

2009 Rule Changes Approved

The following rule change proposals were voted on by the Board of Directors at the APHA Convention, held October 1–3, 2009, in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Defeated proposals are NOT included. All listed proposals were passed for inclusion in the 2010 *Official APHA Rule Book* and will become effective January 1, 2010, unless otherwise indicated.

A 2010 *Official APHA Rule Book* will be available upon request by the end of December. If you have a current membership and wish to receive a copy of the 2010

Rule Book, please call the Forms Line at (817) 834-2742, ext. 271, to request one.

Changes or additions are indicated in **bold**. Deletions of a portion of a rule are indicated by a line through the words (~~strike-throughs~~). Clarifications to the rules made by the Rules and/or Executive Committee, and/or any fee changes, are listed at the end of the rules passed by the directors. The proposed rule changes and clarifications are also available on the APHA Web site at apha.com/Forms/RuleBooks.html.

Registration Rules

Control RG-070

RG-070. D. and E., change to read:

Change rule RG-070.D.4. and 5., to read:

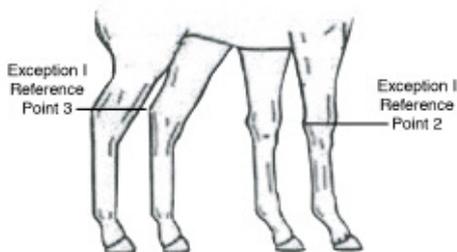
4. (Reference point 2) A level line around the leg at the center of the knee. (The center of the knee is determined by using the bony protrusion on the back of the knee as the starting point and drawing a level line horizontally around the knee).
5. (Reference point 3) A level line around the leg at the point of the hock. (This hock line is determined, starting at the point of the hock and drawing a level line horizontally around the hock).

Passed Defeated

Change RG-070E.3 to read:

1. Exception I: occurs in an extension of a high stocking...
2. Exception II: occurs in an extension of a face marking...
3. ~~EXCEPTION III: which extends more than 2" and occurs between the center of the knee and reference point 2 or the point of the hock and reference point 3 and is NOT connected to a stocking...~~

Passed Defeated



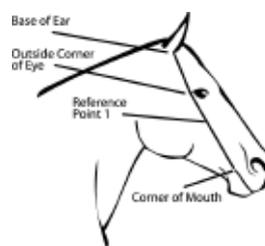
Control RG-070-1

RG-070. D., change to read:

- D. The “natural Paint markings” on a horse with both parents registered as described in Rule RG-015., may be anywhere on the horse’s body or legs behind a line:
1. (reference point 1) from the base of the ear forward horizontally to the base of the other ear; or

2. from the base of the ear **to the outside corner of the eye, continuing** to the corner of the mouth; or
3. from the corner of the mouth, under the chin, to the other corner of the mouth; or
4. . . .

Passed Defeated



Control RG-185

RG-185. to read:

RG-185. INTERNATIONAL APPENDIX REGISTRATION.

- A Appendix registration indicates an intent to use a stallion or mare in a breeding program designed to produce offspring eligible for registration with full APHA privileges. Registration of a gelding in the appendix registry would be for performance purposes only.
- B A horse is not eligible for registration if it has a parrot mouth, has a mono- or cryptorchid condition or demonstrates the traits of another breed, i.e. Appaloosa, draft, dwarf, gaited, etc.)
- C. Horses applying for registration that are owned in a country that operates an official studbook registry, i.e. Australia, New Zealand, Brazil, must first apply for registration with the respective registry. Recognized registries (IR) are those that operate their own studbook, have bloodlines and breed restrictions consistent with those adopted by the American Paint Horse Association (APHA), and maintain accurate and appropriate documentation and records. Recognition is at the discretion of APHA.

1. Prior to applying for registration, the horse’s

owner must make application and obtain a registration certificate through the IR in the country in which he resides and supply APHA with a copy of the completed certificate and all required proof of breeding and identification. Applications received without prior registration in the respective international association will not be approved for issuance of an appendix certificate until such evidence is received.

2 The registration status (regular or solid) will be consistent with the status as determined by the IR.

D. Horses applying for registration that are owned in an international country that does not have an official studbook registry, may apply for registration directly into the international appendix registry. Such horse to be registered must have at least one APHA registered parent (Regular Registry, Solid Paint-Bred, or Breeding Stock). The APHA registered sire or dam must be verified through approved APHA DNA genetic testing.

