

NMQHA SHOW & CONTEST RULES

I. MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

A. Points toward awards will count only if membership dues are paid prior to the first class at any given show or dues are mailed to the NMQHA Central Office postmarked one day prior to a show or paid to the show secretary prior to the start of the first class. Check for dues must be a separate check than that given to the show for show fees.

B. In the open division, the rider, exhibitor at halter and owner(s) or lessee(s) must be paid up members of NMQHA before horses will be considered for year-end awards. Members must conform to all AQHA ownership requirements.

C. Horses shown by AQHA permit holders, the rider, exhibitor at halter and owner(s) must be paid up members of NMQHA.

II. OWNERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

A. AQHA Official Handbook Rules pertaining to ownership shall apply. AQHA Rules will cover any situation not listed in the NMQHA Show and Contest Rules.

B. If the ownership clause is violated at any show by an amateur or youth exhibitor, all points in all respective events for the year will be forfeited and the exhibitor suspended from NMQHA for the remainder of the year.

C. Any horse transferred will be considered owned by the new owner on the date recorded at AQHA

A. POINT DETERMINATION AND RULES FOR ALL DIVISIONS

1. Points shall be kept on all NMQHA approved shows in New Mexico only shows approved by NMQHA shall count toward annual awards.
2. All classes held at least 5 times will count toward year end awards.
3. Points will be counted through nine places and based on class size as per AQHA rule 417-1. In case of a tie, each horse shall receive the same number of points for example; if the third place horse in the class were to receive 8 points and the fourth place horse in the class were to also receive 8 points, the fifth place horse would receive 6 points.
4. Points are not transferable if the horse is gelded. This is to say points won in stallion classes cannot be transferred to a gelding class.
5. The Grand Champion Halter Horse will receive 2 points more than the largest class in his sex division. The Reserve Champion shall receive 1 point more than the largest class in his sex division. (There are no halter classes for Select, Novice Amateur or Novice Youth)

6. Owners or horses competing for awards need not be residents of New Mexico. Awards are OPEN TO THE WORLD. To be eligible, all membership requirements must be met.

B. AMATEUR & AMATEUR SELECT

1. Refer to **Rules For All Divisions** explained above
2. Points are to 1 horse/1 rider. You may show more than one horse however points earned with each horse must be compiled separately for year end awards.
3. If classes are combined points will be given in the division entered.

C. YOUTH

1. Refer to **Rules For All Divisions** explained above
2. Points are to 1 horse/1 rider. You may show more than one horse however points earned with each horse must be compiled separately for year end awards.
3. NMQHA will offer classes 18 & Under

D. NOVICE AMATEUR

1. Refer to **Rules For All Divisions** explained above
2. Permit holders, owner or horse and exhibitors or riders must be NMQHA members
3. Points are to 1 horse/1 rider. You may show more than one horse however points earned with each horse must be compiled separately for year end awards.

E. NOVICE YOUTH

1. Refer to **Rules For All Divisions** explained above
2. NMQHA will offer classes in the following age groups
 - a. 13 & Under
 - b. 14-18
3. Points are to 1 horse/1 rider. You may show more than one horse however points earned with each horse must be compiled separately for year end awards.
4. Permit holders, owners of horse and exhibitors or riders must be NMQHA members.

Age Groups must be run as approved with NMQHA. Age groups may be combined at a show if done according to AQHA Rules, See AQHA Rule 409 G & H.

VIOLATIONS

Any member may be suspended for fraudulent practices, for failing to pay when due any obligations owing to the association, for unsportsmanlike conduct or for presenting the association in an unfavorable light.

The giving of a worthless check for any obligation owing to the association or organization affiliated with the association shall result in the loss of all points won from the time the check is delivered to a representative of the association or any organization affiliated with the association until the check is paid, together with any bank charge incurred by the association or its affiliated organization. There shall be no obligation on the association or its affiliated organization to submit a check for collection more than one time. If the return of a check was the result of a bank error and satisfactory evidence is submitted to the Board of Directors of such bank error, all points will be restored.

Any member falsely advertising in any publication the standing of an individual or horse will be subject to a hearing before the Board of Directors. All reference to point standings of a horse or individual in a publication shall also include a reference to the date of such standing.

There shall be no use of alcoholic beverages in any arena during a show and their use curtailed in the surrounding area.

Any member who is affected by an alleged violation of the rules of the association shall be entitled to a hearing before the Board of Directors. Notice of the hearing date shall be mailed to such person at the address reflected by membership records of the association.

All positive drug tests will be reviewed by the Board of Directors and appropriate action will be taken. Owner and Exhibitor will be notified.

In case of discrepancies regarding the above rules, such discrepancies will be presented to the Board of Directors for interpretation. The decision of the Board of Directors regarding an interpretation of the rules is final. AQHA rules shall be applied when no covered by NMQHA rules.

NMQHA YEAR END SHOW AWARDS

For all divisions exhibitor must place in 4 shows to be eligible for year end High Point/Reserve High Point awards

OPEN AWARDS

1. Year End awards will be given to all Halter and Performance classes that are held at least five (5) times during the year. Exhibitor must place at least four times in a class to be eligible for a class award,

a. An award will be given to the Jr. & Sr. Horse totaling the most NM points won in NMQHA approved shows and the horse with the second most points as tabulated on all classes.

b. The NMQHA point system will be used. AQHA approved classes with the exception of AQHA Youth and Amateur classes will count if held in accordance with all NMQHA Show and contest Rules.

c. High point horses of the year will be tabulated and should be on NMQHA points only. No AQHA points will be considered.

B. YOUTH AWARDS

High points year end and reserve high point awards will be given in these two age groups: 13 and Under, and 14 through 18.

Awards for first place will be given in any NMQHA approved class which is held at 5 or more shows provided the classes meet NMQHA rules. A youth must place in at least four NMQHA approved classes to be eligible for an award in that class to be tabulated for high point awards. Youth awards will be purchased by NMQHYA and NMQHA.

