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Battmans My Daddy
13 & Under



Owen Birschbach
Battmans My Daddy
Small Fry



Trisha Krug
Iron Ride
19 & Over

A close-up photograph of several folded saddle pads with vibrant, multi-colored geometric patterns in shades of pink, black, yellow, and blue. The pads are stacked, showing different designs.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Contact Information

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The NOHSA World Championship Show entry office at the C Bar C Expo Center will open Wednesday, September 9. During the horse show, the World Championship Show entry office will open one hour before the show starts.

2026 NOHSA Officials

Show Management: NOHSA Executive Committee
President: Margy Morgan
Executive Director: Stephanie Lynn

NOHSA World Championship Judges

Art O'Brien, Houston Huff, Jamieson Gross, Nell Tekampe

Photographer

Ruehle Photographix
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Blanchard, OK 73010
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ruehle.becky@gmail.com

Important Dates

July 1	Stalls and entries open
August 1	Qualifying period ends
August 10.....	Qualifying list finalized
August 27.....	Stall and entry deadline
August 27.....	Priority stalling deadline
September 4.....	Stall charts published
September 4.....	Patterns published
September 3.....	Online stalls and entries close

Vendors

Only approved vendors are allowed to sell products or services during the NOHSA World Championship Show. Please visit www.nohsa.net under the World Show tab for vendor contract and requirements.

Media Policy

Photos of the competition will be available for purchase from the official photographer. No other photographer will be allowed in the arena during classes. Professional photography equipment, and cameras with lenses larger than three inches are not allowed. Professional photographers capturing images for sale, or any persons mass capturing images for the distribution on social networking sites, are not allowed without express written permission of the organization and the official photographer. Once permission is granted, a media pass will be given by the official photographer. Please reference the NOHSA website for a complete media policy and to request media credentials. Social media coverage is considered commercial photography or video, unless provided by a recognized magazine or digital publication, and therefore is not eligible for press credentials. This includes professional "lifestyle" and/or "influencer" content creation. Exhibitors have the option of contracting with the official photographer or videographer for specific coverage during the show or for photo shoots on the show grounds for advertising and social media distribution.

Photography and Videography Release

National Open Horse Show Association may film and/or photograph spectators, owners, trainers, exhibitors and horses participating in the NOHSA World Championship Show to compile publicity, live webcast of the event or for use in promotional materials, as it

determines.

By participating, owners, trainers and exhibitors agree that no compensation shall be due from NOHSA, the NOHSA World Championship Show or any third party for the publication and/or broadcast of their likeness, picture and name, etc. All participants agree, understand and acknowledge that official videographers, photographers and mass media approved by NOHSA have full access to the event at any time. This includes the use of flashes and other photo and video equipment.

All exhibitors agree and understand and that they should be prepared for official photographers, videographers and/or approved mass media taping and/or taking pictures of warm-ups, competition, etc., and upon this condition only are entries accepted.

Liability

The owner and any of his/her respective representatives, agents, trainers, lessees, riders, drivers, and handlers (collectively "Related Parties") shall be subject to and bound by National Open Horse Show Association (NOHSA) by-laws and rules and the rules of this Competition and will accept as final the decision of the Show Manager on any question arising under said rules. Related parties further agree to waive, indemnify, and hold harmless the NOHSA, the Competition, officials, officers, directors, employees, independent contractors, agents, personnel, volunteers, the host city Convention & Visitors Bureau, the host facility, trade show vendors, sponsors and/or other sponsoring organizations, if any, for any claim, complaint, or other action taken or pertaining to Related Parties, NOHSA and/or this Competition (including Related Parties or any horse of Related Parties exposure to or contraction of communicable diseases).

Presentation of an entry form shall be deemed acceptance of these rules and other rules pertaining to this Competition and agreement to the above referenced waiver, indemnification, and hold harmless provisions. In the event of a failure to sign an entry form, the first entry in a class will be deemed acceptance and agreement of same.

Under **Indiana Code section 34-31-5-1**, an equine activity sponsor or equine professional cannot be liable for the injury or death of any participant resulting from the risks inherent with the activity. By entering this Competition, and signing any waivers required for my participation in NOHSA activities including, but not limited to this Competition, I agree to so extend such waiver of liability. Indiana law applies to the application and enforcement of this agreement.

Dogs & Pets

Owners assume all liability for dogs brought to the show. All dogs must be on leashes while on the grounds. No dogs may enter the show, warm-up, or make-up arenas at any time. Violators will be asked to remove the animal from the premises. As a courtesy to fellow exhibitors, dog owners are required to pick up and dispose of all animal waste. Proof of current rabies must be available upon request. No other species of animals outside of dogs and horses will be allowed inside the building. This includes all other species of livestock.