1. Designation as overo, tobiano, tovero or solid will be determined according to Rule RG-070.

E. INTERNATIONAL APPENDIX DESIGNATION. Horses registered in the international appendix registry are granted the appropriate level of appendix designation based upon the APHA approved bloodlines within their pedigree. All horses registered will be eligible for a minimum of 50% APHA International Appendix registration (hereinafter referred to as F1). Higher levels may be granted based upon pedigree.

F. PROCEDURES AND FORMS FOR INTERNATIONAL APPENDIX REGISTRATION.

1. To apply for registration, when the horse does not reside in a country with a recognized registry (IR) (see RG-185.C. above) the following requirements must be met:

- a. An application for registration must be completed and signed by the current owner. Forms are available from the APHA office.
- b. Current photographs of the horse applying for registration must be submitted. The photographs must include a left sideview, right sideview, front and rear. Additional photographs must be submitted which clearly show any area that would qualify the horse under Rule RG-070.
- c. Remittance of the appendix registration fee (see fee schedule at the front of the book).
- d. The APHA-registered sire or dam of the horse to be registered must be verified through APHA-approved DNA genetic testing.
- e. Upon completion of processing, the recorded owner will receive an appendix certificate issued by APHA. Such certificate will be issued to certify that the horse has completed

the appendix registration requirements.

2. To apply for International Appendix Registration, when the horse resides in a country with a recognized registry (IR) (see RG-185.B. above) the following requirements must be met:

- a. The horse must be registered with an IR that has been approved by APHA. The horse must have been issued a registration certificate by such IR, and the bloodlines of the horse must trace back in all lines to approved bloodlines and breeds.
- b. An application for registration must be completed and signed by the recorded owner (as recorded in the official records of the IR). Forms are available from the APHA office.
- c. A photocopy, front and back, of the IR registration certificate must be provided.
- d. Current photographs of the horse applying for registration must be submitted. The photographs must include a left sideview, right sideview, front and rear.
- e. Remittance of the registration fee (see fee schedule at the front of the book).
- f. Upon completion of processing, the recorded owner will receive a certificate issued by APHA. Such certificate will be issued to certify that the horse has completed the International Appendix registration requirements.

3. Appendix registered horses are not eligible to compete in APHA-approved events or shows (unless specifically intended for international appendix registered horses) and can only be advertised as 'APHA International Appendix registered.'

G. CHANGES IN OWNERSHIP. If the ownership of an International Appendix registered horse changes, a properly completed and signed transfer form must be submitted along with the original certificate and the appropriate fee (see fee schedule at the front of the rulebook). If the horse is also registered with an International Registry (IR), a copy of the IR certificate showing that the change of ownership has been made in the IR office must also be submitted prior to completion of the ownership change in APHA offices.

H. APPENDIX DESIGNATION OF PRODUCE/GET OF AN INTERNATIONAL APPENDIX REGISTERED HORSE.

1. When an F1 stallion/mare is bred to an APHA-registered/recognized stallion/mare, the resulting foal is eligible for appendix registration as an F2 (75% APHA International Appendix Registered horse).
2. When an F2 horse is bred to an APHA-registered/recognized stallion/mare, the resulting

foal from that breeding is eligible for appendix registration as an F3 (87.5% APHA International Appendix Registered horse).

