

## GENERAL RULES

1. ALL EXHIBITORS SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR A THOROUGH KNOWLEDGE OF AND COMPLIANCE WITH THE REGION SIX SUPER 6 SHOW RULES. SITUATIONS NOT SPECIFICALLY COVERED BY THESE RULES SHALL BE HANDLED BY THE SHOW OFFICIALS/COMMITTEE IN A MANNER THAT MOST CLOSELY FOLLOWS THE SPIRIT OF THESE RULES AND REFER TO THE AQHA HANDBOOK. THEY FURTHER AGREE TO ENTER AT THEIR OWN RISK AND INDEMNIFY THE REGION 6 AQHA, AQHA AFFILIATE/S, BOARD OF DIRECTORS, MEMBERS, EMPLOYEES, SHOW MANAGEMENT AND OWNERS OF THE PROPERTY UPON WHICH THE SHOW IS HELD AGAINST ALL CLAIMS, DEMANDS OR SUITS AND EXPENSES ARISING OUT OF ANY INJURY TO ANY PERSON OR DAMAGE TO ANY PROPERTY CAUSED BY OR TO THEIR HORSE(S), ATTENDANTS OR SELF. EXHIBITORS WILL EXHIBIT THEIR HORSE ACCORDING TO AQHA RULES; ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINES FROM AQHA DUE TO ERRORS ON THE ENTRY, AND IN EXHIBITING THIS HORSE.
2. HEALTH REQUIREMENTS FOR MASSACHUSETTS: WHEN ENTERING THE STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS, YOU MUST MEET MASSACHUSETTS HEALTH REQUIREMENTS, A CURRENT NEGATIVE COGGINS TEST, (WITHIN 6 MONTHS FOR OUT OF STATE AND 1 YEAR FOR INSTATE) AND PROOF OF RABIES VACCINE & HEALTH CERTIFICATE – PER REGULATIONS SET BY EASTERN STATES EXPO, A 30 DAY CERTIFIED VETERNARIAN INSPECTION MUST BE DONE AND HEALTH CERTIFICATE PRESENTED AT THE SHOW OFFICE AT TIME OF CHECK IN. ALL HORES MUST PRESENT A HEALTH CERTIFICATE IN OR OUT OF STATE
3. ONLY AQHA REGISTERED QUARTER HORSES MAY PARTICIPATE.
4. THE R6AQHA ASSUMES NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR LOSS OR DAMAGE TO PERSONS, HORSES OR PERSONAL PROPERTY, FROM ANY CAUSE, AND UPON THIS CONDITION ONLY, ARE ENTRIES ACCEPTED.
5. THE R6AQHA RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CANCEL EVENTS WITHOUT NOTICE AND WITHOUT LIABILITY ANY TIME PRIOR TO CONTESTS.
6. ALL DOGS MUST BE LEASHED AT ALL TIMES ....NO EXCEPTIONS! \*FAIRGROUNDS WILL CONFISCATE LOOSE DOGS AND FINES WILL BE PAID BY THE OWNER FOR RELEASE OF HIS/HER DOG [AS PER ESE REGULATIONS] DOGS: THE SHOW COMMITTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REMOVE FROM THE SHOW GROUNDS AND/OR PROHIBIT FROM FUTURE COMPETITIONS ANY DOG DEEMED TO BE A NUISANCE.
7. SMOKING IS NOT ALLOWED IN ANY OF THE BUILDINGS.
8. TRAILER PARKING WILL BE IN DESIGNATED BY EASTERN STATES. ASK INFORMATION AT THE GATE YOU COME INTO. EMPTY TRAILERS TO BE PARKED OUTSIDE BY GATE 9 OR YOU MAY BE CHARGED AS A CAMPER.
9. HORSE TRAILERS MUST BE REMOVED AFTER ONE HOUR FOR UNLOADING/LOADING HORSES AND EQUIPMENT SO OTHERS CAN DO THE SAME.
10. ARRIVAL TIME: SATURDAY JULY 10<sup>TH</sup> 3 P.M.
11. DEPARTURE TIME: BEFORE MIDNIGHT SUNDAY, JULY 18<sup>TH</sup> UNLESS PRIOR ARRANGEMENTS ARE MADE WITH SHOW MANAGEMENT
12. SHARPS MUST BE PUT IN SHARP CONTAINERS

