

RULE BOOK



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Preface

This rule book has been developed to provide an outline for the structure of the Central State Horse Show Association (CSHSA or Association) and is also intended to provide guidance and structure to the efficient running of a CSHSA approved horse show.

The rules and regulations listed herein, which provide the regulations for horse shows and showing procedures, have been developed to meet the best interests of the greatest number showing in each class and division. They are based on the:

***American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA) rule book, current edition**

***Central State Horse Show Association (CSHSA) rule book, current edition**

It is the intention of CSHSA that these rules provide an ease of interpretation and understanding for all members and exhibitors, and that through the consistent use of these rules and guidelines we may continue to provide showing opportunities which are fair and open to all.

The official website of the CSHSA will be: www.centralstate.net

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MEMBERSHIP

A. Association Membership Dues

1. Show Approval Fees

\$80.00/one day show

\$125.00/two or three-day show (Double Judged – Additional \$45.00)

Upon receipt of show approval fee and approved showbill, organization's showbill will be posted on the CSHSA website (www.centralstate.net).

B. Individual/Regular Membership Dues

Family - \$35.00

Family membership includes head of household, spouse and all unmarried children living under one roof, regardless of age. Family membership entitles each family to two votes in CSHSA general voting.

Individual - \$25.00 Individual membership includes anyone, of any age, who desires membership in the Association. Single members are entitled to one vote in CSHSA general voting.

C. All dues are payable beginning January 1 of each calendar year, with the membership valid until December 31 of that year.

D. A copy of animal's registration papers must accompany membership application and dues. Owners and riders must be members in order for points to accumulate. Points will begin accumulating from the first day they are earned, as long as the papers have been received by the points chair. If new memberships are taken at a show, points may be earned that day. Animal being shown must be listed under the membership for both the owner (unless leased) and rider/lessee in order to receive points. Registration papers for each horse/pony must be submitted with membership. If a horse/pony is leased, we must also have a copy of the lease agreement.

Clarification: The sole purpose of forwarding an animal's registry papers to the points chair is for proof of registry. In the event that ownership is in question, registry papers will be used for those animals that are registered.

E. Any CSHSA member with unpaid monies (i.e., returned checks, memberships, etc., due to the Association or any affiliated association) must have accounts settled within 30 days following notification from the treasurer by certified mail to the address on the membership. The Association has the right to withhold all year-end high point awards and/or revoke the CSHSA membership if accounts are not paid within 30 days or if the problem occurs regularly.

VOTE ENTITLEMENT

- A. Family membership entitles each family to two votes in all CSHSA general voting.
- B. Single members are entitled to one vote in all CSHSA general voting.
- C. Affiliated associations are not entitled to vote in CSHSA general voting procedures.
- D. To be eligible to vote in CSHSA general voting, a member must be 18 years of age or older and in good standing.
- E. Proxy voting will be permitted.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND TRUSTEES

- A, Nominations for officers and trustees of the Association can happen in one or more of the following ways:
- Any CSHSA member in good standing may be considered for the official ballot for an office or the board of trustees by notifying the appointed Nominating Committee before the November meeting. Nominations may be made from the floor at the November general meeting. Any person may run for more than one office, but may be elected to only one office.
- B. Voting
Officers and trustees for the Association will be elected by the majority vote of members voting at the annual meeting of the Association in November of each year.
All voting for officers and trustees may be by written ballot.
- C. Membership
Any member holding a CSHSA office must have the calendar year dues paid by April 1 of each year.
Failure to join the Association and be a member in good standing will automatically relieve that person of office.
- D. Elected officers will serve for a term of one year.
- E. Board Members will serve a term of two years, except for those occasions when trustees are elected to fill a board vacancy. In those instances, the term will be identified on the ballot. In regular elections, four trustee seats will be filled annually. An alternate trustee may be named to fill any vacancies on the board of trustees. This person shall be the next highest vote getter in the regular elections after the four new members are named.

I DUTIES OF OFFICERS

A. Elected Officers

1. President

President will be the chief executive officer of the Association and preside at all meetings.

President will see that the bylaws and rules and regulations of the Association are enforced.

President will appoint such special committees as is deemed necessary at any time, subject to the approval of the board members.

President will be the ex-officio member of all committees.

President will have the authority to represent the Association, and act in its name, subject only to its declared policies.

President will appoint members in good standing, or ask for volunteers to chair, the following committees. Or, in the case of multiple nominees, interviews may be necessary or a panel will be formed to oversee the committee. Any such appointments must be ratified by the board members.