- a. If the resulting foal from an F2 /APHA-registered/recognized sire/dam is a filly, the F3 filly would be considered eligible for APHA double registration in the appropriate registry (Regular Registry or Solid Paint-Bred) providing all privileges of APHA full registration.
 - b. If the resulting foal is a colt, the colt would be granted F3 International Appendix registration. This colt will remain a F3 horse and is not eligible to receive APHA double registration.
3. If an F3 colt is bred to an APHA-registered/recognized dam, the resulting F4 foal from that breeding would be considered as eligible for APHA double registration in the appropriate registry (Regular Registry or Solid Paint-Bred) providing all privileges of APHA full registration, regardless of sex.
 4. An APHA-registered/recognized stallion/mare includes horses registered in APHA's full registry, the American Quarter Horse Association and the Jockey Club. Foals produced from the breeding of an Appendix registered horse to other than the breeds listed in this paragraph are not eligible for registration.
- I. **FULL APHA REGISTRATION.** Eligibility to apply for full APHA registration in the appropriate registry (Regular Registry or Solid Paint-Bred) is provided to a filly upon reaching F3 or a colt upon reaching F4. Full registration provides all privileges of APHA registration. To apply for full APHA registration, application must be in accordance with the regular registration requirements in the APHA official rule-book at the time of application.
- J. **PROCEDURES FOR FULL APHA REGISTRATION WHEN THE HORSE IS REGISTERED WITH AN INTERNATIONAL REGISTRY (IR).** To apply for registration with full APHA registration privileges, the following items must be submitted in their entirety:
1. **Foal Information**
 - a. Complete an American Paint Horse Association registration application. Information should be consistent with the horse's IR registration certificate.
 - b. The name issued at the IR should be listed as the first name choice.
 1. List a second and third choice in the event that the first name choice is not available.
 - c. A photocopy, both front and back, of the foal's IR registration showing complete ownership record and markings must be submitted.
 2. **Stallion Requirements**
 - a. **Breeder's Certificate/SBR.** The copy of the foal's IR registration certificate will be used in lieu of a Breeder's Certificate and/or Stallion Breeding Report. When completing the Breeder's Certificate, you need only to list the names of the sire and dam. Stallion Breeding Report information will be obtained directly from the IR, but the appropriate listing and filing fees will still apply. (See fee schedule in the front of the rule book for current filing fees.) If the sire already has a Stallion Breeding Report on file with APHA for the appropriate breeding year, the add-a-mare filing fee will apply.
 - b. **DNA Genetic Testing.** All IR breeding stallions must have their DNA genotype on file at a laboratory approved by the Association in accordance with the procedures adopted by the Association.
 1. If you have a Quarter Horse stallion whose DNA genetic type is already on file at the American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA), results will be placed on file at no charge to you. Simply notify APHA by letter or telephone.
 2. The American Jockey Club, in order to release the DNA results on a Thoroughbred stallion, requires that APHA submit a written authorization letter from the recorded owner of the stallion, giving APHA permission to use the DNA on file with Jockey Club. The authorization letter must be sent to the Field Services Department at the American Paint Horse Association. Upon receipt of the letter, we will write the Jockey Club requesting a copy of the DNA results. Once the results are received by the APHA, they will be placed on file at no charge.
 3. If DNA results are not available or on file through a lab not approved by APHA, DNA kits may be purchased through the APHA office.
 3. **Original Owner of Foal.** Per Rule RG-055, the recorded owner of the dam at the time of foaling (OTF) is responsible for registration of the foal and will be listed on the registration application and the certificate of registration as the first owner of the foal. The OTF/applicant will be held responsible for the documentation supplied to register the foal in question. However, the current owner of an IR foal (as recorded on the IR certificate of registration) can sign as Original Owner of Foal, on behalf of the original owner if the original owner is not available.
 4. **Transfer of Foal.** Per Rule RG-135, if the cur-

rent recorded owner of the IR foal is different than the record owner of the dam at the time of foaling, a transfer report, along with the transfer and membership fee (see fee schedule at the front of the rule book), must accompany the application. If the record owner of the dam at the time of foaling signed as Original Owner of Foal, then Transfer of Foal, must be completed and signed by the record owner of the dam at the time of foaling. If the current owner of the IR foal signed on behalf of the original owner, they can also complete and sign on behalf of the original owner. A separate transfer form, completed in its entirety, can be attached.

a. The owner of the dam at time of foaling, or the resultant owner, must be a current member in the exact same name or a non-member fee will be charged. Example: Joint memberships cannot be used for single ownerships and vice versa. If a non-member fee is paid instead of a membership fee, non-member fees will be charged for each transaction submitted in that name. It is recommended that a membership be purchased in order for benefits of membership to be received.

5. **Registration Fees.** The registration fee is based on the age of the horse at the time the application is submitted/postmarked (postal meters are not acceptable for determining fees). For registration fee purposes, the age of the horse will be computed based on July 1 for foalings occurring south of the Equator; (Exception: August 1 for foalings in New Zealand and Australia). The age of horses foaled north of the Equator will be based on January 1.

6. **Parentage Verification.** If there is any doubt regarding the true parentage or identification of an animal, the Association, in its sole discretion, shall determine what procedures or documents are necessary to clarify the parentage or identification of the animal in question. Such tests may include parentage verification, red factor testing, hair analysis, on-site inspection, or any other tests deemed necessary to insure that the records are accurate. If parentage verification has been completed at the IR through an APHA-approved laboratory, it may not be necessary to repeat the testing.

a. If either the sire or dam is deceased, and no DNA was placed on file prior to their demise, registration of the foal may not be possible.