## CAMPING

1. AT THE ENTRANCE OF THE GROUNDS THE GATE ATTENDANT WILL ISSUE YOU A HANGER FOR YOUR CAMPER AN YOU WILL PAY IN THE OFFICE AT \$35/DAY (30 AMP) \$40/DAY FOR 50 AMP (LIMITED SPACE ON 50 AMP) (NO RESERVATIONS, FIRST COME FIRST SERVE)
2. ARRIVAL OF CAMPERS SHALL NOT BEFORE SATURDAY, JULY 10<sup>TH</sup> AFTER 3 PM
3. DEPARTURE OF CAMPERS BEFORE MIDNIGHT, JULY 18<sup>TH</sup> - \*UNLESS PRIOR ARRANGEMENTS ARE MADE WITH THE SHOW MANAGEMENT.

## CONDUCT RULES

1. THE R6 AQHA SHOW COMMITTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO PROHIBIT ANY PERSON OR HORSE ON THE GROUNDS FROM SHOWING WHO DISPLAYS BAD CONDUCT.
2. CRUELTY TO OR THE ABUSE OF AN EQUINE BY ANY PERSON AT THIS SHOW IS FORBIDDEN. THE JUDGE AND/OR SHOW MANAGEMENT HAS THE AUTHORITY TO DISMISS FROM THE CLASS OR SHOW. FURTHER DISCIPLINARY ACTION WILL BE REFERRED TO THE SHOW OFFICIALS/COMMITTEE. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE READ AQHA'S STATEMENT OF POSITION ON ANIMAL WELFARE.
3. ANY UN-SPORTSMAN LIKE CONDUCT BY AN OWNER AND/OR EXHIBITOR SHALL JEOPARDIZE THEIR RIGHT TO FURTHER EXHIBIT AT THE SHOW. THE JUDGE AND/OR SHOW COMMITTEE MAY ISSUE A FIRST WARNING TO ANY EXHIBITOR AND/OR OWNER FOR UN-SPORTSMAN LIKE CONDUCT. UPON FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS WARNING, THE EXHIBITOR AND/OR OWNER WILL BE DISQUALIFIED FROM FURTHER CLASSES IN THE SHOW WITHOUT RETURN OF ANY FEES PAID. THESE RULES WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED. PLEASE REFER TO THE AQHA HANDBOOK.
4. NO AWARDS WILL BE GIVEN TO ANY EXHIBITOR AND/OR OWNER DISQUALIFIED FROM A SHOW FOR UN-SPORTSMAN LIKE CONDUCT OR ANIMAL WELFARE ISSUES.
5. THE PRACTICE PENS WILL BE UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF PERSONNEL APPOINTED BY THE SHOW MANAGEMENT WHO WILL HAVE SOLE DISCRETION TO REMOVE ANY EXHIBITOR FROM SAID AREAS FOR INHUMANE TREATMENT AND/OR EXCESSIVE TRAINING OF ANY HORSE. YOUR COOPERATION WILL BE EXPECTED.
6. DISPUTES OF CLASSES, PROTOCOL, PROCEDURES, OR SHOW MANAGEMENT ISSUES SHALL BE DECIDED BY THE SHOW COMMITTEE. ALL DECISIONS ARE FINAL

