



## **Open Show & Competition Program – 2009 Rules & Regulations (2010 update pending vote/approval)**

In Hand Division	To comprise any class where the horse is shown in hand (halter, showmanship, trail or longeline).
English Division	To comprise all flat classes where the horse is shown in an English saddle.
Western Division	To comprise any western pleasure, western horsemanship, or any trail class where the horse is shown in a Western saddle.
Performance Division	To comprise any reining, western riding, cattle, barrels, roping, working hunter/jumper, hunter hack, games classes or other approved events.
Youth Division	To include any of the above classes where the exhibitor is 18 years of age and under.
Amateur Division	To include any of the above classes where the exhibitor is 19 years of age and over who holds an Amateur card or is eligible to hold an Amateur card per APHA rules
Open Division	To include any of the above classes where the exhibitor is a Professional.

### **Rules and Regulations**

1. Shows eligible for point tabulation are any Open Horse Show attended by the Member (in B.C. or outside B.C.) between November 1, 2009 and October 15, 2010.
2. Placings earned at schooling shows are considered eligible for point tabulation (as long as the show host keeps records so that results can be verified). Points earned in All Breed/Open/B.C. Owner Handler/Futurities/Stakes classes at breed shows are also eligible.
3. Eligible shows must be governed by a published set of rules, i.e. Equine Canada or club rules. All shows must keep official records and must be able to verify placings and entries if requested.
4. All horses must be registered with the American Paint Horse Association in either the Regular or the Solid Paint-Bred Registry. Solid Paint-Bred Paint Horses are eligible for year-end awards in all categories of the Open Show & Competition Program.
5. The exhibitor in Categories 1 through 6 must be a current member of the B.C. Paint Horse Club. The exhibitor and owner in Category 7 must be current members of the B.C. Paint Horse Club. Only shows entered after the membership date will be counted.

### **Show Results**

1. Show Result Forms are available from the BCPHC website [www.bcphc.com]. If an exhibitor requires more forms, they can be photocopied or downloaded/printed as required.
2. Show results must be submitted to the Open Show & Competition Program pointskeeper within 30 days of the show date, with the exception of the September and October shows. All show results must be received by the pointskeeper by October 20th in order to be counted for year-end awards. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to ensure that the form is properly completed and forwarded to the pointskeeper.

### **Points**

1. The Point Tabulation Chart will be the same one currently in use by the B.C. Paint Horse Club for the BCPHC Year-End Awards.
2. The best three (3) shows in each Division will count towards the Open Show & Competition Program high-point awards.
3. Points are accumulated on a single horse/exhibitor combination in conjunction with Rules 4 and 5 above.
4. Show results filed with the Open Show & Competition Program pointskeeper are subject to random checks for authenticity.
5. The final ruling on questionable submissions will be decided by the Open Show & Competition Program committee.
6. Open Show & Competition award categories 1 through 6 are open to all Youth and Amateur exhibitors only. Category 7 is open to Professional exhibitors (persons who received remuneration of any kind for teaching or training in the horse industry).
7. Points earned in every class shown will be tabulated toward each category high-point.
8. A tie-breaker shall determine the sole high-point and reserve high-point in each category. The horse/exhibitor team declaring the most first placings, then the most second placings, etc. will receive the high-point.