7. **Photographs.** Four photographs of the horse must accompany the application: one direct front view, one direct rear view, and a direct view of each side for identification purposes.

a. If the horse has minimal markings, pho-

tographs should also be included, clearly showing the size and underlying skin of the area being considered for registration eligibility.

International Registry Breeding Chart

1st Generation 2nd Generation 3rd Generation 4th Generation

Appendix registered horse (F1) (50% APHA registered)

Resulting Foal-APHA Appendix registered F2 (75% APHA registered)

Bred to APHA-registered/recognized horse

Resulting foal—if a filly, eligible for APHA full registration; if a colt, F3 (87.5% APHA Appendix)

Bred to APHA-registered/recognized horse

Resulting foal F4, eligible for APHA full registration

Bred to APHA-registered/recognized horse

Passed Defeated

General Show and Contest Rules

Control SC-090-1

SC-090. F. New rule to read and reletter accordingly:

F. **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.** All additional required information needed in order to approve a show, should be received in the APHA office no later than 30 days prior to the starting date of the show. This includes class lists, show bills, judge names and any other information required by the performance department. If information is not received within this recommended time frame, future show approvals may be affected.

RELATED RULES: Rules F-O would need to be renumbered to G-P.

Passed Defeated

Control SC-105

SC-105. Change to read:

B. MULTIPLE-JUDGE SHOWS.

1. TWO-JUDGE SHOWS.

- a. A two-judge show is limited to two (2) judges in the arena at any given time and held on one or more consecutive days.
- b. Such shows cannot be held on contiguous dates and within 250 highway miles (402.336 km) of any other APHA-approved shows. ~~Exception: Youth/Amateur multi-judged shows and shows in International countries.~~

c. Exceptions:

- 1 Youth/amateur multi-judged shows
- 2 Shows in International countries
- 3 Shows held at the exact same show location by the same sponsor or different sponsors

a. Such shows may be held on contiguous dates (back-to-back), not to exceed two back-to-back two-judge shows at any given time.

b. Such shows (back-to-back two-judge shows) must be separate shows on two or more days with different judges for each show. Classes may not be combined with all four judges judging on the same date.

c. No concurrent judging is allowed; however, two shows may be judged simultaneously on the same date, not to exceed two judges in the arena at any given time. (Ex. two judges may be in one arena while another arena has two judges. Separate arenas are arenas in two separated buildings or areas.)

d. One show must be completed before another show starts with the exception of holding the two shows in separate arenas as in (c.) above.

e. Any person, organization or regional club may hold these types of shows.

f. The number of these types of shows allowed per year is unlimited.

g. These shows may only be held at the exact same location.

h. These shows cannot be held within 250 highway miles (402.336km) of any other APHA-approved shows on the same date/weekend at a different location.

Passed Defeated

Control SC-160

SC-160.O.1. Addition to read:

1. Exhibitors, and anyone assisting exhibitors in the arena at APHA-sponsored shows (example: APHA World Show, AjPHA World Show), are allowed to display up to four logos (any company, ranch/farm, or horse) on their equipment and apparel, etc., provided they meet the following size restrictions.

a. Logos on any attire or equipment may be a maximum size of 2" x 3", or 6 square inches.

b. Pocket emblems and apparel manufacturer logos on clothing for sale "off the rack" may not exceed 1" x 2", or 2 square inches.

c. Contestant endorsements by current APHA Corporate Sponsors will be exempt from the size requirements.

d. Contestants violating these guidelines will be disqualified from the competition and fined. See fee schedule in front of *Rule Book*.

Passed Defeated

Control SC-160-2

SC-160. S. Change to read:

S. Earplugs. ~~Cotton-only~~ Earplugs made of a soft and flexible material shall be permissible, provided that they are used humanely as outlined in SC-075.

Passed Defeated

Control SC-175-2

SC-175. new J and reletter accordingly:

J. BANDAGES. In any halter class, an open leg wound may be covered by a bandage not to exceed 1 ½ wraps of vet wrap or similar material and not over 4 inches in width.

Passed Defeated

Control SC-215

SC-215. E. 1. and 2. and new 3.

1. Judging. Horses shall be judged on manners, way of going and style of jumping. Horses shall be credited with maintaining an even hunting pace that covers the course with free-flowing strides. Preference will be given to horses with correct jumping style.

