

2009
SHOW RULES AND POINT SYSTEM
INSTATE DIVISION

I. QUALIFICATIONS

A. Any registered Appaloosa horse, registered with the Appaloosa Horse Club, Inc. (ApHC) in the Foundation, Permanent, Tentative, Performance Permit, or CPO registry, are eligible to participate for the Appaloosa awards. No Breeding Stock (pink papers) horses are eligible. Any Non-Appaloosa horse/pony may compete for the open year-end awards.

B. The horse earning points must be owned or leased by a member of the Green Mt. Appaloosa Horse Club (GMtApHC), and that person shall be in good standing with the year's dues and any outstanding debts paid.

C. In all cases of a leased horse, a copy of the lease agreement shall be filed with the point secretary at the time of registration for points.

D. All youth/adult horses competing for points shall be registered with the point secretary at least 3 days before the horse can start earning points at its first show. A registration fee of \$5.00 per horse must be sent to the secretary with the registration form.

E. All youth/adults must ride a registered Appaloosa/Non-Appaloosa and pay \$5.00 in order to register for points as a youth for the Appaloosa/Non-Appaloosa awards. The youth/adult must list his/her horses and register the list with the point keeper at least 3 days before the youth can start earning points. The youth/adult shall be in good standing with year's dues paid. Youth must state age and in which group he/she is competing: Walk/Trot, Junior, Senior. Points are good for the calendar year.

F. Official points are those that are received by the GMtApHC Point Keeper, submitted by the competitor. Discrepancies will be verified by the point keeper, with the show secretary. **ALL POINTS MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN 15 DAYS OF EACH SHOW ATTENDED.**

G. To be eligible to win a year-end award a horse/youth/adult must have placed in that class, or combined class under at least 3 judges. A minimum of 3 and maximum of 8, best placings earned in each class or combined class, shall be used to tally the year-end score award for a horse/youth/adult.

H. Total points for the Year End Awards must be accumulated in either In-State Division (Open-All breed shows) or the Regional Division (ApHC approved Appaloosa only shows) and may not be a combination of both.

I. All award winners, or their representative, for any division must attend the banquet to receive their award, or appeal in writing to the Board of Directors within 15 days. No mailing of awards.

J. In order to receive a year-end award, if qualified, the member must attend at least one of the two General Membership meetings in the Spring or Fall.

K. Total points for the Year End Awards must be accumulated in the In-State Division.

L. A copy of the Registration Certificate of any horse must be shown upon the request of the show manager or point secretary.

II. POINT SYSTEM

A. Points will be awarded according to the number of placings in the class, in accordance with the schedule. A disqualification counts as an entry, even if excused from the ring.

B. At least six places to be presented at all pointed shows. Here is the manner on which points are to be awarded:

PIN	Number of entries											Cont.
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10-19	20-29	
1 st	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	9+1	9+2	.....
2 nd	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	8+1	8+2	.....
3 rd	0	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	7+1	7+2	.....
4 th	0	0	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	6+1	6+2	.....
5 th	0	0	0	0	1	2	3	4	5	5+1	5+2	.....
6 th	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	3	4	4+1	4+2	.....
7 th	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	3	3+1	3+2	.....
8 th	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	2+1	2+2	.....
9 th	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1+1	1+2	.....
10 th	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	.....

C. All points earned will be published in the newsletter as they are totaled at the end of the show season, and prior to the Awards Banquet. Any disputes over year-end totals shall be submitted in writing to the point keeper and will be handled by the Officers and Board of Directors.

D. Any open show is eligible to count for points for the instate division if it is held in Vermont or run/sponsored by a Vermont club or organization.

E. All proposed changes to the show rules and point system shall be published and mailed to the membership 30 days prior to the first pointed show, to be voted on at the spring membership meeting.