- 1) Banquet Chair
- 2) Fall Round-Up Show Chair
- 3) Hospitality Chair
- 4) Membership Chair
- 5) Points Chair
- 6) Rules Chair
- 7) Show Approval Chair
- 8) Year-end Banquet Awards Chair

- g. President will cast a vote in the case of a tie.
- h. President will perform all other duties that may be prescribed from time to time by the board of trustees.
- i. The newly-elected president will hold a meeting after January 1, but before March 1, of the new year with all current officers, board members and committee chairs, to identify concerns and problems and assist in creating resolutions for the various areas. This meeting will also be for establishing yearly goals and objectives for the Association as a whole. Each committee is to keep accurate records on guidelines used and steps taken throughout the year. Committees should be prepared to present a year-end report as well as suggestions for the future.

2. **Vice President**

Vice president will, in the absence of the president, or upon the direction of the president, perform all the aforementioned duties of the president.

Vice president will, upon direction of the president or the board members, assume any other duties including, but not limited to, appointed office or committee chairmanship.

Secretary

Secretary will keep a written record of the official proceedings of the Association.

Secretary will give all notices required by law and/or all notices required by the bylaws of the Association.

Secretary will handle all correspondence for the Association, as deemed necessary by the president.

Secretary will forward minutes of all meetings to the webmaster to be published on the website. These minutes will be forwarded in such a timely manner as to expedite their appearance on the website and published within the month following the meeting from which the minutes were taken.

Treasurer

Treasurer will be responsible to the Association for the accounting of the monies collected and disbursed by the Association.

Treasurer will receive and safely keep all monies and securities belonging to the Association in an appropriate area banking institution.

Treasurer will issue all checks to pay operating expenses upon approval of the board members.

Treasurer will render monthly statements to the membership. Treasurer will submit the financial records of the Association annually for audit. These records should be presented to the board members following the November meeting, in as timely a manner as possible, allowing for the closing of the books at the end of December. The records will be audited by either a select committee appointed by the president or an outside accounting firm.

B. **Appointed Positions**

1. **Show Representative**

Board Members may serve as show representatives for the calendar year.

Show Representative will be the keeper of the equipment that is necessary for the conducting of a CSHSA-approved horse show and will see to the distribution of same.

2. **Fall Round-Up Show Chair**

a. Fall Round-Up show chair organizes and oversees committees and planning of the CSHSA Fall Round-Up show.

3. **Hospitality Chair**

a. Hospitality chair organizes and plans events/activities for CSHSA members (such as exhibitor parties, etc.) during show season & off season.

4. **Membership Chair**

All dues and membership forms are to be sent or forwarded to the person appointed by the current president.

Membership chair is to forward membership forms to the points chair and the dues to the CSHSA treasurer after the information is recorded.

Points Chair

Points chair will receive all papers/records necessary for the accurate completion of the tasks included in the office.

Points chair will keep a constant and accurate tabulation of all points accumulated for all divisions from all shows.

Points chair will give a regular accounting of all point standings, which will be published on the website.

The points chair will make every endeavor to be present at membership meetings during the show season, and to have, for review by all those interested, a record of the points tallied up to that period of time.

Rules Chair

Rules chair will compile a listing of rule changes, revisions, deletions or additions either from general membership solicitation, individual membership suggestion and/or personal evaluation. This listing will be compiled throughout the year and will be presented to the board of trustees. The general membership can submit rule changes at the November general membership meeting for Board to review.

Rules chair will be the person through whom rule interpretation will initiate, except at shows where show representatives are called upon to make such decisions.

Show Approval Chair

Show approval chair will receive and review all requests for show approval.

Show approval chair will collect monies for such show approval, duly note the receipt of same and forward all such receipts to the treasurer.

Show approval chair will grant show approval to those groups submitting such requests on the condition that all rules and provisions of the Association are met.

Show approval chair will, in the event of special circumstances, consult the board members for a decision.

Show approval chair will keep a procedures listing on the process for gaining show approval and will present same, if requested to do so.

Year-end Banquet Awards Chair

a. Year-end banquet awards chair organizes and oversees the awards to be presented at the CSHSA awards banquet by selecting and securing the awards, etc.

SUCCESSION OF OFFICERS

In the event of the absence, disability, resignation or death of the president, the vice president, secretary and treasurer, in that order, will act as chief executive officer of the Association.