2. Scoring. Horses shall be scored either by traditional symbol system or by breed numeric standard. In either case, scoring shall be from 0-100 and 70 shall be considered average. When using the breed numeric standard, each fence shall be scored in ½ point increments from -2 to +2, with -2 denoting an extremely poor quality performance at a jump and +2 denoting excellent quality at a jump. "0" will be considered an "average," safe, correct jump. When using the breed numeric system, the following penalties shall apply (as well as evaluation of fence by score).

3. Penalties. In using the breed numeric standard the following penalties shall be applied in evaluating major and minor faults. This numeric system shall also apply to the scoring of Equitation Over Fences for Youth and Amateur.

<u>a. Penalty</u>	<u>Deduction</u>
Tick of rail	½ point each
Out of lead within line(counter canter)	½ point per stride within line
Drift along fence	1 point each
Early unfold of knees	1 point each unfold
Rap of rail	1 point each

Uneven knees (one knee pointing below level)	2 points
Swinging knees or hind	2 points
Loose lower leg	2 points
Gaping or pulling down in bridle	2 points
Out of lead after line	2 points first ½ of end, 2 points second ½ of end

Swap out (last 2 strides before fence) 3 points

Weak departure	2-5 points
Play	0-5 points
Hard rap on rail (nearly knocking off rail)	2-5 points
Add stride	5 points
Equitation – canter at trot fence	5 points per canter stride
Stalling or propping	5 points
Hanging knees down	5 points each fence
Slapping front legs down	5 points
Off all fours or kick out	5-10 points

Hanging one leg down	10 points
Use of whip	10 points
Equitation – jump ahead/ left behind (evaluate danger)	10-20 points
Equitation – wrong diagonal to trot fence when one is obvious	10 points
Trading leads (after corner & more than 2 strides out)	10-20 points
Leaving off of one leg (evaluate danger or pedaling)	10-20 points

Add stride in an “In & Out”	20 points
Rail down (5-20 in Equitation)	20 points
Trotting on course	20 points
Failure to obtain lead through corners and end	20 points

Refusal	30 points
Bucking	30 points
Equitation – Dropping a rein	30 points
Equitation – Loss of stirrup	30 points

- b. Further considerations for each fence shall receive a Quality/Style Rating.
- c. Raising score: Even stride; cadence, quality leading; following 2 strides, attentive look, soft in bridle, quality shape, easy way of going.

- d. Lowering Score: Uneven steps, crowding; launching, sour look, pulling, lugging bridle, lack of quality over fence, “Professionals” ride.

Passed Defeated

RELATED RULES: Rules AM-111, YP-116, to be changed if this rule passes.

Control SC-250

SC-250-E.2. c. Addition to existing rule to read:

- c. Both front or hind feet in a single-strided slot or space at a walk or jog.

Passed Defeated

Control SC-255

SC-255. G. 5. i., delete # 3 and #5 from existing rule.

SC-255. G. 5, new k. to read:

- k. For patterns 2, 3, 4 and 5, failure to pick up lope after the jog beyond 10 feet from the designated departure location.

Passed Defeated

Racing Rules

Control RA-060

RA-060.B . New 2. to read:

2. Champion honors will be considered for American Paint Horse Racing conducted internationally, including Canada, provided there is a significant race season, which will be determined by the APHA Racing Committee, and pari-mutual wagering is conducted.

RELATED RULES: RG-060. C. APHA Racing Titles

(add) International or Canadian Champion to the racing titles.

Passed Defeated

Control RA-060-1

RA-060.F, addition to read:

F. APHA Superior (~~Event~~) Race Horse.

1. The title APHA Superior Race Horse will be awarded to any stallion, mare, or gelding which has been issued a registration certificate by the American Paint Horse Association provided said horse has earned 100 or more points in APHA-approved races. The said horse will be designated as APHA Superior Race Horse.

RELATED RULES:

SC-015.A.4: add to read: ...or 100 points in races recognized by the APHA.

