

**OKLAHOMA AMATEUR QUARTER HORSE ASSOCIATION
STATE CHAMPIONSHIP
RULES & CONDITIONS
Effective 2020 Show Year**

GENERAL RULES

1. Owners must be current member of the OAQHA to be eligible for State Championship awards.
2. The point counting period for the State championship programs will start the 1st Monday of October and run through the first Monday of October of the following year.
3. Points will be counted for one Amateur/one horse owned by current OAQHA members only that show in OAQHA approved shows.
4. In case of a tie, the one Amateur/one horse showing in the greatest number of shows will be declared the winner. If there is still a tie, the one Amateur/one horse placing highest in these shows will be declared the winner; i.e., amount of 1st place, 2nd place, 3rd place, etc. etc.
5. **Membership:** OAQHA membership is due January of each year. If the membership is paid between January 1 and March 31, state points will be tabulated for the entire point counting period. If the membership is paid after March 31 for the current year, state points will be tabulated beginning with the day the membership is paid to the OQHA office.
6. Point tabulations will be published, when possible, in the OQHA newsletter & OQHA website.
7. OAQHA will follow AQHA Amateur show rules. Points will be tabulated from show records submitted by each approved show.

POINT COUNTING SYSTEM

1. OAQHA Champion and Reserve Champion awards will be given in each approved AQHA Amateur Division class, including halter. Amateurs placing in the top nine (9) will be given a point for each Amateurs placing below them, plus one point, not to exceed nine (9) points for first place. Points are calculated though ninth place. For example: In a class of nine or more entries, the first place Amateur received nine points, second place receives eight points, and so on down though ninth place. In a class of four entries, the first place receives four points, second place, three points, etc.
2. Halter champions will be awarded a bonus of two (2) points for Grand Champion and one (1) point for Reserve champion.
3. Amateur division points would only apply to one division. Example: Amateur and Amateur Select Points cannot be combined for high point. Walk/Trot points will be counted as a separate high point and separate Walk/Trot All-Around will be awarded in that division.

CLASSES ELIGIBLE FOR YEAR END AWARDS

1. Amateur Division classes must be offered five (5) times during the point counting year. Amateurs must be an OAQHA member and have shown in at least five (5) shows to be eligible for class championship award.

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AWARDS

1. An OAQHA All-Around Amateur Champion and Reserve Amateur Champion Award will be presented. All points earned in the ten best shows on a one Amateur/one horse will count. To be eligible for an All-Around award, the Amateur/horse must have been shown in three or more categories. The stallion, mare and gelding halter class points will count toward the All-Around Awards.

1a. Amateur Level 3

1b. Amateur Level 2

1c. Amateur Level 1

1d. Amateur Select

1e. Amateur Walk/Trot Level 1

2. *An award for First and Second Place in the Amateur Division will be presented; with the same 5 show rules applying.*

2a. Amateur Level 3

2b. Amateur Level 2

2c. Amateur Level 1

2d. Amateur Select

2e. Amateur Walk/Trot Level 1

3. Awards will be selected by the State Championship committee.

4. Additional awards and special recognition awards may be added to the program by the State Championship Committee, with the approval of the Board of Directors, if such conditions arise which merit expansion of the program. In all matters, the decision of the Board of Directors will be final.

MISCELLANEOUS RULES

1. The OAQHA will not be responsible for errors or omissions on show results submitted by show secretaries.

2. No credit can be given if the entry does not conform to the rule on OAQHA membership and Oklahoma residence of owner.

3. Points are earned by the OAQHA owner **NOT THE HORSE**, so if a horse is sold, points earned prior to the date of sale **DO NOT CARRY** to the new owner.

4. Any owner intentionally submitting false information will forfeit points earned.

5. Any owner disciplined or suspended by the AQHA will not be allowed to participate in the State Championship program.

6. Any owner may petition for correction of errors on reports of any show results by filing a written request within ten (10) days after standings are posted on the OKQHA website, and by providing evidence of such error.

7. Any owner may petition for corrections of errors in the results by filing a written request and by providing evidence of such error, with the OQHA office, not later than ten (10) days after the OQHA Convention and Awards Banquet.

8. For year-end prizes if you are winning more than one level, you are only eligible to win one award within the same class. Example: If you are leading the Amateur Western Pleasure you would not be eligible to win both the Amateur Select Western Pleasure and Amateur Western Pleasure. The award would go to the next in line.