS**

All exhibitors will be required to leave an open check or credit card, separate from their entries at check-in before show numbers are released to cover early arrival, additional stalls, fines, or penalties incurred at the show.

All open accounts must be closed before the closing of the Show Office before 5 PM on the last day of the show. Exhibitors are encouraged to close out their accounts in person. If the exhibitor does not close out their account, they automatically authorize Management to close their account using the Check or Credit card on file and may assessed a Failure to Close Out fee of \$100, and disputes in billing will NOT be considered.

## **GR 20 EXHIBITOR PARTIES/ALCOHOL**

AHA/Show Management will not tolerate illegal activities, including underage drinking, substance abuse, or providing illegal substances to minors on the show grounds. Parents are responsible for their children. Consequences will include removal from the grounds, and authorities will be contacted. Alcoholic beverages may only be purchased through the facility's authorized concessionaire/liquor license holder. No other alcoholic beverages may be brought onto the grounds, and liquor may be confiscated. Please contact the individual facilities for more information.

Refer to Violations GR 48

## **GR 21 EQUINE HEALTH & VACCINATION REQUIREMENTS**

***Do not submit any Health or Vaccination Certificates with your entries. Keep the certificates in your possession until they are requested. You may be required to show health papers and proof of a negative Coggins test before being allowed to unload horses.***

**Please refer to USEF GR 844**

Please check with the state veterinarians of all states you plan to pass through regarding possible restrictions due to current health-related problems and outbreaks. The exhibitor is responsible for being aware of any additional restrictions that may be in place when crossing state/country boundaries.

### **1. VACCINATION REQUIREMENTS**

a. At Federation-licensed competitions, horses entering the grounds must be accompanied by documentation of Equine Influenza Virus and Equine Herpes Virus (Rhinopneumonitis) vaccinations within six months. Horses not in compliance with this rule may be required to leave the competition grounds upon request by Competition Management.

Documentation should consist of one of the following methods mentioned below. The frequency of vaccine administration should be per the vaccine manufacturer's or veterinarian's recommendations. It is recommended that vaccines are administered by or under the direction of a veterinarian.

- b. In the case of vaccines administered by a veterinarian, upon request by Competition Management, the exhibitor must provide documentation from the veterinarian documenting that the horse in question received the vaccinations, the name of the vaccines, and the date of vaccine administration.
- c. In the case of vaccines administered by a person other than a veterinarian, the exhibitor, upon request by Competition Management, must provide a receipt of the vaccine purchase signed by the owner or agent with care, custody, and control of the horse; the name, serial number, and expiration date of the vaccine; and the date of vaccine administration.
- d. In the case of a horse that is unable to receive either of the vaccinations due to a history of adverse reactions, the exhibitor, upon request by Competition Management, must provide a letter from the veterinarian on official letterhead stating that the horse in question cannot be vaccinated due to medical concerns and a log of temperatures taken twice daily for the seven days prior to entering the competition grounds. These horses must also have their temperature taken and logged twice daily while on the competition grounds. The log of temperatures should be provided to the Competition Management, steward, or technical delegate when requested.

## **2. HEALTH CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS**

A valid health certificate is required for every horse. All horses six months and older must be accompanied by an official health certificate of state of origin issued by a state, federal, or licensed accredited veterinarian, and such certificate must include a veterinarian's statement that examination was made within the past thirty (30) days and revealed the animal to be free from symptoms of any infectious disease or exposure thereto. Each horse must have a negative Coggins test, dated within a year of the showing date.

### **Horses from Canada entering the U.S.A.**

- a. All horses require a negative Coggins test, dated and signed by the Health of Animals Veterinarian, within 6 months, a health certificate, signed by your veterinarian, and a Health of Animals Veterinarian within 30 days of entering the U.S.A. The certificate must state that the horse is free of contagious diseases.
- b. Foals less than 5 months old and accompanied by the mare require no testing to enter the U.S.A.
- c. All horses must be accompanied by a document indicating proof of ownership. A photocopy of the original registration papers must be carried with the horse if the horse is registered.
- d. A formal entry must be made if Canadian horses are entering the U.S.A. for breeding or sales purposes. This is done through a customs broker at the Port of Entry. A fee is charged for this service.
- e. Canadian horses entering the U.S.A. temporarily are required to fill out a form at the Port of Entry. This may be done by the owner or agent.
- f. All horses must submit to inspection when entering the U.S.A. If a Canadian horse is sold to an American buyer, the seller must file an export entry form at the Canadian port before leaving Canada.
- g. Some American states have permit regulations, so check with state agricultural authorities to obtain a permit prior to entering the state. In many cases, this can be obtained via telephone.

## **GR 22 EQUINE SERVICES, VETERINARIAN & FARRIER PERMIT & REGISTRATION**

The official veterinarian shall be an AAEP member. He/she shall not rule on soundness in classes he/she or a family member may have a horse or pony entered or measure any horses or ponies where a conflict of interest may arise due to personal or family interest in the equine. The official veterinarian may be a competitor and will cover the requirements of USEF. No other veterinarian will be permitted to work on the grounds without registering with the Show Office. Exhibitors wishing to use their private veterinarians must have the veterinarian apply at the Show Office and pay a registration fee before they can work on the grounds. Private Veterinarian applications will be available at the Show Office and must be completed and submitted to the Show Office for written approval. Private veterinarians must be members, in good standing, of the AAEP, licensed in the State or province in which the show is held (proof of license to be submitted with application). They will be required to follow and abide by the AHA, USEF, and AAEP rules and practices.

