



# Golden West Region VII Council

AMERICAN MORGAN HORSE ASSOCIATION, Inc.

## GOLDEN WEST REGION VII CLASS "A" COMPETITION HIGH POINT RULES (Revised 1999)

**TO BE ELIGIBLE TO COMPETE FOR REGION VII HIGH POINT AWARDS,  
YOU MUST BE A MEMBER OF A GOLDEN WEST REGION VII MEMBER CLUB.**

### A. CLASSES TO COUNT FOR G.W.R.VII HIGH POINT COMPETITION

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| 1. Showmanship 13 & Under                                    | 31. Reining Open                          |
| 2. Showmanship 14 - 17                                       | 32. Trail Open                            |
| 3. English Equitation 13 & Under                             | 33. Western Pleasure Amateur 18 & Over    |
| 4. English Equitation 14 - 17                                | 34. Western Pleasure Junior Horse         |
| 5. Western Equitation 13 & Under                             | 35. Western Pleasure Open                 |
| 6. Western Equitation 14 - 17                                | 36. English Pleasure Amateur 18 & Over    |
| 7. Hunt Seat Equitation 13 & Under                           | 37. English Pleasure Junior Horse         |
| 8. Hunt Seat Equitation 14 - 17                              | 38. English Pleasure Open                 |
| 9. English Pleasure 13 & Under                               | 39. Pleasure Driving Amateur 18 & Over    |
| 10. English Pleasure 14 - 17                                 | 40. Pleasure Driving Junior Horse         |
| 11. Western Pleasure 13 & Under                              | 41. Pleasure Driving 2-Year-Olds          |
| 12. Western Pleasure 14 - 17                                 | 42. Pleasure Driving Open                 |
| 13. Pleasure Driving 13 & Under                              | 43. Park Saddle Junior Horse              |
| 14. Pleasure Driving 14 - 17                                 | 44. Park Harness Junior Horse             |
| 15. Hunt Seat Pleasure 13 & Under                            | 45. Park Saddle Amateur 18 & Over         |
| 16. Hunt Seat Pleasure 14 - 17                               | 46. Park Harness Amateur 18 & Over        |
| 17. Park Harness 17 & Under                                  | 47. Park Saddle Open                      |
| 18. Park Saddle 17 & Under                                   | 48. Park Harness Open                     |
| 19. Hunt Seat Pleasure Amateur 18 & Over                     | 49. Get of Sire                           |
| 20. Hunt Seat Pleasure Junior Horse                          | 50. Produce of Dam                        |
| 21. Hunt Seat Pleasure Open                                  | 51. Geldings in Hand                      |
| 22. Hunter/Jumper Over Fences (not to include Medal classes) | 52. Junior Mares in Hand                  |
| 23. Dressage Driving   | 53. Senior Mares in Hand                  |
| 24. Dressage Training Level                                  | 54. Junior Stallions in Hand              |
| 25. Dressage 1st Level & Above                               | 55. Senior Stallions in Hand              |
| 26. Carriage Open  | 56. Classic Pleasure Driving Open         |
| 27. Roadster Under Saddle Open                               | 57. Classic Pleasure Saddle Open          |
| 28. Roadster to Bike Open                                    | 58. Classic Pleasure Driving Junior Horse |
| 29. Roadster Saddle/Bike Amateur                             | 59. Classic Pleasure Saddle Junior Horse  |
| 30. Reining Amateur/Non Pro                                  | 60. WALK-TROT PLEASURE 11+U               |
|  | 61. WALK-TROT EG 11+U                     |

**ALL OF THE ABOVE LISTED CLASSES SHALL BE SUBJECT TO  
FULFILLING THE REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN PARAGRAPH I.  
OF THESE HIGH POINT RULES.**

