

**Weekend Show Committee**  
**2026 NCHA Convention Agenda**  
**June 19, 2026 • 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm**  
**Sonoma C/D**  
**South Point Hotel • Las Vegas, Nevada**



1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Mission Statement
3. Number of fresh cattle requirement
  - i. Number of fresh cattle required in Jackpot classes
  - ii. \$1,000 added and below only requiring 2 ½ cows vs 3
4. Cattle charges
5. Number of horses shown at Championship shows
6. Point Year
7. World Finals Judges
8. Horse leases in Amateur/Non Pro.
9. Weekend Youth class structure
10. NCHA Fee Percentage
11. International Circuit Finals Invitations
12. Two directives from EC (copy attached)
13. Old Business
14. New Business

15. Election of Chairman & Vice Chairman

16. Adjournment



### **Agenda Item # 3**

Standing Rule 8.a.2 – page 44

Three head of fresh cattle per entry must be provided in this class anytime it is offered with more than \$750 or more in added money.

### **Agenda Item # 4**

Standing Rule 5 6.d. – Page 35

#### **Cattle Charges**

- i. Classes with Added money - no cattle charge may exceed the entry fee.
- ii. Classes without Added money (entry fee only) - the cattle charge may only exceed the entry fee portion of the total entry fee if there are some fresh cattle provided.
- iii. A cattle surcharge may be added to any class if approved in writing by NCHA, IN ADVANCE of the show.
- iv. No cattle charge may exceed \$250; however special consideration may be granted by the Executive Director for shows having \$5,000 or more in added money per division or class. (See Standing Rule 14)

### **Agenda Item # 5**

Recommendation

Weekend shows give trainer the ability to show 3 horses in horse classes - 1 horse must be 6 or younger

### **Agenda Item # 6**

Recommendation

Change the end of the point year to October 31<sup>st</sup> and new point year begin January 1<sup>st</sup> for the Weekend shows. Limited Age horses could begin on December 28<sup>th</sup>.

### **Agenda Item # 7**

Recommendation

Judges for World Finals need to be from different regions and should be handled the same way for all NCHA Events.

### **Agenda Item # 8**

AQHA Lease document attached

### **Agenda Item # 9**

Weekend Youth Competition Format

Hold two separate goes – one on Saturday and one on Sunday

Utilize a clean slate format

Allowing Youth to show twice may help encourage participation from exhibitors traveling longer distances, making the event more appealing and worthwhile.



The rule needing changed is as follows:

**5. Points**

a. A record of points shall be maintained in the rider’s name by the NCHA. At the conclusion of the annual point year, the Junior boy or girl and the Senior boy or girl having accumulated the greatest number of points in a minimum of five (5) NCHA Youth Cutting Horse Contests will be named and duly honored by the NCHA as its World Champion Junior Youth and World Champion Senior Youth.

**b. Points shall be awarded to Youth riders in the following contests based on the below scale:**

**i. Championship Shows**

**ii. Challenger Shows**

**iii. NCHA National Championship Show in Go 1, Go 2 and in a non working final.**

**iv. NCHA International Circuit Championship in the finals.**

**Agenda Item # 10**

The shows with \$0 added is based on actual results. 2024 with \$0 added is because the only results they submitted were Youth, \$15Am and \$35K NP – none of which have added money.

Added is “total actually paid” not “approved”.



	# shows	# Shows \$0 added	# Shows <100	Actual 8% Collected	Proposed % Collected (8 or 6)	Diff
<b>2024</b>	<b>1013</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>695</b>	<b>\$1,013,351.76</b>	<b>\$889,665.16</b>	<b>\$ 123,686.60</b>
<b>2025</b>	<b>875</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>\$1,062,891.17</b>	<b>\$959,407.22</b>	<b>\$ 103,483.95</b>

**Agenda Item # 11**

1. Qualification Methods – participants / horses must qualify prior to entry.

a. Non-Youth Classes:

i. A rider / horse will only receive one invitation per class via the following two (2) qualification methods:

1. Circuit Championship Qualification - The champions and reserve champions (plus ties) from the working or non-working finals of each local Circuit Championship class.
2. Circuit Year End Qualification - The top ten (plus ties) in the circuit year end standings from each class in each circuit.

ii. In the event a local circuit championship champion or reserve champion is also in the top ten circuit year end standings, qualification will extend to the 11th or 12th place (plus ties) in the circuit year end standings.

iii. Qualification Exceptions:

1. World Finals Competitors:

a. Any rider and/or horse that competed in the 2025 NCHA World Finals are not eligible to compete at the 2025 Circuit Championships in the same class(es) in which they competed in the 2025 NCHA World Finals.