An official Show Farrier will be available on the grounds. No other farrier will be permitted to work on the grounds without registering with the Show Office. Exhibitors wishing to use their private farrier must have the farrier apply at the Show Office and pay a registration fee before they can work on the show grounds.

**Equine Service Providers, including Non-Vet and Non-Farrier will be expected to pay their vendor fees that the National Show Commission of that show will set.**

## GR 23 FIRE MARSHALL REGULATIONS & SAFETY CODES/STALL DECORATIONS

### Refer to Violations GR 48

All electrical extension cords must be at least 14 gauge of the three-wire type. AUTHORIZED ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES FOR GROOMING PURPOSES MAY BE USED IN DESIGNATED BARN AREAS ONLY. No unauthorized electrical appliances may be used, and if they are, they will be confiscated.

Emergency fire exit signs cannot be moved, altered, or blocked and MUST remain visible at all times.

THE ELECTRICAL SYSTEM MAY NOT BE ALTERED OR TAMPERED WITH UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES.

Exhibitor stalls may have the stall walls covered with nonflammable material only. Proof of flame-retardant material must be verified. Please have certification of flame-retardant material.

Only stalls for tack storage, entertainment, or resting can be covered on the top and will require a working smoke detector.

Absolutely no overhead draping of horse stalls is permitted.

Absolutely no concealment or covering stalls except for sitting areas for people, dressing rooms, tack, or storage areas.

Decoration of stalls: exterior stall decorations, indoor or outdoor, shall not extend more than three (3) feet from the base of the structure unless otherwise allowed in writing by the particular national show management. Movable objects such as chairs can be out another two (2) feet. The exhibitor must provide fire extinguishers. There must be one (1) extinguisher for each two (2) stalls covered with nonflammable materials. No aiseways may be covered overhead. Sleeping areas are to be equipped with a smoke detector and fire extinguisher.

No gas, electric, or propane heaters, tanks, or hot plates are allowed in the stalls or stall area at any time. No exposed element heating appliances, such as immersion heaters or open flames, are permitted.

NO SMOKING is permitted in any arenas or barns.

Parking is not allowed in any fire lanes.

Combustible trash must be removed at least once a day.

All manure and used shavings removed from stalls or trailers must be placed in areas specified by the facility and may NOT be placed in garbage cans.

Any vehicle, truck, or trailer within the fenced area of the barn/tent area or not obeying NO PARKING or FIRE LANE signs in other parts of the grounds will be towed and impounded at the owner's expense.

**STALL DAMAGE:** DO NOT PUT NAILS INTO STALL WALLS. Stalls must be vacated in their original condition. STALLS MAY NOT BE STRUCTURALLY ALTERED IN ANY WAY.

Exhibitors will be financially responsible for any alteration/damage to their stalls on the premises.

## GR 24 HANDICAPPED & ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION DEVICES

1. Electronic communication devices used for purposes of coaching exhibitors during a competition are prohibited in all classes in the Arabian Division. Exhibitors with a permanent hearing impairment are permitted to use an electronic communication device upon submission of a written certification from a treating medical professional's office certifying the permanent hearing impairment and certifying the requirement for an electronic communication device. The medical certification must be provided to the competition Steward within a reasonable time prior to competing who shall attach a copy to the Steward report.

2. Individuals must include their USEF Dispensation Certificate with entries if requiring special adaptations. See USEF Rule Book.

An exhibitor with a disability (other than hearing) will be provided reasonable accommodation upon submission of a written certification from a treating medical professional's office certifying the disability and identifying the accommodation necessary for the exhibitor to compete safely. The medical certification must be provided to the competition Steward within a reasonable time prior to competing who shall attach a copy to the Steward report.

## GR 25 IN-KIND SPONSORSHIP/PRODUCT DONATIONS

Companies may distribute giveaways through the purchase of commercial exhibit booth space in the Shopping Expo. AHA Corporate Partners and contracted Event Sponsors may provide premiums, products or cash (in the form of added prize money) to exhibitors only with the prior approval of AHA Show Management. All ring presentations must also have the prior approval of AHA Show Management.

## GR 26 INSURANCE ADVISORY

Due to the number and quality of horses at the National Shows, we urge each exhibitor to verify their liability insurance coverage and their livestock mortality coverage with their own insurance carrier.

## GR 27 LEVELED CLASSES

### SELECT, CHOICE & ELITE CLASSES

If a competitor is eligible to compete as a Select/Choice/Elite Rider in a section on December 1, 2024, said eligibility remains throughout the current competition year.

### Achievement Level Riders

MAY level up to a higher level (USEF AR110.2.g), **but rider may only ride 1 level on the same horse.** i.e. A Choice Western Pleasure rider may level up to Western Pleasure Elite but can't ride both Choice & Elite Western Pleasure.

Cross-entry is permitted into any class in the same section, provided qualifications are met.