In the event of the death, resignation or termination of office or any position, the vacancy will be filled with the suggestion or nomination from President and the Board.

BOARD MEMBERS

A. Control and management of the affairs of the Association will be vested with the board members which will consist of the following members:

1. The current officers
 - President
 - Vice President
 - Secretary
 - Treasurer

2. The eight board members

Eight board members are divided into two groups of four members each. The term of office for board members is two years.

Board members will meet at least once per month to discuss and act upon any business pertinent to the Association. Any such actions, recommendations, decisions, etc., will be brought to the general membership for the membership's consideration and/or approval.

The structure of the Association requires that all members of the board be members in good standing during their tenure in office. All board members will be entitled to one vote in board meetings.

A quorum for the board members will consist of eight members.

Any board members missing two consecutive meetings without a reasonable excuse (to be determined by the board) may be relieved of their duties.

All officers, board members, and membership are encouraged to participate in all Fall Round-Up activities.

PART I

RULES OF THE ASSOCIATION

SHOW APPROVAL

The CSHSA-approved show season will begin April 1 of a given year and will end with the Fall Round-Up.

****Clarification:** A "show" is defined as one judge, one entry fee, one showbill (set of classes) from start to finish, and one set of points. A double-judged show constitutes two shows. There will be two judges, two entry fees, one showbill and two sets of points. For example, two judges on Saturday and one judge on Sunday equals three shows.

A show must have at least 20 point classes to be an approved show.

Only one CSHSA show will be approved per day, unless double-judged.

All show committees in good standing will have first right or refusal for dates of shows conducted the previous year. Those groups (previous year show committees) will have until date set by Show Approval Committee to renew their date for the current year. **Once date is confirmed, the show approval fee must be paid.**

The dates of all shows and their locations will be published on the website as soon as the fee for the date is paid. Showbills for all shows will be published on the website provided that such showbills are in the hands of the webmaster.

Showbills must be presented to the show approval committee for official review:

Any necessary changes must be approved by the show approval committee or a show representative.

Future show approval may be denied to any show which fails to:

Make timely payment of approval fees.

Submit show results in their proper format to the CSHSA points chair within 10 days after the show.

Hold all classes shown on approved showbill and pay back prizes as stated on showbill.

In the event of any of the above occurrences, a satisfactory explanation must be provided the CSHSA board members in order for future show approval to be granted.

Should the weather be dangerous or threatening, the show committee, with the show representative, has the responsibility for delaying the show for safety purposes. The show may be canceled or rescheduled in the event of seriously threatening weather (tornado warnings, severe thunderstorms, lightening, storms for a prolonged period of time, etc.) with the concurrence of the presiding show representative and at least two other board members at the show. Points will accumulate up to the point where the show was stopped.

Show results, if not received by a show representative at the conclusion of the show, must be mailed to the points chair within 10 days of the show.

CLASSIFICATION OF APPROVED SHOWS

- A. The "Class A" show is one defined as one of the following:
Show which has **350 entries or more** in CSHSA-approved point classes and has a minimum of 20 point classes and which meets all other requirements and which provides payback on traditionally approved classes (pleasure/performance classes). The showbill must clearly indicate which classes are payback classes and such payback must be at least a minimum of 50% of class entry fees or stipulated dollar amounts equal to, or greater than, the 50% figure.

CSHSA-sponsored show known as the Fall Round-Up, Spring Classic show, Fourth of July Bash, etc.

SHOW REPRESENTATIVES

All CSHSA-approved shows may have an approved show representative.

The Board of the Association shall select members in good standing to serve as the show representatives for the calendar year.

The Board will appoint a list of members in good standing to serve as show representatives.

Such appointment will be based on the individual's knowledge of CSHSA rules, AQHA rules, general show operations and regulations as well as that individual's demeanor when acting in the role of show representative.

All show representatives must attend periodic meetings called by the Board for whatever matters the Board deems appropriate.

Show representative is the official representative of the Association and shall at all times conduct themselves in such a manner as to improve the relationships between exhibitors, show committees and the Association. Show representative shall require show committees, officials and exhibitors to conform to the rules of the Association. Show representative shall interpret the rules as they are written in the rule book. Any problem arising during a CSHSA show shall be resolved by the show representative with the input of the show committee.

The show representative may require the show committee to repair or replace any obstacle or piece of equipment which does not meet Association standards or requirements.

