



TO: NCHA CERTIFIED SECRETARIES

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2023 POINT YEAR RULE CHANGES/SHOW INFORMATION

- Dates to remember – NCHA Weekend June 3-4,2023 and NCHA Convention June 23-25,2023
- NCHA Select Non-Professional Class (Weekend Shows Only): Non-Professionals and Amateurs aged fifty (50) and over at the beginning of the point year will be eligible to participate. This may be a class within the Non-Professional class. *It may also be combined with the Non-Professional Class, combined with the 50K Amateur class, combined with the Unlimited Amateur class, or may be held as a separate class subject to pre-approval by the NHA Show Office.* Added money is permitted provided it does not exceed the added purse in the Open and Non-Professional. Earnings will be recorded and will not count for year-end awards or standings.
- Weekend Shows concurrent classes could be the NonPro, Unlimited Amateur, \$50,000 Amateur and Select Non-Pro offered in some combination of any two (2)
- Standing Rule 8 pertaining to the \$15,000 Amateur, \$35,000 NonPro and \$2,000 Limit Rider the entry fee cap has been raised from \$100 to \$125.
- \$50,000 Amateur class eligibility will no longer be split between weekend/LAE eligibility. This class now is eligibility earnings of \$50,000 or less.
- Unlimited Amateur for Weekend shows Amateur card holders cannot be in the NonPro Hall of Fame AND are: 1) Age 60 and over OR 2) Under the age of 60 and have not won more than \$250,000 in NonPro money.
- **STANDING RULE 12.**

If a show has been approved to accept late entries, the following shall apply: At all NCHA approved Weekend Shows and Limited Aged Events (with \$9,999 or less in added money) late entries received after a posted date/time must be accepted until the first horse in the class starts to work. Any late entry so accepted must work last in the first set of cattle. When two or more late entries arrived simultaneously, a draw will be held by the officiating judge and said entries inserted in the next subsequent groups of cattle with (1) one entry being placed in each group. If the number of late entries exceeds the number of cattle changes, additional late entries will start with the first group. An additional fee may be charged by show management for late entries. Any show requesting an exemption to this rule must apply on the Weekend/LAE show application and the exemption will be posted on the NCHA website.

 - 1st group – late entry A
 - 2nd group – late entry B
 - 3rd group – late entry C
 - 4th group – late entry would be added to the first available group



• **STANDING RULE 13**

Weekend/Championship class may be offered with multiple go-rounds. When a class has more than the standard go-round, a final must be held. The finals may be working or non-working.

In all cases, the number of places paid AND the number taken to any final must be based on the Weekend Mandatory Payout Scale.

For classes held with a one go and a final (working or non-working), the payout must be calculated in one of the following two ways:

- a) Available purse is split in half with 50 percent paid in the go round and 50 percent paid in the final OR
- b) Available purse is paid 100% in the final

For classes that are held with two or more goes and a final (working or non-working), the purse must be split evenly between all goes and the final. For example: if two goes and a final are held, the purse would be split three ways – 33 percent to each go. For three goes and a final, the purse would be split four ways – 25 percent to each go, etc.)

Exceptions to the above may be granted to state, regional, or county fairs or where a government agency stipulates how its money should be paid.

- Major/Premier Show Approval applications shows dated January 1st-April 30th must be submitted by May 1st of the preceding year and approved or denied by July. Shows dated May 1st – November 11th must be submitted by January 1st of the given year and approved or denied by February 1.

• **STANDING RULE 14**

The changes to Standing Rule 14 are as follows:

Added Money	Maximum Entry Fee %Based on Added Money
\$200 – 300.....	60%
\$301 – 500.....	50%
\$501 – 750.....	40%
\$751 – \$1,000.....	30%
\$1,001 – \$2,000.....	25%
\$2,001 – \$3,000.....	20%
\$3,001 – \$4,000.....	15%
\$4,001 – \$5,000.....	12%
\$5,001 and over.....	10%