A section is defined as a particular seat or discipline. (BOD 8/21) **Examples:**

- a. Western – Western Pleasure, Western Riding
- b. Hunter Seat – Hunter Pleasure
- c. Reining – Reining
- d. Western Trail – Western Trail
- e. English Trail – English Trail
- f. Saddle Seat – Park, English, Country English, Show Hack
- g. Western Horsemanship/Equitation
- h. Hunter Seat Equitation Not to Jump
- i. Reining Seat Equitation
- j. Saddle Seat Equitation
- k. Showmanship
- l Ranch Riding**
- m Ranch Rail**

## GR 28 MEMBERSHIP

### 1. AHA (Arabian Horse Association)

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 must have a valid **AHA business membership a competition level card or join AHA.**

Single-event membership is not acceptable at AHA Regional or National competitions.

Exhibitors in walk-trot classes must have an AHA membership with a competition card at National and Regional Championships.

Exhibitors in lead line classes or parents/guardians signing for minors are exempt from AHA membership requirements.

Any farm, business or corporation owning and/or showing a horse must be a Business Member of AHA.

### 2. WDAA (Western Dressage Association of America)

To be eligible to participate and/or compete as an exhibitor, owner, lessee, agent, coach, or trainer in any Western Dressage class or at any Western Dressage Federation Licensed Competition persons must be active members of WDAA or pay a non-member fee equal to the price of an annual membership for each competition. Lessees are considered owners in connection with this membership requirement. In the event of an entry under multiple ownership, only one owner needs to be a Member or pay a non-member fee. The competition is responsible for listing either the active member or the owner who paid the non-member fee in the results. The competitions will be responsible for forwarding a list of the names of individuals who pay non-member fees at the competition to WDAA with the post-competition report. Payment of non-member fees for the purpose of competing does not entitle the individual to any privileges of the WDAA membership.

### 3. USEF (United States Equestrian Federation)

#### FOREIGN EXHIBITOR

The eligibility requirement for foreign participants went into effect on **September 1, 2023**, and under this requirement, foreign participants are no longer permitted to participate in USEF national competitions by merely demonstrating good standing with their own National Federation.

Beginning **December 1, 2023**, EC Sport License Holders Participating in USEF- Competitions will now be required to join USEF as **Competing Members** at no cost. If you have any questions about this, please reach out to USEF Member Services department at [memberservices@usef.org](mailto:memberservices@usef.org)



**MEMBERSHIP Each participant must submit a valid USEF COMPETING membership card. A USEF fan membership does NOT meet the USEF membership requirements.**

Amateur exhibitors must have an Amateur card. Junior Exhibitors are automatically considered Amateurs.

USEF membership is NOT required for exhibitors in Walk-Trot & Leadline Classes.

Life, senior active, and junior active members shall be eligible to participate in all classes at Regular Competitions.

Life, senior active and junior active members shall be eligible to participate in all classes at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions at the Modified Level or above and Combined Driving Competitions at the Advanced Level, Dressage, Reining and Vaulting Competitions and Endurance Rides. A non-member may participate as a handler, rider, driver, owner, lessee, or agent at Regular Competitions, Eventing Competitions, Dressage Competitions, Reining Competitions and Combined Driving Competitions upon payment of a Show Pass fee. Participants in the following classes are exempted from the Requirements of this rule: **1)** leadline; **2)** exhibitions; **3)** games and races; **4)** classes for 4-H members; **5)** walk trot and academy classes (academy classes are classes limited to horses used regularly in a lesson program); **6)** USDF introductory level tests, pas de deux and quadrille classes; **7)** assistant handlers in Dressage Sport Horse Breeding classes.

**SAFE SPORT**

***All USEF Life and Senior Active members, participants over the age of 18 and participants who have regular contact with minor athletes and must have a current Safe Sport certificate and are required to comply with the U.S Center for SafeSport training requirements to be eligible to participate at the Arabian Nationals.***

***All participants must adhere to the U.S. Center for SafeSport Code, USEF Safe Sport Training and the Minor Athlete Abuse Policies. Safe Sport for the business/farm or other business entity is not required. Starting Dec 1, 2024 a member of that business, Farm or Entity MUST have a current USEF Competing membership with a current Safe Sport Certificate.***

***More information can be found at [www.usef.org](http://www.usef.org).***

**USEF SHOW PASS**

Non-member participants and Non-Competing (fan) members in the role of **Owner, riders, drivers, handlers, vaulters, lungers, lessees, and agents** must pay a Show Pass fee.

**A rider in an amateur class can NOT obtain a show pass and must join to get an amateur certification.**

Competitions cannot accept payment for a Show Pass from exhibitors. Show Pass purchases can only be made online on the USEF website by exhibitors.

Participants in the above roles are limited to one (1) Show Pass per competition year. Then, they must join USEF for any additional participation at a USEF-recognized show.

**Anyone acting or signing an entry blank as a coach or trainer must be a Senior Active Member in good standing. This would include parents or legal guardians signing on behalf of their minors.**

**The online Show Pass form will be available on the USEF website and cannot be completed until a competition start date is within the next 14 days or if the show is currently in progress.**

**FARM/BUSINESS OWNERS**

***Starting Dec 1, 2024 one of the members of the Business, Farm or Entity MUST have a current USEF Competing membership with a current Safe Sport Certificate.***

If a horse(s) is owned by a farm or any other entity, at least one of the horse's owners, either Farm/Business or individual, must also obtain an exhibitor registration pursuant to GR1106.

You may choose not to record your Farm or Business entity, under this option, you are not eligible for USEF points, awards, etc.