**B. POINTS SUBMITTED FOR HIGH POINT AWARDS**

It is the responsibility of the Show Secretary of the sponsoring Club to submit a marked program showing the actual number of horses shown and their placings in classes which are to count for Regional points to the Points Chairman, postmarked within 30 days of the conclusion of the show. THIS RULE WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED. NO LATE POINTS WILL BE ACCEPTED. Only results in classes which count for Golden West Region VII ("G.W.R.VII") High Point awards must be submitted. The results must include the following:

1. Class listing;
2. Number of horses actually shown in each class;
3. Full name and registration number of each horse;
4. Full name of each owner/lessee (not just the Farm name);
5. Full name of each exhibitor;
6. Class placings of horses or riders;
7. Junior exhibitors' names and birthdates.

**C. HALTER SPECIFICATIONS**

1. **Junior Mares:** Points will be calculated from classes for mares two years of age and under. Where applicable, Junior and Reserve Junior Champion and Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion will be used as set forth in item No. 6 below.
2. **Junior Stallions:** Same as Junior Mares.
3. **Geldings:** Points will be calculated from classes for Geldings any age. Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Gelding points will be used as set forth in item No. 6 below.
4. **Mares:** Points will be calculated from classes for Mares 3 years of age and over. Senior and reserve Senior Champion and Grand and Reserve Grand Champion will be used as set forth in item No. 6 below.
5. **Stallions:** Same as Mares.
6. **Halter Champion:** Points for these classes will be calculated on a percentage basis. The number of horses shown in classes for horses 2 years of age and under will determine how many points will be given to the Junior Champion and Reserve Junior Champion. The number of horses shown in classes for horses 3 years of age and older will determine how many points will be given to the Senior Champion and Reserve Senior Champion.

**Example:** Junior Champion points calculated from:

Weanlings:	6 shown
Yearlings:	9 shown
2 Year Olds:	10 shown
Total Shown:	25

Junior Champion points and senior Champion points are 10% of the total shown. Reserve Junior and Senior Champion points are 5% of the total shown. The total number of horses shown in the Stallion, Mare, or Gelding division will determine the Grand Champion points. Grand Champion points are 30% of the total shown; Reserve Grand Champion points are 20% of the total shown.

Grand Champion:	30%	Reserve Senior Champion:	5%
Reserve Grand Champion:	20%	Junior Champion:	10%
Senior Champion:	10%	Reserve Junior Champion:	5%

#### D. PERFORMANCE CLASSES

CALCULATED ON AMOUNT OF HORSES IN EACH CLASS

1. Open/Championship Classes: When a Championship class is offered, points will be calculated from both the Championship class and the Open class. The Open class may be Open/Stake.
2. Junior Horse Classes: Class shall be open to horses 4 years of age and under and shall be titled "Junior Horse".
3. Amateur: Class may be a Stake class. It is limited to Amateurs 18 years of age and older.
4. Trail: Points will be calculated from open classes which state Western; Western/English; English.
5. Carriage: All Carriage Open classes will be calculated for points except those with restrictions such as "obstacles". Each horse in multiple hitches receives separate points.
6. Junior Exhibitor Park Saddle, Park Harness, Roadster Under Saddle, Roadster to Bike: These classes shall be as stated, except in the event that any of these classes do not fill at a G.W.R.VII approved show, the Show Management may exercise the option of allowing Junior Exhibitors to participate in Amateur classes, only in those shows where Junior Exhibitor classes are offered but do not fill. The points earned by the Junior Exhibitor in the Amateur class will be recognized for the Junior Exhibitor's year end awards.
7. All other performance classes shall be as stated in order to count for G.W.R.VII High Point Awards. These classes may be Stake classes. If a Junior Exhibitor class is designated as "17 & Under", all participants will be credited with the points earned.
8. If in any year there are less than five (5) qualified entries in any 13 & Under Junior Exhibitor Division or in any 14-17 Junior Exhibitor Division, that Division may be combined and awarded as a 17 & Under Division, only for the year in which there are not sufficient qualified entries to award the Division as 13 & Under and 14-17.