SC-020.A.2: add – see RA-060.F for racing qualifications

SC-030.B: add – see RA-060.F for racing qualifications

SC-325.K.2: add – for exceptions see RA-000.D

SC-050.A: add – for exceptions see RA-000.D

Passed **Defeated**

Clarifications approved by the Rules and/or Executive Committee, including fee changes if any, are as follow:

Article III. Sec. 1., D. and F. 6. Change to read:

D. Director allocation shall be made annually as of December 31 of the year immediately proceeding the election year. Each member in good standing, defined as a member currently free of disciplinary restrictions, whose application for membership is ~~postmarked valid no later than~~ **postmarked valid** by February 1 of the year the election is conducted, shall receive a ~~ballot notice~~ **ballot notice** for their representative area **of the Director Election** and shall be entitled to one vote.

F. 6. After February 15 of the election year, the Directors Nominating Committee shall **make available by mail, or publish on-line at APHA's Web site, <http://www.aphaonline.org/vote>**, the ballot for each Representative Area to all ~~of the current~~ **of the current** members of such Representative Area. **Individuals may renew or join on-line to be able to vote.** Ballots must be returned according to APHA's director election procedures **for written or on-line ballot.**

Sec. 3

A director/alternate ~~must should~~ attend ~~½ of the required~~ **at least 1 of the official APHA Board of Director or Standing Committee** meetings per 12-month period and answer roll call at the time it is taken to assure a record of their attendance. Failing to do this, the director/alternate may be replaced at the discretion of the President.

Article II. Sec.1. Change to read:

Members of the Association shall be admitted, retained, suspended and expelled in accordance with such rules and regulations as the Board of Directors may, from time to time, adopt. In all matters governed by the vote of the members, every member in good standing is entitled to one vote and must be at least 19 years of age to be entitled to vote. In the election of APHA Directors, **current** members (at least 19 years of age) in good standing ~~as of February 1 of the current year~~ **at the time the election is conducted** shall be entitled to vote.

Pg. 18 Rule Book Calendar Changes:

February 1	Postmark Deadline for submission of membership to receive APHA Director Election ballot notice.
March 24	Director ballots Election notification mailed on or before this date to all regular and life members as of February 1, 2010.

AjPHA Bylaws

Article VI. Change to read: Advisory Board

The Advisory Board of this organization shall consist of the APHA President, APHA Director of Youth Activities, the **Chairperson of the** Youth Activities Committee and the Executive Director of the APHA. The Advisory Board shall notify the Youth Activities Committee of the actions of this organization and all actions taken by the AjPHA Board of Directors or Executive Committee may be subject to the Advisory Board's approval.

GR-005. Delete existing rules and replace with:

A. All standing committees shall consist of not less than three members in good standing and will be appointed for not less than one year. All committee appointments shall be made by the President with the advice and consent of the Executive Committee.

B. The Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of each committee shall be appointed annually and a listing of all committee members shall be published in the Paint Horse Journal as soon as possible after the annual meeting. The Chairperson shall only vote in the case of a tie.

SC-040. Addition to read: APHA Honor Roll Award

F. TOP TEN POINT EARNERS OF EACH EVENT.

Each of the top ten point-earning Yearling, 2-Year-Old, 3-Year-Old, 4-Year-Old and older halter mares, stallions and geldings; 2-Year-Old Western Pleasure and Hunter Under Saddle; **3-Year-Old Western Pleasure and Hunter Under Saddle**; Junior Western Pleasure; Senior Western Pleasure; and other respective Junior and Senior Performance classes for the year in each event will be so designated and an appropriate certificate shall be prepared and mailed to the owners of said horses.

SC-090. Addition to read:

B. SELECTION OF JUDGES. Judges must be selected from the current approved list of the American Paint Horse Association **and/or specialty association as outlined in Rule JU-000.C.1.** effective January 1 of the current year.

SC-096. A. 1. a. Addition to read: APHA Special Events

1. A special event is limited to two judges in the arena at any given time and held on one day.

a. Specialty judges may be hired for specific classes as outlined in Rule JU-000.C.

2.-5. Remains the same.

SC-105. A. 2. Deletion: Multiple-Judge Shows

2. Multiple-judge shows must be sponsored and operated by an official APHA Regional Club.

- a. EXCEPTION 1. Two-Judge Shows. (See Rule SC-090.I.)
- b. EXCEPTION 2. Zone-O-Ramas. See Zone-O-Ramas, SC-105.B.3.
- c. ~~EXCEPTION 3. Any individual in International countries (excluding Canada) may sponsor two judge shows.~~

SC-160. A. Change to read:

A. Eligibility to Show

- 1. **Age. The minimum age of an exhibitor will be five (5) years of age with the exception of Lead Line. For APHA purposes, the age of an individual on January 1 shall be maintained throughout the entire calendar year.**
- 2. A Youth must be at least 16 years of age to exhibit a stallion in open classes. See Rule YP-080.B.1.