Camping

C Bar C Expo Center offers 200 electric RV hook-ups with 30 amp and 50 amp service available. Reservations are first-come, first-serve at \$45 per space, per night. Reservations can be made through the online form at www.nohsa.net.

Hotel Reservations

Accommodations can be found at www.cbarcexpo.com/plan-your-stay.

SPONSORSHIP INFORMATION

BANNER SPONSOR TIER 2—\$500

- One full page color ad in the NOHSA World Championship Show premium book (ad copy deadline May 10)
- Banner provided by NOHSA and prominently displayed during show
- Choice of priority vendor or priority stall placement
- Sponsor recognition on the NOHSA website with link
- Daily sponsor announcement during the World Championship Show

BANNER SPONSOR TIER 1—\$250

- Banner provided by NOHSA and prominently displayed during show
- Choice of priority vendor or priority stall placement
- Sponsor recognition in the NOHSA World Championship Show entry booklet
- Sponsor recognition on the NOHSA website with link
- Daily sponsor announcement during the World Championship Show

FRIEND SPONSOR—\$100

- Sponsor recognition on the NOHSA website with link
- Daily sponsor announcement during the World Championship Show

Sponsorships must be paid on or before August 27 for priority stall placement.

Priority is assigned in the order of payment received.

Sponsorships can be purchased at www.nohsa.net.

EXHIBITOR INCENTIVE

- Involve your favorite businesses! Exhibitors who refer sponsors resulting in any combination of \$500 or more will receive the following incentives:
- 1 complimentary entry
- 1 complementary stall
- Priority stall placement

Sponsor must denote exhibitor name at time of payment.

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DAILY SCHEDULE

Thursday, September 10

Cowpokes Arena, 12:00 pm start time		ACCEPTED BEFORE 8/27		ACCEPTED AFTER 8/27	
CLASS #	CLASS NAME	QUALIFIED	NOT QUALIFIED	QUALIFIED	NOT QUALIFIED
101	Ranch Riding 19 & Over ¹	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$70.00
102	Ranch Rail 19 & Over ¹	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$70.00

Markel Insurance Arena, Following conclusion of the Ranch

103	Yearling & 2-Year-Old In-Hand Trail ³	\$40.00		\$55.00	
104	EWD Walk Jog Trail Independent ²	\$40.00		\$55.00	
105	Walk Jog Trail 19 Over ¹	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$70.00
106	Trail 50 & Over ¹	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$70.00
107	Trail 19-49 ¹	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$70.00

Friday, September 11

Cowpokes Arena, 8:00 am start time		ACCEPTED BEFORE 8/27		ACCEPTED AFTER 8/27	
CLASS #	CLASS NAME	QUALIFIED	NOT QUALIFIED	QUALIFIED	NOT QUALIFIED
201	Showmanship 50 & Over ¹	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$70.00
202	Showmanship 19-49 ¹	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$70.00
203	EWD Showmanship ²	\$40.00		\$55.00	
204	EWD Halter Mares & Geldings ²	\$40.00		\$55.00	
205	Non-Pro \$250 Showmanship ² NEW	\$40.00		\$55.00	
206	Halter Mares 19 & Over ¹	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$70.00
207	Halter Geldings 19 & Over ¹	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$70.00
208	Yearling & 2-Year-Old Halter ³	\$40.00		\$55.00	
209	Ranch Reining 19 & Over ¹	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$70.00
210	Youth Ranch Reining 18 & Under ¹	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$65.00

Markel Insurance Arena, 8:00 am start time

211	Small Fry Walk Jog Trail 11 & Under ¹	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$65.00
212	Youth Walk Jog Trail 18 Under ¹	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$65.00
213	Youth Trail 13 & Under ¹	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$65.00
214	Youth Trail 14-18 ¹	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$65.00
215	Small Fry Showmanship 11 & Under ¹	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$65.00
216	Youth Showmanship 13 & Under ¹	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$65.00
217	Youth Showmanship 14-18 ¹	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$65.00

¹World Show Class (Qualifying Required)

²Ancillary Class (Qualifying Not Required)

³World Show Class (Qualifying Not Required)

⁴Special event

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218	Youth Halter Mares 18 & Under ¹	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$65.00
219	Youth Halter Geldings 18 & Under ¹	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$65.00
220	CINCH Medal Horsemanship Prelims ⁴	\$0.00		\$15.00	

