

## APHA WORLD SHOW QUALIFYING RULES

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The APHA Executive Committee approved the APHA World Show qualifying proposal--announced June 4 at APHA Workshop.

Horse qualification is by participation beginning in 2011, and the first World Shows with qualified entries will be in 2012.

The following is more information about the rule.

1. All horses (Regular Registry and Solid Paint-Bred) must qualify to participate at the World Championship Paint Horse Shows. In order to qualify to compete at each World Show, all horses must compete at four (4) different APHA-approved show events, with a minimum of eight (8) judges total during the qualifying period. All horses may be shown in any state to qualify--participation is the key.

Example: A two (2) day one-judge show held Saturday and Sunday may not be counted as two (2) shows--it is considered one show event. A four (4) judge POR may not be counted as four (4) shows--it is considered one show event. However, in both cases, the number of judges may be counted toward the minimum judge requirement.

2. Qualification period:

- a. Summer World Show--qualifying period is from April 1 - March 31 of the World Show year.
- b. Fall World Show--qualifying period is from August 1-July 31 of the World Show year.

3. Horses will show in their appropriate age division at the World Shows, regardless of the qualifying division. The World Shows will not count towards qualification.

4. All owners must be APHA members at the time of the show in order for that show to count towards the show requirement for qualification.

5. All horses must qualify by participating in the required number of APHA-approved show events under the required minimum number of judges. Horses are not required to qualify in specific events in any division. Any qualified horse may be shown in any class at the World Show in any division in which they are eligible.

6. Exhibitors are not required to qualify. Any exhibitor may show any

qualified horse in any class at the World Show in any division in which they are eligible.

7. Horses being shown only in the following classes are not required to qualify due to time constraints and age of horse.

- Weanling halter
- Yearling halter
- Yearling Longe Line and Yearling In-Hand Trail
- Two-year-old performance classes
- Three-year-old performance classes

Additional exemptions will be determined by each zone--each zone coordinating committee will submit a list of classes that are not offered during the qualifying year in their zone, thereby exempting horses from being required to qualify in those classes. Exemption will be granted to horses whose owners reside in that zone only in the classes that were declared by the zone coordinating committee. If you are qualified by exemption, the horse must be entered in that class to be eligible to compete at the world show.

Example: Roping, cutting, over fences, etc in certain areas.

8. Geldings that were qualified as a stallion must be exhibited in the gelding classes.

9. At no time will the number of points or lack thereof be considered for qualification. Participation at APHA-approved shows is the only basis for qualification.

10. Specialty classes (including Youth Leadline, Parents Western Pleasure, challenges, sweepstakes, slots and futurity classes do not require horse qualification to enter; although if regular classes are also to be entered, then the horse must qualify.

If you have questions, contact Performance at (817) 222-8455 or ext. 773.