# Showing Lease Form



FOR OVERNIGHT DELIVERY TO AQHA: 1600 QUARTER HORSE DR, AMARILLO, TX 79104 • MAILING ADDRESS: P.O. BOX 200, AMARILLO, TX 79168  
WWW.AQHA.COM • © 806-378-5083 • FAX: 806-349-6412

**AQHA MUST HAVE THIS LEASE RECORDED BEFORE THE HORSE CAN BE SHOWN.**

HORSE'S NAME (AS REGISTERED WITH AQHA)	AQHA REGISTRATION NUMBER

**THE ABOVE HAS BEEN LEASED FROM**

NAME OF OWNER	OWNER'S AQHA ID NUMBER

OWNER'S ADDRESS (CITY, STATE/PROVINCE, COUNTRY, POSTAL CODE)	OWNER'S DAYTIME PHONE NUMBER

**TO**

NAME OF LESSEE (LESSEE MUST BE AN INDIVIDUAL AND NOT A CORPORATION, TRUST, PARTNERSHIP, ETC...)	LESSEE'S AQHA ID NUMBER

LESSEE'S MAILING ADDRESS (CITY, STATE/PROVINCE, COUNTRY, POSTAL CODE)	LESSEE'S DAYTIME PHONE NUMBER

**TERM OF LEASE (MUST BE FOR A MINIMUM 1 YEAR PERIOD AND NOT BACKDATED FOR MORE THAN 30 DAYS)**

FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING WITH

MONTH	DAY	YEAR

AND ENDING

MONTH	DAY	YEAR

**BY SIGNING, YOU:**

- Agree to abide by all AQHA rules and regulations, including but not limited to Rules SHW220, SHW225, SHW235 and SHW240;
- Understand that AQHA will only recognize one Showing Lease at a time for a horse;
- Understand that in order for a horse to be shown according to a Showing Lease, the Lessee must be responsible for the following expenses associated with the care of the horse: boarding, feeding, routine farrier services and routine veterinary services;
- Understand that, during the term of the showing lease, only the lessee and lessee's IMMEDIATE FAMILY may show the horse. The lessee's trainer may also show the horse during the term, but only in open division events. During the term of the lease, the horse may be shown by other eligible exhibitors in Open Division, Level 1 and/or Rookie classes only.
- Understand the term of the lease must be for a minimum one year period, and the lease must be to an individual only. If the lease is terminated for any reason before the minimum one year period, the horse can only be shown in the Open Division, Level 1 and/or Rookie classes until one year has passed since the original start date of the lease (except as provided by the International Lease for World Championship Show rules);
- Understand that AQHA will NOT accept or recognize a Showing Lease for those purposes other than those set forth in SHW240. Specifically, a Showing Lease does NOT grant a Lessee or their agent authorization to sign breeder's certificate(s), stallion breeding reports, or registration applications for the horse; AND
- Understand that during the Term of the showing lease, AQHA will not record subsequent changes in ownership until the Showing Lease is terminated.
- Understand a Show Lease may be terminated without show restrictions before the minimum one-year requirement in the event of the death of the lessee or with a lease termination penalty of \$1,000. Any points earned during the lease period will not count toward qualifying for any World Show or Year End Awards after termination of the lease.
- Understand that if lessee qualifies the horse for and intends to exhibit the horse at an AQHA world show, a showing lease MUST be in effect and on file with AQHA at the time the lessee (1) enters the horse into the world show and (2) exhibits the horse at the world show. Should a showing lease expire prior to the above times, a new showing lease will be required.

SIGNATURE OF OWNER / DATE	SIGNATURE OF LESSEE / DATE
PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE OF A MINOR / DATE	PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE OF A MINOR / DATE

**FEES:** SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE  
(PLEASE ALLOW UP TO 5 BUSINESS DAYS TO PROCESS)

- Lease Fee for a current member . . . . \$100
- Lease Fee for non-member seeking general membership . . . . . \$165
- Lease Fee for a non-member seeking AQHA Amateur Membership (fee covers lease fee and 1 year Amateur Membership Fee; must be accompanied by a properly completed Amateur Membership application):. . . . . \$175
- Lease Fee for a non-member seeking AQHA Youth Membership (fee covers lease fee and 1 year Youth Membership Fee; must provide birthdate \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_): . . . \$125

- OPTIONAL** Member
- Special Handling for 2-day service . . . \$100

This fee is in addition to the regular fee. Please place "RUSH" on the outside of the envelope.

