

HIGH POINT & AWARD RULES 2019 MIDWEST REGIONAL GATHERING & SHOW

1. MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN: In order to receive an award, the exhibitor **must** either be present at the awards ceremony Sunday evening, or designate a representative to appear on the exhibitor's behalf and receive the award. Unclaimed awards will be given to the next runner-up.

2. OVERALL HIGH POINT YOUTH

- ★ Calculated by taking each exhibitor's two highest scores each day and averaging the four scores.
- ★ HIGHEST AVERAGE SCORE –buckle. SECOND HIGHEST AVERAGE SCORE –buckle.

3. OVERALL HIGH POINT AMATEUR AND OPEN

- ★ Amateur and Open have two subcategories for high point awards: walk/jog and walk/jog/lope.
- ★ Calculated by taking each exhibitor's two highest scores in the subcategory and averaging the four scores. "Walk/jog" tests means any test that does not ask for a lope, and includes partnership on the ground and walk/walk tests.
- ★ HIGHEST & SECOND-HIGHEST AVERAGE SCORE IN EACH SUBCATEGORY receive buckles.

4. PARTNERSHIP ON THE GROUND TROPHIES FOR YOUTH, AMATEUR, AND OPEN

- ★ Calculated by averaging each exhibitor's highest score in a partnership on the ground test each day.
- ★ HIGHEST AVERAGE SCORE receives the trophy in each division.

5. FREESTYLE TROPHIES FOR YOUTH, AMATEUR, AND OPEN: Awarded to the highest score in each division in a freestyle class.

6. TEST/DIVISION CHAMPION TROPHIES

- ★ Each exhibitor's score from Saturday and their score from Sunday on the given test/division will be averaged.
- ★ If the test was only successfully ridden one day, the score for the day that it was not ridden will be counted as a "0."
- ★ Trophies will be awarded **only** in classes with at least three entries by the entry deadline.

7. CLASS RIBBONS: Scores correspond ribbons as follows: ≤ 53.99=GREEN. 54-59.99=WHITE. 60-68.99=RED. 69-74.99=BLUE. ≥ 75=PURPLE

8. VETERAN & CANCER SURVIVOR DEDICATIONS

- ★ Any US veteran or anyone wishing to ride in honor of a US veteran may dedicate a ride to their service.
- ★ Any cancer survivor or patient or anyone wishing to ride in honor of a cancer patient or survivor may dedicate a ride.
- ★ The announcer will announce the dedication at the time of the ride.
- ★ Dedications must be made in the office, preferably at time of check or the morning of the dedicated ride.

9. SILVER RIDERS

- ★ Riders over age 65 may nominate themselves for a "Silver Rider" award at check in.
- ★ The highest combined age of a nominated Silver Rider and their horse will receive a prize. All Silver Riders will receive recognition.

10. MOST IMPROVED AWARD: Selected by the judges at their discretion.

11. DAILY HIGH SCORE AWARD: The exhibitor with the single highest score earned each day in their division (youth, amateur and open).

12. JACKPOT MYSTERY TEST

- ★ 80% of the total entry fees for the Jackpot will be paid out to three participants.
- ★ The earner of the highest score will receive 45% of the payout, the earner of the second-highest score will receive 35% and a random participant will receive 20%.

12. SOFT FEEL CHARMS: Anyone who earns an 8.0 or higher soft feel score will receive a Soft Feel Charm. Only one per horse/rider or handler combination may be earned in a single show.

13. TIES: all ties broken by soft feel score (for awards based on multiple scores, the average of all applicable soft feel scores), then by a coin toss.