



ASHA OF ALBERTA - HIGH POINT SYSTEM

1. ***PROOF OF REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.** Horses to be eligible must be purebred and must be registered with the American Saddlebred Horse Association of Canada (ASHA of C) Registry, within the Canadian Livestock Records Corporation (CLRC) in Ottawa. Any Canadian who purchases a foreign registered Saddlebred has 90 days from the purchase date to register said horse in Canada. Should the horse be shown in those 90 days and fulfilled the other awards requirements, any points acquired will be counted upon proof of Canadian Registration. In the event that a horse is owned by a non-resident of Canada, registration with the American Saddlebred Horse Association Registry (ASHA, Inc.) in Lexington, Kentucky or the ASHA of C Registry within the CLRC is deemed acceptable.
2. ***PROOF OF CURRENT OWNERSHIP/MEMBERSHIP IS REQUIRED.** For points to count towards the High Point and Merit Awards, both the owner and exhibitor of a horse must be members in good standing of the American Saddlebred Horse Association of Alberta (ASHA of A). Should a horse be leased for exhibition purposes, notification of said lease with its commencement and termination dates, signed by both the owner and the lessee must be in the possession of the Awards Chairman before points may be counted. In the case of a lease, only the lessee need be a member of the ASHA of A. If a leased horse is foreign owned and registered, it may be exhibited under its foreign number.
3. Partbred Saddlebreds are eligible for awards as set out in Section 13.
4. Points must be accumulated from five (5) or less shows in Alberta for Divisional Awards.
5. Points from one class in each show will be counted for High Points Awards in each respective division. Example: 3 Fine Harness Classes at one show, exhibitor may count his best class only toward the Fine Harness Award. This rule applies to In-Hand Awards also.
6. A minimum of 15 points must be attained in each of the Divisional Award categories to be eligible for an award.
7. All classes entered at Equine Canada (EC) recognized and/or Wild Rose Primary Shows (as sanctioned by the Alberta Equestrian Federation – AEF) may be counted with the exception of special classes, such as family, lead line, novelty, glamour, etc. Shows to be held in Alberta.
8. In the event of a tie, all horses will be recognized.

9. **DIVISIONAL AWARDS**

- I. In-Hand Show Type
- II. In-Hand Country Type
- III. In-Hand Sport Type
- IV. Park Horse Under Saddle
- V. Park Horse Amateur
- VI. Park Pleasure
- VII. Park Harness
- VIII. Parade
- IX. Five-Gaited
- X. Five-Gaited Show Pleasure
- XI. Five-Gaited Amateur
- XII. Three-Gaited
- XIII. Three-Gaited Amateur
- XIV. Fine Harness
- XV. Three-Gaited Show Pleasure
- XVI. Three-Gaited English Country Pleasure
- XVII. Western Pleasure
- XVIII. Hunter Pleasure
- XIX. Show Pleasure Driving
- XX. Country Pleasure Driving
- XXI. Open Pleasure Driving
- XXII. Open Pleasure
(points to count from classes such as Sidesaddle, Hack, Pairs, Reining etc. in addition to Open English classes)
- XXIII. Academy
- XXIV. Dressage
- XXV. Junior Horse
- XXVI. Junior Exhibitor
- XXVII. Youth Horsemanship 13 Years & Under
(points to count from best equitation and showmanship class from each of 5 qualifying shows)
- XXVIII. Youth Horsemanship 14-17 Years
(points to count from best equitation and showmanship class from each of 5 qualifying shows)
- XXIX. Adult Horsemanship
(points to count from best equitation and showmanship class from each of 5 qualifying shows)
- XXX. Walk-Trot Exhibitor
(points to count from best walk-trot pleasure or walk-trot equitation class at each of 5 qualifying shows)

10. **TOP TEN HORSES OF THE YEAR** – this award is tabulated using the accumulation of all points earned in all shows and in every class with the exception of Horsemanship classes such as equitation and showmanship.

11. **MERIT AWARDS** – All points are cumulative from year to year and seal to seal. All points earned in all shows and in every class with the exception of Horsemanship classes such as equitation and showmanship will be counted toward the Merit Awards.

RED SEAL: A total of 50 points must be accumulated with a minimum of 10 points earned in-hand and a minimum of 10 points earned in performance. This must include at least ONE first placing IN either in-hand or performance.

SILVER SEAL: A total of 100 points must be accumulated with a minimum of 20 points earned in-hand and a minimum of 20 points earned in performance. This must include at least TWO first places in performance.

GOLD SEAL: A total of 200 points must be accumulated with a minimum of FOUR first places in-hand and SEVEN first places in performance.

AWARD OF EXCELLENCE: A total of 500 points must be accumulated AND an ADDITIONAL 20 firsts in either in-hand or performance over and above the 11 firsts that are required for the Gold Seal.

12. **SIRE RATING** – The sire rating will be based on points accumulated from EC recognized or AEF permit shows. Points to be derived from those earned by purebred get of the sire which is based on the same scale of points as the Top Ten Horses and Merit Awards system. The sire must be standing or having stood in Alberta and may be living or deceased.
13. **PARTBREDS** – Open to any horse sired by a registered American Saddlebred stallion or out of a registered American Saddlebred mare. The registered parent may be registered in either Canada or the United States or both. The awards system for partbreds is identical to the purebred system with the following exception: The certificate will state “Partbred”.
14. **POINT SCALE** – In order for points to be earned, the horse or exhibitor must place over at least one other entry. Examples – being the only horse in the class will not earn points or have the first placing count toward Divisional, Top Ten or Merit awards; placing 4th out of 4 will result in no points being earned.

<u>PLACING</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>OF HORSES</u>	<u>IN EACH</u>	<u>CLASS</u>	
	2 TO 4	5 TO 7	8 TO 12	13 TO 17	18 & OVER
1 ST	5	6	7	8	9
2 ND	3	4	5	6	7
3 RD	2	3	4	5	6
4 TH		2	3	4	5
5 TH		1	2	3	4
6 TH			1	2	3

IN-HAND CHAMPIONSHIPS:

CHAMPION OF SEX/TYPE: 6 POINTS	RESERVE CHAMPION OF SEX/TYPE: 4 POINTS
GRAND CHAMPION: 10 POINTS	RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION: 8 POINTS

15. **ROOKIE OF THE YEAR AND NEW HORIZONS HORSE AWARDS** – These two awards were instituted for the 1999 show season with the intent to encourage first time riders and to recognize horses that were shown for the first time. To determine recipients of these awards, the high point system rules will be followed with the exceptions noted below.

<u>ROOKIE OF THE YEAR</u>	<u>NEW HORIZONS HORSE</u>
A first time rider that has not shown at any EC recognized show and/or Wild Rose Primary Show or any American Saddlebred Horse Association equivalent	A horse that has never shown at any EC recognized show and/or Wild Rose Primary Show or any American Saddlebred Horse Association equivalent
	Futurity classes are excluded
Riders may be any age	Horses may be any age
Points counted from best class per show from any division. In-hand and Showmanship are excluded PERFORMANCE ONLY	Points counted from best class per show from any division. In-hand and Showmanship, Equitation, Walk-Trot classes are excluded PERFORMANCE ONLY
Rider may ride different horses	Horses may be ridden by more than 1 rider
The 15 point minimum is not required	The 15 point minimum is not required

PLEASE NOTE: COPIES OF HORSES’ REGISTRATION PAPERS (BOTH SIDES), SHOWING CURRENT OWNERSHIP, MUST BE SUBMITTED TO AWARDS CHAIRMAN IN ORDER FOR AWARDS TO BE PRESENTED