An officiating show representative may find conditions at a show to be unsafe for exhibitors and/or animals, or that the show is being conducted in serious conflict with CSHSA rules.

A representative of the show committee are empowered to act as judges for classes where the outcome is determined solely by the clock, providing they are assisted by a show representative from CSHSA.

Show results will be picked up by a show representative at the conclusion of the show when possible.

JUDGES

AQHA rule book with following modifications:

The following requirements are the responsibility of the show committee to confirm all these requirements are met when hiring the judge.

- A. Judge shall:
 1. Be allowed to judge only one CSHSA approved show per year.
 2. Cannot judge a non-approved CSHSA show within a one hundred mile radius and within 30 days prior to the CSHSA show date.
 3. Can NOT be a CSHSA member.
- B. Judge's immediate family members, horses owned by the judge or immediate family, or horses or students that have been in training with the judge or immediate family within 90 days of the show will not be eligible to show where the judge is judging.
- C. Judges are not to appear at the show grounds more than one hour before the show is scheduled to start.

RING STEWARDS

- A. AQHA rule book with following modifications:
- B. All ring stewards must be dress appropriately.
- C. Ring Stewards can only steward a show after they and their family members have completed showing.

PROTESTS-CHARGES-HEARINGS

- A. Protests may be filed over issues of:
 - Rule interpretations
 - Show procedure
 - Exhibitor conduct
 - Any other matter affecting the business of CSHSA
- B. Protests may be filed by any member in good standing or the parent of any member under 18 years of age (who was directly involved in an incident), who is a member in good standing.
- C. Protests must be:
 - Written
 - Signed
 - Presented within 72 hours of the incident
- D. If the incident happens at a show, and the protester wishes to present the protest at that time, protestor may present the protest to the presiding steward. If the protest is filed after the show, the protest may be mailed to the CSHSA president within the 72-hour time frame.
- E. Protest must be accompanied by a \$50.00 fee payable in cash, money order or cashier's check. Personal checks will NOT be accepted. This fee is refundable if the protest is upheld.
- F. Show representative receiving the protest will immediately notify the president of the protest. President will, upon receiving notice of the protest, set the time and date for a hearing to review the protest. This date should be at the earliest possible convenience.
 - President will notify secretary of the date and time chosen for the protest hearing and secretary will notify the board of trustees and all other persons involved in the protest hearing.
 - Hearings shall be conducted either at a regular or special meeting of the board of trustees.
 - Board of trustees will hear the protest and deliberate a decision, which shall be binding.
- G. A charge is brought against an individual or individuals when there is behavior or action not considered in the best interests of the show or the member(s) involved. It might include such things as abusiveness, exhibitors' behavior, show committees actions, etc., and should be discussed with the show representative and/or any board member present, prior to the filing of a charge.
- H. A written report of the incident must be filed with the board members. Such a report must be written by the show representative and signed by any person(s) who witnessed the incident. Two corroborations will be considered sufficient. Report should be filed with the president of the Association within 10 days of the incident. Exhibitor may be subject to further disciplinary action by the Association after an adequate hearing of the facts.
- I. Penalties:
 - 1. The following guidelines may be used for penalties for violation of the rules outlined for the conduct of exhibitors as well as for certain charges brought against exhibitors:
 - a. First offense: A warning letter from the CSHSA Board
 - b. Second offense: Suspension of the right to earn points for thirty (30) days and forfeit all points for current show. Suspension to begin the date of the next show following the decision of the board.
 - c. Third offense: Suspension for remainder of show season
 - 2. Suspension under these rules applies to the membership of the person(s) committing the offense and shall include all horses and exhibitors covered under that membership.

POINTS

A. In all divisions both the owner of the horse and exhibitor of the horse, if different, must be members in good standing of the Association. This rule applies to all divisions of CSHSA High Point Awards. If leased, a copy of the lease must accompany declaration papers to the point chair. Owner of leased animal need not be a CSHSA member.

B. A copy of animal's registration papers must accompany membership application and dues. Owners and riders must be members in order for points to accumulate. Points will begin accumulating from the first day they are earned. If new memberships are taken at a show, points may be earned that day. Animal being shown must be listed under the membership for both the owner (unless leased) and rider/lessee in order to receive points. Registration papers for each horse/pony must be submitted with membership. If a horse/pony is leased, we must also have a copy of the lease agreement.

Clarification: The sole purpose of forwarding an animal's registry papers to the points chair is for proof of registry. In the event that ownership is in question, registry papers will be used for those animals that are registered.

