

## **KPHA Year End Award Rules and Requirements--APPROVED 01.26.2023**

### **YEAR-END AWARDS, ALL DIVISIONS**

Current membership dues must be paid to KPHA in the same name as the registered owner of the horse and name of the exhibitor PRIOR to accumulating any current year-end award points. Points will follow a horse through transfer of ownership, provided the new owner is a member in good standing with KPHA. (For clarification: If KPHA membership is in a ranch name: any members of that ranch or individuals who would normally sign for the ranch are considered as owner and/or exhibitor for the purposes of KPHA award recognition).

#### **Individual Exhibitor Qualifications:**

To be eligible for a Kansas Paint Horse Association Year-End award, an exhibitor/horse must show to over one-half of the year's available judges for that class to count towards a class year-end award. This stipulation applies to each class year-end award.

Once an exhibitor/horse qualifies in one class in the division, KPHA directors will then count all other points the qualified exhibitor/horse earned in that division and apply all the non-qualified class points (if applicable) toward the High Point Award and Reserve High Point Award in the division.

All Breed, WT Youth, Youth (except Lead line), Novice Youth, Amateur, Novice Amateur and Amateur Walk/Trot class awards will be awarded on a same horse/rider basis

Paint Horse Congress does not count towards year-end awards.

#### **Halter classes, all divisions:**

Halter classes may be held with only one entry. However, classes may be combined if all participants agree. In halter classes, KPHA points shall be awarded regardless of the number of entries.

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### **YEAR END AWARDS, DIVISION SPECIFIC**

#### ***OPEN DIVISION***

#### ***Individual Class Awards:***

Current membership dues must be paid to KPHA in the same name as the registered owner of the horse and name of the exhibitor PRIOR to accumulating any current year-end award points. Points will follow a horse through transfer of ownership, provided the new owner is a member in good standing with KPHA.

## **YOUTH DIVISION**

### **Individual Class Awards:**

A horse exhibited in any Youth class does not have to be owned by the contestant showing the horse, however, in order to be eligible for the various APHA points, titles and awards sponsored by the APHA and for exhibiting at shows sponsored by the APHA (World Show), it must be owned by a family member as determined in the APHA Rule Book YP-015 Ownership. Points earned by individuals showing horses not owned as described in YP-015 will be recorded by the APHA and will count only for the purpose of determining Novice Youth eligibility.

1. The Youth division is broken down by age as follows: Lead Line (ages 3-8 yrs.); Walk-Trot Youth (ages 5-9 yrs.); Novice Youth (18 and under); and Youth (13 and under; and 18 and under). (Subject to committee recommendations and KPHA Board of Director's approval).

Current membership dues must be paid to KPHA in the same name as the registered owner of the horse PRIOR to accumulating any current year-end award points. No stand-alone youth memberships will be allowed. A youth membership must be accompanied by a family and/or ranch KPHA paid membership.

### **LEAD LINE (ages 3-8 yrs.)**

Lead Line participants are not required to use a horse owned by an immediate family member. Both exhibitor and horse owner, however, must be KPHA members in good standing. No points shall be recorded on such classes. Participation in these classes will be recognized, however.

### **YOUTH WALK-TROT, (ages 5-9 yrs.)**

Walk-Trot (ages 5-9) will follow the KPHA Youth Division rules and individuals will be awarded year-end individual class awards provided that classes meet the class eligibility requirements.

Youth Walk/Trot Classes offered as per 2023 APHA Rule Book YP 110 F:

*Walk-Trot Showmanship	*Walk-Trot Hunter under Saddle	*Walk-Trot Ranch Pleasure
*Walk-Trot Hunt Seat Equitation	*Walk-Trot Western Pleasure	*Walk-Trot Ranch Reining
*Walk-Trot Horsemanship	*Walk-Trot Trail	*Walk-Trot Ranch Trail

The Walk-Trot High Point award shall be given to the Walk-Trot exhibitor who has accumulated the greatest total number of KPHA Walk-Trot points on a same horse/youth rider basis in the classes offered. All approved Walk-Trot classes will count equally toward the award but no one particular class may be considered mandatory. High Point awards will be presented if all other class and individual eligibility requirements have been met.

## NOVICE YOUTH and YOUTH

All Youth, Novice Youth and Youth Walk-Trot exhibitors must present a copy of their current respective APHA membership card(s) to the show secretary prior to showing in their first class. A youth membership must be accompanied by a family and/or ranch KPHA paid membership.

All other rules and classes are the same for both Youth and Novice Youth. Both Novice Youth and Youth will follow the KPHA Youth Division rules. APHA Rules will dictate and supersede KPHA award division decisions.

