

2025 BHA OPEN SHOW RULES & GUIDELINES

- BHA Horse of the Year Points will be allotted (chart below)
- **NOTE TO WESTERN RIDERS:** Points from Classes 23 thru 58 will be added to points accumulated at the Western Show to determine year end awards in Halter, Leadline, Walk, Beginner, Novice, Green Horse, Open & Ranch Horse Divisions plus the Perpetual Pleasure Horse Trophy Class to be awarded at our Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet in November.
- No points will be allotted to the BHA Hunter Divisions Year End Awards.
- Up to 6 placings in each class
- See Prize List for Division Qualifying Classes for each division
Please follow the listed guidelines for eligibility in Divisions
- PLEASE SEE DIVISION DESCRIPTION BEFORE ENTERING.
- Divisions are set on experience and your cooperation is appreciated
- Large classes of 10 or more will be split for canter/lope and/or hand gallop
- Patterns will be Posted

LEADLINE: All riders must be a minimum of 2 years of age. NO GREEN HORSES

BEGINNER DIVISIONS: all classes are walk/Trot/Jog only. All riders are limited to walk/trot/jog classes only. *BEGINNERS MAY NOT ENTER GREEN HORSE CLASSES OR ANY CLASS REQUIRING A CANTER/LOPE. NO GREEN HORSES!*

GREEN HORSE DIVISION: All classes pointed for day-end awards will be 3 Gaits; walk/jog-trot/lope-canter. A horse is considered green if it is in its first 2 years of showing or inexperienced. **NO BEGINNER, OR NOVICE RIDERS PLEASE.** Green horses may be shown in a snaffle regardless of age.

NOVICE DIVISION: No age limit for novice riders. A novice rider should be competent at a walk jog/trot and lope/canter and inexperienced performing away from home. NO GREEN HORSES

OPEN DIVISIONS: No age limit. All classes require a Canter/Lope and may include a hand gallop

RANCH HORSE DIVISION (W/J): All classes are Walk/Jog. May be entered by all riders above Beginner Level.

RANCH HORSE DIVISION (W/J/L): All classes are Walk/Jog/Lope. May be entered by all riders NOVICE Level or above.

Points will be awarded as follows:

Placing

1 st	7 Points	2 ⁿ	5 Points	3 rd	4 Points
4 th	3 points	5 th	2 Points	6 th	1 Point