



POINT & TROPHY RULES

- In order to accumulate points for Area 3 year-end awards, **all riders, handlers and owners (including those in partnerships) must be members of the Area 3 Promotional Club and reside within the boundaries of Area 3** or have applied in writing each year (*via a completed membership form*) for membership due to an inactive club (bordering Area 3) and have been accepted by the Board of Directors.
- Area 3 points will be accumulated at Area 3 approved shows only. Points will be accumulated upon receipt of *full membership fees* and will commence upon payment of such. *In order to be considered for a year-end or show award, the member must be in good standing with the club (i.e.: no outstanding accounts.)*
- Recognized owner will be the last name appearing on the horse's registration papers and **all owners & exhibitors must be members of Area 3 in order to accumulate points**. This means that if a family member's name appears on the papers, they must hold an Area 3 membership in their name (example: *Horse* is owned by Sally Smith but Sally does not show, her FATHER John does – both Sally & her Father John must be members of Area 3 in order for John's points to accumulate). It is the responsibility of the owner/exhibitor to ensure they have completed all the necessary membership requirements (with both Area 3 & AQHA) in order to accumulate points. Please see the Area 3 membership form for further information.
- Any member who moves out of Area 3 during the course of the calendar year may continue to accumulate points for year-end awards. However, the member and/or horse may be eligible for year-end awards in only one area of Ontario. The area clubs involved must be notified by registered mail within ten days of moving as to which club the owner wishes to accumulate points in.
- Amateur & Youth may show leased horses provided they have a written lease on file with AQHA. (Refer to AQHA show rule 240.) The exhibitor must be an Area 3 member to accumulate points but the horse owner does not need to be a member with a recorded lease. **Proof of AQHA lease must be sent to Area 3 Points person PRIOR to the horse accumulating points for the year.**
- There will be two year-end awards in each class: Champion and Reserve Champion. Ties will not be broken. In the event of a tie for Champion, there will be no Reserve Champion award presented
- Amateur and Youth points will be accumulated on a one horse/one rider basis. The Amateur/Youth or their family (as per AQHA rules) must be the last name appearing on the horse's registration papers. Open/Green points will be awarded to the horse with any rider (as long as membership requirements are met). Lead Line points will be awarded to the rider and for this class only, the horse *does not* need to be owned by the exhibitor, but must be an AQHA registered horse.
- To qualify for a year-end award, a horse must show in that same class in at least 2 Area 3 approved shows. For the purpose of this qualifying rule only, each circuit (whole or part of) will count as one show (Spring Classic, Summerama & Summer Circuit)

Area 3 Points will be based on the official recording of show results by the show secretaries and their submission to AQHA. Any discrepancies will be verified to the best of the show secretaries' ability and their final reporting will stand as the official results. All exhibitors MUST make clear who is exhibiting their horse in each specific class. It is the sole responsibility of the exhibitor to ensure that all documentation and reporting is updated with the show office if/when there are any changes from their original entry form.

To qualify for a year-end class award, the following number of minimum points must be accumulated:

- Open, Amateur & Youth Halter Classes – 10 (exception for weanling classes – 5)
- Green, Open, Amateur, Select Amateur, Novice Amateur, Youth, Novice Youth Performance Classes – 10
- Longe Line, Lead Line – 5

Basis for calculating points in all divisions:

# placings in class	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th
9	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
8	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	
7	7	6	5	4	3	2	1		
6	6	5	4	3	2	1			
5	5	4	3	2	1				
4	4	3	2	1					
3	3	2	1						
2	2	1							
1	1								

Halter Horses

The **Grand Champion** will receive one (1) more point than the Reserve Champion.

The **Reserve Champion** will receive one (1) more point than any other horses one year of age or older in its sex division.

Year-End High Point Awards

In order to qualify for a year-end high point award, a horse must show in a minimum of 3 classes, each in at least 2 Area 3 approved shows. (For example a horse showing in Western Pleasure at 3 circuits, Hunter Under Saddle at 3 circuits and Western Riding at 3 circuits would qualify, whereas a horse showing in Western Pleasure at 3 circuits, Hunter Under Saddle at 3 circuits, Western Riding at 1 circuit and Hunter Hack at 1 circuit would not qualify).

- **High Point Open Horse:** There will be a high point and reserve high point Open Horse award. Points are to be accumulated in a minimum of three different OPEN classes, including Halter. Green classes do not count towards the Open high point.
- **High Point Level 1 (Green) Open Horse:** There will be a high point and reserve high point Level 1 Open Horse award. Points are to be accumulated in a minimum of three different LEVEL 1 OPEN classes, including Open Halter (can be 2 Level 1 classes + halter to total 3 classes).
- **High Point Amateur:** There will be a high point and reserve high point Amateur award. Points are to be accumulated in a minimum of three different AMATEUR ALL AGES classes, including Halter.
- **High Point Select Amateur:** There will be a high point and reserve high point Select Amateur award. Points are to be accumulated in a minimum of three different SELECT AMATEUR classes. *Amateur All Ages classes WILL count towards the Year End High Point including Halter.*
- **High Point Level 1 (Novice) Amateur:** There will be a high point and reserve high point Level 1 (Novice) Amateur award. Points are to be accumulated in a minimum of three different LEVEL 1 (NOVICE) AMATEUR classes.
- **High Point Rookie Amateur:** There will be a high point and reserve high point Rookie Amateur award. Points are to be accumulated in a minimum of three different ROOKIE AMATEUR classes.
- **High Point Youth 13 & Under:** There will be a high point and reserve high point Youth 13 & under award. The recipients must be 13 years of age or under, as of January 1st, of the current show season. Points are to be accumulated in a minimum of three different YOUTH classes – Youth all ages & Youth 13 & under, including Halter (Novice Youth classes do not count towards High Point Youth 13 & Under).
- **High Point Youth 14 to 18:** There will be a high point and reserve high point Youth 14 to 18 award. The recipients must be between 14 and 18 years of age as of January 1st, of the current show season. Points will be accumulated in a minimum of three different YOUTH classes – Youth all ages & Youth 14-18, including Halter (Novice Youth classes do not count towards High Point Youth 14-18).
- **High Point Level 1 (Novice) Youth:** There will be a high point and reserve high point Level 1 (Novice) Youth award. Points are to be accumulated in a minimum of three different LEVEL 1 (NOVICE) YOUTH classes.
- **High Point Rookie Youth:** There will be a high point and reserve high point Rookie Youth award. Points are to be accumulated in a minimum of three different ROOKIE YOUTH classes.
- **High Point Level 1 Amateur Walk Jog/Trot:** There will be a high point and reserve high point Walk-Jog/Trot Amateur. Points are to be accumulated in a minimum of three different Walk-Jog/Trot Amateur classes.
- **High Point Level 1 Youth Walk Jog/Trot:** There will be a high point and reserve high point Walk-Jog/Trot Youth. Points are to be accumulated in a minimum of three different Walk-Jog/Trot Youth classes.