



SHOW RELATED RULES

Updated February 21, 2019. Items in highlighted yellow have been added/changed for 2019

Show Circuit High Point Awards:

To be given out at the discretion of the Area 3 Promotional Club on a year to year basis.

Points are to be accumulated on a one horse/one rider basis. Ties will be broken by the most number of 1sts.

- **High Point Amateur:** Points are accumulated in a minimum of three different Amateur all ages classes. Must show in Halter to qualify. Exhibitor must show under all judges.
- **High Point Select Amateur:** Points are accumulated in a minimum of three different Select Amateur classes. Must show in Halter to qualify. Exhibitor must show under all judges. **Please note** - points accumulated in Amateur all ages classes WILL count towards the Select Amateur High Point awards.
- **High Point Level 1 Amateur:** Points are accumulated in a minimum of three different Level 1 (Novice) Amateur classes. Exhibitor must show under all judges
- **High Point Rookie Amateur:** Points are accumulated in a minimum of three different Rookie Amateur classes. Exhibitors must show under all judges.
- **High Point Youth 13 & Under:** The recipient must be 13 years of age or under, as of January 1st, of the current show season. Points are accumulated in a minimum of three different Youth classes. Youth all ages classes will count toward the High Point 13 & Under Award. Must show in Halter to qualify. Exhibitor must show under all judges
- **High Point Youth 14 to 18:** The recipient 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 classes will count toward the High Point 14-18 Award. Must show in Halter to qualify. Exhibitor must show under all judges
- **High Point Level 1 Youth:** Points are accumulated in a minimum of three different Level 1 (Novice) Youth classes. Exhibitor must show under all judges
- **High Point Rookie Youth:** Points are accumulated in a minimum of three different Rookie Youth classes. Exhibitors must show under all judges.
- **High Point Level 1 Youth Walk Jog/Trot:** Points are accumulated in a minimum of three different Walk Jog/Trot Youth classes. Exhibitor must show under all judges
- **High Point Level 1 Amateur Walk Jog/Trot:** Points are accumulated in a minimum of three different Walk Jog/Trot Amateur classes. Exhibitor must show under all judges
- **High Point Open Horse:** Points are accumulated in a minimum of three different Open classes (Green classes do not count towards the Open High Point). Must show in Halter to qualify. Exhibitor must show under all judges
- **High Point Level 1 Horse:** Points are accumulated in a minimum of two Level 1 open classes PLUS OPEN Halter to qualify. Exhibitor must show under all judges

Show Class Circuit Awards:

To be given out at the discretion of the Area 3 Promotional Club on a year-to-year basis.

Exhibitor must show under all judges to accumulate points for each circuit award. All circuit awards must be picked up prior to the end of the horse show. No awards will be shipped or stored.

Area 3 Walk Jog/Trot, Lead Line & Small Fry Showmanship – non AQHA classes

Horses entered in the Lead Line and Small Fry Division must be a registered American Quarter Horse and follow all other eligibility rules required by AQHA.

General Rules:

1. An exhibitor will be judged as per the current AQHA Handbook for the class in which they are competing.
2. Points are accumulated by the rider not the horse and will be calculated per the youth point system and shall be placed 1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc.
3. An exhibitor entering Walk Jog/Trot OR Lead Line may not enter any other class with the exception of Youth Halter, Small Fry Showmanship OR Level 1/Rookie Youth Showmanship
4. An exhibitor in the Walk Jog/Trot and Lead Line class must have his or her feet in the stirrups and the stirrups must be securely attached to the saddle.
5. An exhibitor may not ride or lead a stallion in a Walk Jog/Trot, Lead Line, or the Small Fry classes.
6. An exhibitor may enter either a Walk Jog/Trot OR Lead Line but not both. An exhibitor may only receive a year-end award in either Lead Line or Walk Jog/Trot, not both.
7. The horse used in the Lead Line or Small Fry classes does not have to be owned by the exhibitor or his or her family.
8. The horse must be 3 years of age or older as of January 1st of the current year.
9. An exhibitor cannot be tied, buckled, or fastened in the saddle in any manner or by any means during competition.
10. All exhibitors in an 11 & under Non-AQHA riding class will be required to wear an ASTM approved helmet (including lead line)
11. An exhibitor showing in the Walk Jog/Trot may return to the Lead Line class; but, only under the conditions set out forth below.

Area 3 Lead Line Equitation/Horsemanship:

1. The age for a Lead Line participant is 7 years and under, as of January 1st of the show year. Walk Jog/Trot and Small Fry Showmanship exhibitors must be 11 and under as of January 1st of the show year.
2. An exhibitor may show in either Western or English attire (per current AQHA Handbook) in the Lead Line or Walk Jog/Trot.
3. In Lead Line the horse must be led by a lead shank attached to a halter that is under a bridle, head stall or bosal.
4. Lead Line classes will be performed in both directions at a walk only. A backup when in line is optional. Exhibitors are judged on their Horsemanship/Equitation while on the rail only.
5. Walk Jog/Trot will be performed in both directions and the walk and jog/trot. A back up may be required. Exhibitors are judged on their Horsemanship/Equitation while on the rail only.
6. Once an exhibitor has graduated to the Walk Jog/Trot class during a show year, he/she cannot return to Lead Line. Graduation is deemed to have taken place once the exhibitor has placed first in a Walk Jog/Trot riding class.
7. An exhibitor who begins the show season in the Lead Line division and moves to the Walk Jog/Trot within the same show season; will not qualify for a year-end award in Lead Line. The exhibitor may return to the Lead Line division during the show season if they have not met the graduation rule in #6 above; however, only the points in the Walk Jog/Trot class will qualify for a year end award.
8. The LEADER of the lead line exhibitor must be a minimum of 16 years of age.