SC-192. C. k. 5. Delete: ~~“Leading, back and working obstacles should be performed from the left side of the horse.”~~

SC-215. Addition to read: Working Hunter

C. Hunter Distances

Convert measurements to metric.

47' (14.35 m)	47' 6" (14.51 m)	48' (14.63 m)
59' (17.98 m)	59' 6" (18.17 m)	60' (18.29 m)
70' 6" (21.52 m)	71' (21.64 m)	72' (21.95 m)
82' (24.99 m)	82' 6" (25.18 m)	84' (25.60 m)
93' 6" (28.53 m)	94' (28.65 m)	96' (29.26 m)

SC-230. Change as follows: Utility Driving Diagram needs to state distance in 'L' is 20 feet as stated in the text.

SC-241 C. Change to read:

C. Lope. Lope with forward motion: an easy, rhythmical, clean three-beat gait.

SC-245 B. Change to read:

3. 3-Year-Old Western Pleasure.

- a. Horses shown in this class will not be eligible for any other open Western Pleasure class at the same show or contest. Horses **must** be shown with either a snaffle bit or hackamore at the discretion of the exhibitor. **See Rule SC-240.D.- E.**

SC-245. B. Change to read:

4. 2-Year-Old Western Pleasure.

- a. Horses shown in this class will not be eligible for any other open Western Pleasure class at the same show or contest. **Horses must be shown with either a snaffle bit or hackamore at the discretion of the exhibitor.**

Three-piece mouthpieces may not be used. **See Rule SC-240.D.- E.**

SC-245 C. Change to read:

C.

- 2. Junior Western Pleasure, 5-year-old and younger. Horses may be shown with either snaffle bit, **bit** or hackamore at the discretion of the exhibitor. **See Rule SC-240. D.-E.**

SC-245. C. 3. Change to read:

b. 2-Year-Old Western Pleasure

- 1. Horses shown in this class will not be eligible for any other open Western Pleasure class at the same show or contest. **Horses must be shown with either a snaffle bit or hackamore at the discretion of the exhibitor.** Three-piece mouthpiece may not be used. **See Rule SC-240. D.- E.**

SC-245 C.3. Change to read:

a. 3-Year-Old Western Pleasure

- 1. Horses shown in this class will not be eligible for any other open Western Pleasure class at the same show or contest. Horses **must** be shown with either a snaffle bit or hackamore at the discretion of the exhibitor. **See Rule SC-240. D.-E.**

SC-245. H. RING PROCEDURE. Deletion.

- 1. Walk, Jog and Lope. Horses are to be shown at a walk, jog and lope on a reasonably loose rein without undue restraint. It is mandatory that a moderate extension of the jog be asked for in at least one direction during the Western Pleasure classes. EXCEPTIONS: 2-Year-Old Western Pleasure, Novice Youth 18 & Under Western Pleasure, Novice Amateur Western Pleasure, and Youth Walk-Trot 5-9 Western Pleasure. An extended jog is a definite two-beat lengthened stride that results in covering more ground. ~~Lope with forward motion will become the only gait recognized as a lope.~~ See Rule SC-245.J.3. .

SC-250. E. 3. d. Addition to existing rule to read –

- d. Stepping outside the confines of, falling or jumping off or out of obstacle with designated boundaries with one foot . . .**

SC-250.E.4. e. addition to existing rule:

- e. Stepping outside the confines of, falling or jumping off or out of an obstacle with designated boundaries with more than one foot . . .**

SC-260. G. Addition to 4th sentence to read: “... except during the hesitation or settling of the horse.”

SC-285.I.2.a. Deletion:

1. ~~“Header breaking the barrier.”~~

JU-000. Change to read: C. ~~SPECIAL EVENT~~ SPECIALTY JUDGES.

1. APHA will approve **specialty** judges ~~to judge special events~~ in the following classes:
 - a. Working Cow Horse (NRCHA)
 - b. Reining (NRHA)
 - c. Team Penning, Ranch Sorting (USTPA)
 - d. Jumping, Equitation Over Fences, Working Hunter, Hunter Hack (USEF)
 - e. Cutting (NCHA)
 - f. Barrel Racing (NBHA)
 - g. Stock Horse of Texas/American Stock Horse Association (SHOT/ASHA)
2. For approval to judge these ~~classes events~~ the following is required:
 - a. The judge is required to be a member of APHA.
 - b. The judge is required to hold judging accreditations from the organizations for the classes in which he/she judges.
 - c. Show management must submit the name of the judge at least 60 days in advance of the ~~show special event~~ in order to be approved.