C. In all showmanship and horsemanship/equitation classes, the points will follow the exhibitor. Good Grooming points will follow the horse.

D. Snaffle bit points may be accrued starting with the first CSHSA-approved show.

E. Points on approved classes will be distributed in the following manner:

1. Show classification:

| Class "A" Shows (350 entries or more) | | Approved Shows (Less than 350 entries) | |
|--|--------|---|--------|
| Place | Points | Place | Points |
| 1st | 7.5 | 1st | 5 |
| 2nd | 6 | 2nd | 4 |
| 3rd | 4.5 | 3rd | 3 |
| 4th | 3 | 4th | 2 |
| 5th | 1.5 | 5th | 1 |

When there are under 5 entries in a class points are awarded for however many horses there are in the class. (example: 3 horses: 1st – 3 pts, 2nd – 2 pts, 3rd – 1 pt.)

F. Any CSHSA member with unpaid monies, i.e., returned checks, membership fees, etc., due the Association or any affiliated association, must have accounts settled within 15 days following notification. The Association has the right to withhold all year-end high point awards and/or revoke CSHSA membership if accounts are not paid within the 30 days or if the problem occurs regularly.

G. Any CSHSA member with unpaid monies, i.e., returned checks, membership fees, etc., due the Association or any affiliated association, must have accounts settled within 15 days following notification of show committee or CSHSA representative. The association has the right to suspend showing immediately until all debts are paid in full and withhold all year-end high point awards and/or revoke CSHSA membership if accounts are not paid within 15 days or if problem occurs regularly.

H. Year end awards to be awarded to those members and/or horses accumulating the most points throughout the show season.

Meetings

At all meetings of the Association, both general membership and board members, Parliamentary Procedure will be followed according to Roberts Rules of Order.

- A. General membership/open meetings will be held the second Wednesday of March, August, and November or as designated by the officers and board members of CSHSA. In order to participate in any voting at any open meeting, members must be in current good standing.
- B. At general membership meetings, the membership will be apprised of business conducted by the board members and will be given the recommendation(s) of the board for general membership ratification.
- C. The board members will meet on a regular basis, prior to or in conjunction with, the general membership meetings.
- D. The board members will also meet upon call of the president, at such time and place as the president might designate.
- E. At all such board meetings, both special and regular, a quorum will consist of eight members.
- F. Any officer or board member missing two consecutive meetings without a reasonable excuse may be relieved of their duties. Any officer or board member who is unable to attend a regular or special meeting must call the president or any other board member prior to the meeting.
- G. Appointment of a member to fill a board member vacancy will be made by the president, subject to the approval of the board. This person shall be the one having the next highest votes in the regular elections after the four new members are named. Appointed positions serve for a minimum of one year. Position appointment may be renewed in subsequent years.

HIGH POINT AWARDS

The following are the official High Point Awards (classes) currently sanctioned by the Association.

1. \$100.00 Open Halter – All Breeds
 2. 2 & Under Open Halter – All Breeds
 3. AQHA Halter
 4. Pony Halter – 14.2 & Under
 5. Color Breed Halter
 6. English Type Halter – Saddle/Hunter Type
 7. Open Halter – (No AQHA/COLOR BREED/PONIES/SADDLE/PLEASURE/HUNTER TYPES)
 8. Good Grooming
 9. \$100 Open Showmanship – open to all – W/E
 10. 19 & Over Showmanship – W/E
 11. 14-18 Western Showmanship
 12. 13 & Under Western Showmanship – (EXHIBITOR CAN NOT SHOW IN SMALL FRY)
 13. 9 & Under Small Fry Showmanship – W/E
 14. 14-18 English Showmanship – Hunt/Saddle Seat
 15. 13 & Under English Showmanship – Hunt/Saddle Seat
 16. Leadline 6 & Under
 17. 10-18 Walk-Trot Equitation – W/E (exhibitor cannot show at a lope on any horse)
 18. 9 & Under Small Fry Equitation – walk/trot W/E
 19. Jr. Snaffle Bit Pleasure – 2,3 & 4 Year Olds – All Breeds – W/E
 20. 9 & Under Small Fry Pleasure – Walk-Trot W/E
 21. \$100 Open English Pleasure – All Breeds
 22. Color Breed English Pleasure
 23. Saddle Type Open Pleasure W/E
 24. AQHA Hunter Under Saddle
 25. 10-18 Walk-Trot Pleasure – W/E exhibitor cannot show at a lope on any horse)
 26. 19 & Over Open Pleasure – W/E
 27. 18 & Under Saddle Seat Pleasure
 28. 14-18 Hunter Under Saddle
 29. 13 & Under Hunter Under Saddle
 30. Open Easy-Gaited Pleasure – W/E
 31. Open English Equitation – Hunt/Saddle Seat
 32. 14-18 English Equitation – Hunt/Saddle Seat
 33. 13 & Under English Equitation – Hunt/Saddle Seat
 34. Open Walk-Trot Pleasure – W/E – open to all
 35. 19 & Over Walk-Trot Pleasure – W/E (exhibitor cannot show at a lope on any horse)
 36. \$100.00 Open Western Pleasure – All Breeds
 37. Pony Pleasure – W/E 14.2 & Under
 38. AQHA Western Pleasure
 39. Color Breed Western Pleasure
 40. 14-18 Western Pleasure
 41. 13 & Under Western Pleasure
 42. Open Horsemanship
 43. 14-18 Horsemanship
 44. 13 & Under Horsemanship
 45. Contest Year End High Point
- A. Barrels B. Poles

