

# CENTER OF THE NATION QUARTER HORSE ASSOCIATION, INC.

## POLICY SHEET

### YEAR END AWARDS AND POINT SYSTEM

Revised and Updated 2019

#### **Membership**

All persons or organizations listed on the registered papers of the horse must be current members in good standing in the CONQHA, Inc. to compete for year-end awards. Voting memberships and shows are limited to within the state boundaries of North Dakota, South Dakota, Wyoming and Montana, but anyone can be a member and compete for year-end awards. *A family membership entitles all members of the family to compete for year-end awards. Family constitutes parents and minor children.* Final determination will rest with the CONQHA Board of Directors.

#### **Dues**

Dues are due on January 1 of the current year. CONQHA points will not count until dues are paid to the CONQHA Point Secretary.

#### **Eighteen Best Show System**

If a horse competes in more than 18 (eighteen) shows, points count only from the 18 shows where the horse earned the most points per event.

#### **All classes award points regardless of number of entries.**

If there are less than 9 head in a class, first place will receive points equal to the total number of horses in the class. The point system is based on the awarding of 1 point for each horse participating and defeated in a class according to the judge's places. In the event that only one horse is shown that horse shall receive one point. See the chart on page 4 of this document for examples.

The grand champion of each sex division will receive at least one more CONQHA point than any other horse in its sex division. The reserve champion of each sex division will receive as many points as any horse in its sex division except the grand champion.

AQHA guidelines will be followed as to qualifications for awards, except wherever specifically addressed herein, any reference made herein to "classes" or "shows" shall be construed to mean "CONQHA APPROVED SHOWS" or approved classes held at such shows. Any reference made herein to "points" shall be construed to mean "CONQHA Points".

#### **Awards**

The CONQHA will recognize outstanding horsemen and their horses with an awards program. Awards will be awarded on an annual basis and will be presented at an annual Membership Meeting.

Awards will be selected by the Awards Committee through a budget approved by the CONQHA Board of Directors. Awards will be calculated on the CONQHA Point system.

Recognition will be awarded for:

**1. Individual Class / Event Champions.**

- a. Eighteen Best Show System Does Apply.
- b. To be awarded to a horse in each event.
- c. To a horse that has accumulated the most CONQHA Points in that Event/Class
- d. Has a minimum of ten (10) CONQHA points in that Event/Class.
- e. Has shown in that event at least six (6) times and in a minimum of six (6) separate CONQHA approved shows.
- f. In halter the Grand Champion of each sex division will receive one more CONQHA point than the horse in the largest class of its sex division, provided at least five (5) entries were exhibited in the same sex division. The reserve champion of each division will receive 1/2 point more than the horse in the largest class of its sex division except for the Grand Champion provided at least five (5) entries were exhibited in the same sex division.

**2. Year-End All-Around Horses.**

- a. Year End All-Around Horse and Runner-Up will be awarded in Open, Amateur and Youth. Horses must place in the top nine (9) in a minimum of six (6) CONQHA Approved Shows.
- b. Horse must have a minimum of ten (10) points in halter.
- c. Horse must have a minimum of ten (10) points in each of two separate AQHA performance categories.
- d. In case of a tie, the horse with the most performance points shall win the All-Around Award.
- e. Points in all events will count provided a minimum of ten (10) points has been accumulated in each of two (2) separate AQHA performance categories plus 10 halter points.
- f. Eighteen Best Show System does apply.

**3. No Qualification** – In the event the minimum requirement for an award is not met, no award will be given or claim to the title made. IF the event is offered less than six (6) times in the show year, the CONQHA Board will decide if an award for year- end will be given.

**4. Divisions**

- a. **Open Division** – In the open division the horse earns the points. The horse may have one rider or more than one rider and still be eligible for the year-end awards.

- b. **Amateur/Select Divisions** – In the amateur and select division the horse and rider are a team. All points must be earned by the team.
1. When membership dues are paid the select/amateur **MUST** specify which year-end category (SELECT or AMATEUR) they want to be eligible for a year end award.
  2. All points earned by the Select (whether or not earned in the select or the amateur class) will only count as select points.
  3. An amateur/select may show more than one horse, but points will be kept separately on each horse and rider combination.
  4. More than one amateur/select may show a horse, but the points will be kept separate on the horse rider combinations.
  5. The amateur/select must have a current year AQHA Amateur Card.

### **Select Amateur High Point**

In Select and Amateur high point the horse and rider are a team. The award will be given to the Select Amateur horse and rider which have earned the most CONQHA select amateur points. The Select Amateur must have shown in a minimum of six (6) CONQHA approved shows. A minimum of ten (10) CONQHA select amateur points in each of two (2) separate AQHA Select Amateur classes is required. Points in all Select Amateur performance classes will count provided the requirements of ten (10) CONQHA Select Amateur points in each of two (2) separate CONQHA select amateur classes have been met. Halter points will not count toward the select amateur high point. The Select Amateur member must meet current AQHA requirements for showing in the Select Amateur Division.

### **Novice Amateur High Point and Novice Youth High Point**

In the Novice Amateur and Novice Youth high point divisions the horse and rider are a team. All points must be earned by the team.

1. Has placed in the top nine (9) in a minimum of six (6) CONQHA approved shows.
2. Must have a minimum of ten (10) points in each of two separate AQHA performance categories. Halter points will not count toward novice amateur and novice youth high point.
3. Points in all events will count provided a minimum of ten (10) points has been accumulated in each of three separate AQHA performance classes.
4. The novice amateur must have a current year AQHA Novice Amateur Card and the Novice Youth must have a current year AQHYA Novice Youth Card.

### **Youth Division**

In the youth division the horse and rider are a team and the points must be earned by the team.

1. The youth member must be a current member of the AQHYA and CONQHA.

2. Youth may show more than one horse, but points will be kept on the horse-rider team for each horse.
3. Has placed in the top nine (9) in a minimum of six (6) CONQHA approved shows.
4. The top eighteen (18) shows will count for the individual class or all-around.

#### POINT SYSTEM DIAGRAM

The point system is based on awarding of 1 point for each horse participating and defeated in a class according to the Judge's placing. In the event that only one horse is shown that horse shall receive one point. The diagram below gives you examples. The grand champion of each sex division will receive at least one more CONQHA point than any other horse in its sex division. The reserve champion of each sex division will receive as many points as any horse in its sex division except the grand champion.

#### NUMBER OF HORSES IN THE CLASS:

PLC	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	
1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	
2		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	
3			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	
4				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	
5					1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	
6						1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
7							1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
8								1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
9									1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
10										1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	