<input type="checkbox"/> CHECK <input type="checkbox"/> MONEY ORDER		<b>IF PAYING BY CREDIT CARD, PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:</b>	
		<input type="checkbox"/> VISA <input type="checkbox"/> MASTERCARD <input type="checkbox"/> AMEX <input type="checkbox"/> DISCOVER	
CARD NUMBER			
EXP. DATE (MMYY)		DAYTIME PHONE	
CARDHOLDER NAME			
CARDHOLDER SIGNATURE			BILLING ZIP CODE
<p>Please be advised all payments will be assessed a nonrefundable transaction fee of 3%. AQHA reserves the right to waive the fee, if payment is submitted by check or money order.</p> <p><b>CREDIT CARD WILL BE BILLED FULL BALANCE OF SELECTED AND APPLICABLE FEES.</b></p>			
<b>DO NOT SEND CASH • U.S. FUNDS ONLY</b>			

## **SHW240. AMATEUR AND YOUTH SHOWING LEASED HORSES**

Amateurs and youth may show leased horses subject to the following:

**SHW240.1** prior to the lessee (amateur or youth) showing the leased horse, AQHA must have received and recorded a showing lease form;

**SHW240.2** the lessee must be responsible for expenses associated with the care of the horse: boarding, feeding, routine farrier services and routine veterinary services;

**SHW240.3** during the term of the showing lease, only the lessee and lessee's IMMEDIATE FAMILY may show the horse. The lessee's trainer may also show the horse during the term, but only in open division events. During the term of the lease, the horse may be shown by other eligible exhibitors in Open Division, Level 1 and/or Rookie classes only;

**SHW240.4** the term of the lease must be for a minimum one year period, and the lease must be to an individual only. If the lease is terminated for any reason before the minimum one year period, the horse can only be shown in Open Division, Level 1 and/or Rookie classes until one year has passed since the original start date of the lease; Except as provided by the International Lease for World Championship Show rules, or as follows:

**SHW240.4.1** A Show Lease may be terminated without show restrictions before the minimum one-year requirement in the event of the death of the lessee or with a lease termination penalty of \$1,000. Any points earned during the lease period will not count toward qualifying for any World Show or Year End Awards subsequent to termination of the lease.

**SHW240.5** only one showing lease at a time per horse will be recognized;

**SHW240.6** a showing lease does not grant a lessee or lessee's agent authorization to sign breeder's certificate(s), stallion breeding reports, transfers or registration applications for the horse;

**SHW240.7** during the term of a showing lease, subsequent changes in ownership will not be recorded until the showing lease is terminated;

**SHW240.8** if a lessee qualifies the horse for and intends to exhibit the horse at an AQHA World Show, a showing lease must be in effect and on file with AQHA at the time the lessee (a) enters the horse into the World Show and (b) exhibits the horse at the World Show. Subject to SHW240.4 should a showing lease expire prior to the above times, a new showing lease will be required.



## MEMO

DATE: MARCH 24, 2026

TO: WEEKEND SHOW COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN –  
TED SOKOL JR.

FROM: NCHA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE;  
JAY WINBORN, NCHA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

RE: 1) Revisit former directive 2) New directive issued regarding WF points system

- 1) As a follow up to the former directive regarding show calendar conflicts, the **EC would like the Weekend Show Committee to revisit the directive and coordinate with the Approved LAE Show Producers to obtain this goal with the calendar of the weekend shows in conjunction with the LAE events and report back to the EC by the June EC meeting at Convention.**

The goal of this directive issued was to get as much advanced notice on the placement of the weekend shows held in conjunction with the LAE event and ultimately incorporate those days into the overall Approved LAE calendar to be approved six (6) months in advance. Suggestions for accomplishing this goal are to make changes to the overall show application process to help identify the days when a producer will hold weekend shows in conjunction with their LAE event.

- 2) **The Executive Committee issued a directive to the Weekend Show Committee to look at changing the World Finals qualifications from being based off monies won to a points based system like the Youth. The EC would like to receive a report back by the June EC meeting at Convention.**

JW/cma