## ENTRIES

1. ALL ENTRIES SHALL BE MADE BY THE EXHIBITOR OR HIS/HER AGENT.
2. NO HORSE MAY PARTICIPATE UNLESS THE ENTRY FORM IS DULY SIGNED BY THE EXHIBITOR [18 YEARS OR OLDER], OR AGENT. PRESENTATION OF A SIGNED ENTRY FORM SHALL BE DEEMED ACCEPTANCE OF THESE RULES AND IN THE EVENT OF FAILURE TO SIGN THE ENTRY, THE FIRST ENTRY INTO THE SHOW RING SHALL BE DEEMED ACCEPTANCE OF THE SAID RULES.
3. ERRORS ON THE ENTRY FORM ARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE EXHIBITOR OR AGENT.
4. THE SHOW MANAGEMENT RESERVES THE RIGHT TO DECLINE ANY ENTRY OR TO RETURN THE ENTRY BEFORE OR DURING THE SHOW WITHOUT BEING LIABLE FOR COMPENSATION.
5. FOR PURPOSES OF SHOWING, AN EXHIBITOR'S AGE AS OF JANUARY 1<sup>ST</sup> (EXCEPT SELECT RIDERS) SHALL BE CONSIDERED AS HIS/HER AGE FOR THE SHOW SEASON.
  - a. A YOUTH EXHIBITOR IS 18 YRS AND UNDER
  - b. AN AMATEUR EXHIBITOR IS AGE 19 YRS AND OVER.
  - c. SELECT AMATEUR EXHIBITOR IS 50 YRS AND OLDER AS OF BIRTH DATE
6. A COPY OF THE AQHA REGISTRATION PAPERS, PROOF OF REGISTER OF MERIT (ROM) FOR PERFORMANCE HALTER, EXHIBITOR(S) AQHA CARD(S) & NSBA CARDS (IF APPLICABLE), AND PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY THE ENTRY FORM. A \$30 DOLLAR PENALTY WILL BE APPLIED FOR RETURNED CHECKS.
7. CHECKS MUST BE PAYABLE TO R6AQHA. A BLANK/SIGNED CHECK OR CREDIT CARD AUTHORIZATION FOR SHALL BE RETAINED WITH ENTRY FORM.

8. THE SHOW SECRETARY IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR LOST OR LATE ENTRIES.
9. EACH HORSE WILL BE ASSIGNED A R6AQHA 3 DIGIT SHOW NUMBER. ALL EXHIBITORS/AGENTS MUST CHECK IN AT THE SHOW OFFICE PRIOR TO SHOWING AND PICK UP R6AQHA ASSIGNED NUMBER, THIS NUMBER MUST BE USED FOR THAT HORSE THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE SHOW. EACH EXHIBITOR/AGENT MUST ALSO VERIFY CLASSES ENTERED AND MAKE CORRECTIONS AT THAT TIME. IF YOU WANT TO RESERVE A SPECIFIC SHOW NUMBER, YOU MUST DO SO BY EMAILING THE SHOW SECRETARY NO LATER THAN JUNE 1<sup>ST</sup>. AFTER THIS DATE, WE CANNOT GUARANTEE YOU WILL RECEIVE THAT NUMBER. THERE WILL BE A \$5 CHARGE FOR THIS SERVICE.