Youth awards will be given in the following classes:

13 and Under

Showmanship
Hunter U/Saddle
Hunt Seat Equitation
Tail Class
Horsemanship
Western Pleasure

14 through 18

Showmanship
Hunter U/Saddle
Hunt Seat Equitation
Trail Class
Horsemanship
Western Pleasure

18 and Under

Halter
Western Riding
Reining
Cutting
Heading

Working Cow Horse
Calf Roping
Jumping
Equitation over fences
Hunter Hack

Heeling
Team Penning

Working Hunter
Barrels
Poles
Stakes

All NMQHA Youth classes are offered as 18 & Under

AMATEUR & AMATEUR SELECT AWARDS

1. Year end awards will be given to a class that is held at least five (5) times. Exhibitor must place at least four times in a class to be eligible for a class award.
2. High point amateur/select amateur of the year and reserve high point of the year will be awarded as follows:
 - a. An Award will be given to the horse totaling the most number of NMQHA points won in NMQHA approved shows, and the horse with second most points as tabulated on all classes
 - b. The NMQHA point system will be used. Halter points in amateur only will count
 - c. High point awards will be based on one horse - one rider.

D. NOVICE YOUTH AWARDS

Novice youth high point one horse-one rider
Reserve Novice youth high point one horse-one rider
Novice youth hunter under saddle
Novice youth hunt seat equitation
Novice youth showmanship
Novice youth trail
Novice western riding
Novice youth Reining
Novice youth western horsemanship
Novice youth western pleasure
Novice working hunter
Novice equitation over fences

Class awards will be given if AQHA approved classes are held five or more times provided the show meets NMQHA rules. A novice youth must place in at least four novice youth classes in an event to be eligible for a class award.

An award will be given to the youth totaling the most Novice Youth points won in NMQHA approved shows.

High point novice youth of the year will be tabulated on NMQHA points only.

No AQHA points will be considered.

E. NOVICE AMATEUR AWARDS

Novice amateur high point performance one horse-one rider
Reserve novice amateur high point performance one horse-one rider
Novice amateur hunter under saddle
Novice amateur hunt seat equitation
Novice amateur showmanship
Novice amateur trail
Novice amateur western horsemanship
Novice amateur western pleasure
Novice amateur reining
Novice amateur working hunter
Novice amateur equitation over fences

A horse and exhibitor have to place in four or more classes in the division for which the award is to be given.

High point novice amateur horse and rider awards will be given to the horse and rider with the highest number of novice amateur points won in NMQHA approved shows and the horse and rider with the second most points as tabulated on all classes.

The NMQHA point system will be used.

High point and reserve awards will be based on one horse one rider.

Ties will be broken in an event by choosing the competitor with:

The most number of first places
The most horses beaten
The most number of second places
Flip of a coin

AQHA Point System will be used.

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**CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF
NEW MEXICO QUARTER HORSE YOUTH ASSOCIATION**

**ARTICLE I
NAME AND OBJECTIVES**

Section 1: The name of this organization shall be the New Mexico Quarter Horse Youth Association hereafter referred to as NMQHYA. This organization shall be a division of the New Mexico Quarter Horse Association. It shall operate within the scope of the by-laws, rules and regulations of the American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA), the American Quarter Horse Youth Association (AQHYA) and the New Mexico Quarter Horse Association (NMQHA).

Section 2: The objectives and purposes of the NMQHYA shall be as follows:

- To improve and promote the American Quarter Horse breed.
- To improve and develop capabilities of youth, both individually and through group participation, in breeding, raising, and exhibition of Quarter Horses.
- To improve and develop youth participation in scholarship, leadership, sportsmanship, and community interest.
- To establish a means whereby youth members may work in conjunction with the NMQHA and the AQHYA.

**ARTICLE II
MEMBERSHIP**

Section 1: The Youth must be eligible for membership in the American Quarter Horse Youth Association.

Section 2: Youth Voting Power: Any person actively interested in Quarter Horses who is not more than eighteen (18) years of age on January 1 of the membership year is eligible to become a member of this organization.

Section 3: Voting Privileges: Members shall have the privilege of voting at NMQHYA meetings and elections; provided, however, that no such member who shall be delinquent by reason of non-payment of dues shall be entitled to vote while such delinquency continues

Section 4: Membership Dues: An annual fee of 30.00 shall be paid for each annual membership \$10.00 of which is transferred to the youth association. The fee shall be due and payable on November 1 of each year, though a person may

join on any date of the membership year. All memberships end on October 31 of the following year regardless of the date dues were paid.

**ARTICLE III
MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS**

Section 1: Annual Membership Meeting: The annual membership meeting and convention shall be held in conjunction with the annual meeting of the New Mexico Quarter Horse Association, unless otherwise ordered by the NMQHA Board of Directors, for the receiving of the annual reports of the previous year and the transactions of other business. Written notice of the annual membership meeting shall be provided to all paid NMQHYA members no later than thirty (30) days in advance of the scheduled meeting.

Section 2: Special Meetings: A special meeting of the NMQHYA may be called by the president, advisor, or Board of Directors to deal with regular business and/or special problems. Written notice of a special membership meeting shall be provided to all paid NMQHYA members no later than seven (7) days in advance of the scheduled meeting.

Section 3: Quorum: A quorum shall consist of the number of members present at any meeting of which notice is given, provided however that in no instance shall a quorum consist of less than eight (8) members.

**ARTICLE IV
OFFICERS**

Section 1: The officers of the association shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Sentinel. All of these officers will be elected by the youth members of the NMQHYA at the annual membership meeting and convention meeting of the New Mexico Quarter Horse Association.

Each officer of the NMQHYA shall hold office for a term of one (1) year beginning the first day of January after election, or until a successor is elected.

Section 2: Powers and Duties of Officers

President: The President shall be the chief executive officer of the Association and shall have general direction and charge of the conduct and operation of the Association; subject to the authority of the NMQHYA Board of

**ARTICLE V
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Directors and the NMQHA Board of Directors. The President shall appoint all committees of the NMQHYA, shall have power to execute all documents of every nature in its behalf; shall see that the resolutions and orders of the NMQHYA Board of Directors are carried into effect, and shall preside as chairperson at all meetings of the members and of the NMQHYA Board of Directors. The President shall have such other and further duties and authority as may be prescribed elsewhere in this constitution, or possibly as prescribed by the NMQHYA Board of Directors.

Vice President: The Vice President shall in the absence, disability, or inability to act as the President, perform the duties and exercise the powers of the President and shall perform such other duties as the President shall possible prescribe.

Secretary: The Secretary shall perform the secretarial duties of the Association including the recording and distributing of the minutes of all meetings of the Association to the officers, the NMQHYA Board of Directors, the Youth Committee of the NMQHA and the President of NMQHA. The Secretary shall be responsible for appointing a substitute secretary if attendance of a meeting cannot be met.

Treasurer: The Treasurer shall collect dues and conduct the financial business of the Association. The NMQHA Central Office will do the formal book keeping for the Association. The Treasurer shall request and keep monthly financial statements, manage incoming and outgoing monies and make periodic reports as to the financial condition of the Association to the NMQHYA Board of Directors and the Youth Committee of the NMQHA. A copy of the financial status of the Association shall be provided to each NMQHYA member at the annual meeting and convention of the NMQHYA.

