

**REGION VI CALIFORNIA STATE HORSEMEN'S ASSOCIATION  
2010 ENGLISH/WESTERN/HALTER  
HIGH POINT PROGRAM RULES**

**SECTION I. INTRODUCTION**

- A. The Region VI High Point program is sponsored by the Region VI Board of directors on Behalf of the California State Horseman's Association and residents living within or near the area of Region VI. Region VI is made up of the following counties; Santa Clara, San Mateo, San Francisco and selected sections of Santa Cruz. The purpose of the program is to encourage participation in equestrian activities, to develop horse mastership, Sportsmanship and to establish the Regional Champions for the horse show season for the current horse show season of the current year.
- B. The program consists of contestants entered in several categories. Each category will establish the top ten contestants as Regional Champions and will be honored at a Year-End Awards Banquet. The top ten overall riders in each age break (not division) will be eligible to compete at the State Show of Champions held in October. Should one of the top ten choose not to or are unable to compete, the next highest rider will be able compete.
- C. Competition begins with the first Region VI approved show held and ends with the last Region VI approved show. The schedule will be posted on the web site and handed out with all program packets. Competitors are then eligible to compete in the State Show of Champions and represent their Region as a Champion as well as a team competitor as long as all Program requirements are met.
- D. The program is administered by a High Point Chairperson and committee under the direction of the Region VI President. The duties of the Chairperson shall be as follows:  
Enlist participants in the program and communicate with the State chairperson on all issues regarding the program .  
Approve show dates and classes.  
Compile point standings of contestants for publication in the Region VI newsletter & Website.  
Report to the Region VI Board of Directors at the meetings scheduled (listed on Website)  
Prepare a budget for the Region VI High Point and organize fund raising activities to support the program.

**SECTION II. CONTESTANTS**

- A. Any person living in the Region VI area or any person with an approved transfer to Region VI may enter the program, compete and earn points. Program participants must be current CSHA members to be eligible to compete in the High Point program and/or State Championship show. CSHA member is defined as any individual, junior, senior, life commercial or family member of CSHA, or a member of a CSHA member club in good standings. All Program participants registered in the Western or English A/A division **MUST** qualify for amateur status according to CSHA rules. By holding a current qualified Amateur Card in a breed association or in CSHA.
- B. Horses that are registered in the Halter Division must be shown by the handler that they are signed up with in order for points to count. Horses may be shown in both A/A and Open.
- C. Rider registration is as follows:  
Any junior, Amateur or Professional rider, who is a Region VI member, may compete in this program by submitting an application and appropriate fees to their Region VI High Point Chairperson.  
The Region determines fees.  
Riders who have not reached their 18<sup>th</sup> Birthday by December 1, 2009 will be entered as junior riders and riders 18 years and older will be entered as Amateur Adults (with proof of Amateur standing)
- D. Registration in a category is by **HORSE AND RIDER/HANDLER COMBINATION.**  
Such combination is defined as one horse and rider/handler per category, with no substitutions.

Lead line and Walk/Jog 10 & under Equitation, are exempt.

- E. Participants must be registered in their Region High Point Program to receive points and compete for Year-End Awards. There is an entry fee of \$20.00 for each division except the overall division that is \$25.00. Applications received that are incorrect or incomplete, will be returned to the contestant and must be returned to the chairperson, corrected within 14 day's to count for any points that are accrued from the first application. Points will be retroactive for registrations received within 30 day's after Region VI approved show or by second scheduled approved show, which ever comes first. After the 30 day grace period, points earned on the day of a show will Only count if the High Point Chairperson also received the rider's registration on that day or within (7) day's after the show.

Each contestant will be required to obtain a minimum of (1) \$30.00 sponsor for each High Point category they are participating in. In the case of family participation where one member more than satisfies his or her requirements, the remaining sponsorship may be used by another member of the same family.

- F. Any contestant who issues a bad check shall forfeit any and all points and all rights in the High Point Program. Show management shall notify the High Point Chairperson of any bad checks received as soon as possible. If restitution is not made to show management within 30 days, the contestants name will be published in the Region VI newsletter and the contestant shall be barred from further participation in Region VI approved shows. In accordance with California Civil Code, damages may be recovered not to exceed three times the amount of the check or \$1,500.00. If restitution is made within 30 days, it shall be in the amount of the check plus a \$30.00 bank fee.

### SECTION III. GENERAL AND SPECIAL RULES

It is the responsibility of the exhibitor/participants to know and understand the rules under which they show. **KNOW YOUR REGION SHOW RULES!!!** Read the Region rules and show premium thoroughly. Keep your rules close at hand.

Cross entry is not permitted between Junior Age breaks divisions where the horse is being judged. Cross entry is allowed between Amateur Adult and Junior Age breaks in each class.

No points will be awarded for any restrictive ( CSHA, USA Equestrian, PQHA, etc.) or Medal class. No championship classes will count for the Region VI high Point Program.

The State High Point program has created a Medal Class for Region VI program participants. See the CSHA Bylaws, revised November 2001.

Open classes count only if the participant is signed up for the Open division in the Region VI High Point Program. Program participants can compete for Year-End Awards in their age break division and Open division. They may also compete in both divisions at the Show of Champions as long as all double fees are paid and they have qualified for each division at the Region level.

Juniors will not exhibit Stallions.