AM-020.A. addition to read:

- A. OWNERSHIP ELIGIBILITY. Any horse exhibited in Amateur classes at APHA-approved shows or shows sponsored by the APHA, or to qualify for the various APHA Amateur points, titles and awards, the Amateur or Amateur's family must be the current recorded owner of the horse. Family shall include the following: spouse, mother, father, son, daughter, brother, sister, grandchild, grandparents, step-grandparent, legal ward, inlaws (father, mother, brother, sister, son, daughter), stepchild, stepparent, **stepbrother, stepsister**, half brother, half sister, aunt, uncle, niece, nephew or solely owned corporation, ranch or farm. Such ownership must be evidenced by the records of the APHA. Throughout the rest of these rules, the above shall stand as ownership requirements. See Rule GR-020.K.1. and RG-035.B.1.

AM-065. Addition to read: APHA Amateur Honor Roll Award

- B. ELIGIBILITY/POINTS. The ten Amateurs and their horses in each age group earning the most points in each Amateur event during each calendar year from January 1 through December 31 each year will be awarded the title. In order to be eligible for this award, a minimum of eight (8) points must be earned. Tabulation will be based on the age of the Amateur due to combining and splitting of

classes. Example: (Year) Honor Roll 19–44 (Event) Horse and (Year) Honor Roll 45 & Over (Event) Horse.

Limited Working Cow Horse points do not count towards this award.

AM-071. C. 2. Addition to read: Amateur Rookie of the Year Award

C. This award is based on total points accumulated on a one-horse/one-Amateur basis per calendar year, and the horse's ownership must meet the requirements of Rule AM-020.

1. Only one rookie of the year will be awarded but will include both Amateur and Novice Amateur divisions.

2. In order to be eligible for this award, a minimum of eight (8) points must be earned.

AM-075. C. Addition to read: Exception: Halter Grand and Reserve. See Rules SC-175. H. and AM-090. A.

AM-090.D. New 2. To read: SOLID PAINT-BRED/BREEDING STOCK HALTER CLASSES.

2. Or, Junior and Senior classes may be offered.

- a. Junior Stallions, ages 2 and under.
- b. Senior Stallions, ages 3 and over.
- c. Junior Mares, ages 2 and under.
- d. Senior Mares, ages 3 and over.
- e. Junior Geldings, ages 2 and under.
- f. Senior Geldings, ages 3 and over.

AM-210. A. Addition to read:

A. Novice Amateur Exhibitor Card.

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 - a. Annual Fee. There shall be an annual APHA charge for said card. **Cards are valid through December 31 of the current year.** Fee non-refundable. See front of *Rule Book* for fees.

YP-085. C. – Add 3.

3. Classes may be separated into:

- a. Junior Mares, 2 & under
- b. Senior Mares, 3 & over
- c. Junior Geldings, 2 & under
- d. Senior Geldings, 3 & over

YP-116.F.4., change to read:

4. Exhibitor should obtain correct lead to properly turn around end of arena before preparing for exit. The class is not over until the exhibitor exits the arena. **Exhibitor must trot for a sufficient distance to exhibit soundness and leave the arena at a walk or trot.**

YP-221. C. 3. Addition to read: Novice Youth Rookie of the Year Award

C. This award is based on total points accumulated on a one-horse/one-Novice Youth basis per calendar year, and the horse's ownership must meet the requirements of Rule YP-015.

1. Only one rookie of the year will be awarded, and will only include the Novice Youth division.
2. Eligible Points. Points earned in events listed in YP-250.A. are eligible for this award.
- 3. In order to be eligible for this award, a minimum of six (6) points must be earned.**

Fee Changes Approved by Executive Committee

1-year memberships - \$40
3-year memberships - \$90
5-year memberships - \$150
Lifetime memberships - \$500
AjPHA memberships - \$20
Tattoo Recording fee (double-registered horses) - \$20

PAC Program

PR-060. Endurance Trail

PAC Credit System for Endurance Events

2 credits for completion for less than 49 miles

4 credits for completion for 50–99 mile rides

6 credits for 100 miles or multi-day rides