Green As Grass Trail:

This class is open to horses that have not yet loped in a trail class. The class can be entered by youth, amateurs or professional riders. The class is a walk/jog class only.

Longe Line

Longe line classes will follow the procedures set out in the current NSBA rule book.

NSBA Classes:

NSBA classes are open to all breeds of horses and are subject to NSBA rules.

Dual approved classes are only open to horses registered with AQHA.

Please refer to the NSBA handbook for further details on rules & payback percentages.

Show bills will outline the type of class and payback (if any) structure.

Other Notes:

Area 3 Point Approved shows will be posted at www.area3.ca

Area 3 NON-PRO Rule:

The following is the rule regarding Non Pro Eligibility for Area 3 purposes only:

To be eligible to compete as a Non-Pro, an exhibitor of any age may compete as long as he or she has not shown, judged, trained or assisted in training a horse (whether or not a registered American Quarter Horse) for remuneration, monetary or otherwise, either directly or indirectly, nor received remuneration for instructing another person in riding, driving, training or showing a horse for five calendar years prior to exhibiting in a Non-Pro class. He or she must not exhibit in open classes horses owned by any third party, but shall only exhibit horses solely owned by the non-pro entrant and non pro entrants family (see AQHA rule 403 (5) of the AQHA Handbook). Upon revocation of non-pro status because of ineligibility, all earned non-pro awards and monies from time of violation of eligibility rules shall be revoked.

In the event that Area 3 is holding an '**NSBA**', or similarly sanctioned Non-Pro approved class, the ruling of **that association** will be followed. *It is the exhibitor's responsibility to ensure they meet the Non-Pro criteria.*

OQHA HELMET RULE – implemented for 2019

Youth Exhibitors, 13 years & under as of January first of the current year must wear a properly-fitted approved safety helmet in all riding classes and in the warm-up area while on the back of a horse. The helmet must comply with the requirements under the Ontario Horse Riding Safety Act 2001 – Bill 12.



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)
- ALL Open, Amateur, Select Amateur, Youth Performance Classes – 10
- Small Fry Showmanship, Lead Line, Longe 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					
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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.



ALL IN ONE FEE:

Area 3 is pleased to announce that we will continue to offer exhibitors the “ALL IN ONE FEE” at all 3 shows for 2019.

PREMISE AND PROCESS	EXAMPLE FEE BREAKDOWN
<p>The "Early ALL IN ONE FEE " is an opportunity for exhibitors to pay one fee to cover their stall, entry fees, and all related administration fees. By paying the “Early ALL IN ONE FEE” a horse can be shown in any division by a combination of riders for one low fee at a considerable discount for exhibitors who are comfortable paying in advance of the show!</p> <p>For Example Back number 1234 is entered in Novice Youth Showmanship (with Exhibitor A), Novice Youth Trail (with Exhibitor A), Youth Performance Halter (with Exhibitor B), Novice Amateur Trail (with Exhibitor C), Open Western Riding (with Exhibitor D) and Green Western Pleasure (with Exhibitor D). The ALL IN ONE FEE would include the stall fee, the 6 entry fees and the related administration fees.</p> <p>Another advantage to the ALL IN ONE FEE is that if a rider decides to enter additional classes on the day of the show, the additional classes would be added to the show bill at no extra cost.</p>	<p>For Spring Classic - all appropriate fees are multiplied by 4 judges for totals in this example</p> <p>Stall \$160 Office fee \$44 Drug fee \$8 AQHA fee \$26 Novice Youth Showmanship \$48 Novice Youth Trail \$48 Youth Performance Halter \$48 Novice Amateur Trail \$48 Open Western Riding \$48 Green Western Pleasure \$48 Youth Performance Halter \$48</p> <hr/> <p>Total of example fees \$570</p> <hr/> <p>ALL IN ONE FEE \$440</p> <hr/> <p>Savings \$134</p> <hr/> <p>Any additional classes would be FREE!</p>
<p>RULES FOR EARLY ALL IN ONE FEE</p>	
<p>1) MUST show in one Halter class (any division) OR one OPEN PERFORMANCE CLASS per show</p> <p>2) <u>MUST PAY IN FULL PRIOR TO THE DEADLINES FOR THE ALL IN ONE FEE</u> (payment on stall booking form must also denote the AQHA registered name of horse and the back number to which the All In One Fee applies): Spring Classic – April 1, 2019 \$440 Summerama – May 20, 2019 \$495 Summer Circuit – July 1, 2019 \$405</p> <p>3) <u>ABSOLUTELY NO REFUNDS FOR ANY PART OF THE ALL IN ONE FEE</u> for cancellations received within 2 weeks of the show date. A 25% administration fee is applicable to all refunds prior to that date.</p> <p>4) NSBA classes do not qualify for the ALL IN ONE FEE.</p> <p>5) Pay at the show for the ALL IN ONE FEE is an option! This fee does not include the cost of your stall, but does include entry fees, and all related administration fees.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Spring Classic - \$370 Summerama - \$425 Summer Circuit - \$335</p>	