### ***AMATEUR DIVISION---Ages 19-44 and 45 and over;***

#### ***NOVICE AMATEUR DIVISION and AMATEUR WALK-TROT***

##### ***Individual Class Awards:***

A horse exhibited in *Amateur Walk-Trot* classes does not have to be owned by the contestant showing the horse. However, in order to be eligible for the various APHA points, titles and awards sponsored by the APHA, the horse must be owned by the Amateur Walk-Trot exhibitor and/or the Amateur Walk-Trot exhibitor's immediate family as stated in the 2023 APHA Rule Book AM 300 D Ownership.

Current membership dues must be paid to KPHA in the same name as the registered owner of the horse and name of the exhibitor PRIOR to accumulating any current year-end award points. Membership must match ownership on registration papers. All Amateur, Novice Amateur and Amateur Walk-Trot exhibitors must present a copy of their current respective Amateur card(s) to the show secretary prior to showing in their first class. APHA Rules will dictate and supersede KPHA award division decisions.

Points will be counted on any horse owned by an Amateur or their immediate family as defined in the applicable Amateur Division of the APHA rulebook.

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**The KPHA year-end awards shall be given to first and second place point earners only. Ties will be broken by determining the horse with the most first places, etc.**

Points based on # of horses entered

# Entered	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>
1	1pt					
2	2	1pt				
3	3	2	1pt			
4	4	3	2	1pt		
5	5	4	3	2	1pt	
6	6	5	4	3	2	1pt

GRAND CHAMPION TWO ADDITIONAL POINTS

RESERVE CHAMPION ONE ADDITIONAL POINT

**Year-end High Point and Reserve High Point Category awards MAY be given as follows:**

1. Walk-Trot Youth
2. Novice Youth
3. Youth (except Lead Line) (Youth category may be split to recognize 13 years old and Under AND 18 and under. Subject to committee recommendations, APHA Rules and KPHA Board of Directors' approval).
4. Walk-Trot Amateur
5. Novice Amateur
6. Amateur (Amateur category may be split---Subject to committee recommendations, APHA rules and KPHA Board of Director's approval).
7. Super Yearling High Point (combination of Halter, Longe Line and In-Hand Trail)
8. Super 2 Year Old High Point (combination of Halter, Longe Line and In-Hand Trail OR combination of Halter and 2 Year old under saddle classes)  
(See 2023 APHA Rule Book SC 193B and SC 194.)
9. Open High Point
10. All Breed Youth (18 years and under) (to include Walk/Whoa age 8 and under exhibitors)
11. All Breed Adult (19 years and over)

NOTE: Individual classes will only be credited to one category for the purpose of calculating Year-end High Point and Reserve High Point Awards. (For example: Youth Halter mare points may count toward walk/trot OR novice youth OR youth --not two or more categories).

***Kansas Paint Horse Association Procedure to Contest Year-End (YE) Award Point Calculations & Ranking—January 2023***

At the culmination of the KPHA show season, the show secretary will forward year-end award tabulations from all Board designated pointed events to the Year-End Awards Chair. The Chair will present the list to the KPHA Board of Directors for cursory review. The examined documents will then be forwarded to the KPHA membership for inspection.

Upon evaluation, a current KPHA member may request Board of Directors reconsideration of the Regional Club's year-end point tabulation and placings.

**Exhibitor/Member Procedure to File Reconsideration**

Prior to filing, refer to the current KPHA "Year End Awards Rules and Requirements" (This document is emailed to members early in the year and should also appear on the KPHA website). Provide the following written documentation to KPHA:

- Please state the issue or concern you have with the YE point spreadsheet and/or awards system.
- Clearly specify and document the KPHA YE awards rule(s) and/or requirement(s) pertinent to the dispute.  
(This information will be reviewed and re-addressed by the Board of Directors and serve as the basis for approval of reconsideration or denial.)
- Make the correction(s) you feel is warranted directly on a copy of the YE points spreadsheet.
- Note how this correction would change the status of the YE standings.

The opportunity to dispute a decision will end 15 days after the member was emailed a copy of the YE point standings document for review. All bulleted information above must be signed, dated and submitted to the appropriate Board designee (Year-End Awards Chair) within the 15 day timeframe. The Board of Directors will deliberate the matter, accept or reject the appeal and provide the exhibitor with the BOD decision no later than 5 days after receipt of the reconsideration request. The BOD decision on the action will be final.

❖ The purpose of this process is to provide a consistent process for an exhibitor to question YE results; assist the KPHA Board of Directors in taking an impartial look at all questions relative to YE awards/calculations; and act quickly to finalize the YE awards list.