Sentinel: The Sentinel shall have the responsibility of overseeing the procedures and conduct of each NMQHYA general meeting and/or Board of Directors meeting to insure the proper procedures and codes of conduct are used. The Sentinel shall keep the historical records of the NMQHYA and serve as the historian for the Association. The Sentinel may have other duties as prescribed by the President of the NMQHYA and or the NMQHYA Board of Directors.

Section 1: The NMQHYA Board of Directors shall consist of a minimum of seven (7) members of the youth membership in good standing. Past Presidents - NMQHYA past presidents will be ex-officio member of the NMQHYA Board of Directors with voting privileges until such time as they reach the age that they are not longer eligible for youth membership.

Section 2: Term of Office: The NMQHYA Board of Directors shall serve for a period of one (1) year with a term of office expiring January 1 of the following year or until a successor is elected.

Section 3: Duties of the Directors: Duties of the NMQHYA Board of Directors shall be to act on all matters of the youth membership affiliate of the NMQHA. They shall review the rules of the association governing their responsibilities and whenever deemed necessary, make recommendations to the NMQHA Board for modification of the rules and shall perform such other duties as the President shall direct.

Section 4: Vacancies: Any vacancy that may occur on the youth Board by reason of resignation or otherwise, may be filled by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Board for the un-expired term, or by a replacement selected by the remaining board members to fill the un-expired term. Such replacement must fill the requirements stated in section one of this article. The un-expired term which the replacement fills will count as one full term for that member.

Section 5: Quorum: A majority, four (4) members of the whole NMQHYA Board shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the youth Board.

Section 6: Absence: Any member of the NMQHYA Board of Directors unable to attend a board meeting shall inform the president stating the reason of absence. If a director is absent for three(3) board meetings for reasons that the NMQHYA Board of Directors declares to be insufficient, his/her resignation will be deemed to have been tendered and accepted and the board will then fill the vacancy in accordance with these by-laws.

Section 7: Powers of the Board: The NMQHYA Board of Directors shall have

the power and authority to direct the affairs of the organization, including, but not limited to, the right to make, amend and repeal the constitution of the organization, the admission, classification, qualification, suspension, and expulsion of members, removal of officers, expenditure of money and other details relating to the general purposes of the organization, subject to the approval of the youth advisor and the NMQHA Board of Directors.

Section 8: Election: The youth members of the NMQHYA shall elect the NMQHYA Board of Directors at the annual membership meeting and convention.

ARTICLE VI MEETINGS OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1: Regular Meetings: The NMQHYA Board of Directors shall meet when deemed necessary; but should meet at least twice yearly to review the operation of the Association and its activities.

Section 2: Special Meetings: Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called at any time by the President, Youth Advisor or by written request of the Board of Directors personally with at least seventy-two (72) hours notice before such dates is fixed. The proposed agenda for such a special meeting must be expressed in notice of the meeting.

Section 3: Place of Business: The NMQHYA Board of Directors will meet where ever deemed necessary upon receipt of written notice.

ARTICLE VII YOUTH COMMITTEE

Section: The Youth Committee of the New Mexico Quarter Horse Youth Association shall be the same as the Youth Committee of the New Mexico Quarter Horse Association and shall consist of a Chairman and two co-chairmen appointed by the President of NMQHA. The number of committee members shall be determined by the President and/or Directors of NMQHA.

Section 2: Objectives: The Objectives of the Youth Committee shall be as follows:

To advise and counsel the Youth Association on all Programs and activities.

To encourage the highest ethics and sportsmanship.
To Coordinate the World Team Program.
To assist in fund raising activities.
To work with 4-H and FFA to expand membership.

Section 3: Powers and Duties: The powers and duties of the Youth Committee shall be determined by the President and Directors of NMQHA and as otherwise prescribed in these By-Laws.

ARTICLE VIII MISCELLANEOUS

Section 1: Youth Advisor: The membership of the NMQHA will elect a Youth Advisor at the annual meeting and convention of the NMQHA. The term of the Youth Advisor shall be for one year. The Youth Advisor will oversee the activities of the NMQHYA, be responsible to oversee the business dealing of the Association, report to the NMQHA Board of Directors on the activities and business of the Association, coordinate the activities of the Association and perform other duties of youth advisor as prescribed by the American Quarter Horse Youth Association.

Section 2: Any member of the Association who is unruly or disorderly at any Association meeting or Association sponsored function shall be subject to disciplinary action by the Board of Directors and the Youth Committee. In all such cases, the Board of Directors and the Youth Committee shall have the power, after due hearing, to suspend or revoke the membership of the offending person or persons.

Section 3: The fiscal year of the Association shall be the Calendar year.

Section 4: Amendments: These By-Laws may be amended or altered, in whole or in part by a majority vote of the number of Directors comprising the Board of Directors or by the vote of a majority of the members of the Association entitled to vote at any meeting or special

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meeting of the members providing that any amendment of the By-Laws changing the number of directors comprising the Board or the time or place of the election date on which any election of Directors will take place, must be made at least sixty (60) days before the date on which any election of Directors is held, and notice of such change must be given at least twenty (20) days before

the election is held, in person, or by letter mailed to his/her last know address as shown in the record of the association.

Section 5: Waiver of Notice: Whenever under the provisions of these By-Laws, or of the law, the Directors or any committee are authorized to hold any meeting after notice, a written waiver of notice, signed by the person or persons entitled to notice, whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be deemed equivalent to notice.

Section 6: Year End Awards: Year end awards shall be made in accordance with rules approved by the Board of Directors and the Youth Committee. Such rules shall be published and disseminated to the membership annually. Rule governing such awards may be modified as circumstances necessitate and as approved by the Board of Directors, and the Youth Committee, and the NMQHA Board.

2009-2010 NMQHYA QUALIFYING RULES 2010-2011 NMQHYA QUALIFYING RULES

SHOWING

1. All qualifying shows within the state of New Mexico approved by NMQHA and held between May 1, 2009 and April 30, 2010 are considered to be qualifying shows for the 2010 AQHYA World Championship Show. Dates of the AQHYA 2010 show are May 1, 2010 to April 30, 2011.

2. Youth classes at NMQHA qualifying shows must be run in accordance with youth age groups rules as specified by NMQHA Show and Contest rules.