#### E. OVERALL JUNIOR EXHIBITOR HIGH POINT

There will be one award made to the 13 & Under Junior Exhibitor and one award made to the 14-17 Junior Exhibitor who accumulates the most points in G.W.R.VII approved Junior Exhibitor classes at G.W.R.VII approved horse shows.

#### F. TOTAL POINTS

The four shows in which each horse has accumulated the most points will be totalled. Year end total points for each horse will be used from these shows. Horses may compete in more than one division, and each division will be scored separately. Ties may be broken in any division, at the discretion of the High Point Chairperson, by awarding 1/2 point to each qualified entry for each G.W.R.VII approved show in which the entry competes.

#### G. ELIGIBLE CLASSES

Points will be given only for classes in each specific division as set forth in Paragraph A of these High Point Rules.

#### H. POINTS

Points will be given in the name of the horse in all divisions except Equitation. In these classes the award will be given in the name of the exhibitor. Points for the Carriage division will be awarded in the name of the Owner.

#### I. DELETION OF DIVISION

If in any year there are less than five (5) qualified entries in any division as set forth in Item A of these High Point Rules, OR there are less than three (3) G.W.R.VII approved shows that offer a class in any division, a high point award will not be given in that division ONLY in the year in which there are not five qualified entries or three shows offering qualifying classes.

**J. REMOVAL FROM HIGH POINT COMPETITION**

In the event an owner wishes to opt out of the high point competition, such owner must notify the High Point Chairman in writing prior to the first G.W.R.VII approved show of the season. The only exception will be in case of injury or illness to the horse during the show season, in which case the owner may opt out with a veterinarian's statement declaring that the horse cannot compete for the remainder of the G.W.R.VII show season, and once opted out, the horse remains ineligible to compete for G.W.R.VII high point awards for the remainder of that show season.

**K. MEMBERSHIP LIST AND CLUB AFFILIATION**

As soon as each club has established their membership list for the year, AND IN NO EVENT LATER THAN APRIL 1, a copy shall be mailed to the High Point Chairman. An UPDATED list must be sent to the High Point Chairman, postmarked no later than September 1. Both lists shall include all Junior Members. If this provision is not fulfilled, the High Point Chairman has no record of whether an owner or exhibitor is a member of an affiliated club, and points will not count. THIS IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH CLUB. It is also the responsibility of each club to include on their horse show entry form a blank for each exhibitor or owner to complete declaring their club affiliation. If the owner or exhibitor fails to complete this declaration, their placings will not count for high point awards. At the August G.W.R.VII Council Meeting in Santa Barbara, the High Point Chairman will report as to what clubs have not sent in their membership lists.

**L. JUNIOR POINTS**

Junior Exhibitors must be a member of an affiliate club through either a Family or a junior Membership. If a club does not offer a Junior Membership, the Junior must still be a member of the club. A compiled list of each Junior Member, and each Junior Member's birth date, must accompany the Club's Membership List in order for their points to count.

**M. ELIGIBLE HORSES**

1. Horses must be registered by AMHA or be eligible for registration in order to compete for G.W.R.VII High Point Awards. A lease recorded with AMHA will be recognized as ownership. Owners must be a member of at least one Regionally recognized Club and be domiciled within Region VII.

2. If an owner, or a trainer or agent incurs a debt with the G.W.R.VII Council and fails to settle the debt after request therefor has been made, the G.W.R.VII Council will send, by certified mail, a Final Request demanding payment of the outstanding bill. If, within 14 days after receipt of this Final Request the bill remains unpaid, all horses that have been or are being shown by said owner, trainer, or agent will be ineligible for G.W.R.VII High Point Awards until the debt is satisfied. All owners, trainer's clients, and agents associated with the training stable or farm in which a debt or debts are incurred with the G.W.R.VII Council will be notified by certified mail of the outstanding obligation(s). No points will be calculated during the period the debt remains outstanding.

