

Wisconsin Quarter Horse Association

November 2017 Newsletter



Congratulations

To all the WQHA members that have shown at the Lucas Oil AQHA World Show

Upcoming Events

Banquet

January 27th

LaSure's Banquet Hall in Oshkosh

There is a block of rooms at the Hawthorne Inn & Suites that are \$99 until December 27th, after December 27th the price goes to \$159. Call 920-303-1133 for reservations.

AQHA

Join AQHA Online for the 2017 December Ring Steward Seminar

Registration is now open for the AQHA ring steward webinar, slated for December 11.

The American Quarter Horse Association will host its first online ring steward education webinar December 11. Top AQHA ring stewards Gale Little, Tracey Hatakeyama and Bobbie Walton will teach the webinar.

“For anyone with an interest in becoming a ring steward for your affiliate or local club, or even honing your existing ring steward skills, this webinar is for you,” said Patti Carter, AQHA senior director of judges. “With Gale, Tracey and Bobbie’s experience as ring stewards at AQHA world championship shows, as well as leading AQHA circuits, attendees will walk away with a wealth of knowledge.

“The best part of the webinar is that you can attend from the comfort of your own home or anywhere with Internet access,” Carter added.

[REGISTER HERE](#)

The webinar cost is \$250, which will give you access to the content from the December webinar for an entire year. Once you have registered, you may log in at aqha.blackboard.com.



2018 AQHA Rule Book:

<https://www.aqha.com/rulebook>

AQHA Rulebook

Get easy access to the official AQHA Rulebook electronically or in print.

The AQHA Official Handbook of Rules and Regulations is updated yearly after undergoing careful scrutiny by AQHA. The Rulebook represents corporation bylaws, rules and regulations of registration, rules and regulations of racing, rules and regulations of shows, amateur and youth division rules and regulations, Horseback Riding Program rules, and the constitution of AQHYA.

The online version of the rulebook contains the most-updated version of the rules. Differences between rules published on AQHA's website and the print rulebook shall be governed by the official rules published on the website.

AQHA's Rulebook answers all your questions regarding AQHA rules, showing patterns, horse markings, equipment guidelines and more.

2018 Rulebook Options

[Download a PDF version of the 2018 Rulebook](#)

Request a print Rulebook by completing the form below.

2017 Rulebook

[Access the digital 2017 Rulebook](#)

[Download a PDF version of the 2017 Rulebook](#)

Guidelines for Writing Proposed Rule Changes

Rule change proposals are accepted each year prior to AQHA Convention.

Download a [bylaw and rule change proposal form](#) (PDF) and e-mail to rulechanges@aqha.org.

Define the problem and develop as many possible solutions as you can by asking others for input.

Choose one possible solution that appears to be the most appropriate and that fits the mission and goals of AQHA.

Determine if any other rules would be affected if your proposal were to be adopted, and specify the rule numbers.

Submit proper wording for a proposed rule change by typing or neatly printing the exact wording being proposed. If you propose changes to existing language, strike

through the words you propose to delete. Type in bold and italics the words you propose to add.

Meritorious proposed rule changes submitted with sufficient documentation and specific explanations detailing reasons for the change will be assigned to the respective committee(s) and included on AQHA's website with an invitation for members to submit comments. Rule changes submitted without sufficient documentation and specific explanations detailing reasons for the change will not be assigned to a committee.



We need your input about AQHA leveling!

The AQHA Leveling Task Force is conducting a review of the leveling program. Because your input as an exhibitor, owner, judge, ring steward, show manager and/or Professional Horseman is highly valued, we ask that you watch the video below, then complete a survey. (Survey link provided below.)



Now that you have watched the video, please [complete this survey](#).

As a way of saying thank you for completing the AQHA Leveling Survey, we are giving away two 30-ounce YETI Rambler tumblers. You will have an opportunity to enter the drawing at the conclusion of the survey.

New Event Location Announced

The 2018 Nutrena East AQHA Level 1 Championships are moving to Ohio.



AQHA and the World Equestrian Center have agreed to a three-year contract covering 2018-2020.

The American Quarter Horse Association has named [the World Equestrian Center](#) in Wilmington, Ohio, as the new location of the [2018 Nutrena AQHA East Level 1 Championships](#). The Nutrena East is slated for May 2-6, 2018. AQHA and the World Equestrian Center have agreed to a three-year contract covering 2018-2020.

“AQHA is very grateful to the Gov. James B Hunt Horse Complex in Raleigh, North Carolina, and the hospitality and effort the North Carolina Quarter Horse

Association has shown during the past two years of the Nutrena East Level 1 Championships,” said Pete Kyle, AQHA chief show officer.

“We are looking forward to building a relationship with the World Equestrian Center where we will be able to offer room for the show to grow and an-all weather facility,” said Kyle.

The [AQHA West Level 1 Championships](#) will return to Las Vegas and is tentatively scheduled for April 18-22. The [AQHA Central Level 1 Championships](#) is tentatively scheduled for April 10-15 in Oklahoma City.

All [Level 1- and Rookie-eligible exhibitors](#) are welcome to compete at one of the three Level 1 Championships. [Read more](#) about Level 1 and Rookie eligibility.

About the AQHA Level 1 Championships

The AQHA Level 1 Championships feature Rookie classes, sponsored by [B&W Trailer Hitches](#), and Level 1 classes. The shows offer a variety of events and activities for competitors, friends, family and spectators to take part in throughout the show, including free Ride the Pattern clinics taught by AQHA Professional Horsemen. The Level 1 Championships are intended for exhibitors to learn and grow in the show arena while sharpening their horsemanship skills. The shows provide a safe environment for AQHA members to be showcased in a championship arena and to compete to earn prizes for their dedication.

To learn more about the AQHA Level 1 Championships, visit www.aqha.com/level1championships.

About Nutrena

As a proud sponsor of the Nutrena East AQHA Level 1 Championships, [Nutrena](#) delivers optimum nutrition, exceptional health and world-class performance for your animals. Whether you keep animals around for fun, competition or work, you can trust Nutrena to provide the right nutritional solutions.

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WQHA Year End Award Eligibility - Exhibitors, please be sure that you have WQHA Memberships for owner of horse as well as exhibitors. If you need a membership or renewal, [Click Here](#)



Find Your Level - Need help finding your AQHA show level? Follow these helpful steps.

1. Visit aqha.com/services/leveling to access the online level verification system.
2. Choose a division: amateur, open or youth.
3. Choose: exhibitor or horse.
4. Enter ID: membership ID for exhibitor or registration number for horse.
5. Select “2017” as the show year.
6. Click “Check.”

Note: A Level 1 eligibility application must be filed each year, and all Level 1 exhibitors are encouraged to complete the [Level 1 application](#) and return it to AQHA as soon as possible. **Previous Level 1 application information on file with AQHA may conflict with current eligibility, which would affect the eligibility being shown on the level verification system.**