Farm/Business Members are subject to follow the USEF Show pass rule if applicable.

**For USEF memberships, contact information is [www.usef.org](http://www.usef.org) or 859-258-2472.**

**GR 29 UNITED STATES EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION ENTRY AGREEMENT**

By entering a Federation-licensed Competition and signing this entry blank as the Owner, Lessee, Trainer, Manager, Agent, Coach, Driver, Rider, Handler, Vaultor or Longueur and on behalf of myself and my principals, representatives, employees, and agents, I agree that I am subject to the Bylaws and Rules of the United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. (the "Federation") and the local rules of the Youth Nationals, Sport Horse Nationals and U.S. Nationals Competitions.

I agree to be bound by the Bylaws and Rules of the Federation and of the competition. I will accept as final the decision of the Hearing Committee on any question arising under the Rules, and agree to release and hold harmless the competition, the Federation, their officials, directors, and employees for any action taken under the Rules.

I represent that I am eligible to enter and/or participate under the Rules, and every horse I am entering is eligible as entered.

I also agree that as a condition of and in consideration of acceptance of entry, the Federation and/or the Competition may use or assign photographs, videos, audios, cablecasts, broadcasts, internet, film, new media or other likenesses of me and my horse taken

during the course of the competition for the promotion, coverage or benefit of the competition, sport, or the Federation. Those likenesses shall not be used to advertise a product and they may not be used in such a way as to jeopardize amateur status. I hereby expressly and irrevocably waive and release any rights in connection with such use, including any claim to compensation, invasion of privacy, right of publicity, or to misappropriation.

If not currently a USEF Active Competing member or Subscriber, I acknowledge that I will be enrolled for no cost as a USEF Fan and my USEF Fan Account will continue to annually automatically renew in USEF's sole discretion. Additionally, I acknowledge that the benefits of a USEF Fan are subject to change without notice. USEF may in its sole discretion, at any time, terminate my USEF Fan status. The construction and application of Federation rules are governed by the State of New York, and any action instituted against the Federation must be filed in New York State. See GR 908.4

## **GR 30    MOTORIZED VEHICLES/SCOOTERS**

**NO motorized vehicles or scooters are allowed in any of the buildings.**

Minors who do not have a valid driver's license which allows them to operate a motorized vehicle in the state in which they reside will not be permitted to operate a motorized vehicle of any kind, including, but not limited to, golf carts, motorcycles, scooters, or farm utility vehicles, on the competition grounds of licensed competitions. Minors who have a valid temporary license may operate the above-described motorized vehicles if they are accompanied by an adult with a valid driver's license. The parent/legal guardian or individual who signs the entry blank as a parent or guardian of a minor operating a motorized vehicle in violation of this rule is solely responsible for any damages, claims, losses, or actions resulting from that operation. Violations of this rule will be cause for penalties against those responsible for the child committing the offense. Wheelchairs and other mobility assistance devices for individuals with disabilities are exempt from this rule.

The unsafe use of personal electronic transport devices, as determined by the competition officials and management in their sole discretion, that does not require a driver's license to operate, including but not limited to Segways, hoverboards, and single-wheeled scooters, is prohibited on competition grounds. Operating such devices in areas where people gather may be deemed "unsafe use" if there is a risk of harm to others. If the operator of the device is a minor, the parent/legal guardian or individual who signs the entry blank as a parent or guardian of a minor operating the device in violation of this rule is accountable and may be subject to penalties. Wheelchairs and other mobility assistance devices for individuals with disabilities are exempt from this rule.

The show security, for the duration of the show, will impound any motorized vehicle that is operated in an unsafe or hazardous manner or parked in a restricted area.

Please drive golf carts responsibly, horses have the right of way.

**Refer to Violations GR 48**

## **GR 31    NON-COMPETING HORSE**

Non-competing horses must:

1. **Be entered by a current AHA Member.**
2. The trainer must be a current USEF Member with current Safe Sport.
3. Pay for a stall (per availability), an Office fee, and a \$100 fee per horse. Please check with each show for the total fee.
4. Fill out the official entry form and check the box at the top of the entry form for "Non-Competing."
5. **Sign the back of the entry form in all mandatory places.**
6. Send Full payment with the completed entry form.
7. Be listed on Stabling Request form

A non-competing horse that ultimately enters the show will be considered a Post Entry and must be submitted by the final closing date.

There will be a \$750.00 fine per horse for not filing an official entry form with the show office.

## **GR 32    PATRONSHIPS**

National shows have patron programs with various benefits, including preferred stalling, class sponsorship, seating, and patron lounge benefits.

Patron seniority is based on the number of consecutive years a barn/trainer/individual has been Nationals Patron for that show. Stalling assignments will be done based on Patron's seniority. Any year a Patronship is missed will result in the Patron losing their seniority. To maintain seniority, Patrons must be current every year. The National Show Commission reserves the right to review special case requests regarding seniority, and their decision will be final. Each special case will be evaluated on its own facts and circumstances.

See each National Show's Patron sponsorship, available on the AHA website, for specific benefits, cost information, and deadlines.

**Patronship fees are listed on the Patron form for each show. They should be mailed separately from the Official Entry Form and must**

**be paid in full by the close of entries to ensure priority stalling.**

Any requests to change the status of a Patronship, including cancellations, MUST be emailed to

***NationalEvents@ArabianHorses.org.***

All patrons who elect to use a golf cart will be held responsible for their cart. Should their cart be damaged or stolen, the patron must replace or repair it directly through the chosen golf cart vendor.