3. Youths wishing to compete in events not offered at NMQHA qualifying shows may petition NMQHYA for permission to represent the team in those events. The youth must have paid NMQHA and NMQHYA memberships by May 1st of the qualifying year to be considered for the event. Petitions may be submitted at any time during the qualifying year, but will not be judged on a first come/first serve basis. Following the end of the qualifying period (April 30th), a committee made up of NMQHYA/NMQHA members will consider all petitions in the time period from May 1st through May 30th of that qualifying year and render a decision for each requested position based on the following criteria:

1) AQHA points acquired during the qualifying year in petitioned event (s)

2) In the absence of AQHA points, performance records in other sanctioned competitions of the petitioned event (s)

4. Horses being used by contestants must meet AQHA ownership requirements.

POINTS

1. Points for the qualifying period will be compiled according to the NMQHA point system. This system allots points to the top horses in each event, up to nine (9) placing (i.e., in a class of 22, the top placer would receive 9 points, in a class of 3, the top placer would receive 3 points). Qualifiers will receive the points allotted by their placing, even if non-qualifiers are in the classes, which may be broken into separate age groups as determined by the show management.

2. Points for Showmanship at Halter, Western Horsemanship, Hunt Seat Equitation, and Equitation over Fences will be kept on the youth regardless of the number of horses that the youth may elect to show. Points for all other events will be kept on the youth/horse combination. A youth wishing to

designate a different horse in an event from the horse they have compiled points may submit a letter of petition to the NMQHA Board of Directors and the NMQHAYA Youth Advisor between May 1st and 30th of the qualifying year. The appointed NMQHA/NMQHYA World Show Petition Committee will review these letters

3. The high point exhibitor in each event, based on the top eight classes will be for position #1 on the team in the event. The exhibitor with the second highest points, based on the top eight point earning classes for the exhibitor in the event, will be the #2 position on the team for the event. The exhibitor with the third highest points, based on the top eight point earning classes for the exhibitor in the event, will be the #3 position on the team for the event. The exhibitor with the fourth highest points, based on the top eight point earning classes for the exhibitor in the event, will be the #4 position on the team for the event.

4. National Qualifiers will be part of the state team, but they will not be assigned either to the four positions per event.

5. First and second alternates for each event will also be named. Other alternate positions may be named in accordance to AQHYA World Show Qualification Rules.

6. Points will be kept on all NMYQHA youth members.

7. Ties will be broken in an event by choosing the competitor with:

a. The most number of first places in the top eight point-earning classes per exhibitor.

b. The most horses beaten in the top eight point earning classes per exhibitor.

c. The most number of second places in the top eight point earning classes per exhibitor.

8. In order for a 2010 NMYQHA qualifier to have expenses defrayed at the AQHYA Championship show, he/she must have participated in 4 out of 7 fund raisers or have raised \$100. Through any of the NMYQHA sponsored fund raisers.

MEMBERSHIPS

New Mexico Quarter Horse Youth team members must meet AQHA residency requirement.

AQHAYA membership required dues are \$10.00 per year or \$50.00 lifetime.

Dues must be paid to AQHYA, P. O. Box 200 Amarillo, Texas 79168 Membership, either family (\$40.00) or individual/youth (\$30.00) must be paid to NMQHA, 6655 Coors Blvd. SW, Albuquerque, NM 87121, \$10.00 will be transferred to the youth association. This membership will entitle a youth to receive year end awards and to qualify for the Youth World. Nationally qualified youths must also be NMQHA members.

A Qualifying fee of \$25. per youth is due and payable to the NMQHAYA treasurer when qualifiers are selected for the AQHYA World Show. The fee must be received by the NMQHAYA treasurer prior to the AQHYA World Show entries being sent to AQHA (usually the last week of June).

Members must be in good standings with all of the above associations.

SELECTIONS AND QUESTIONS

1. Final team determination for the 2010 AQHYA World Championship Show will be made by May 31, 2010 and contestants will be notified immediately. Final team determination for the 2011 AQHYA World Championship Show will be made by May 31, 2011. AQHA must have all entries in by July 1 of the pertaining year. All entries, including national qualifiers must be sent together to AQHA from the state advisor.

2. All youth going to the world show must sign and abide by a code of conduct letter.

3. For more information, contact NMQHAYA youth advisor, Bridgette Johnson 505-991-4582

4. Qualifying youth point keeper for the 2010 season, beginning May 2010 is Tracy McCracken. Qualifying youth point keeper for the 2011 season beginning May 1, 2011 will be the official point keeper appointed by the NMQHA Board of Directors.

NEW MEXICO QUARTER HORSE ASSOCIATION B-LAWS

ARTICLE I:

SECTION 1: The name of this association shall be known as the New Mexico Quarter Horse Association.

SECTION 2: The purpose of the New Mexico Quarter Horse Association shall be to promote, develop encourage interest in the breeding, racing, showing and any and all other general uses of the American Quarter Horse within the State of New Mexico as are supported by the members of the association. It shall be the purpose of the New Mexico Quarter Horse Association to uphold and support the Bylaws and General Rules of the American Quarter Horse Association.

ARTICLE II:

SECTION 1: Members of the association shall be admitted, retained and expelled (no member shall be expelled, except for nonpayment of dues, without notice and an opportunity to be heard and present evidence and hear and refute the evidence offered against him), in accordance with such rules and regulations the Board of Directors may from time to time adopt, and all members, except nonvoting members in good standing shall have equal rights and responsibilities with respect to the association. In all matters governed by the vote of the members, each member present and in good standing shall be entitled to one vote. (The Board of Directors, by rule, may from time to time provide and establish nonvoting memberships by such classification and designation and with such privileges and responsibilities as the Board may deem proper).

SECTION 2: The regular annual membership meeting and awards presentation shall be held within 45 days of the first day of December of each year, and at such meeting place as may be selected by the Board of Directors, for the transactions of such other business as may be brought before the meeting. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to cause notice of each annual meeting to be sent to each member in good standing by mail at least 30 days prior to the annual meeting.

SECTION 3: The President may call a special meeting by notification in writing to the general membership two weeks in advance. Such notice shall state the date, time, place and purpose of such meeting. The President will be obligated to call a special meeting upon receipt two weeks in advance of a petition stating the date, time place and purpose of such meeting, and signed by a majority of the Board of Directors, or by 50 members in good standing. Action only may be taken on the matter or matters for which the meeting was called. No minutes are to be read at the special meeting, and the minutes of the special meeting will be read at the next regular meeting for approval.

SECTION 4: At any regular or special membership meeting the members

present shall be no less than 50 to constitute a quorum.

