

AQHYA JUDGING CONTEST RULES

Submit entries online only

RULES

1. Each affiliate is allowed to send six teams (two 4-H, two FFA and two AQHYA teams). These teams will consist of three or four members for eligibility on team awards. All contestants must be members of AQHYA.
2. No individuals or teams of less than three members may judge.
3. Team qualification is a matter of state/provincial affiliate. Interested coaches should contact their affiliate youth advisor or state horse extension specialist or state FFA advisor for qualifying rules.
4. Contestants must be bona fide 4-H, FFA, or affiliate members and be approved by their respective organizations. All contestants must be members of AQHYA. Remember all contestants must be an AQHYA member.
5. Each contestant must be 18 years old or younger as of January 1st of the year of the contest.
6. Youth will be able to compete in both the AQHYA Judging Contest and the AQHYA World Championship Show if schedule permits them to compete in both. No adjustments will be made to working order of the show or judging contest. No exceptions.
7. Eight classes consisting of four horses in each class shall be judged. There shall be four halter classes and four performance classes. The halter classes will consist of geldings and mares. The performance classes will be selected from western pleasure, reining, hunter under saddle, hunter hack, trail, western riding, and western horsemanship and/or hunt seat equitation.
8. Two sets of reasons shall be given on halter and two sets of reasons on performance classes. The contestants shall be notified at the appropriate time whether or not reasons will be required on the class being judged. Reasons will not be given in the hunt seat equitation and western horsemanship classes. Reasons shall be given before the judge or judges and for this purpose, private stations shall be provided. Notes may not be used when giving reasons.

JUDGING

1. When four members are entered on a team, the three-team members with the three high scores will make up the team total.
2. When three members are entered, all three members' scores will be tabulated to make up the team total.
3. Points for overall AQHYA team placing from the Judging Contest will be added to the team score at the AQHYA World Show. The high-point team overall will receive ten points, second place - nine points, third place - eight points, etc.

WHEN & WHERE

See Youth World Show Schedule

AWARDS

Awards will be presented during the Awards Breakfast at 8 a.m. on Tuesday

**** \$25 entry fee per team member**

DEADLINE TO ENTER: JULY 1, 2013