The submission of a signed Patron form constitutes an agreement by the signing party for a payment for Patronship after the entry closing date. Any canceled patronship is refundable by 50% if paid in full. If only a minimum payment was made and patronship is not paid in full by the date stated on the form, no money will be refunded. Before the entry closing date, patron fees may be refunded minus the non-refundable deposit. After the entry closing date, patronships may still be available. Please get in touch with AHA National Events Sales for more information.

**Patronship Stabling/Rules**

**All patrons are subject to the current stabling rules.**

Every effort will be made to stable non-patron groups together that have accurately filled out their stabling request form.

1. Patron Stalling is assigned prior to any non-Patrons.
  - a. Priority for Patron stalling assignments will be based on the number of continuous years as a Patron, the prior year's stalling location, and the number of stalls needed.
  - b. If a Patron wishes to move to another Patron barn, they will be placed on a waiting list for that barn.
  - c. **All patrons must abide by all current stabling rules.**
2. The entry form (or electronic entry) must be signed by the trainer listed on the Patronship in order for the exhibitor to be stabled with said Patron. A stabling form for each National Show will be used that lists horse, owner and trainer. The form should include a statement to refer to Patrons stabling rules for priority stabling procedures in the omnibus.
3. The transferring of a Patronship to a non-immediate family member will not be allowed.
  - a. A Patron who has maintained a Patronship seniority that is retiring may elect to pass their patronship on to an immediate family member.
  - b. The family member receiving the seniority will be required to maintain the Patronship payments annually. Additionally, in order to keep the original stabling area, the family member may not exceed the number of stalls required by the original Patron.
  - c. **To confirm the transfer of a patronship, an email shall be sent to the show commission for approval.**
  - d. If a farm associated with a Patronship is being retired, the trainer has the right to continue the Patronship and maintain the seniority provided Patronship payments have been maintained annually.
4. Patronships are considered as one (1) Farm or one (1) Person.
  - a. An individual may hold an additional Patronship within a Patron's Barn, but those additional Patronships do not affect the "primary" Patron's Barn priority.
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  - a. An individual may hold an additional Patronship within a Patron's Barn, but those additional Patronships have no effect on the "primary" Patron's Barn priority.
  - b. That other individual's Patronship likewise does not affect another Patron's Barn they may move to; their Patron priority is with themselves.
  - c. Only the named Farm/Person on the Patronship is allowed to hang drapes or signage that identify only that Patron's name.
6. 80% of the stalls must be in the Patron Trainer's/**Amateur's**/ Farm's barn (for 49 stalls and under). For those with 50 stalls or over, 90% of the stalls must be in the Patron Trainer's/**Amateur's**/Farm's barn, for example if the Patron on record has 30 stalls on their stabling report 24 of those stalls must be in the Patron Trainer's/**Amateur's**/Farm's barn and only 6 stalls may be in another Trainer's/**Amateur's**/barn's Barn.
7. If that 80%/90% is violated, for example, if the Patron on record has 30 stalls on their stabling report and only 20 of those stalls are in the Patron Trainer's/**Amateur's**/Farm's barn and the other 10 are in another Trainer's/**Amateur's**/Farms barn, then only 4 of those stalls will be allowed to be stabled with the Patron on record. The other 6 stalls will be stalled wherever the Barn Manager can fit them.
8. Barns with over 100 stalls may not be stalled together. Every attempt will be made to keep stalls as close in proximity as feasibly possible.
9. For Patrons that exceed their average number of stalls (over the last 5 years), the overflow may be in another location.
10. If necessary, a Show Commission and/or a Barn Manager can limit the number of tack stalls.

**HORSE STALLS TO TACK STALLS ALLOWED Refer to GR 43**

**GR 33 PHOTOGRAPHS**

Anyone who attends any national show automatically grants AHA permission to publish photos taken by AHA photographers and/or staff in which they and/or their horses appear. No written release is required for AHA to publish these photos for its promotional purposes.

**GR 34 PHOTOGRAPHY POLICY**

The Arabian Horse Association forbids any pictures taken for the use of paid commercial distribution through websites, social media, or

other outlets. Professional Photographers or videographers, as defined by individuals who have or will have images for sale, are not permitted to photograph or video without written permission from the Arabian Horse Association. No photographers other than the official photographer may take pictures in the ring or from the rail. Professional photography equipment, cameras with lenses over 4 inches, will not be permitted except for credentialed media and those holding press passes (to take pictures outside the ring only). Additionally, watermarked photography will be considered professional photography and will not be allowed to be posted on any media outlets by photographers other than AHA or the official photographer.

Media credentials may be issued to credentialed journalists, photographers and videographers from recognized non-equine industry magazines, newspapers, and publications. Those issued media credentials must sign an agreement stating no photographs or videos taken will be sold. Credentials will only be issued to media for the purpose of news gathering and dissemination only.

Equine Industry press passes will be issued to photographers for the price stated in the media policy. However, these press passes will allow photographers to shoot on grounds, not in any show arenas. Press passes can be purchased in the commercial exhibitor office. Violation of the policy will result in removal from the showgrounds. Commercial photographers violating this policy will also be charged a \$1000 fee. This policy extends to violations found post-show through websites, social media, and other outlets.