III. APPROVED CLASSES

A. IN-STATE DIVISION

1. Appaloosa Halter – 3 awards all ages
 - a. Stallions b. Mares c. Geldings
2. Appaloosa Western Pleasure – 1 award all ages
3. Appaloosa English Pleasure – 1 award all ages
4. Appaloosa Trail – 1 award all ages
5. Walk-Trot/Beginner – 2 awards. Points to be accumulated in open competition on a Registered Appaloosa Horse/Non-Appaloosa Horse/Pony. Accumulation of points in any class listed as a Walk-Trot or Beginner class. (Only one showmanship class to count per show –4H or Open- exhibitor’s choice.)
6. Junior Youth, 13 years & under – 2 awards. Points to be accumulated in open competition on a Registered Appaloosa Horse/Non-Appaloosa Horse/Pony. Accumulation of points in any class listed as a Junior youth, 13 & under class. (Only one showmanship class to count per show –4H or Open- exhibitor’s choice.)
7. Senior Youth, 14-18 years – 2 awards. Points to be accumulated in open competition on a Registered Appaloosa Horse/Non-Appaloosa Horse/Pony. Accumulation of points in any class listed as a Senior youth, 14-18 years, class. (Only one showmanship class to count per show –4H or Open- exhibitor’s choice.)
8. Open Performance – 2 awards. Points to be accumulated in open competition on a registered Appaloosa Horse/Non-Appaloosa Horse/Pony. Types of Classes to count for award: Western Riding, Reining, Men’s, Ladies’, Owner to Ride Pleasure, Open Western Pleasure (Jr., or Sr., or combined), Open English Pleasure (Jr., or Sr., or combined), Road Hack, Open Trail, and any performance (under saddle) class open to any discipline, breed or combination of breeds.
9. Open Colt or Filly – 3 Awards. For the colt or filly accumulating the most points in open competition with a Registered Appaloosa horse against all other breeds in their age level. Weanling; Yearling; and Two-Year Old.
10. Open Hunter & Jumper – 1 award. Points to be accumulated in open competition on a Registered Appaloosa horse. Any open class judged over fences, such as Hunter Hack, Working, Open , or Green Hunter and Jumper classes.
11. Adult Award – 1 award. Accumulation of points on a Registered Appaloosa or Non-Appaloosa horse in any class listed as an Adult Class. This will not include any OPEN CLASSES. Adults need to pay a \$5.00 fee same as youth.
12. Open Halter – 1 award all ages. Points to be accumulated in open competition with a registered Appaloosa. Classes to count for award: Open in Hand, Hunter in Hand, Registered Breed, Color Breed, Hunter Model, Stock Breed, any conformation class open to all ages/any breed.

B. COMPETITIVE/DISTANCE TRAIL RIDES

Approved rides shall have minimum of 25 miles per day length. Horses competing must be 5 years of age or older. To be eligible for awards the same combination of horse and rider must finish three (3) rides and receive a score. The competitors shall request score sheets from the Point Secretary which must be signed by the Trail Ride Secretary, and

will include the following information: Name of Ride, date, location, overall placing, number of horses in your division. Awards will be given for: a) Youth b) Adult. Season to run from December 1 to November 30.

