

Region 6 Gymkhana High Point Program

The purpose of the Gymkhana High Point Program is to give riders an opportunity to compete for annual championships while promoting good horsemanship and sportsmanship. The Region 6 program is open to riders of any age, discipline, and riding ability, with any horse, and is a great family activity.

The Region 6 Gymkhana High Point Program is open to any rider, as identified by C.S.H.A. rules, residing within Region 6 boundaries.

Gymkhana shows, events, and combination ratings will be conducted in accordance with the C.S.H.A. State Gymkhana Program. The program year is October 1st through September 30th of the following year.

Rider Registration

1. Riders may register by sending an individual registration with the appropriate fee to the Region Gymkhana High Point Chairman.
 - A. Registration fee is \$20.00 per horse and rider combination.
 - B. Rider must be a member in good standing of a CSHA affiliated club or a direct member of CSHA. Membership will be verified by the Region Chair.
2. Riders may register and compete with more than one horse.
3. Riders may share the same horse, but must register separately.
4. Shows will only count for the High Point Program after all fees have been paid. Fees must be paid before the show starts in order for that show to count.
5. All registered riders must sign a document stating they have read and agree with Region 6 Rules and award qualifications.

Region Qualifications

1. Riders must ride in one (1) more than half of the Region 6 Approved Point show, turning in a minimum \$20.00 sponsorship,
 - A. Riders must ride in all of the four rated events or the times from that show will not be used (with the exception of horses that are injured during the show and approved by a judge).
2. Only Registered Region 6 riders may participate for the year end awards.
3. Times from Region 6 sanctioned shows hosted by other regions will count toward the required number of shows.
4. In the event a club separates division 7 by Jr. /Sr., Region will count it as 7 only.
5. Region 6 riders must first qualify for Region before they can qualify for the Show of Champions. C.S.H.A. requirements must then be met for top ten positions at S.O.C.
6. At the start of the last show, (if you ride or not) which ever division you are placed in at that time is the division you will get your Year End Award in.
7. Judge must be respected at all times.
8. Any abuse to horse or rider, in or out of the arena, may result in disqualification from the high point program.
9. All registered riders are required to participate in any Region 6 Gymkhana fundraisers.
10. Should a situation arise that is not covered in the rules, the Gymkhana Committee will vote on a final outcome, as in a protest situation. All Gymkhana Committee decisions are final.
11. Sponsorship are due by July 1 with not exceptions.
12. If a rider does not meet the show requirements, or turn in a minimum sponsor donation, the combination will not be eligible for year end awards or to compete at the Show of Champions.

Replacement Horse Rules

1. A replacement horse may be used if a horse becomes injured or sick and is unable to finish the season.

A. If a horse dies or is disabled during the season, a rider may re-register with a new horse for no additional fee. Written verification from a vet may be required.

2. If Region qualifications can be met by combining the shows of the original horse and the replacement horse, and the replacement horse competes in 5 shows and is rated according to C.S.H.A. rules, the replacement horse may be ridden in it's division at the Show of Champions.

3. If Region qualifications can be met by combining the shows of the original horse and the replacement horse, and the replacement horse cannot meet the 5 show requirement set by C.S.H.A., then the replacement horse may only be ridden in the Open Division at the Show of Champions.

4. A rider can still receive a Year End Award if a replacement horse is needed.

A. If the rider has met the Region show requirements on the original horse, the Year End Award will be given for that horse, and not for the replacement horse.

B. If the rider has not met the requirements on the original horse, but can meet the Region show requirements on the replacement horse, at the time of the replacement registration, then the rider will not receive an award on the original horse, and can receive an award for the replacement horse, but must still complete the Region show requirements.

C. If the requirements cannot be met on either horse at the time of replacement registration, but the qualifications are met by combining the shows of the original horse and the replacement horse, then the rider will be awarded on the replacement horse, with times from the replacement horse ONLY. Times will not be transferred from the original horse.

Year End Point Calculations

1. At the end of the season, every combination's best 5 times for each of the rating events will be determined.

A. Only rated events will be used to calculate the top five.

B. Times used will include any penalties assessed.

C. All non-registered and non-qualifying riders will be omitted before scores are tallied.

2. These times will then be placed against the top 5 times of all qualifying combinations in that division and points will be awarded and tallied. Each time for each combination will be placed 1st through 9th in that division and points will be awarded for those placings as follows:

1st - 10, 2nd - 8, 3rd - 7, 4th - 6, 5th - 5, 6th - 4, 7th - 3, 8th - 2, 9th - 1 pt.

