



WISCONSIN STATE HORSE COUNCIL

2008 CHAMPIONSHIP CHALLENGE HORSE SHOW

Guidelines for Participants

- Exhibitors must be WSHC Level I members in good standing; Tiny Tot/Youth/Junior membership is free with current paid Parent/Guardian Level I membership. Membership forms are available on our website.
- To qualify for participation in the final State Championship Show, exhibitors must:
 - ✓ Submit a completed Nomination form indicating the classes they wish to qualify in. The form is available on the Championship Challenge Show page on the WSHC website. There is a \$2 per classification fee for nomination and the fees must be included with the Nomination form. This is a one time charge per nominated classification. Form and payment should be sent to WSHC, PO Box 72, Columbus WI 53925. The Nomination form **must be postmarked at least one day prior** to the first sanctioned show the exhibitor wishes to use as a qualifying show.
 - ✓ Compete in WSHC sanctioned open shows between April 15 and September 8, 2008. Recognized or breed shows are not eligible in this program, only open shows.
 - ✓ Earn a minimum of two (2) First places or two (2) Second places, or a combination of one (1) of each in their nominated class(es) under two different Judges at a WSHC sanctioned show---minimum of 2 shows.
- Exhibitor may add additional classes by submitting an additional nomination form, however the form must be postmarked at least one day prior to the start of the sanctioned show the exhibitor wishes to use as a qualifying show. An additional \$2 per class must accompany the nomination form. Forms are available at our website.
- The Championship Challenge Show will be judged according to the WSHC Certified Judging & Showing Guidelines. The Guidelines are available on the Certified Judges page on the WSHC website.
- **NEW THIS YEAR!** Participants will be responsible for sending their completed form showing they have qualified in to the WSHC office. The form is available on our website, www.WisconsinStateHorseCouncil.org, and will also be in the May and June issues of the WI Horseman's News. Once you have qualified in a nominated class, just make a copy for yourself and mail the form to WSHC, PO Box 72, Columbus WI 53925. If you have any questions, please call the office at 920-623-0393 or the program chairperson, Nancy Edwards at 262-673-9092.

Frequently Asked Questions for Participants

Q. What does it take for a show committee to hold a "sanctioned" show?

- A. Simply a commitment for one of show committee staff to complete and return the WSHC Open Show Results form along with a signed copy of their show bill. If there is a show you want to attend that is not yet sanctioned, ask them to look into it! Details are available on our website at www.WisconsinStateHorseCouncil.org.

Q. Why should I go to shows held later in the season if I've already qualified for the state show?

- A. One of the goals of the program is to help increase participation in open shows in Wisconsin. To help meet that goal, Road Warrior Awards will be given to nominated exhibitors **who compete in the most WSHC sanctioned shows, regardless of what placing they received at the shows.** So, mark your exhibitor number on the show bill and have the show secretary sign it. Send it in to the WSHC office as proof that you exhibited at that sanctioned show. You only compete for Road Warrior Awards against others in your own WSHC District – based on your home address – although you may exhibit at any sanctioned show in the State of Wisconsin. All will be recognized in CouncilLetter in November.

Q. The shows I'm going to don't have exactly the same classes as the Championship Challenge Show – then what?

- A. Show committees will report the horse/rider name of the 1st and 2nd place winners in all of the classes at their show. The WSHC program administrator will place the results into our program's nomination classifications so that you are in the right age category, for example. You can call 920-623-0393 or 262-673-9092 if you have more questions.

Q. I'm doing really well in a nomination class I haven't entered. Can I still enter?

- A. You may nominate yourself and your horse in as many additional classes as you wish. Just fill out a new nomination form, pay the additional fees, and make sure the nomination form has been postmarked one day prior to showing in the new classes. Unfortunately, any classes you showed in before entering the new category are not able to be counted toward qualification. Ride positive and give yourself as many opportunities to qualify as you can.