SECTION 5: Any officer of the Association may call the meeting of the members to order and may act as chairman of such meeting, precedence being given as follows: President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary. In the absence of all such officers, members present may elect a chairman. The Secretary of the Association shall act as secretary of all meetings of the members, but in his absence, the presiding officer may appoint any person to act as secretary of the meeting.

SECTION 6: Whenever in the Bylaws the terms "member or members" shall be used, unless otherwise specified, they shall mean a member or member having the right to vote

SECTION 7: Members of the association shall be divided into five classes INDIVIDUAL, FAMILY, YOUTH, LIFE AND HONORARY, as defined as follows:

INDIVIDUAL: A member over 18 years of age, qualified to vote and hold office.

FAMILY: A family member shall be husband, wife and all unmarried children 18 years of age and under. This type of membership has one vote, and one adult member of the family is qualified to hold office. Youth is excluded upon termination of his eligibility for youth competition.

YOUTH: Any person 18 years of age and under shall not be qualified to vote or hold office and shall have no interest in the association's property, but shall be entitled to all other privileges of the association. Age for Junior members shall be determined by their actual age on the first day of January of the calendar year.

LIFE: A life membership may be carried in the joint names of husband and wife, or if the life membership is carried in a single person's name, the name of the later spouse may be added by one time amendment, and the successor of them (Spouse's death or divorce) shall be entitled to exclusive life membership and have the one time privilege to amend the membership's name to correctly reflect the successor's status by filing with the association a copy of judicial decree, written evidence of death, or written instrument of consent signed by the terminating spouse. Further, any life time member who has children which otherwise qualify for a Junior membership in the association, with all of the rights and privileges conferred upon Junior members above. A life membership shall be entitled to one vote.

HONORARY: Honorary members may be selected by the Board of Directors from time to time for such term as the Board may determine. Such member shall not be qualified to vote, or hold office, shall have no interest in the association's property, shall pay no dues, but shall be entitled to all other

privileges of the association.

SECTION 8: Any member shall have the right to resign from the association at anytime, and upon acceptance of such resignation by the board, the name of such members shall be stricken from the rolls.

SECTION 9: Membership dues shall be determined by the board of directors.

SECTION 10: The fiscal year of the association is November 1 through October 31. The membership year shall run from the beginning of the annual membership meeting through the next year and conclude just prior to the next annual membership meeting.

SECTION 11: Any member may be suspended for any fraudulent practice, for failing to pay when due any obligation owing to the association, for entry fees, positive drug test, or for unsportsmanlike conduct that would present this association in a bad light before the eyes of the general public or other members. Any member against

who such action is taken by the Board of Directors shall be entitled to ten days written notice in advance as to the time, date and place where his case will be considered by the Board of Directors, and then shall be removed only after a hearing before the Board of Directors or a Committee selected by the Board. The action of the Board of Directors shall be conclusive on all parties of interest.

ARTICLE III:

SECTION 1: The written contract of the association shall be executed on behalf of the association by the President or First Vice President and attested by the Secretary and the Corporation Seal.

SECTION 2: The officers of the association shall be a President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Treasurer and a Secretary. The secretary and Treasurer shall turn over all record and books, IN ORDER, no later than 30 days after the regular annual membership meeting.

SECTION 3: The term of each officer shall be for one year in no instance shall the President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary be eligible to run for more than two (2) terms consecutively in any one office; nor shall any of said officers hold more than one office at any one time.

SECTION 4: The President shall be the Chief Executive of the association, and shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors or membership. He shall be ex-officio member of all committees and Chairman of the by-laws and planning committees. During his term in office, he shall only vote to break a tie.

SECTION 5: In the absence of the President, the First Vice President shall have the powers and shall perform the duties of the President and such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors. The First Vice President shall be responsible for all promotion and marketing activity. The second Vice President shall be responsible for Publications, Show and Contest and Show

Approval.

SECTION 6: The duties of the Treasurer shall be to account for all monies of the association and sub associations and special bank accounts by itemized statements for presentation at each annual meeting of the members and to the Board of Directors quarterly, annually and on demand. All expenditures shall be made by check signed by the Treasurer or persons designated by the treasurer. The outgoing Treasurer shall provide a proposed budget for the coming year at the annual membership meeting. This budget shall be subject to change, as needed, by the Board of Directors. Each outgoing Treasurer shall have the books audited 30 days after the annual membership meeting, at which time the new Treasurer shall take office, by a committee assigned by the Board of Directors. The Treasurer will present a financial summary of the past year at the annual membership meeting. The Treasurer should maintain a current roster of members in good standing.

SECTION 7: The secretary shall be responsible for the minutes of all membership meetings, special meetings, and Directors meetings. The Secretary shall be the keeper of all documents and records of the association and shall keep a record of the same.

SECTION 8: The officers will be elected at the New Directors meeting immediately following the annual meeting and shall include President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. This shall be the first order of business. The officers shall take office immediately (except for the Treasurer who shall take office 30 days after the annual membership meeting). The new treasurer shall not assume any of the financial duties or closing out the current calendar year.

SECTION 9: There shall be sixteen standing committees (drug committee added in 1991), as deemed necessary, of this association. Committee chairman will be appointed by the President and the appropriate officer within 15 days after the annual meeting. These committees shall meet as required and annually at the convention. Minutes of all committee meetings shall be submitted to the Board of Directors, all items to be brought before the annual membership meeting must first be reviewed in committee meetings. The following officers shall be members of the following standing committees:

President	By-laws, Planning, Drug
1st V. President	Sales, Futurity, State Fair, Racing
2nd V. President	Show & Contest, Show Approval, Publications
Secretary	Amateur, Youth, Office Operations
Treasurer	Budget, Membership

ARTICLE IV:

SECTION 1: The President shall appoint a five member nominating committee to include at least two members from the General Membership and not more than three Directors. Any Director who is up for re-election may not serve on the nominating committee

SECTION 2: A slate of proposed directors shall be mailed to the membership 30 days prior to the annual convention and membership meeting. Additional persons may be nominated for directors at the annual membership meeting. The chairperson must recognize all members who wish to place a member's name in nomination.

SECTION 3: The directors shall be elected by a simple majority vote of those (paid) persons in good standing in attendance at the annual membership meeting who have paid membership dues for the coming year.

SECTION 4: The board of directors shall consist of twelve members serving three year terms. The three year terms will rotate on the Board in groups of four and can serve no more than two consecutive terms.