## CLASS ROUTINE

1. NUMBERS WILL BE ASSIGNED TO EACH HORSE AT TIME OF ENTRY. THESE ARE TO BE USED FOR ALL CLASSES FOR THAT HORSE WHENEVER THE HORSE IS EXHIBITED DURING THE ENTIRE EVENT.
2. NUMBERS MUST BE DISPLAYED ON BOTH SIDES OF THE PAD IN RIDING CLASSES.
3. EXHIBITORS IN ALL CLASSES SHALL BE NEATLY ATTIRED IN CLOTHING AND WITH EQUIPMENT APPROPRIATE TO THE CLASS IN WHICH THEY ARE EXHIBITING. REFER TO THE AQHA HANDBOOK FOR DETAILS.
4. NO UNAUTHORIZED PERSON SHALL BE ALLOWED IN THE SHOW ARENA DURING TIMES OF JUDGING, PERFORMANCE OR PREPARATION FOR SAME EXCEPT IN EMERGENCY. EXCEPTION: IF THERE IS A WARMUP AREA SECTIONED OFF.
5. TRAINERS/GROOMS/OTHERS ARE NOT ALLOWED IN THE CHUTE AREA – PLEASE KEEP THIS AREA CLEAR FOR HORSES ENTERING & EXITING THE ARENA. PLEASE ALLOW THE EXHIBITORS TO ENTER THE ARENA AS THEY ARE BEING INSTRUCTED TO DO SO BY THE GATE PERSONAL OR RING STEWARDS. IN CERTAIN INSTANCES EXHIBITORS ENTERING THE ARENA MAY HAVE THE ASSISTANCE OF A HANDLER FOR SAFETY.
6. CLASSES WILL BE SPLIT WHEN MORE THAN 18 EXHIBITORS ARE IN THE ARENA.
7. WHEN CLASS SPLITS ARE NEEDED, 15 EXHIBITORS MUST BE CALLED BACK FOR FINAL PLACINGS.
8. ORDER OF GO WILL BE POSTED FOR ALL INDIVIDUAL CLASSES \*EXCLUDING SPEED EVENTS. IF YOU PLAN ON ADDING OR SCRATCHING A CLASS PLEASE DO SO IN A TIMELY MANNER SO THE ORDERS OF GO ARE ACCURATE.
9. ALL NO SHOWS YOU WILL BE CHARGED FOR THAT CLASS. PLEASE NOTIFY SHOW OFFICE/GATE PERSON PRIOR TO THE START OF THE CLASS
10. WHEN FINAL PLACINGS ARE ANNOUNCED IN EACH CLASS, THE TOP TEN IN LEVEL 1 & 2 CLASSES DURING THE REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP CIRCUIT WILL BE CALLED FROM TENTH TO FIRST. THIRD THROUGH TENTH PLACE WINNERS WILL HAVE THEIR HORSE/EXHIBITOR NAMES ANNOUNCED. CHAMPION AND RESERVE CHAMPION SHALL HAVE THE EXHIBITOR/HORSE NAMES, OWNER'S CITY AND STATE ANNOUNCED.
11. ALL EXHIBITORS/HORSES WILL BE INTRODUCED AS THEY ENTER THE RING, IN LEVEL 1 (NOVICE) CLASSES ONLY.
12. AFTER THE RING STEWARD DETERMINES THAT THE CLASS IS COMPLETE AND/OR THE GATE IS CLOSED, NO OTHER HORSE MAY THEN ENTER THE RING AND BE JUDGED UNLESS AUTHORIZED BY THE JUDGE.
13. EXHIBITORS SHALL BE ALLOWED A THREE-MINUTE TACK CHANGE IF NECESSARY. THE GATE PERSON MUST BE NOTIFIED OF ALL TACK CHANGES IN ADVANCE.

# AWARDS

1. THE R6 SUPER SIX SERIES BELT BUCKLES WILL BE AWARDED DURING THE 2<sup>ND</sup> CIRCUIT WITH THE REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW JUDGES.
2. HIGH POINT OPEN PERFORMANCE AWARD WILL BE AWARDED TO THE JR & SR HORSES. TO QUALIFY FOR THE OPEN PERFORMANCE AWARD YOU MUST SHOW TO ALL 6 JUDGES. YOU MUST SHOW IN HALTER AND 1 PERFORMANCE CLASS UNDER SADDLE, HALTER POINT WILL COUNT TOWARDS THE AWARD. Level 1 (GREEN) DOES NOT COUNT TOWARDS AWARD.
3. HIGH POINT AWARDS WILL BE AWARDED IN 13 DIVISIONS TO THE HORSE/RIDER COMBINATION. TO QUALIFY FOR R6 SUPER 6 HIGH POINTS AN EXHIBITOR MUST SHOW UNDER ALL SIX JUDGES. HIGH POINT AWARDS WILL BE BASE OF A CUMULATIVE OF POINTS IN ALL CLASSES IN SAID DIVISION. HALTER IS REQUIRED FOR ALL HIGH POINT AWARDS AND POINTS WILL COUNT, EXCEPT FOR LEVEL 1 (NOVICE).
4. CIRCUIT AWARDS WILL BE GIVEN IN ALL CLASSES; TO QUALIFY YOU MUST SHOW UNDER ALL 6 JUDGES, UNLESS THERE IS A CONFLICT OF INTEREST.
5. CLASS RIBBONS MAY BE PICKED UP IN THE AWARDS OFFICE.
6. CLASS AWARDS WILL BE BASED ON ALL THREE JUDGES SCORE, TIES WILL BE BROKEN BY THE PREDETERMINED JUDGE.
7. AQHA ALL-AROUND WILL BE AWARDED IN – LEVEL 1 AMATEUR, LEVEL 1 YOUTH, LEVEL 2 AMATEUR & LEVEL 2 YOUTH
8. THE WINNER OF THE ALL-AROUND AWARD IS DETERMINED BY ADDING POINTS EARNED BY EACH HORSE IN THE LEVEL 1 & 2 AMATEUR DIVISIONS AND THE LEVEL 1 & 2 YOUTH DIVISIONS, IN EVERY APPROVED CLASS IN WHICH IT PLACED IN THE TOP NINE. THE EXHIBITOR/HORSE COMBINATION IN LEVEL 1 AMATEUR AND LEVEL 1 YOUTH, HAVING COMPETED IN AT LEAST THREE OF THE APPROVED EVENTS IN THREE OR MORE CATEGORIES AND EARNING THE GREATEST NUMBER OF POINTS SHALL BE AWARDED THE ALL-AROUND AWARD. TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR ALL-AROUND HONORS, THE EXHIBITOR/HORSE MUST COMPETE IN AT LEAST THREE AQHA-APPROVED EVENTS IN ONE DIVISION – L1 & L2 AMATEUR AND L1 & L2 YOUTH CLASSES - IN THREE OR MORE CATEGORIES.