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PART 2

SHOW RULES

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The AQHA, American Quarter Horse Association, will be the official rule book for the Central State Horse Show Association with minor changes and/or additions to accommodate all breeds

**Any member not sure of what they are CSHSA eligible to show should contact a show representative

A. QUARTER HORSE – AQHA/American Quarter Horse

B. COLOR BREED DIVISION

1. Any equine with color registration papers with a color breed association:
American Paint Horse Association, Pony of America, Pinto Horse Association, Palomino Horse Breeders Association, Appaloosa Horse Club, International Buckskin Association, Cream Horse Association.

C. SADDLE TYPE HORSE DIVISION

1. Arabians, Half-Arabians, National Show Horses, Morgans, American Saddlebreds, etc.

D. GAITED HORSE DIVISION

1. Rocky Mountains, Tennessee Walkers, Racking Horses, etc.

E. PONY DIVISION

1. All breeds 14.2 & Under – Can also show in respective breed/type division
2. Weanling and yearling horses are NOT eligible for pony classes. Exception mini's.

CSHSA Rules and Modifications

- A. At a Central State approved show the “show manager” will be the only “ show official” that personally cannot exhibit a horse at a show they are managing. A person can ring steward after they are done showing.
- B. No medication report is required to be filed on any horse entered at a Central State Horse Show Association show. Show Winners to be announced 1st thru 6th – Winner to be announced 1st, the name of the exhibitor, horse, and owner after each placing.
- C. Exhibitor losing control of their horse in Halter or Showmanship will be scored at Judges discretion. Judge will have the option of lining up halter winners head to tail.
- D. Show management has the option of working exhibitors thru the gate or posting a draw on the pattern class.
- E. Knocking over a cone or going off pattern will be scored at Judges discretion.
- F. Rail work in Horsemanship and Equitation at Judges discretion.

- G. Unrowelled slip-on spurs will be allowed in all English Pleasure, Hunter Under Saddle, and Equitation.
- H. Two Year Olds may show for points at their first approved show.
- I. 55 gallon steel drums recommended for Barrel Racing, but plastic barrels will be accepted if steel is not available.

J. Age Divisions

1, can be combined to 18 & Under – Points to be awards to respective age division. Age will be determined by exhibitors' age as of January 1st.

K. Walk/Trot Division

- 1. Exhibitor may NOT show at a lope on any horse.

L. Dropping Bridles

- 1. Judge's option. Tie rein on bosal is optional.

M. Moderate extension of Jog in Western Pleasure

- 1. Judge's option

N. Horsemanship/Equitation Classes

- 1. Judge has the right to:
 - a) any rail work at Judge's option; the show committee and Judge has the right to
 - b) perform rail work first, then top riders perform pattern in extra large class
 - c) No pattern work – due to weather.

PONIES – SADDLE-TYPE – GAITED

A. Ponies

1. All ponies that do not have a permanent CSHSA measurement card must exhibit with a valid temporary measurement card which will be valid from the date of issue through the end of the current year show season.

a. Measurement cards will be issued by a show representative and witnessed by another CSHSA or board member.

b. Permanent measurement cards will be issued to ponies six years of age and older that measure 14.2 hands and under “natural hoof” either shod or unshod.

c. A size protest may be successful only if the pony does not have a valid CSHSA temporary or permanent pony card and fails to measure 14.2 hands either show or unshod.

d. No weanling or yearling horses may show in pony classes. Exception mini's.