SECTION 5: In case of the vacancy in the Board of Directors by death, resignation, disqualification, (increase in number) or other cause, the remaining directors, by affirmative vote of a majority thereof, may elect a successor to hold Office for the un-expired portion of the term of the director whose place shall be vacated and until the election of his successor by the members.

SECTION 6: The regular annual meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held immediately following the annual members meeting, and no notice shall be required for such regular meeting of the board. The board, by rule, may provide for other regular meetings at stated times and place of which two weeks notice shall be required.

SECTION 7: Any director who has three (3) unexcused absences during a term of office from the Director's meeting shall automatically be removed from office. Any un-expired term occurring from such a vacancy shall be filled by the Board of Directors.

SECTION 8: Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held whenever called by the President or a majority of the directors at any time and place in which every director is present. Special meetings may be called without notice. Business can be transacted as if the meeting has formally been called.

SECTION 9: A majority of the total number of directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

SECTION 10: At meetings of the Board of Directors, business shall be transacted in such order as the Board may determine.

SECTION 11: The Board of Directors may act without convening in general or special meetings by written resolution signed by all the members of the Board in

office at the time being and duly entered in the corporation records and or by telephone conference calls.

SECTION 12: The Board of Directors shall have the power and authority to make, amend, repeat and enforce such rules and regulations not contrary to law or the certificate of incorporation or by the by-laws, as they may deem expedient concerning the conduct, management, and activities of the association, the admission, classification qualification, suspension, and expulsion of members, removal of officers, the rules and regulation governing the procedure and such suspension and expulsion, and removal, the fixing and collecting of dues and fees, the expenditure of money, the auditing of books and records, the awarding of championships and other details relating to the general purpose of the association, all however, subject to revision or amendment by a majority vote of the general membership at any regular or special meeting of the members as outlined in ARTICLE II, SECTION 3.

SECTION 13: Any protest must be made in writing to the board of directors thirty days prior to the annual convention accompanied by a deposit of \$50.00 cash or certified check, which sum will be forfeited if the protest is not sustained. All protests will be brought before NMQHA Board of Directors for a final decision at the next scheduled meeting. **ARTICLE V:**

SECTION 1: These by-laws may be amended at any regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors only. In the event of any amendment at a meeting of the Directors, such amendment shall not become effective until approved by the membership at the Annual Meeting or by mail ballot, and the notice of such meetings must include the complete proposed amendment. Membership must have 30 days notice in writing prior to presentation.

ARTICLE VI:

SECTION 1: A Central Office function shall be maintained by the Association in a central location convenient to and in the best interest of the membership.

SECTION 2: The New Mexico Amateur Quarter Horse Association shall be a division of the New Mexico Quarter Horse Association. It shall operate within the scope of the by-laws, rules and regulations of the New Mexico Quarter Horse Association and the American Quarter Horse Association.

SECTION 3: The New Mexico Youth Quarter Horse Association shall be a division of the New Mexico Quarter Horse Association. It shall operate within the scope of the by-laws, rules and regulations of the New Mexico Quarter Horse Association and the American Quarter Horse Association.

**2010 NMQHA
Stallion Service Auction, Stallion Nominations,
Mare Nominations, and Futurity Rules
(Revised 2010)**

STALLION NOMINATIONS and STALLION SERVICE AUCTION

A. Stallion Nominations & Stallion Service Auction

1. A Stallion owner may donate a breeding service to New Mexico Quarter Horse Stallion Service Futurity. Nominations will be accepted until June 15th.

2. All stallion owners must be current members of NMQHA by June 15th.

3. Stallions shall be offered for mail bid. Minimum Bid will open at \$300 for stallions standing in New Mexico and \$400 for stallions standing outside New Mexico. The first bid received by mail shall be honored. If two checks are received on the same day, the postmark date will be the determining factor.

4. In the event a stallion service does not sell or the owner does not want to offer the horse for auction, the stallion owner may pay the nomination fee postmarked by June 15th in order for the stallion's foals to be eligible for the NMQHA Futurity.

a. Nomination fee for stallions standing the entire breeding season in New Mexico is \$300.

b. Nomination fee for all other stallions will be \$400.

5. All stallion nomination & stallion service money will be mailed directly to the futurity management where the checks will be copied and deposited into the futurity account.

6. The stallion owner must nominate the stallion or give written permission that the stallion can be nominated to the futurity making his foals eligible to compete in the futurity classes for foals by nominated stallions. All high point stallion money and/or awards will go to the stallion owner who nominated the stallion.

7. There will be no substitutions once a horse is donated to the Stallion Auction.

B. Eligibility of Stallions

1. Nominated stallions must have an AQHA registration number and a copy of the stallion's registration papers must accompany nomination.

C. Futurity Eligibility of Horses by Nominated Stallions

1. When a stallion that stands the entire season in New Mexico is nominated and fee is paid or service is sold, his foals of any age are eligible for the current year futurity classes for foals by nominated stallions and foals of the following year will maintain eligibility through their three-year-old year.

2. When a stallion that stands outside of New Mexico is nominated and fee is paid or service is sold, his foals of any age are eligible for that year's futurity classes for foals by nominated stallions.

3. All horses exhibited in the futurity classes designated for foals by nominated stallions must have AQHA registration papers.

D. If due to ill health or death, a stallion whose breeding fee was purchased becomes unavailable for breeding, the full purchase price will be refunded to the purchaser.

E. A stallion may move anywhere within 250-mile radius of the place that he was advertised as standing when his service sold. When move is more than 250 miles, the Board of Directors will agree to hear the purchaser's complaint concerning a hardship and will act on the complaint.

F. Rules Established for Mare Owners Purchasing Stallion Service through Auction

1. All mare owners bidding on stallion services must be current members of NMQHA.

2. Resulting foal must be eligible for AQHA Registration.

3. The mare owner who purchases the stallion service must sign and abide by all terms and conditions of the participating stallion owner's breeding contract.

4. If a mare does not settle by June 15th, at the stallion owner's option, a return for the next season can be granted to the mare owner with no refund.

5. In case of the mare's death, the matter should be brought before the futurity committee with particulars of the situation.

BROODMARE NOMINATIONS

A. Mare Nominations

1. A mare owner may nominate an AQHA registered mare.

2. All mare owners must be current members of NMQHA and mare must be New Mexico owned on or before February 1st of year nominated.

3. Nomination fee for a mare will be \$75.00 per year.

4. Mare nominations will be accepted until July 15th of the breeding year, making her foal(s) of any age eligible for the current year futurity classes for foals out of nominated mares and her foals of the following year will maintain eligibility through their three-year-old year.

