

## **Illinois Paint Horse Association Award Rules**

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### **General Rules for IPHA Sponsored and/or Approved Shows:**

The IPHA will sponsor/approve shows during the show season of January 1 through October 31. IPHA approved shows held from January through March 31 will not count as qualifying shows, but the state points will count towards year-end awards. These shows will be approved for National and IPHA points. Rules governing these shows will be governed by the American Paint Horse Association (APHA) officiating rules.

1. Show Committee – Will be appointed by the President and is in charge of annual shows sponsored by the IPHA.
2. Point System – See award rules listed below. The Point Secretary is appointed by the President and is responsible for the recording of points.
3. Awards Banquet – An annual Awards Banquet will be held, it may or may not be in conjunction with the annual meeting. A committee will be appointed by the President and be responsible for an annual banquet and presentation of the High Point Awards.
4. IPHA Non-Sponsored shows must be presented and approved for Illinois points prior to the beginning of the current IPHA show season.
  - a. The application will pay all fees as described in the fee schedule pertaining to the show. Should approval be denied, the application fee will be refunded. No shows will be approved once the show season begins. This does not apply to the Illinois State Fair show.
  - b. IPHA Fees (office fees) will be collected and paid at all IPHA sponsored and approved shows. The applicant agrees to collect IPHA fees as determined in the fee schedule and remit the appropriate fees to the IPHA Treasurer within thirty (30) days after the show date.
  - c. The applicant agrees to furnish copies of the show results to the IPHA Point Secretary for use in tabulating IPHA points within thirty (30) days.
  - d. The applicant, by applying to the IPHA, agrees to meet all requirements and filing dates of the APHA for an APHA-approved show.
5. The following futurities may be available for the Promotion of the American Paint Horse breed:
  - a. Racing Futurity
  - b. Breeder Futurity

### **IPHA AWARD RULES:**

1. All exhibitors must adhere to the rules set forth by the Illinois Paint Horse Association and must be an IPHA member in good standing.
2. MEMBERSHIP. In order to receive any IPHA points, the owner(s) or leaseholder(s) of the horse must be IPHA members in good standing. The name on the IPHA membership must match what is on file with the APHA. Points will begin accumulating only after membership is paid. Dues may be paid to the IPHA Secretary or at the entry table at any Illinois Paint Horse Association-sponsored show.

Points will be tabulated only at IPHA-approved and/or sponsored shows. If a horse is jointly owned, all persons listed as an owner must be IPHA members.

### 3. OWNERSHIP.

- a. Lead-Line exhibitors need not own their own horses. A Lead-Line exhibitor may use any horse, but horse or exhibitor may only show one time in each class. In order to be eligible for the yearend awards, all Lead Line exhibitors, but not the horse owners, must be IPHA members. A Lead-Line exhibitor may change horses during the year and points will continue to accumulate.
- b. Youth Walk-Trot and Amateur Walk-Trot exhibitors must meet ownership eligibility requirements under APHA rules AM-020 or YP-015 in order to accrue state points.
- c. If a horse is transferred from one IPHA member to another, the points will still continue in Open classes. If any transfer occurs, please send the Point Secretary some sort of document which shows the date of transfer.
- d. If a horse is transferred from one IPHA Youth or Amateur member to another, the points will stop on the first owner and begin for the second owner on the date of the transfer. If any transfer occurs, please send the Point Secretary some sort of document which shows the date of transfer.

### 4. QUALIFYING FOR IPHA YEAR-END AWARDS.

- a. For any class offered at every IPHA show: You must show to at least FOURTEEN (14) judges at shows hosted by the Illinois Paint Horse Association shows to qualify for year-end awards. The Illinois State Fair show and approved non-IPHA sponsored shows will count for state points but will not count towards the requirement to show to fourteen judges.
- b. For any class offered only at IPHA Paint-O-Ramas: You must show to at least FOURTEEN (14) judges at shows hosted by the Illinois Paint Horse Association shows to qualify for year-end awards.
- c. Any classes held only at other specific shows (i.e., IPHA Breeders Futurity, non-IPHA sponsored shows or Illinois State Fair) will not be eligible to receive a year-end award.
- d. For All-Around Youth Walk-Trot (5-10), Youth Walk-Trot (11-18), Novice Youth, Amateur Walk-Trot and Novice Amateur: Must qualify in three performance classes in their respective division. Performance classes may include Showmanship and any riding class in their respective division.
- e. For All-Around Youth 13 & Under, Youth 18 & Under, Youth Solid Paint Bred, Amateur, Amateur Solid Paint Bred and Open Solid Paint Bred: Must qualify in one halter and three performance classes in their respective division. Both halter and performance points are counted. Halter classes may include Halter or Performance Halter for the respective division, and Performance classes may include Showmanship or any riding class for the respective division.
- f. For All-Around Open Junior Horse (ages five and under): Must qualify in one halter and two performance classes. Halter classes may include Halter or Performance Halter for the respective division, and Performance classes may include any riding class for the respective division.
- g. For All-Around Open Senior Horse (ages six and over): Must qualify in one halter and three performance classes. Halter classes may include Halter or Performance Halter for the respective division, and Performance classes may include any riding class for the respective division.