For example, the fastest time from each rider per division, will be placed against the fastest times of all the other riders in that division, and points will be awarded. Then, the second fastest times will be compared and placed, on down to the 5th fastest times for each of the rated events.

3. If a division is completed with only one rider, the high point rule of 80% 1st, 70% 2nd will apply.

4. The combinations who then place in the top 10 will be qualified to ride in their divisions in the State Show of Champions. If for some reason a combination decides not to go to the SOC, the next combination (who placed 11th), will be allowed to go in their place (and down the line, until the division is filled, or all riders are placed).

5. All combinations who are rated and do not place in the top 10 may still go to the SOC, but must ride in the Open division.

Year End High Point Awards

1. Awards will be given for 1st-6th places, The Region Chair may decide to give additional awards if finances allow.

2. Awards will be given at the annual awards dinner. All riders are expected to help support the awards program.

3. Any returned checks may result in loss of awards if not taken care of in a timely manner.

Show Approvals

1. The registration fee for Region 6 approved Gymkhanas is \$25.00 per show.
2. Each club may hold more than one show per year, but they must have chairman approval. Only one approved Gymkhana can be held on any given day within the Region, and no shows may be held on the same day as a Quarterly meeting.
3. Any club or individual requesting show approval must submit the proper form along with the fee to the region chairman at least 30 days before the show is to be held. A copy of the entry form should accompany the registration form, with the classes to be held and the judge listed.
 - A. If the form is late a \$25.00 penalty fine will be assessed. If the form is not received within 30 days prior to the show date, the show may not receive Region approval.
4. In a show where not all events are Region approved, the 4 rating events must be offered to receive approval from the Region.

A. The following are Region 6 approved events:

Birangle* Skill Barrels* Big T* Cloverleaf Barrels Table 1* (Rating events)

Single Stake, Scramble Barrels, Figure 8, Figure 8 flags, Quadrangle, Speed barrels, Pole Bending 1, Pole Bending II, Hurry Scurry, Keyhole

Show Management Information

1. All Region 6 approved Gymkhana Shows must run in accordance with C.S.H.A. Rules.
2. It is the responsibility of the show manager to know and follow the Region and State Rules.
3. Show management must send a notification of the show to each name on the Region's Registered Rider's list. The notification must also be mailed to the State Gymkhana Chairman, State Rating Secretary, and the show's judge.
4. The notification must be postmarked no later than fifteen (15) days prior to the show date.
5. Notification must include the show date, time, place, events, divisions, all fees, and rain date, if any, and must have "C.S.H.A. Region 6 Approved Gymkhana" printed on the notification. The amount of the State Rating Fee must be shown separately.
6. A fine of \$25.00 will be assessed for each infraction of the State rules noted in rules #3-5 above. These rules are designed to give every rider an equal opportunity to compete and will be strictly enforced.
6. Show management shall remit to the Region Gymkhana Chairman a fee of \$5.00 for each rider participating in a Region approved Gymkhana. \$3.00 of this fee is used to help defray the costs of the high point program and awards. \$2.00 of this fee is sent to C.S.H.A. for rating purposes.
7. All Region 6 Approved shows must use a licenced C.S.H.A. judge in good standing as required by the C.S.H.A. State Gymkhana Program.
8. Show management must offer standard division breaks, but may elect to offer further breaks, such as Open Junior and Senior, or Leadline, as the show management sees fit. There will be no combining of divisions. A single combination must ride against the clock as in the C.S.H.A. rules.
9. Show management must use the official time sheet given by the Region Chairman and approved by C.S.H.A.
10. The manager of the show must turn in a legible copy of the time sheets and the appropriate region fees immediately following the end of the show.
 - A. Use dark pencils ONLY. Markings must be dark enough to fax and photo copy.
 - B. Do not fold/wrinkle, smudge, or make any excessive marks on the time sheets.
 - C. The club will receive a warning upon the first infraction if the time sheets are not dark enough. Upon the second infraction the club will be charged \$5.00 per page that must be darkened by the Region chairman. Upon the third, and any further, infraction the club will be charged \$10 per page.