CATEGORY I - HALTER/PERFORMANCE HALTER

CATEGORY II - REINING, WORKING COW HORSE, BOXING, WESTERN RIDING, RANCH RIDING, TRAIL

CATEGORY III - TEAM PENNING, RANCH SORTING, BARREL RACING, POLE BENDING, STAKE RACE, COWBOY MOUNTED SHOOTING

CATEGORY IV - JUMPING, WORKING HUNTER, HUNTER HACK

CATEGORY V - WESTERN PLEASURE, 2-YEAR-OLD WESTERN PLEASURE, HUNTER UNDER SADDLE, PLEASURE DRIVING

CATEGORY VI- TIE-DOWN ROPING, BREAKAWAY ROPING, DALLY TEAM ROPING-HEADING, DALLY TEAM ROPING-HEELING  
CUTTING

CATEGORY VII - SHOWMANSHIP AT HALTER, WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP, HUNT SEAT EQUITATION, EQUITATION OVER FENCES

CATEGORY IX - VERSATILITY RANCH HORSE, VRH RANCH TRAIL, VRH RANCH CUTTING, VRH RANCH COW WORK, VRH LIMITED RANCH COW WORK, VRH RANCH CONFORMATION, STALLIONS, MARES, VRH RANCH CONFORMATION (YOUTH) MARES GELDINGS

## **SCHOOLING/WARM UP/PRACTICE**

1. A ONE TIME OBSTACLE FEE OF \$15 PER EACH SET OF JUDGES WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY CHARGED TO EACH HORSE ENTERED IN TRAIL. WARM UP SIGN UP IS NOT NECESSARY. TRAIL WARM UP WILL BE HELD AT THE DISCRETION OF THE SHOW MANAGEMENT.
2. A ONE TIME OBSTACLE FEE FOR HACK CLASSES OF \$15 PER EACH SET OF JUDGES WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY CHARGED TO EACH HORSE ENTERED, SCHOOLING SIGN UP IS NOT NECESSARY. HACK WARM UP PRIOR TO HACK CLASSES. ARENA WILL BE CLOSED TO ALL OTHER.
3. THE PRACTICE PENS WILL BE UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF PERSONNEL APPOINTED BY THE SHOW MANAGEMENT WHO WILL HAVE SOLE DISCRETION TO REMOVE ANY EXHIBITOR FROM SAID AREAS FOR INHUMANE TREATMENT AND OR EXCESSIVE TRAINING OF ANY HORSE. YOUR COOPERATION WILL BE EXPECTED.
4. COLISEUM CLOSSES AT 12 MIDNIGHT, EXCEPT SUNDAY & MONDAY, WHICH IT CLOSSES AT 10PM. REOPENS NO LATER THAN 5AM.