Refer to Violations GR 48

## GR 35 PRIZE MONEY

**Checks for prize money shall be mailed within 60 days after the show's completion.** Prize money will be paid only to the recorded owner at the time of the show.

The Social Security Number or Federal Taxpayer Identification Number must be on file with AHA before releasing AHA prize money. All prize money will be forfeited if this information is not on file or provided within 120 days after notification.

If a prize money check issued BY AHA is not presented for payment by December 31 of the year following the year in which the prize money was won, the prize money shall be forfeited.

The prize money shall be forfeited if additional prize money requirements are not fulfilled (See Sweepstakes, Halter Futurity, and Performance Futurity/Maturity Chapters).

Foreign residents winning prize money at an event held in the United States will be subject to an income tax of 30% per Internal Revenue Service Regulations. This amount will be withheld from total winnings.

**AHA is not responsible for prize money provided by Associations other than AHA. I.E. AEPA, AWPA, AHPA, AWWA or the Arabian Halter Futurity (Breeding Pays Futurity).**

## GR 36 PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR

Refer to current USEF Rule Book.

## GR 37 QUALIFICATIONS

Qualifications have been waived for 2025 & 2026 for the following:

1. Hunter Seat Equitation Over Obstacles ATR (Sport Horse Nationals).
2. Western Dressage Suitability (Sport Horse Nationals).
3. Western Dressage Hack (Sport Horse Nationals).
4. Arabian, HA/AA & A/HA/AA Herd Work
5. Arabian & HA/AA Reined Cow
6. Arabian & HA Working Cow
7. Arabian, HA/A & A/HA/AA VRH Limited Ranch Cow Work (box, drive, box, drive)
8. Sport Horse Showmanship

You are qualified from the earliest date you earn the participation required. There is no such thing as re-qualifying.

**Please refer to the AHA Handbook or the website at the following link: Qualifications**

**[www.arabianhorses.org/competition/resources/qualifications/](http://www.arabianhorses.org/competition/resources/qualifications/)**

### **ENTERING FOR HORSES & RIDERS NOT QUALIFIED BY THE CLOSING DATE:**

1. **Horses and riders that enter by the closing date but are not qualified for a class(es) as of the closing date but intend to qualify for the class(es) before the start of the National Show they are entering PLEASE enter and pay the fees.** This helps determine earlier than the final close if a class must be split. Nonqualified class fee will be refunded.

2. **Qualifications for classes not qualified for by the closing date can be earned up to the start of the show. When results from a qualifying show have not been received and/or recorded with AHA as of the beginning of the show, a verification of qualification form signed by the show secretary will be required before a nonqualified class will be qualified.** Exception: UPHA Arabian Breed National Finals, please refer to USEF EQ /UPHA Rules.

Elite, Choice and Select riders must meet the definition.

Refer to each show and GR 3 for rules regarding eligibility for Arabian Breeders Sweepstakes restricted classes (ABS).

If you have questions, contact AHA Competition Services at (303) 696-4500, option 1, or email **National Events@arabianhorses.org**.

## GR 38 SCHEDULE & RING CONFLICTS

See also GR 9 Class conflicts and Gate Holds

**When entering, please be aware of entering classes that might run in different rings at the same time. Every effort will be made to solve these conflicts; however, rings will not be held for extensive periods to solve conflicts. Entry fees will be forfeited in case of time conflicts caused by two rings running simultaneously that can't be resolved.**

It is the policy of the Nationals Show Commissions not to make schedule changes within 24 hours of a class unless there are extenuating circumstances. No classes will be moved in the schedule once the Omnibus is printed other than sections may be added or canceled if entries warrant.

The schedules printed in this prize list are TENTATIVE and based on entry projections for each class and the number of sections required. Any change in the number of entries may affect that class's corresponding number of sections. The Show Commissions will review class entry numbers and sections after the entry deadline and revise the schedule if necessary.

**Please note:** No classes will be moved to an earlier day in the schedule.

**Exceptions:**

1. Dressage classes may move to a different day, depending on entry numbers.
2. Herd classes may not run in the order listed. Once entries are received, the order of classes may change so herd changes can be set.
3. Classes scheduled with only a SF/F that must be divided into sections due to the number of entries will have the sections run in place of the SF/F, which will be later in the schedule.
4. If Sections listed in the tentative schedule are canceled, the SF/F may be moved to run where the sections were scheduled for that class.
5. **Sport Horse in Hand classes at Sport Horse Nationals may not run in the order listed for that day/session. Once entries are received, the order of classes may change depending on class counts.**

Upon arrival, please check the AHA App, the Website, or the Show Office for schedule changes and posted sections.

Please be prepared as no entry fees or other fees will be refunded due to schedule changes. Schedule conflicts between rings are the responsibility of the exhibitor.

Updates to the schedules for all the Nationals shows will be posted on each show's home page and the AHA App. Please refer to the most current schedule before entering the horse show.

## GR 39 SCORING SYSTEM

Scoring Systems are outlined in the AHA handbook under COMP 5 and REQ 2.

All National Championship Shows are required to use the AHA-approved Majority Opinion System (MOS) (Res. 45-00, Res. 31-07) Scoring System in all applicable classes.