The same eligibility criteria applies to debt(s) with member clubs of the G.W.R.VII Council. For example, if an owner, or a trainer or agent incurs a debt with a member club and the club follows the notification procedures above, those individuals' horses will not be eligible for G.W.R.VII High Point Awards until the debt is settled with the member club. It will be the duty of the member club to notify the G.W.R.VII Council President in writing of the debt(s) and clearing of the debt(s).

**N. AUDIT COMMITTEE**

The President of the G.W.R.VII Council shall appoint an Audit Committee at the August Council Meeting. This Audit Committee shall consist of two or more persons who shall audit the High Point Chairman's points on or before November 1 and report the results of their audit at the November Council Meeting.

**O. TO BE APPROVED FOR G.W.R.VII HIGH POINTS, A SHOW MUST:**

1. Have an AHSA "A" rating.  
2. Make application for show date approval to the G.W.R.VII Council no later than the November Council Meeting of the year prior to the show. An official Application Fee of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) for Club Sponsored shows and Seventy-Five Dollars (\$75.00) for non-Club sponsored shows, shall accompany the application and be submitted to the G.W.R.VII Council Vice President.

Each Club requesting G.W.R.VII High Point Approval will be required to submit their Annual Membership Dues in the amount of Fifty-Five Dollars (\$55.00) along with the Application. Unless the Membership Dues are paid, the show will not be granted G.W.R.VII Approval.

3. Send to each G.W.R.VII Club President and the G.W.R.VII High Point chairman a copy of the prize list at least 30 days prior to entry of closing date.

4. Submit show results to the High Point Chairman in accordance with Item B of these High Point Rules.

5. Within 30 days of the completion of the G.W.R.VII approved show remit to the G.W.R.VII Council Treasurer a sum equal to TWO DOLLARS (\$2.00) for each Morgan entered at the show. Non-payment of the fee automatically bars the show from consideration for approval for the next year, and credit for points for the current year. The Show Secretary is responsible for remitting these funds to the G.W.R.VII Council Treasurer. The Show Secretary is also responsible for notifying all G.W.R.VII Clubs after 15 days of completion of the show and no later than 60 days after the completion of the show, of any G.W.R.VII exhibitor who is delinquent in payment of show expenses and any other uncollectible debts.

6. Include with the Application the following:

a. Name of sponsoring Club, if any; name, address, and telephone number of show chairman; club's business address, and telephone number of the show.

b. Show dates requested.

c. Proposed prize list.

d. Copy of AHSA approval letter.

e. Statement of conformance to G.W.R.VII High Point Rules.

f. The Application fee pursuant to No. 2, above.

g. If Club sponsored, the Club Annual Membership Dues of fifty-five dollars (\$55.00).

7. Comply with the following regarding the show date: Every G.W.R.VII approved show shall be separated by at least 250 miles or 2 weeks. In the event two shows apply for dates that would conflict with the above requirement, the club that has precedence shall be given approval. In the event two shows apply for dates that would conflict with the above requirement and neither has precedence, the earliest postmark on the application will determine which show is granted approval.

8. Pay all fees due and owing to the G.W.R.VII Council before seeking High Point approval. No applications for G.W.R.VII High Point shows will be considered if there is a delinquent show debt owing to the G.W.R.VII Council by that Applicant.

**PLEASE FAMILIARIZE YOURSELF WITH THESE RULES.**

**THEY WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED.**

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO PRESS  
50 EAST LAKE STREET  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60607  
TEL: 773-709-3000  
WWW.UCHICAGO.PRESS.COM

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO PRESS  
50 EAST LAKE STREET  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60607  
TEL: 773-709-3000  
WWW.UCHICAGO.PRESS.COM

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO PRESS  
50 EAST LAKE STREET  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60607  
TEL: 773-709-3000  
WWW.UCHICAGO.PRESS.COM

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO PRESS

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO PRESS