B. Saddle Type Open Pleasure

1. Horses will be shown at a walk, jog/trot, and lope/canter both ways of the ring.

2. Walking horses will be shown at the flat walk, running walk and canter.

3. Horse should back easily and stand quietly.

D. Saddle Seat

1. Attire and equipment of Saddle-Type & Easy Gaited style. Conservative saddle suit or day coat, jodhpurs and log jacket, derby or other suitable hat and low English Boots are required. Shirt and tie, or suitable neck closing/covering required. Hair should be neat and contained. Gloves, unrowelled English spurs and crops are optional.

2. Judges, at their discretion, may authorize adjustments at attire due to weather-related conditions.

E. Easy Gaited

1. Attire should be to the breed.
2. Hats are not required for English attire.
3. The rider's position, routine of the class and other rules, with the exception of the horse trotting, will fall on the appropriate division horsemanship/Equitation rules. The canter will not be required if non-cantering breeds or 2 year old horses are entered into the class. The rider does not post.

F. Equipment

1. An English snaffle (no shank), kimberwick, Pelham and/or full bridle (with two reins), all with cavesson nosebands and plain leather brow bands must be used. Any deviation from regulation bits is prohibited.

2. Saddles must be black and/or brown leather of tradition hunting or forward seat type, knee insert on the skirt is optional.

3. English breast plate and braiding of mane and/or tail in hunt style.

4. For Saddle Seat – Cutback or park type English saddle, web cord, leather or linen girths may be used. Must be shown in full bridle, either Weymouth or Pelham bits. Optional equipment includes spurs of the unrowelled type that are blunt, round, and no longer than one inch, and crops.

5. Prohibited are draw reins, rowelled spurs, boots, or leg wraps of any type, tie-downs, martingales, western saddles, and dropped nosebands.

CSHSA CLASS RULES

A. HALTER

1. AQHA rules apply
 - a. \$100 Open Halter – All Breeds
 - b. 2 & Under Open Halter – All Breeds
 - c. AQHA – American Quarter Horses
 - d. Color Breed – Any equine with color registration papers with a color breed organization
 - e. Pony – All breeds 14.2 & Under

B. ENGLISH TYPE HALTER – SADDLE TYPE / HUNTER TYPE

1. All exhibitors will enter the ring taking instructions from the Judge.
2. BREED TYPE HALTER RULES WILL APPLY

C. OPEN HALTER

1. Open to all equine breeds that do not have a breed class offered.
(Example – Rocky Mountain, Mules, Mini's, Tennessee Walkers, Non-Registered Stock Type, Gypsy Cobs, Drafts, etc.)
2. BREED TYPE HALTER RULES WILL APPLY

D. GOOD GROOMING

1. Open to all equine breeds
2. Horses and ponies may be shown by exhibitors of all ages in this division.
3. Showmanship of the handler is not to be judged but good showmanship is encouraged in order to present the animal to its best.
4. Criteria for judging:
 - f. 60% Grooming
 - g. 20% Cleanliness and fitting of tack (emphasis not on expense or silver)
 - h. 10% Appearance of exhibitor (proper attire for tack used)
 - i. 10% Grooming knowledge and skill of exhibitor

E. SHOWMANSHIP

1. AQHA Rules Apply – Set-up, pattern, and performance work suitable to breed and at Judge's discretion.
 - a. WESTERN – 9 & Under Small Fry - Western/English, 13 & Under, 14-18, 19 & Over Western/English, \$100 Open to all – Western/English.
 - b. ENGLISH – Hunt /Saddle Seat – 13 & Under, 14-18 (English can show in a suitable halter or bridle, whips optional)

F. LEADLINE 6 & UNDER

1. Exhibitor to be six years of age or under (as of January 1) and may not show in any other division at the same show.
2. Leader may be youth or adult.
3. Points will follow the rider.
4. Mount must be owned by a CSHSA member to accrue points.
5. Buddy stirrups at exhibitors option.

