

Oregon Performance Horse Club

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Rules & Regulations for OPHC

Oregon Performance Horse Club is also known as OPHC. One of our club's purpose is that our club strives to assist and encourage horse shows and instruct exhibitors. OPHC does not have any one breed that we promote, but we formed in order to sponsor, cultivate and foster an interest in equine.

OPHC will be conducting horse shows with our membership, exhibitors and their families in mind although we accept and encourage nonmembers to participate also. We encourage everyone participating in our shows to become an OPHC member but it is not a requirement in order to exhibit at our shows. Members do participate for yearend awards and receive a discount on entry fees. **Membership is \$10.00 a year for youth and adults alike.**

Those who are going out for an award must be a member of the club, OPHC as well as fill out the declaration form(s) for the division they intend to participate in with a \$15.00 fee attach to each division form. Each division has to have a sponsor(s) for a total of \$140.00 which we ask our participating members to obtain in order to participate in the division. The \$140.00 is that participating exhibitor's money for their award they secured. Download a sponsor form from the website and ask businesses, friends and family if they would sponsor your division.

Anyone with any outstanding money must pay cash to enter into the 2015 shows until the bill is paid in full.

Payment/entry choices:

Option #1 will be pre-entering for \$5 (buckle division exhibitors) or \$6 (non-buckle exhibitors) a class by sending in your entries through email to club's secretary at trurirwilson@hotmail.com and club's show manager at rosecountryarabians@yahoo.com. By email it to both it will ensure it is received in case of computer issues that can arise.

Option #2 is where you fill out an entry form and make copies of it for each show ahead of time. You have the show secretary put the entry forms into the show binder under each show you are attending.

Option #3 is where you download an entry form and mail it to OPHC, PO Box 137, Malin, OR 97632.

Option #4 is for those who wait until the day of the show to enter will be charged a post entry fee of \$8 a class per judge at the show they are entering.

Insurance release form must be signed before any handler/rider/driver can warm-up their horse, ride their horse, or show/exhibit their horse. If you are handling a horse for an exhibitor, you must sign the release of liability form at the office.

OPHC holds an Annual Banquet where awards are given out after the first of the year.

OPHC will be using Oregon Horsemen Association rules seen at www.oregonhorsemen.com.

OPHC High Point Division Program Rules

1. To be eligible for an award, an entrant must meet the requirements of the category/division eligibility that they sign up for according to age of rider, ability of rider/driver/handler, ability of age/breed of horse. If a rider or a horse is proven not eligible in your division all points, placing, and awards will be revoked.

You must show in 5 of the double judged show dates. See Woolly Bear clause if need arises.

2. All money owed to the club will be paid before any awards will be given out. Any NSF checks will be paid in full before the next show with the bank charge of \$35.00 added to the amount of the check. Anyone who has a NSF check will pay cash or money order thereafter. Failure to pay for NSF check will result in small claims filing in Klamath Falls Court.

3. Points will be counted by the point keeper and audited by at least two other people after each show and a third person before the winners are named. The point's book is audited by the at the end of the year by the club internal auditor, show manager, show secretary, and treasurer. Points for any individual will not be counted until a points form has been received by the show secretary with the fee of \$20.00 paid in full. Points count for all OPHC/OHA shows. **The Woolly Bear Shows can be used in place of a regular OHA Show for OPHC awarded points if the exhibitor has a conflict of shows, illness of exhibitor, or injury of horse, but exhibitor must contact the show secretary for a case by case approval verified.** Contact Agnes Wilson at trurirwilson@hotmail.com or 541-723-2079. Each exhibitor is responsible for independently tracking their own points at shows for their own records. The points tracker is the judge's cards for placement and the gate card for participation in a class. Points system is 1st =10 points; 2nd=8 pts.; 3rd=6pts.; 4th=4 pts.; 5th=2 pts with participation receiving 1 point. Points are tabulated from judge's cards only. Exhibitor's number and horse will be verified and checked at the gate for each class.

4. Each exhibitor is responsible to get their own sponsor for their award that they receive. No sponsor, no award.

5. After signing up for a division, make sure that you enter the classes that are mandatory classes required for the buckle division. It is mandatory to enter the minimum number of classes at each show for your division that are listed as mandatory for each division. The number of divisions any exhibitor may compete for is not restricted and you may run for multiple buckles. Riders/drivers/handlers must show in the same classes that they chose and in same division for award to be given. Sponsored silver belt buckles or other awards are not guaranteed by OPHC in case a sponsor does not come forth with money to cover the award. If an upgrade is wanted the exhibitor may select one from the buckle catalog and pay the club the difference before the buckle is ordered. This will have to be done 10 days after notification of winning a buckle to allow the club enough time to have the buckle upgraded. Showtime Awards sends OPHC a proof of the buckles which the club will email the exhibitor for approval. Please make sure OPHC has a valid email address to contact you. If we don't hear from you, OPHC feels you are approving the crafting of your award as shown on the proof sheet. OPHC is not responsible for any errors after any award item has been crafted or embroidered.

6. Exhibitor running for a buckle is required to obtain a sponsor for each division(s) they are competing. This will allow OPHC to give each one of the participants an award in the division. This takes the place for hours worked which is no longer a requirement.