5. All mare nomination money will be mailed directly to the futurity management where the checks will be copied and deposited into the futurity account.

6. Mare owner must pay mare nomination fee or give written permission that the mare can be nominated to the futurity making her foals eligible to compete in the futurity classes for foals out of nominated mares. All high point mare money and/or awards will go to the mare owner who nominated the mare.

7. There will be no substitution, once a mare is donated to the breeders futurity

8. In the event the mare does not settle and this is certified in writing by a licensed veterinarian, the nomination fee may be applied to the following breeding season. If the mare dies and there is no resulting foal, the full nomination fee will be refunded less a 10% handling fee.

B. Eligibility of Mares

1. Mares must have an AQHA ID Number.

2. Registration papers of mare, showing current ownership, must accompany nomination.

3. Mare must be New Mexico owned on or before February 1st of year nominated.

C. Futurity Eligibility of Horses out of Nominated Mares

1. When a mare is nominated and fee is paid, her foals of any age are eligible to compete in the current year futurity's classes for foals out of nominated mares and her foals of the following year will maintain eligibility through their three-year-old year.

2. All horses exhibited in the futurity classes designated for foals out of nominated mares must have AQHA registration papers.

FUTURITY PROGRAM

The NMQHA Futurity features three separate programs:

1. The Stallion Service Futurity (for foals by nominated stallions) will showcase NM stallions and stallions nominated from outside the state.
2. The Breeders Futurity (for foals out of nominated mares) will showcase NM broodmares.
3. Open Classes are also available for registered horses by any stallion and out of any mare.

Stallion Service Futurity money, Mare Breeders Futurity money, and Open Classes entry fees will not be co-mingled.

Payback for Stallion Service Futurity and Breeders Futurity will be from entry fees and nomination money after expenses.

Payback for Open Futurity Classes will be from entry fees after expenses.

Corporate monies will be added when received.

All owners and exhibitors must be current members of NMQHA.

All entry fees will be mailed directly to the futurity management where the checks will be copied and deposited into the futurity account.

A. Entries in Futurity Classes

All entries must be postmarked by the postal service on or before the stated date.

1. First entry payment is due June 15th to reserve a spot in a class.
2. Second entry payment is due July 15th.
3. Third payment is due August 15th and entry must be named with a copy of the registration papers or send a copy of its registration application. All horses must have permanent registration papers by the day of the show.
4. Late payment = double each payment until September 1st.
5. Entries can be made until 12:00 noon of the day prior to the Futurity at triple fees according to payment schedule.
6. Cost of each class is designated on entry blank. Increases will be made when necessary.
7. Entry fees minus 15% will be refunded in the event a horse dies. No entry fees will be refunded under any other circumstances.

Payment	Date	Halter	All Other Classes
1 st	June 15	\$35	\$55
2 nd	July 15	\$35	\$55
3 rd	August 15	\$35	\$55
Total Entry Fee per Class		\$105	\$165

8. The weanling exhibitor numbers will correspond to the weanling's birth date and the youngest foal will enter the arena first. If two horses have the same birth date, they will be numbered A and B. All other classes will be drawn by computer (if available) for arena entry positions.

B. Classes

Class 1-S	Weanling Colts (by nominated stallions)
Class 1-M	Weanling Colts (out of nominated mares)
Class 1-O	Weanling Colts (OPEN)
Class 2-S	Weanling Fillies (by nominated stallions)
Class 2-M	Weanling Fillies (out of nominated mares)
Class 2-O	Weanling Fillies (OPEN)
Class 3-S	Yearling Colts (by nominated stallions)
Class 3-M	Yearling Colts (out of nominated mares)
Class 3-O	Yearling Colts (OPEN)
Class 4-S	Yearling Fillies (by nominated stallions)
Class 4-M	Yearling Fillies (out of nominated mares)
Class 4-O	Yearling Fillies (OPEN)
Class 5-S	Yearling Geldings (by nominated stallions)
Class 5-M	Yearling Geldings (out of nominated mares)
Class 5-O	Yearling Geldings (OPEN)
Class 6-S	Yearling Lunge Line (by nominated stallions)
Class 6-M	Yearling Lunge Line (out of nominated mares)
Class 6-O	Yearling Lunge Line (OPEN)
Class 7-S	2 Yr. Old Western Pleasure (by nominated stallions)
Class 7-M	2 Yr. Old Western Pleasure (out of nominated mares)
Class 7-O	2 Yr. Old Western Pleasure (OPEN)
Class 8-S	2 Yr. Old Western Pleasure Amateur (by nominated stallions)
Class 8-M	2 Yr. Old Western Pleasure Amateur (out of nominated mares)
Class 8-O	2 Yr. Old Western Pleasure Amateur (OPEN)
Class 9-S	2 Yr. Old Western Pleasure Youth (by nominated stallions)
Class 9-M	2 Yr. Old Western Pleasure Youth (out of nominated mares)
Class 9-O	2 Yr. Old Western Pleasure Youth (OPEN)
Class 10-S	3 Yr. Old Western Pleasure (by nominated stallions)
Class 10-M	3 Yr. Old Western Pleasure (out of nominated mares)
Class 10-O	3 Yr. Old Western Pleasure (OPEN)
Class 11-S	3 Yr. Old Western Pleasure Amateur (by nominated stallions)
Class 11-M	3 Yr. Old Western Pleasure Amateur (out of nominated mares)
Class 11-O	3 Yr. Old Western Pleasure Amateur (OPEN)
Class 12-S	3 Yr. Old Western Pleasure Youth (by nominated stallions)
Class 12-M	3 Yr. Old Western Pleasure Youth (out of nominated mares)
Class 12-O	3 Yr. Old Western Pleasure Youth (OPEN)
Class 13	2&3 Yr. Old Hunter under Saddle Combined (by nominated stallions out of nominated mares, or OPEN)
Class 14	2&3 Yr. Old Hunter under Saddle Amateur Combined (by nominated stallions, out of nominated mares or OPEN)

- Class 15 2&3 Yr. Old Hunter under Saddle Youth Combined (by nominated stallions, out of nominated mares or OPEN)
- Class 16 3 Yr. Old Reining Combined (by nominated stallions, out of nominated mares, or OPEN)
- Class 17 3 Yr. Old Reining Amateur Combined (by nominated stallions, out of nominated mares or OPEN)
- Class 18 3 Yr. Old Reining Youth Combined (by nominated stallions, out of nominated mares or OPEN)

Classes with less than three (3) entries will be combined with corresponding classes provided there are no conflicts with horses and riders (or handlers) being entered in the classes being combined (i.e. 2 YO Western Pleasure by nominated stallions with two entries will be combined with 2 YO Western Pleasure out of nominated mares with one entry). Each class will have participant(s) and placing(s) announced separately. Monies will not be combined and will be paid back as separate classes. An entry can potentially be placed in the Stallion Service Futurity, the Breeders Futurity, and Open Classes provided the horse is by a nominated stallion and out of a nominated mare AND entry fees for all classes are paid in full.