- Weekend Show Producers have the flexibility to make changes up to the day on pre-approved classes of the show relating to running classes concurrently or as a sub-class depending on entries and member demographics.
- Non-Pro Hall of Fame riders up to the age of 60 will be prohibited from rolling back/dropping down to the Intermediate Amateur at NCHA Leveled Limited Age Events.
- Weekend Show Producers will be allowed to determine if they will accept late entries and it **must be noted on the Show Application.**



- **STANDING RULE 6.e**

Under no condition can the cattle charge exceed entry fee unless (in jackpotted classes only) some fresh cattle are provided. However, under special circumstances, a cattle surcharge can be added to the original cattle charge in all classes at week-end shows, if approved in writing in advance of the show by NCHA. *Weekend Championship classes with added money must not exceed the recommended percentage of the entry fee.*

However, special consideration may be granted by the Executive Director for shows having \$5,000 or more in added money per division. Any show with more than \$3,000 added must have more than one go round. (NCHA does not consider the Finals a go-round). See exceptions for \$2,000 Limit Rider class.

- Waiver of Husband/Wife of membership for horse ownership only if the spouse is not showing because they are on the horse papers.

JUDGE RATING FOR NCHA APPROVED SHOWS

4A JUDGE

- May officiate at any NCHA approved or sponsored event up to \$2,000 added by themselves. When added money is over \$1,000 the judge must be approved by the Director of Judges.

3A JUDGE

- May officiate at any NCHA approved or sponsored event up to \$2,000 added class by themselves. When added money is over \$1,000 the judge must be approved by the Director of Judges. 3A judges may officiate at any NCHA limited aged event.

2A JUDGE

- May officiate alone at any NCHA approved or sponsored event having an added purse of \$500 or less. 2A judges may officiate at any weekend contest having an added purse of \$1,000 or less with a 3A or 4A judge. 2A judges may officiate alone at any NCHA approved or sponsored event having an added purse of \$999 or less, provided the judge has minimum of fifteen lifetime judging credits. 2A judges are not allowed to judge a limited aged event with more than \$10,000 total added money.

1A JUDGE

- May officiate alone at any NCHA approved or sponsored event having an added purse of \$300 or less. 1A judges are not allowed to judge a limited aged event with more than \$300 total added money.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Online fillable show applications and show results are now available.
- If classes are combined (50,000 Amateur, Unlimited Amateur, Non Pro, Select Non Pro), we must have the judge's sheets marked by each horse which class. If you need an example or guidance please contact the Show Department.
- The Show Department is receiving too many show results with incorrect information. The majority of all users either have the Fastercut or Equinal Program which lets you know if there is a problem with an entry. We know that you have no control over new ownership, new horse and new membership's, however there have been several instances where a rider showed in NP/AM class and did not have the correct status (if you are using one of the above programs there would have been error message). This will allow show results to be uploaded and available to the membership more quickly.



Please remember any changes to already approved shows must be made on the edit sheets and emailed to the office.

NCHA FEES

- We have had a significant increase in our billing/refunds for the fees below. Please note the amounts with explanations.
 1. Producer Fee Championship Shows \$100 per show #
 2. National Circuit Fee \$3.00 per approved class entry
 3. Championship shows 8% due on all classes
 4. Challenger Producer Fee \$200 per show #
 5. National Circuit Fee \$3.00 per approved class entry
 6. Senior World Tour Fee \$6.00 per approved class entry
 7. Limited Age added \$9,999 or less 8% all classes
 8. Limited Age added \$10,000-\$99,999 3 ½% all classes
 9. Limited Age added \$100,000 or more 2% all classes plus \$500 per day

SUBMITTING SHOW RESULTS TO THE OFFICE

- **First please be sure all errors have been corrected and/or noted**
- Must be postmarked 5 days from last day of show
- Show Summary Sheet for each day
- Show Results for each class/day
- NCHA fees as noted above
- Membership
- Horse Papers and or Transfers
- Email with show notes to lsmith@nchacutting.com
- Upload show results to the clearinghouse for fastercut users
- Equinal users send email with excel spreadsheet
- Please provide daytime phone # where Secretary can be reached if there are any questions with the show results.

We are all looking forward to a very prosperous 2023 point year. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Show Department.



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