C. GYMKHANA

1. All events will be held at Audro Acres, Florence, VT, except the Labor Day event which is at the VT State Fair Grounds in Rutland. Gymkhana Point Keeper is Judy Cole, 941 Parker Rd, Pittsford, VT 05763, 802-483-6564.
 2. GMtApHC will point all events held at our sponsored gymkhanas and others as noted. Bulletins will be mailed prior to each event.
 3. Competitor must be a member of the GMtApHC in good standing (dues paid). You must attend/ride in a minimum of 2 out of 3 gymkhanas to qualify for year-end award with total points scored. All award winners for any division must attend banquet to receive award. No mailings etc.
 4. In order to receive a year-end award, if qualified for points earned, the member must attend at least one (1) of the two (2) General Membership Meeting, Spring or Fall.
 5. Horse must be a minimum 56 inches tall and either registered with the ApHC or pass inspection for breed characteristics, by an impartial member of the GMtApHC Board of Director(s) for the Appaloosa Awards. Non-Appaloosa Horse/Pony can be of any other breeding for the Open Awards.
 6. Registration is for the horse and rider as a team. A horse may be registered with only one rider in each of the four divisions.
 7. Inspected unregistered horses (at least 56" tall) will compete with and against ApHC registered horses for the same GMtApHC Gymkhana year-end awards in the Appaloosa division.
 8. Cost of registration is \$5.00. Competitors must register at least three (3) days prior to the event indicating what horse he/she will use and in which division he/she will be competing:
 - a) Pee-Wee (age 0-7)
 - b) Beginner (age 8-12)
 - c) Junior (age 13-17)
 - d) Senior (age 18 and over)
 - e) **Masters (50 and over)**
- In addition to the age division you must also indicate Appaloosa Awards or Non-Appaloosa/Open Awards.
9. Competitors who will compete on inspected unregistered horses, must sent the Inspection Approval form signed by the qualified GMtApHC director, to the Point Secretary with point registration form at least three (3) days prior to the event for points to count. If a competitor uses the same inspected unregistered horse each year, their approval form will remain on file, however, if a new or different unregistered horse is to be used, a new inspection and approval form will be necessary.
 10. Inspected unregistered horses that are approved may only compete in GMtApHC pointed Gymkhanas. Being inspected and approved does not enable them to compete in National (ApHC) approved shows.
 11. Year-End awards will be given to Champion and Reserve Champion for the four age divisions in the following categories:
 - a) Barrels
 - b) Stakes
 - c) Keyhole
 - d) Hi-Point overall (all events to count)
- They will also be divided by Appaloosa and Non-Appaloosa/Open making a total of eight (8) awards. Ties will be broken in the following manner: 1) participation in all 3 pointed events; 2) most first or highest place finishes in that category.
12. Points are awarded on the traditional 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1 system regardless of the number competing.

2009 GYMKHANA SCHEDULE

June 7, 2009 GMtApHC Gymkhana at Audro Acres, Florence, VT
September 7, 2009 GMtApHC Gymkhana at the VT State Fair, Rutland, VT
September 27, 2009 GMtApHC Gymkhana at Audro Acres, Florence, VT

IV. SHOW RULES AND POINT COMMITTEE

A Show Rules and Point Committee shall consist of five (5): three (3) members shall be selected from the membership at each Fall Annual Meeting. The Point Secretary from each division of the club (the Gymkhanas and the Shows) shall automatically comprise the other two (2) members. Duties of this committee shall include:

- a. A review of the point system and to propose changes in writing to the membership so they may vote on said changes at least 30 days before the first pointed show of the next year.

V. DISTRIBUTION

A copy of the Show Rules and Point System shall be mailed yearly, first class to every member, and be included in the New Member's Package. Any member wishing to make comments or suggestions, please submit in writing to Deb Danforth, 6310 Monument Hill Rd., Castleton, VT 05735.

GMtApHC will point the following shows for In-State Division: All shows on the 2009 Vermont Horse Shows Assn. show schedule and any other open show attended in Vermont or run by a Vermont club or organization. You must submit your results to the Point Secretary within 15 days of the EACH show attended for that season. Point Secretary for 2009 is Debbie Danforth, 6310 Monument Hill Rd, Castleton, VT 05735.

SHOW RULES AND POINT SYSTEM REGIONAL DIVISION

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B. The horse earning points must be owned or leased by a member of the Green Mountain Appaloosa Horse Club, and that person shall be in good standing with the year's dues and any outstanding debts paid.

C. In all cases of a leased horse, a copy of the lease agreement shall be filed with the Point Secretary at the time of registration for points.

D. All youth/Non-Pro horses competing for points shall be registered with the Point Secretary at least three (3) days before the horse can start earning points at its first show. A registration fee of \$5.00 per horse must be sent to the point keeper with the registration.