C. Eligibility for Stallion Service (by nominated stallions) & Breeders (out of nominated mares) Classes

1. Entries must come through the stallion nomination procedure or through the mare nomination procedure and be entered in the appropriate class(es).
2. Horses must have AQHA registration papers to exhibit in the Futurity.

D. Eligibility for Open Classes

1. Horses must have registration papers. Classes are for any registered horses.
2. Horses do not have to be by eligible stallions or out of nominated mares.

E. Amateur Rules

1. Exhibitors must hold an Amateur Card in their respective breed association, or meet AQHA Amateur eligibility and ownership requirements as stated in AQHA amateur rule # 403.

2. Amateur must submit a photocopy of amateur card with entry.

F. Youth Rules

1. Youth must hold a Youth Card in their respective breed association, or meet AQHA Youth eligibility and ownership requirements as stated in AQHA youth rule # 404.

2. Youth must submit a photocopy of youth card with entry.

JUDGES AND JUDGING

A. Number of Judges

1. If there are less than 100 total entries as of July 15, one judge will be used. Two judges will be hired specifically to judge each of the futurity classes if there are more than 100 entries.

2. If a multiple judge system is used, each judge's placings will be announced.

B. Selection and Hiring

1. All prior year paid up futurity entry owners will submit 5 names in order of preference by December 1st of the respective year. It will be the responsibility of the futurity committee to canvas previous year's futurity owners for the names of the judges to be contacted.

2. All attempts will be made to hire a judge for the futurity that has not judged the corresponding classes previously that day. All attempts will be made to hire a judge who is not a resident of New Mexico.

3. The judges cannot have judged a NMQHA Futurity in the past two years.

4. Judges must be AQHA card-carrying judges.

C. Scoring System

1. Judges will be judging at the same time. Each judge will score individually. First place horse will receive the highest number of points. If there are 12 horses, the first place horse gets 12 points and the points awarded down through ten places. Points of both judges will be added together for the high point winner. Scores of each judge will be called out. All classes must be placed to 10 places.

D. Tie Breaking System

1. For placings, a tiebreaker judge will be selected for each class.
2. If a tie for 1st occurs, first and second place monies will be added together. The total monies for those 2 places will be split between the ties. On other ties, the same procedure will be followed.

E. Judging Rules

1. Three-year-old reining will be judged according to AQHA Jr. Reining Rules
2. The yearling lunge line class will be judged under current National Snaffle Bit Association Rules.
3. All other classes will be judged according to AQHA rules. Exhibitors must comply with all rules. The judge will check bits.

4. There will be a 10-minute warm up for lunge line classes. A mandatory 15-minute warm up between lunge line and performance will be held for pleasure horses only. Contestants may request there be a 5- minute warm up between each riding class for horses in that class only. Reining horses will have a separate 15-minute warm up before the Reining classes.

5. There will be a 30-minute gate call before the first futurity class begins.

6. If there is a tack change requested and required between classes, the gate will be closed and horses will not be allowed to enter the arena for warm up until the change is complete. There is a 5-minute time limit to this tack change.

F. Substitutions

1. Substitutions will be accepted on a sick entry when accompanied by a vet certificate.

2. Substitutions must be in the same respective class and must be eligible for the class entered.

DRUG TESTING

A. All horses are subject to drug testing at random.

B. If a horse should test positive in a drug test, all monies are forfeited and the other horses will move up the scale with money being awarded accordingly. Disciplinary

action will be at the discretion of the NMQHA Board of Directors. All futurity payback will be held until drug test results are returned.

PAYBACK

# of entries	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th
1-2	100%					
3-5	60	40				
6-9	50	30	20			
10-14	40	30	20	10		
15-20	30	25	20	15	10	
21 +	30	24	18	12	9	7

HIGH POINT AWARDS

A. High Point Stallion Award

1. One award will be given to the top nominated stallion of the futurity whose get earns the most points. The points will be tabulated on the number of foals exhibited in the class with the first place horse receiving as many points as there are exhibited horses.

2. 10% of each money earner's winnings will be paid to the stallion owner.

B. High Point Mare Award

1. One award will be given to the top nominated mare of the futurity whose produce earns the most points. The points will be tabulated on the number of foals exhibited in the class with the first place horse receiving as many points as there are exhibited horses.

2. 10% of each money earner's winning will be paid to the mare owner.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

A. Horses MUST have registration papers.

B. No one shall approach a judge with regard to a decision.

C. Exhibitors will not be allowed in a class once the gate has been closed. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to make the gate for all classes. A one minute gate will be called.

D. Any protest concerning futurity management or actual futurity must be in written form accompanied by a \$50 deposit and submitted to the futurity committee within 24 hours of the final class. If the protest is disallowed, the deposit is forfeited.

E. Exhibitor must be declared with the final payment. Any changes must be declared in writing to the futurity management prior to the beginning of the first class of the futurity.

F. By entering this futurity, the owner and exhibitor agree to abide by the rules and regulations herein stated and any decisions made by the judges or futurity management.

G. No single class in the Stallion Service Futurity, the Breeders Futurity or the Open Futurity may be cancelled. Futurity management reserves the right to cancel the entire futurity without notice and without liability any time prior to August 15th with the NMQHA Board of Directors approval. In any case, all entry money minus 15% will be refunded.

H. All prize money will be paid by check payable to the owner (the person whose name is listed as owner at the time of final payment) and will be mailed

approximately 30 days following the futurity. If the winnings or prizes are to be paid to anyone other than the recorded owner, the futurity management must receive a notarized release from the owner by September 30th. Owners must supply Social Security number on the entry blank. No prize money will be awarded without this number.

I. All protests in regard to payback amount must be made within 30 days of the postmark on the payback checks. The protest needs to be in writing and mailed return receipt.

J. On any returned checks there will be a \$50 service charge in addition to the amount of the check to cover the bank charge and postage.

K. The futurity management reserves the right to make any decisions it deems necessary pertaining to these futurities. All decisions are final with no recourse of any kind.