## **LUNGING**

1. ABSOLUTELY NO LUNGING IN THE COLISEUM AT ANY TIME. [AS PER EASTERN STATES EXPOSITION RULE]
2. NO LUNGING IN WARM UP AREA BETWEEN C BARN AND COLISEUM AFTER 7:00AM (UNTIL THE LAST CLASS ENTERS THE ARENA)
3. NO LUNGING IN THE COVERED PRACTICE PEN ASIDE BARN C. AFTER 7:00AM (UNTIL THE LAST CLASS ENTERS THE ARENA)
4. USE DESIGNATED AREAS ONLY. – DESIGNATED AREAS DURING THE SHOW ARE THE 3 OUTDOOR PENS

## **JUDGES**

1. TIES WILL BE BROKEN BY PRE-DETERMINED TIEBREAKER JUDGE
2. DECISION OF THE JUDGES WILL BE FINAL.
3. IF AN EXHIBITOR OR HIS REPRESENTATIVE WISHES TO SPEAK WITH THE JUDGE, HE MUST DO SO WITH PERMISSION OF THE SHOW MANAGEMENT AND IN THE PRESENCE OF THE RING STEWARD. EXHIBITORS MAY NOT SPEAK WITH THE JUDGE PERTAINING TO THEIR PERFORMANCES UNTIL THEY HAVE COMPLETED THEIR LAST CLASS OF THE SHOW.
4. ALL QUESTIONS/CONCERNS MUST BE DIRECTED TO THE SHOW MANAGEMENT [NOT THE JUDGE]

## **VENDORS**

1. PRIME LOCATIONS GO TO CONTRIBUTING PARTNERS & AQHA CORPORATE
2. NO VENDORS MAY BE LOCATED ACROSS FROM UNLOADING AREA AT BARN C
3. VENDORS MUST SET UP IN ASSIGNED LOCATIONS AS POSTED.
4. VENDORS MUST BE PAID IN FULL PRIOR TO SET UP

## LEAD LINE RULES

1. HORSES USED FOR LEADLINE MUST BE AQHA REGISTERED QUARTER HORSES.
2. THE HORSE NEED NOT BE OWNED BY THE EXHIBITOR OR IMMEDIATE FAMILY.
3. NO STALLIONS MAY BE SHOWN.
4. PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR SHALL BE REQUIRED WHENEVER MOUNTED AND NO RIDER SHALL BE DISCRIMINATED AGAINST FOR THE USE OF HARD HAT OR HELMET.
5. SCHOOLING WILL NOT BE ALLOWED. ANY HORSE EXHIBITING ANY BEHAVIOR PROBLEMS WILL BE DISMISSED.
6. SPECIAL AWARDS WILL BE AWARDED FOR ALL LEAD LINE EXHIBITORS.
7. CHILDREN MUST BE 8 YEARS OF AGE OR UNDER AS OF JANUARY 1<sup>ST</sup> OF THE CURRENT YEAR.
8. LEADLINE CHILDREN MUST NOT HAVE RIDDEN IN ANY OTHER CLASS WITHOUT A LEAD PRIOR TO OR DURING THE REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW.
9. CHILDREN MUST BE LED BY AN ADULT 19 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER DRESSED IN PROPER SHOW ATTIRE.
10. ANY CHILD UNDER 3 YEARS OF AGE BY JANUARY 1 OF THE CURRENT YEAR MUST BE LED BY AN ADULT 19 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER AND ALSO MUST HAVE ONE ADULT 19 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER WALKING BESIDE THE CHILD AS A SPOTTER.
11. SADDLE SHOULD BE PROPERLY FITTED TO BOTH THE HORSE AND RIDER. NO EXHIBITOR SHALL BE TIED, BUCKLED OR FASTENED IN THE SADDLE IN ANY MANNER.
12. FEET MUST BE PLACED IN PROPERLY FITTED STIRRUPS.
13. A LEAD SHANK AT LEAST SIX FEET LONG SHALL BE ATTACHED TO A HALTER THAT IS UNDER THE BRIDLE SO THAT WHILE THE RIDER IS ON THE RAIL, THE HORSE IS CONTROLLED BY THE HANDLER.
14. ALL LEADLINE RIDERS SHALL BE LED WHILE MOUNTED ON THE SHOW GROUNDS