Program participants must attend a **MINIMUM of (3) REGION VI APPROVED SHOWS and PROGRAM PARTICIPANT/OWNER TO ATTEND (3) REGION VI MEETINGS,**

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students with hardship may have a parent attend meetings to be eligible for Year-End High Point Awards. The attendance at the meeting will require the handler/rider to attend a minimum of (1) one meeting with the owner permitted to attend (2) two meetings to fulfill the (3) three meeting requirement. Should the owner be showing more than (1) one horse, the owners attendance would apply to all horses as if the owner attended a meeting for each horse separately. Participants are allowed to buy out either hours or meetings with one meeting required for \$200.00. If participant decides to buy out hours (6 required) they must do so 30 days prior to the last show.

Program placing will be determined by points earned in the top ten Region approved shows attended by the program participants.

There must be at least 2 contestants signed up in a category before that category can receive Year-End awards. If there are less than two registered in a category, that category may be cancelled or combined at the discretion of the Region VI Chairperson. If cancelled, the registration fee will be refunded.

Each participant (horse /rider combination) will be required to **WORK** (or find a substitute for themselves, the substitute if under the age of 13 years must be supervised by an adult), **A MINIMUM OF 6 HOURS SERVICE AT A REGION VI SHOW and /or a REGION VI SHOW RELATED ACTIVITY** in order to receive year-end awards.

It is the participants responsibility to sign the "Work Sheet" kept in the office on the day of the show. Should a participant perform authorized work for the show prior to or after the show, it is the participants responsibility to notify the English/Western Chairperson on the completion of requirement.

**ALL PARTICIPANTS ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE A HIGH POINT FORM WITH A SHOW PREMIUM TURNED IN TO THE POINTS PERSON WITH IN 10 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THE SHOW, IN ORDER FOR THE POINTS TO COUNT. NO EXCEPTIONS**  
( This form is to be signed by the show management and mailed or hand delivered to the points keeper. NO FAXES. Remember to submit a form whether or not you placed in the class, so that you receive credit for that show)

Region VI point calendar runs from October 1<sup>st</sup> through September 30<sup>th</sup> of every year. You must be signed up in the English/Western high point program in order to vote on any rule changes in the program. **(Rule changes must be made in September before the start of the calendar year NO Exceptions)**

#### **SECTION IV. AWARDS**

- A. A **suitable award** will be presented to the Champion and Reserve Champion of each high Point category listed below. No awards will be granted to any program participant without verification of sponsors obtained, required service performed at one of the Region VI sponsored shows and current CSHA membership. Awards must be picked up at the Region VI Year End Awards Banquet either by the participant or a person with written permission from the participant. Any awards not picked up at the banquet will be held for 30 days. During this time the participant must contact the program chairperson to arrange for receiving their awards. Those awards not claimed within 30 day time will be returned to the high point program for reuse or sale. The status of these awards will be announced at the next Region VI meeting and if any awards are to be sold, this will be published in the next Region Newsletter.

**Breaks for each category are as follows:**

**Walk/Jog - Trot 10 year's and Under**

**13 year's and Under**

**14 year's to 17 year's**

**18 year's to 34 year's ( Adult Amateur - Amateur Card required)**

**35 year's and Over ( Adult Amateur - Amateur Card required)**

**Open**

- A. **High Point Categories.** Youth/A/A and Open.

#### **HALTER**

- a. Weanling
- b. 2yrs & under
- c. Junior Horse
- d. Senior Horse
- e. Color Horse
- f. Non- Color Horse

- g. Stock Horse
- h. Non- Stock Horse
- i. Model Hunter

**WESTERN** per Age Break and Open ( Participants may cross enter in Age Break and Open)

- a. Pleasure
- b. Equitation
- c. Trail
- d. Showmanship
- e. Horsemanship
- f. Overall

**LEADLINE**

- a. Equitation
- b. Pleasure
- c. Trail
- d. Overall

**REINING**

- 17 year's and Under
- 18 year's and Older ( Amateur Adult)
- Open
- Overall

**ENGLISH** per Age Break and Open

- a. Flat - Pleasure
- b. Flat - Equitation
- c. Over Fences ( Includes Hunter Hack)
- d. Overall

**REGION VI ONLY CATAGORIES**( Do not qualify for SOC)

**8 yr. & under walk only (English & Western)**

- A. Pleasure
- B. Equitation
- C. Trail

**Walk/Jog Youth-A/A & Walk/Trot Youth-A/A**

- A. Pleasure
- B. Equitation
- C. Overall

**Walk/Jog Open & Walk/Trot Open**

- A. Pleasure
- B. Equitation
- C. Overall

In the event of a tie, the best placing record in horse/rider combination for the top ten approved shows shall break ties. If a tie still exists, the most 1<sup>st</sup> place finishes will determine the winner and this continue until one participant has more placing then the other.

**SECTION V. POINTS**

- A. Points are tabulated as follows for Region VI High Point awards. NO points will be used for classes that are not formally judged.

**English/ Western/ Reining Classes:**

<b>Number of Contestants in a class</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>6<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>					
<b>2 - 9</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>10-14</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>15 - 19</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>20 - 24</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>25 - Over</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>

**Halter Classes:**

Halter classes require a minimum of one in a class, as these are conformation classes

<b>Number of Contestants in a class</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>6<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>1 - 9</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>
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<b>25 &amp; Over</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>

Classes which are tied and settled by lot, will receive points for the highest tied position. The contestant AND the show management should inform the High Point Chairperson of such ties.

Points for Year End awards will be tabulated by counting the top ten Region VI approved shows.

If there is a discrepancy in the Region VI points as stated in the Region VI publication, contestants must file a discrepancy report within 10 days with the High Point Chairperson. Discrepancy reports must be submitted within 10 days after publication of final points or all points will stand as published. No consideration will be given to discrepancies after the Year End Awards are presented.

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