E. A youth must ride a registered Appaloosa and pay \$5.00 in order to register for points as a youth. The youth must list his/her horses and register the list with the point keeper at least three (3) days before the youth can start earning points. The youth shall be in good standing with the year's dues paid. Youth must state age and in which group he/she is competing: Walk/Trot, Junior, or Senior. Points are good for the calendar year.

F. Official points are those that are received by the GMtApHC Point Keeper, submitted by the competitor. Discrepancies will be verified by the point keeper with the show secretary. **ALL POINTS MUST BE IN WITHIN 15 DAYS OF EACH POINTED/ATTENDED SHOW OF THE SEASON.**

G. A minimum of 3 and maximum of 8, best placings earned in each class or combined class, shall be used to tally the year-end score award for a horse/youth/non-pro.

H. Total points for the Year-End Awards must be accumulated in either In-State Division (Open-All breed shows) or the Regional Division (ApHC approved Appaloosa only shows), and may not be a combined total of both.

I. All award winners, or their representative, for any division must attend the banquet to receive their award, or appeal in writing to the Board of Directors within 15 days. No mailing of awards.

J. Beginning in 1996, in order to receive a year-end award, if qualified, the member must attend at least one (1) of the two (2) General Membership meetings in the Spring or Fall.

K. A copy of the Registration Certificate of any horse must be shown upon request of the show manager or point secretary.

L. A Non-Pro, in order to be eligible for a year-end award, must pay a \$5.00 registration fee and submit a copy of his/her Non-Pro card to the club secretary. This \$5.00 fee does not include horse registration.

II. POINT SYSTEM

A. Points will be awarded according to the number of placings in the class, in accordance with the schedule. A disqualification counts as an entry, even if excused from the ring.

B. At least six (6) places to be presented at all pointed shows. Here is the manner in which points are to be awarded:

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6 th	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	3	4	4+1	4+2
7 th	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	3	3+1	3+2
8 th	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	2+1	2+2
9 th	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1+1	1+2
10 th	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2

C. The Grand Champion and Jr. Grand Champion of each sex division: Stallions, Mares, Geldings, shall receive at least two (2) points more than any horse in its sex division.

D. The Reserve Champion and Jr. Reserve Champion of each sex division: Stallions, Mares, Geldings, shall receive at least one (1) point more than any horse in its sex division.

E. All points earned will be published in the Newsletter as soon as they are totaled at the end of the show season, and prior to the Awards Banquet. Any disputes over year-end totals shall be submitted in writing and received by the Point Keeper and will be handled by the Officers and Board of Directors.

F. Green Mountain Appaloosa Horse Club will point any Regional ApHC approved show including the National Show. We encourage supporting our neighboring regional clubs shows.

III. APPROVED CLASSES

A. REGIONAL DIVISION

1. Appaloosa Halter---three (3) awards (all ages)

a. Stallions b. Mares c. Geldings

2. Games—one (1) award combining all open games classes.

3. Walk-Trot—one (1) award combining all Walk/Trot or Novice Walk/Trot youth events.

4. Junior Youth 13 years and under—one (1) award combining all Junior youth events.

5. Senior Youth 14 to 18—one (1) award combining all Senior youth events.

6. Novice Youth 18 & Under – one (1) award combining all Novice youth events.

7. Non-Pro (Card holders) - one (1) award combining all Non-Pro, or Limited Non-Pro (one of the two categories, but not more than one) events.

8. Novice Non-Pro – one (1) award combining all Novice Non-Pro events.

9. English—one (1) award combining all English events.

10. Western—one (1) award combining all Western events.

All points must be submitted within 15 days of EACH show attended of the season. Official points are those that are received by the point keeper and submitted by the competitor. Point Secretary for 2008 is Debbie Danforth, 6310 Monument Hill Rd, Castleton, VT 05735.

IV. SHOW RULES AND POINT COMMITTEE

These are the same as listed (section IV) in the In-State Division.

V. DISTRIBUTION

This is the same as listed (section V) in the In-State Division.