5. CLASS AWARDS.

- a. Awards will be given for any class that has exhibitors who have met the qualifying requirements and have won at least .5 state point.
- b. The top five finishers for each class and each All-Around division will be awarded a dollar value. In case of a tie, all persons tied will receive an equal dollar value. For the year-end awards, each person will have the dollar amounts they earned in each class added together to get a total dollar value. There will be categories assigned based on the different dollar values. Each person will be able to pick an award in their category or pay the difference and move up a category. Each person can also pick more than one award from the lower categories to match their dollar amount.

6. POINT SCORING.

All Youth and Amateur exhibitors (except Lead-Line exhibitors) will be scored on a one-horse, one-exhibitor basis. Points will be awarded in Youth, Amateur and Open classes in the following manner:

- a. If there are six or more entries, first place gets six points on down to sixth place receiving one point, and the seventh-place horse will receive .5 point.
- b. If there are fewer than six entries, first place receives point equal to the number in the class, on down to last place who receives one point.
- c. **Disqualification: When a horse is disqualified in a class, they will still be recorded as showing in the class with a zero score for the purpose of being counted as a qualifying show. EXCEPTION: If a horse is disqualified from a Green class or a Performance Halter class (Youth/Amateur/Open), that horse will receive NO score, and the judges will not count as a qualifying judges.**
- d. There will be additional halter points given to each horse which is named Grand or Reserve Champion in each show. The rule is similar to the APHA rule. The Grand Champion horse will be given one more point than any other horse in that sex division under that Judge. The Reserve Champion will receive as many points as any other horse in that sex division under that particular judge.
- e. Points will be allocated to each exhibitor or horse based on age. For example, if an Amateur (Age 45 or over) shows in an Amateur 19 & Over class, those state points will be reflected in the Amateur Masters class. If a Youth (Age 13 & Under) shows in a Youth 18 & Under class, those state points will be reflected in the Youth 13 & Under class. If a horse (Age 6) shows in a combined Junior/Senior class, the points will be reflected in the Senior Horse class.

7. ALL-AROUND AWARDS.

**For points in a class to count toward an All-Around award, the exhibitor/horse must meet the qualification requirements as outlined in #4 above. Youth, Amateur and Open Halter points will accumulate from eligible divisions. Points earned in Green, Color or Non-APHA classes will not count towards All-Around or weekend awards. Awards presented each year, in addition to the individual classes, will include:**

HIGH POINT and RESERVE YOUTH HALTER  
HIGH POINT and RESERVE AMATEUR HALTER  
HIGH POINT and RESERVE OPEN HALTER  
HIGH POINT and RESERVE YOUTH WALK-TROT (5-10)

HIGH POINT and RESERVE YOUTH WALK TROT (11-18)  
HIGH POINT and RESERVE NOVICE YOUTH  
HIGH POINT and RESERVE YOUTH 13 & UNDER  
HIGH POINT and RESERVE YOUTH 18 & UNDER  
HIGH POINT and RESERVE AMATEUR WALK-TROT  
HIGH POINT and RESERVE NOVICE AMATEUR  
HIGH POINT and RESERVE AMATEUR 19 & OVER  
HIGH POINT and RESERVE AMATEUR MASTERS 45 & OVER  
HIGH POINT and RESERVE YOUTH SOLID PAINT BRED  
HIGH POINT and RESERVE AMATEUR WALK-TROT SOLID PAINT BRED  
HIGH POINT and RESERVE AMATEUR SOLID PAINT BRED  
HIGH POINT and RESERVE OPEN JUNIOR HORSE  
HIGH POINT and RESERVE OPEN SENIOR HORSE  
HIGH POINT and RESERVE OPEN SOLID PAINT BRED

8. If a horse is euthanized or dies, that horse/exhibitor combination will be considered as qualified for year-end awards, no points will transfer to a different horse and no further points will accrue.
9. Everyone must follow APHA rules, as well as IPHA rules.
10. The Points Secretary will publish or post current standings as often as possible.
11. If any sort of situation arises which is not covered by these rules, the IPHA President, Vice-President and Points Secretary will jointly make a ruling on the matter.
12. To discuss points, please feel free to write or call the Points Secretary.