G. WALK-TROT EQUITATION – WESTERN or ENGLISH

1. AQHA Rules Apply
2. Exhibitors in this class cannot show at a lope on any horse.
 - a. 9 & Under Small Fry
 - b. 10-18

H. WALK-TROT PLEASURE – WESTERN or ENGLISH

1. AQHA Rules Apply
2. Exhibitors in this class cannot show at a lope on any horse.
 - a. 9 & Under Small Fry
 - b. 10-18
 - c. 19 & Over

I. JR. SNAFFLE BIT – 2,3 & 4 YEAR OLDS – WESTERN/ENGLISH – ALL BREEDS

1. AQHA Rules Apply
2. Walk – Jog or Trot – Lope or Canter – Must Back – Work both ways of arena
3. **EXCEPTION: 2 Year Olds can show for points at the first approved show

J. ENGLISH PLEASURE/HUNTER UNDER SADDLE

1. AQHA Rules Apply and/or Pleasure Type Rules Suitable to Breed
2. Walk – Trot – Canter – Must Back – Work both ways of Arena
 - a. \$100 Open
 - b. AQHA / Hunter Under Saddle – American Quarter Horses
 - c. Color Breed – Any equine with color registration papers with a color breed organization
 - d. 14-18 – Hunter Under Saddle
 - e. 13 & Under – Hunter Under Saddle
 - f. 19 & Over – Open Pleasure – English/Western
 - g. Pony – 14.2 & Under – Western or English

K. OPEN PLEASURE – WESTERN OR ENGLISH – SADDLE-TYPE HORSES ONLY

(any exhibitor not sure of eligibility for this class should see a show representative)

1. Walk – Jog or Trot – Lope or Canter
2. Must Back
3. Work both ways of arena
4. (Arabians, Half-Arabians, National Show Horses, Morgans, American Saddlebreds)

L. 18 & UNDER SADDLE SEAT PLEASURE

1. Open to all Saddle Seat horses, including gaited horses
2. Rules Suitable to Breed
3. Walk – Trot or Easy Gait – Canter or Favorite Gait
4. Must Back
5. Work both ways of arena

M. ENGLISH EQUITATION – HUNT/SADDLE SEAT

1. AQHA Rules Apply
2. Saddleseat: Breed rules apply
 - a. 13 & Under
 - b. 14-18
 - c. OPEN
3. Patterns to be posted
4. Show Manager has the right to:
 - a. Rail work first, then top riders perform pattern in extra large class
 - b. No pattern work due – due to weather
 - c. Rail work – Judges option

N. OPEN EASY GAITED PLEASURE – WESTERN/ENGLISH

1. Rules Suitable to Breed
2. Walk – Easy Gait/Pleasure Gait – Favorite Gait or Canter
3. Must Back
4. Work both ways of arena.

O. HORSEMANSHIP/EQUITATION

1. AQHA Rules Apply
 - a. 9 & Under Small Fry – NO PATTERN
 - b. 13 & Under
 - c. 14-18
 - d. OPEN
2. Patterns to be posted.
3. Any rail work at Judge's option.

P. OPEN WALK-TROT PLEASURE – WESTERN OR ENGLISH

1. AQHA Rules Apply and/or Pleasure Type Rules Suitable to Breed
2. OPEN TO ALL BREEDS
3. ENTRIES CAN SHOW IN LOPE/CANTER CLASSES AT SAME SHOW)

Q. WESTERN PLEASURE

1. AQHA Rules Apply (Exception-moderate extension of jog optional)
 - a. \$100 OPEN WESTERN PLEASURE – ALL BREEDS
 - b. AQHA WESTERN PLEASURE – American Quarter Horses
 - c. COLOR BREED
 - d. 14-18 WESTERN PLEASURE
 - e. 13 & UNDER WESTERN PLEASURE
 - f. 19 & OVER OPEN PLEASURE WESTERN OR ENGLISH
 - g. PONY PLEASURE – 14.2 & UNDER – WESTERN OR ENGLISH

R. BARRELS

1. AQHA Rules Apply
2. *Hat Optional, but if worn, AQHA rules apply
3. Open/Closed Gate – Show Management Option

S. POLES

1. AQHA Rules Apply
2. *Hat Optional, but if worn, AQHA rules apply
3. Open/Closed Gate – Show Management Option

Year End High Point Awards

A. Champion and Reserve Champion will be awarded in each CSHSA approved year-end high point class.

1. Points follow the horse – Good Grooming, All Halters, All Pleasures, Hunter Under Saddle, Easy-Gaited Pleasure, Barrels, and Poles
2. Points follow the rider – Showmanship, Equitation, Horsemanship, Lead Line, and Small Fry