All Breeding/Gelding In-Hand classes will be judged comparatively using the Majority Opinion System (MOS).

Working Hunter, Hunter Hack, Jumper, Hunter Seat Equitation Over Obstacles, Hunter Seat Equitation Not to Jump, Dressage, Dressage Seat Equitation, Reining Horse, Reining Seat Equitation, Cutting, Reined Cow, Working Cow, Trail, and Sport Horse classes are exempt from using the Majority Opinion System.

Performance Halter will use the AHA scorecard. The scorecards will be turned into placings and, in turn, run through the Majority Opinion System (MOS) to determine the Champion, Reserve Champion, and Top Five.

Refer to each show for exceptions to the above for the AEPA, AWPA, AHPA, and AWWA associations program classes.

Breeding Pays Futurity (not an AHA program) will use the Scottsdale 5-judge system for the semi-finals and the Majority Opinion System (MOS) for the Finals.

## GR 40 SECURITY

Exhibitors are advised that it is their responsibility to secure their valuables and stall area. The Show has a limited number of security personnel on the premises. Please report any issues related to security breaches.

## GR 41 SHARPS CONTAINERS

For U.S. Competitions (per USEF Rule Book): Show Management will place at least one sharps container per fifty occupied stalls for the disposal of needles and other disposable sharp instruments in convenient locations in barns housing competition horses. It is competition management's responsibility to replace such containers when full and dispose of them properly. Competition management may fine any individuals, including trainers, owners, exhibitors, or their agents, up to \$100 plus clean-up costs for improper disposal of needles or other sharp disposable instruments. Competition management will place a notice of this requirement either in its prize list or on a specific handout given to trainers on check in at the competition. If local law has different requirements, local law will prevail.

Refer to Violations GR 48

## GR 42 SOLICITATION/SHOPPING EXPO/COMMERCIAL EXHIBITS/OTHER PRODUCT SALES

A. All flyers, signs, posters, commercial notices, etc., may only be posted in designated areas. All others will be removed immediately. Check with the commercial exhibit office for designated locations. Solicitations will not be allowed on the grounds unless a commercial exhibit booth/space is purchased. No company or business will be permitted to exhibit or hold any sponsored activities without the express written permission of AHA. Solicitation of funds for any political, educational, charitable, or other corporation, association, group, individual, or cause of any kind is strictly prohibited without prior written consent from AHA. Exhibitors must have prior written consent from AHA and the proper state authority to conduct a raffle or drawing of any kind. Commercial Exhibit space must be purchased using the "Application for Exhibit Space", which may be obtained from AHA. The individual facilities contract all Food Concessionaires, and Commercial Exhibitors are not allowed to sell food or drinks.

B. The advertising and sales of retail products at the show without a permit and payment of an appropriate fee shall not be allowed in the stabling area or anywhere on the show grounds. Violation of such policy will result in the following:

1. **First warning** The offender and/or stall owner of record is asked to cease such sales or pay the fee to obtain the appropriate permit for the activity violated.

2. **Second warning** The offender and/or stall owner of record will be required to pay double the fee to obtain the appropriate permit required for the activity violated.

3. **Third warning** The offender and/or stall owner of record will be removed from the show grounds for the remainder of the Horse Show.

C. Advertising and selling retail products and/or equine services on any AHA National Show Facebook Forum without being confirmed as a commercial vendor is not permitted. Used tack, used show clothing, and sales horses who will be at the show will be permitted.

1. **First warning** The offenders' posts will be removed from the Forum, and they will be asked to cease such sales or pay the fee to obtain the appropriate permit for the activity violated.

2. **Second warning** The offender's post will be removed from the Forum, and he or she will be required to pay double the fee to obtain the appropriate permit required for the activity violated.

3. **Third warning** The offender will be removed from the Forum for the remainder of the year and may be asked not to attend the National Show.

D. The sale of a few pieces of used tack, show clothing and Sale Horses is allowed without a fee and or permit and is not the intent of these policies.

## GR 43 STABLING

### GROUP STABLING

Exhibitors wishing to be stabled together must send entries together **MUST SEND IN** a stall reservation form.

### SUBMIT ONLY 1 FORM PER GROUP

This form must be sent with the entries or received by the due date for that show.

**If this form is not filled out completely or correctly listing every owner and horse, your stalling is NOT guaranteed.**

***If your name does not appear on the Stabling Request Form – we cannot guarantee you will be with the group.***

Forms received after the due date on the form may not be honored. Please check each show and form for the due date for that show. All horses not entered into the show (non-competing) must be listed on the stall form.

Every horse must be stabled on the show grounds at least **12 hours** before the start of the first class in which it is to be shown and must remain continuously on the show grounds until it has completed every class it is to be shown.

If the number of horses entered by a trainer or owner exceeds the capacity of the original stalls requested, those horses will be



stabled in the order of space available at the time the entry is received.

### **1. ASSIGNMENT/AVAILABILITY**

Check each show to see when stalls will be available.

Please note that patronships must represent one entity ONLY, and all stalls assigned to any patron must be designated under a single name (a company, a farm, a training stable, an individual, and a family are all considered single entities). Additional stalls requested after the original stalls are purchased may not be assigned in the same location as the original stalls.

### **2. STALL set up, alterations & DAMAGE**

**All stall setups must be completed before the start of the first show day. No set-up or construction will be allowed when the show is in session.**

Stall walls may not be cut down.

