

ILLINOIS QUARTER HORSE ASSOCIATION YEAR END AWARDS

RULES AND PROCEDURES FOR NOMINATION, ACQUIRING POINTS AND POINT SYSTEM

Only current members of IQHA may participate in the Year End Awards Program. Registered owners of nominated horses must be in good standing with IQHA and hold one or more of the following membership types:

- Family membership (includes children 18 years or younger – for open and lead line points only)
- Single membership
- Partnership (as horse are registered)
- Corporations (as horse are registered)
- Youth membership (IQHAYA (Only youth points tabulated)
- Amateur membership – (included in Open membership)

Only nominated horses will be considered for year-end awards!

Nominations must be completed at the IQHA approved shows or mailed to the IQHA Office before points can be accumulated. This nomination must include horse's AQHA registered name, registration number and year foaled. If mailed make sure the postmark is before the show in which points are to start counting.

Year End Awards will be based on the points earned from January 1 through December 31 of each year.

IQHA Year End Awards Nominations forms will be mailed to all current members along with their annual membership renewal. Life members will receive Nomination Form at the beginning of each membership year.

Horses may be nominated for class awards in each of the following Divisions:

- Open
- Amateur
- Amateur Select
- Amateur Novice
- Youth 13 and under
- Youth 14 to 18
- Novice Youth
- Small Fry

IQHA Year End Award points will be given in the following Division Classes at shows which have sought and received official approval by both AQHA and IQHA. All nominated horses must be registered or eligible for registration with the AQHA (i.e. weanlings).

Classes

Halter:

Weanling fillies, colts and geldings
 Yearling fillies, colts and geldings
 Two-year old fillies, colts and geldings
 Three year old fillies, colts and geldings
 Mares, Stallions and geldings, four years and older
 Performance Halter mares, stallions and geldings

Performance

Showmanship
 Horsemanship
 Reining
 Western Pleasure
 Western Riding
 Working Cowhorse
 Barrel Racing
 Pole Bending
 Jumping
 Hunter Hack
 Working Hunter
 Trail
 Hunt Seat Equitation
 Hunters Under Saddle
 Ranch Horse Events
 Pleasure Driving
 Calf Roping
 Cutting
 Dally Team Roping – Heading
 Dally Team Roping – Heeling
 Team Penning/Sorting
 Stake Race
 Working Ranch Horse Events
 Equitation over fences

If a nominated horse is transferred to another owner during the year:

- a. New owner must be a member in good standing in the IQHA for points to continue to accumulate after transfer. The IQHA office must be notified immediately of such change.
- b. If an amateur or youth horse is sold to another amateur or youth, points earned in the amateur or youth classes prior to sale cannot be transferred to new owner.

The new owner must be a member in a good standing with the IQHA in order for points to begin to accumulate after transfer. The IQHA office must be notified immediately of such change.

Points will be tabulated only in Categories approved by IQHA and only from IQHA approved shows or event.

The point system will be set by the IQHA Board of Directors and from year to year and may be changed.

Point System Allocation Procedures:

Points will be awarded on the basis of records submitted by show management to AQHA for shows approved by IQHA. IQHA is not responsible for errors or omissions on entry forms or show results.

- An exhibitor may petition for corrections of error of any reports on any show results by filing a request and proof of error with the IQHA Board of Directors. The petition must be filed within five (5) days after the standings are published by IQHA, prior to the annual point audit.
- The Board of Directors shall be the governing body in all matters pertinent to the IQHA Points System.
- Points will be awarded through the nine places required by AQHA on judge's card.
- No horse will be given more points than it actually earned merely because the horse placing ahead of it was not eligible for points.
- If a horse becomes ineligible to compete in the nominated class (Stallion is gelded – Mare is sprayed) the points earned prior to change will stay in class accumulated.
- The Grand Champion of each sex division will receive one point more than any other horse in its division, and the Reserve Champion will receive points equal to the highest point earned in its division.
- All placings of IQHA approved horse shows for each horse in each class will be counted in determining all Year-end Class Awards.
 - In the event of a tie for the high point for any class award the exhibitor and/or horse with the greatest number of first place winnings will be declared the year end high pint winner. Should a tie still exist after counting all first place winnings the greatest number of the next highest placing will be counted until the tie is broken.
 - In the event of a tie for any subsequent placing, duplicate awards will be given.
- To qualify for class awards, a horse must show in the same class in at least five (5) IQHA approved shows.
- Bonus points may be awarded for special events, shows, or classes at the direction of the IQHA Board of Directors. Bonus points thus awarded will be counted toward Year-end Class Awards.
- Only horses exhibited by the **IQHA MEMBERS** will receive year end award points, with the exception of the Open Division.
- Only horses owned by IQHA members will receive points. Points will be counted after the postmarked date of membership payment and receipt of nomination form.
- In the event that the nomination form and a membership payment are paid at an IQHA approved horse show, points will start accumulating after the show secretary receives payment of the membership. Additionally, payment for membership must be received prior to the start of, or participation in, an event in which the exhibitor wishes to receive points. As such, an exhibitor cannot make payment at the completion of a day's event or the end of a horse show and retroactively receives points for classes in which they previously participated.
- An IQHA family membership includes the named member, his or her spouse, and minor children eligible as AQHA Youth exhibitors. There must be a family membership in IQHA for a horse owned by a youth to receive points in open classes. Name and birth dates of youth exhibitors must be listed on family membership applications.
- Youth points will be tabulated only if there is an IQHA Youth membership.