7. Handlers/riders/drivers must display the number given to them for that horse by the office staff for said equine to count for competition points on their back or side for halter classes; on their saddle pad on both

sides; and on the back of the cart as a driver. If number is lost or forgotten, the exhibitor will make their number card with their issued number on it. **No changing of numbers or your points will not be counted. Number issued at first show will be your number for whole year. It is recommended to laminate your number.**

8. An entrant is one horse/one exhibitor combination. Exceptions are in halter where an exhibitor is a challenged person with medical on file or exhibitor with more than one horse in a class. Exhibitors may enter additional horses.

9. All exhibitors are responsible to be on time for their classes. Anyone who misses their class will forfeit the fee for the class. No refunds. **Announcing classes is a courtesy only.** In-gate person will give a gate hold if requested a class before.

10. There are no cross entries in lead line 7 & under and Youth 10 and Under. If an entrant decides to change into a different division at some point during regular OPHC/OHA shows, they shall remain there. If an entrant moves up a division, they cannot move back down a division as long as the division they moved from is still offered during OPHC? OHA shows. Any person found showing in wrong division after a complaint is filled out and proper Robert Rules of Order are followed with a decision made against them will forfeit all money paid into the club. They will be disqualified from the yearend award. **Exception to this rule will be the Woolly Bear Shows which are not OHA Shows. OPHC will allow 7 & U and 10 & U to try out a higher division (17 & Under or 10 & Under; halter classes) to see if they are ready to move up at the Woolly Bear Shows without penalties. Parent or guardian to ask permission a head of class.**

11. Judges with show management approval may combine or divide a class at their discretion according to the size of a class in the arena. Any classes that are 14.2 and under can be split into 2 classes being miniature equines 38" and under and Equines over 38" with special consideration given to driving classes to be split.

12. Leasing of a horse will be permitted as long as the show secretary has a copy of the agreement between the horse's owner and the exhibitor leasing the horse on file before the first show of the year the exhibitor participants.

13. No one who is a minor may handle or show a stallion. There will be no tying of stallions in the holding/staging area.

14. Children may not be in the holding area that are not showing their horse at that time and waiting for their class. For safety reasons children under 10 must be under adult supervision. **Playing to be restricted to outside area.**

15. **Stalls will be pre-ordered with Donna Sweeten by contacting her at 530-398-4653 or at rosecountryarabians@yahoo.com the Monday before the show. Stalls are padlocked at the fairgrounds to keep people from using a stalls without payment. Arrangements have to be made.**

Outside Competitive Point Program, OHA, and others

Photocopy of the horse's registration papers and of the exhibitor and/or owner's current membership card must be given to the show secretary to have on file. Ask the show manager, Sweeten, and/or the show secretary, Agnes Wilson, to sign the forms. Join OHA and get your horse signed up for competitive points and its ROM. Website for OHA is www.oregonhorsemen.com for membership, rules, and award sign-ups.

OPHC is honored by Appaloosa Horse Club and the American Paint Horse Association for outside points.

Show Job Descriptions Copied from OHA Guidebook Section II, page 4 and 5

Show Manager: The manager is the person in charge, enforcing all rules referring to the competition and is able to dismiss any exhibitor prior to or during judging. He/She must be present on the competition grounds for the duration of the competition. At all times the competition manager must extend every effort to ensure a smooth running and organized event by designating and assigning personnel. All disputes will be handled by the OHA show steward who has to be present, and secondly the club president of OPHC. If the club president is unavailable Vice President will fill in for the President.

Show/Competition Secretary: The Secretary accurately maintains and records entries and competition results, verifies exhibitor and equine eligibility, submits competition results to the OHA point secretary, and is responsible for entry fees to OHA. The competition secretary or designee signs the OHA points sheets for exhibitors and PAC form. Responsible to make the show master list showing the show name, date, equine's registered name, owner's name as shown on the equine's breed registration papers, and exhibitor's name(s) showing at this show. Responsible to make the gate cards/sheet with class titles and entire class entries included on each. Responsible that a copy of the judge's cards be photocopied with gate card and mailed to OHA points chairman and ROM points chairperson. A copy of the show premium is to be included in the packet mailed to the competitive points OHA chairperson and the ROM points chairperson.

In Gate Manager: The person in charge of the in-gate to the arena. Responsible for keeping the classes moving into the arena in a timely manner while opening and closing gates. The in-gate calls reminders to the exhibitors which are given by the announcer on the PA system. Gate manager assembles the next class, checks off the exhibitors as they enter the arena, and records any last minute entries or cancellations for the show secretary. The in-gate manager is responsible for any timed gate holds. In-gate manager may line up the next class along the wall when the previous class is lined up before it leaves arena to speed up classes.

Out Gate Manager: This individual is responsible for keeping the classes moving in a timely fashion out of the arena. The person gives each exhibitor his placement ribbon.

Ring Steward: Person is the judge's helper putting out cones, helping set up course or putting it back in order, getting drinks, getting chair, instructing exhibitors of judge's wishes, waits with judge for class placements, and walks the judge's placement card to the announcer for reading off placings.

Show Steward: A steward should always be available to judges, exhibitors, and management to clarify OHA rules and to investigate any situation where OHA rules are not upheld. The steward should point out violations before a protest. A steward refers to the OHA Handbook at competitions. A; OHA approved competitions/events must have an OHA steward to interpret, clarify and arbitrate competition rules. A steward must furnish a detailed written report within 10 days after completion of the competition/event. This report includes offenses or violations of rules by the competition, or any exhibitors or acts requiring investigation, referrals, or future problems.