

BWPC B SHOW RULES -2010

YOUTH CLASSES: TINY TOTS; WALK/TROT;
BEGINNER YOUTH; IMPROVER YOUTH; and YOUTH (OPEN)

ADULT CLASSES: ADULT WALK/TROT; BEGINNER; IMPROVER;
OPEN, AMATEUR

DEFINITIONS:

Tiny Tots is for youth 2-10 year olds. 10 year olds can choose either class but cannot compete in both. (Designed to cater for those who are not ready to come off Lead Line even though they may be 10 years).

WALK AND TROT/JOG YOUTH is for inexperienced youth over 2 years.

ADULT WALK/TROT: This consists of walk jog/trot classes only, in Western Pleasure, Hunter Under Saddle and Trail only and is open to Adults who are not confident to lope/canter and have not previously entered into any classes in open shows. Those entering in this class cannot compete in any other ridden class.

BEGINNER YOUTH & BEGINNER ADULT: A person who has had limited experience at organized club or show competitions and can demonstrate their inexperience by not previously having won more than 3 beginner classes or any open youth, amateur or open performance classes (excluding beginner, improver etc) at an open show or any BWPC OVERALL HIGH POINT AWARD; or is not eligible to compete as an amateur exhibitor (i.e. is a professional trainer or instructor). The term green rider would apply.

IMPROVER YOUTH & IMPROVER ADULT: A person who has had a reasonable amount of experience at organized club show competitions and can demonstrate a degree of inexperience by not having won any more than three improver classes or two open classes as above or any BWPC OVERALL HIGH POINT AWARD; or is not eligible to compete as an amateur exhibitor (i.e. is a professional trainer or instructor).

OPEN YOUTH & ADULT: A person who in the opinion of the classifiers is not eligible to compete as either a beginner or improver. If a person chooses to exhibit or ride a stallion at Points Days, due to safety reasons they will have to compete in the Open ADULT Class and must over 18 years old.

A person can stay in their class for 2 years only or at the discretion of the appointed classifier (i.e. trainer) and management committee of the BWPC.

1. To be eligible for end of year high point awards, competitors must be financial members of the BWPC.
2. AQHA rules apply but in some cases shall be overridden by the HSAA rules if the judge is a HSAA judge only; or BWPC rules which are listed below.
3. Tiny Tots, Beginner riders and Walk & Trot competitors may ride a senior horse two handed either in a bit or a snaffle.
4. Walk/trot and beginners may ride in any legal gear (excluding training gear).
5. An improver must wear correct gear and saddlery but may ride bitted horses with two hands.
6. Open riders must wear correct gear and attire and ride according to AQHA rules.
7. Chaps are optional for all western classes.
8. No competitor can compete below the level of their classification. A member may promote themselves from walk/trot, beginner or improver classes but the promotion will be permanent, at the discretion of the BWPC committee.

9. A rider may change horses throughout the year but must only compete on one horse per Points Day to be eligible for Club points (i.e. must not change horses during the day) and must report any changes to the classifiers and/or the secretary.

11. Any member may appeal against any classification to an appeals committee which shall consist of the club's classifiers and the executive committee. Any appeals must take place the morning of the first Points Day in order to ensure the competition is not disrupted and no one is disadvantaged after the attendance or part completion of the first Points Day.

10. All entries must be paid to the secretary or club nominations volunteer before the start of competition on the **Points Day**.

11. Points shall be awarded as follows:, according to the number of entrants in the class :

**1st = 6 points, 2nd = 5 points, 3rd = 4 points,
4th = 3 points, 5th = 2 points, and 6th = 1 point.**

For a competitor to get maximum of 6 points in a class, there must be six or more entrants in that class. If there are four in the class, 1st will receive 4 points, 2nd 3 points, 3rd 2 points, 4th 1 point.

If there is found to be a tie there will be a count back done according to the AQHA rules.

13. In all beginner classes in the event a rider is disqualified (off pattern or course) they will still be eligible to receive a placing and points provided they have made a valid attempt to follow the pattern or course.

14. Points will be calculated over all 4 **Points Days** in that calendar year i.e. they all count! **BWPC member competitors must compete in at least 2 Points Days** to be eligible for an award or trophy.

15. If there are less than three (i.e. two or more) in any one division then the division may be combined with another division at the discretion of the executive committee. Points will be allocated according to where that person places in relation to the other competitor (if any) from their original division, if they are the only one they will get full points. This is to save time on the day and to give the rider a real show experience.

16. AQHA RULES APPLIES TO 2 YEAR OLD HORSES. (2 year old horses may only compete in 5 ridden classes).

17. Riders can only compete in one division i.e. if entered in the beginner hunter under saddle you cannot go in any other divisions. You can only do all beginner classes.

18. Approved safety helmets are compulsory for LEADLINE (ridden), WALK/TROT (YOUTH & ADULT), BEGINNER YOUTH and SPORTING classes.

19. Because of the large numbers of competitors in the Youth Showmanship class, this is split into Beg/Imp Youth and Youth.

20. Nominations – ALL classes are \$4.00 per class except tiny Tots which is \$1/class. If you have more than 1 child competing there will be a reduction (see nomination Secretary)

AWARDS

- a) Trophy buckles – two only will be awarded (overall Youth and overall Adult High Point)
- b) Trophies 1st and runner up in each 5 Divisions (ridden classes except reining, barrel & Hunter Hack)
- c) Trophies 1st and runner up places for Showmanship at Halter.
- d) Trophies for all Lead Line competitors.
- e) Walk Trot competitors – 1st & runner up
- f) **Perpetual trophies for Reining and High Point.**
- g) Trophy 1st and runner up for Barrel Race Competitors & Hunter Hack