- Farms and corporations must have a separate membership in order to nominate horses owned in farm or corporate names. If a horse is co-owned, both or all owners must be IQHA members in order to nominate that horse.
- Any falsified information will cause forfeiture of all fees and points. The members will be entitled to a hearing by the IQHA Board of Directions and decision will be made by the Board of Directors.
- **Year –end awards will be given to first and second place nominated horses in both halter and performance classes.**
- **To qualify for class awards, a horse must show in the same class in at least five (5) IQHA approved shows.**
- All placing of each horse in each class will be counted to determine Year-end Awards.
- Any show that is doubled judged counts as two (2) separate shows – two sets of points (the same applies to multi judged events – one set of points for each show/judge).

High Point All-Around Division Awards

- High Point Awards will be given in nine division categories: Halter, Open, Amateur, Novice Amateur, Amateur Select, Novice Youth, Youth 13 and under, 14-18 Youth and Small Fry.
- **High Point Halter Horse:**
 - Horse of any sex or age earning the greatest number halter point
 - To qualify for this award, the horse must have shown in the same class in a minimum of five (5) shows
 - Although a horse may not have qualified for year-end awards in addition or separate halter classes, the points earned in those classes will count towards the year end High Point Halter Horse.
- Horse earning the greatest number of points in each division will receive that division’s high point all around award.
- To qualify for this award, the horse must have shown in the same class or classes in a minimum of five (5) shows
- A contestant may exhibit more than one horse; however the points earned by the Amateur/Youth/Novice with each horse will be compiled separately.

Points will be compiled on a one-horse, one-owner basis in amateur and youth classes.

- Although a horse may have not qualified for year-end awards in a specific class, the points earned in that classes will count towards the year end high point halter horse award.
 - In the event of a tie for the high point award the exhibitor horse with the greatest number of first place winnings will be declared the year end. Should a tie still exist a counting all first place winnings the greatest number of the next highest placing will be counted until the tie is broken.
 - In the event of a tie for any subsequent placing. Duplicate awards will be given.

High Point Performance Horse:

- Horses of any earning the greatest number points in each division will declared the winner
- of performance points.
- To qualify for this award, the horse must have shown in the same class in a minimum of five (5) shows
- Although a horse may have not qualified for year- end awards in addition or separate performance classes, the points earned in those classes will count towards the year end high point halter horse award.
 - In the event of a tie for the high point award the exhibitor horse with the greatest number of first place winning will be declared the year end High Point Performance Horse. Should a tie still exist after the counting all first place winnings the greatest number of the next highest placing will be counted until the tie is broken.

- In the event of a tie for any subsequent placing, duplicate awards will be given.

HIGH POINT AMATEUR

- An Amateur year end award will be presented to the high point amateur earning the most points with any one horse, in each event that a minimum of five classes were entered.
- An All Around Champion Amateur award will be given to the Amateur who accumulates the most points with one horse in the Amateur Classes. A contestant may exhibit more than one horse; however the points earned by the Amateur with each horse will be compiled separately.
 - Points will be compiled on a one-horse, one-owner basis in amateur events.
 - IN order for an Amateur to receive the All Around or Reserve All Around award he/she must score a minimum of 5 points each in at least 3 events.

Qualifiers

- **ANY FIRST PLACE HORSES OR PERSONS IN A CLASS OR DIVISION CATEGORY THAT HAS 10 OR LESS YEARLY POINT, MAY RECEIVE A LESSER YEAR END AWARD.**
- **TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR A YEAR-END AWAARD IN ANY CATEGORY THE HORSE OR PERSON MUST HAVE SHOWN IN AT LEAST FIVE (5) IQHA APPROVED SHOWS .**

POINT SYSTEM

For

Open, Amateur, Youth 13 and under, Novice Amateur, Amateur Select, Novice Youth, 14-18 Youth, Small Fall

# of horses in class	1 st	2 nd	3 RD	4 TH	5 TH	6 TH	7 th	8 th	9th
1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	4	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
5	5	4	3	2	1	0	0	0	0
6	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	0	0
7	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0	0
8	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
9	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1