**If a stall panel is removed, it MUST be moved outside the barns and not left in the center aisle or leaning against other stalls.**

Stalls must be vacated in their original condition. Stalls may not be structurally or otherwise altered in any way (including putting nails into walls).

Any stalls used by exhibitors must be returned to their original condition before leaving the grounds.

**When set up, emergency fire exit signs cannot be moved, altered, or blocked and must always remain visible.**

Exhibitors will be billed for any alteration/damage to their stalls on the premises or any required cleanup of any stalls they use.

### **3. HORSE STALLS**

Each entered horse must pay for one stall. All others are considered tack stalls. No subletting of stalls will be allowed.

Stalls for non-competing horses must have an official entry form on file with the show office and be listed on the stall request form.

### **4. TACK STALLS**

**PLEASE DO NOT LIST ADDITIONAL TACK STALLS ON JUST THE STALL REQUEST FORM OR THEY MAY GET MISSED. PLEASE Fill out an entry form with the Owner/trainer information filled out. Leave the horse information blank.**

Tack stalls will be assigned subject to their availability. Exhibitors will be allowed to order as many tack stalls as they believe they will need. However, management reserves the right to limit the number of tack stalls due to availability.

<i>10 Horse stalls and under</i>	<i>10 tack stalls</i>
<i>11-15 horse stalls</i>	<i>12 tack stalls</i>
<i>16-20 horse stalls</i>	<i>14 tack stalls</i>
<i>21-25 horse stalls</i>	<i>16 tack stalls</i>
<i>26-30 horse stalls</i>	<i>18 tack stalls</i>
<i>31-35 horse stalls</i>	<i>20 tack stalls</i>
<i>36-40 horse stalls</i>	<i>24 tack stalls</i>
<i>41-50 horse stalls</i>	<i>26 tack stalls</i>
<i>51-60 horse stalls</i>	<i>30 tack stalls</i>
<i>61-70 horse stalls</i>	<i>34 tack stalls</i>
<i>71-80 horse stalls</i>	<i>38 tack stalls</i>
<i>81-90 horse stalls</i>	<i>42 tack stalls</i>
<i>91-100 horse stalls</i>	<i>46 tack stalls</i>
<i>101 horse stalls and over</i>	<i>50 tack stalls</i>

### **5. TEAR DOWN OF STALLS**

**At all National Shows, no common alleyways or access points are to be blocked while the show is in progress; a Show Commission can set additional parameters around tearing down in specific barns that may hinder or impede the National Show.**

## **GR 44 UNAUTHORIZED ANIMALS ON SHOW GROUNDS**

Unauthorized animals are not allowed on the show grounds without prior permission from Show Management. At the discretion of management, owners/agents may be charged \$300 per unauthorized animal(s) and unauthorized animal(s) may be removed from the grounds.

## **GR 45 UNREGISTERED HORSES**

All Horses must have a certificate of registration when entering any National Show. **Entries for horses with pending registrations will be held until the registration is complete. A post-entry fee will be charged if the registration is NOT completed by the show's closing date.**

PLEASE REFER TO GR 19

## **GR 46 VENDORS & COMMERCIAL EXHIBITORS**

A list of Official Vendors for each show is provided in this prize list and online at [www.ArabianHorses.org](http://www.ArabianHorses.org). Other suppliers may be used, but deliveries from vendors other than the Official Show Vendors may not be made on the show grounds. See "Solicitations" GR42 for information on Commercial Exhibit Space.

### **Commercial Exhibitors**

**Equine Service Providers (see GR22), including Non-Vet and Non-Farrier, will be expected to pay their vendor fees, which the National Show Commission of that show will set.**

**Commercial Exhibitors without a permit or payment of appropriate fee shall not be allowed in the stabling area or anywhere on the show grounds. Advertising and selling retail products or equine services on any AHA National Show Facebook Forum without being a confirmed vendor is not permitted. Advertisements will be allowed from the close of entries to the show's last day for each show. This is further outlined in the omnibus.**

Each National Show Commission will determine the price based on the length of the show, cost, and number of horses at the show.

## **GR 47 VETERINARIAN INSPECTION**

All animals are subject to a physical inspection and may be examined for the use of mydriatic drugs by the show veterinarian at the discretion of the Show Commission. The Show Management reserves the right to refuse entry onto the show grounds to any horse exposed to or harboring a communicable disease. AHA also reserves the right to a postmortem examination, free of charge, on any horse that dies on the showgrounds.

## **GR 48 VIOLATIONS**

The AHA National Show Commissions have the authority to penalize participants for infractions of the AHA Rules and/or violation of any show facility rules. At the Commission's direction, such penalties can include (but are not limited to) fines, suspension, loss of patron seniority, and/or cancellation of patronship (and the associated benefits).

**AT THE DIRECTION OF THE AHA JUDGE'S & STEWARD'S COMMISSIONER**

**AND THE AHA EDUCATION AND EVALUATION COMMISSION, THE JUDGE(S) WILL  
PENALIZE HORSES WITH UNNATURAL TAILS.**

**CONVERSELY, HORSES WITH NATURAL TAIL CARRIAGE SHOWING EXPRESSIONS THAT  
ARE NOT ANGRY OR OFFENSIVE WILL NOT BE PENALIZED.**