Saturday, September 12

Cowpokes Arena, 8:00 am start time		ACCEPTED BEFORE 8/27		ACCEPTED AFTER 8/27	
CLASS #	CLASS NAME	QUALIFIED	NOT QUALIFIED	QUALIFIED	NOT QUALIFIED
301	Youth Western Horsemanship 13 & Under ¹	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$65.00
302	Youth Western Horsemanship 14-18 ¹	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$65.00
303	Western Horsemanship 19-49 ¹	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$70.00
304	Western Horsemanship 50 & Over ¹	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$70.00
305	Non-Pro \$250 Western Horsemanship ² NEW	\$40.00		\$55.00	
306	Non-Pro Walk Jog \$250 Western Horsemanship ² NEW	\$40.00		\$55.00	
307	Youth Walk Jog Pleasure 18 & Under ¹	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$65.00
308	Walk Jog Western Pleasure 19-49 ¹	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$70.00
309	Walk Jog Western Pleasure 50 & Over ¹	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$70.00
310	Youth Western Pleasure 13 & Under ¹	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$65.00
311	Youth Western Pleasure 14-18 ¹	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$65.00
312	Western Pleasure 19-49 ¹	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$70.00
313	Western Pleasure 50 & Over ¹	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$70.00
220	\$1,000 Added CINCH Medal Horsemanship Finals ⁴				

Markel Insurance Arena, 8:00 am start time

314	Youth Ranch Trail 18 & Under ¹	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$65.00
315	Ranch Trail 19 & Over ¹	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$70.00
316	Youth Ranch Riding 18 & Under ¹	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$65.00
317	Youth Ranch Rail 18 & Under ¹	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$65.00
318	Open \$250 Ranch Riding ²	\$40.00		\$55.00	
319	Ranch Conformation Mares ¹	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$70.00
320	Ranch Conformation Geldings ¹	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$70.00
321	Small Fry Walk Jog Western Pleasure 11 & Under ¹	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$65.00
322	EWD Walk Jog Western Pleasure Independent ²	\$40.00		\$55.00	
323	Small Fry Walk Jog Western Horsemanship 11 & Under ¹	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$65.00
324	EWD Walk Jog Western Horsemanship Independent ²	\$40.00		\$55.00	

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325	Youth Walk Jog Western Horsemanship 18 & Under ¹	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$65.00
326	Walk Jog Western Horsemanship 19 & Over ¹	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$70.00

Sunday, September 13

Cowpokes Arena, 8:00 am start time		ACCEPTED BEFORE 8/27		ACCEPTED AFTER 8/27	
CLASS #	CLASS NAME	QUALIFIED	NOT QUALIFIED	QUALIFIED	NOT QUALIFIED
401	Open \$250 Walk Jog Western Pleasure ²	\$40.00		\$55.00	
402	Open \$250 Western Pleasure ²	\$40.00		\$55.00	
403	Lead Line 6 & Under ⁴	\$0.00		\$0.00	
404	EWD Walk Trot English Pleasure ² NEW	\$40.00		\$55.00	
405	Small Fry Walk Trot English Equitation 11 & Under ¹	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$65.00
406	Youth Walk Trot Equitation 18 & Under ¹	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$65.00
407	Walk Trot Equitation 19 & Over ¹	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$70.00
408	Youth English Equitation 13 & Under ¹	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$65.00
409	Youth English Equitation 14-18 ¹	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$65.00
410	English Equitation 19-49 ¹	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$70.00
411	English Equitation 50 & Over ¹	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$70.00
412	Small Fry Walk Trot English Pleasure 11 & Under ¹	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$65.00
413	Youth Walk Trot English Pleasure 18 & Under ¹	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$65.00
414	Walk Trot English Pleasure 19 & Over ¹	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$70.00
415	Youth English Pleasure 13 & Under ¹	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$65.00
416	Youth English Pleasure 14-18 ¹	\$35.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$65.00
417	English Pleasure 19-49 ¹	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$70.00
418	English Pleasure 50 & Over ¹	\$40.00	\$55.00	\$55.00	\$70.00
419	Open \$250 Walk Trot English Pleasure ²	\$40.00		\$55.00	
420	Open \$250 English Pleasure ²	\$40.00		\$55.00	

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¹World Show Class (Qualifying Required) ²Ancillary Class (Qualifying Not Required) ³World Show Class (Qualifying Not Required) ⁴Special event

WORLD SHOW ENTRY INFORMATION

Entry Deadline

All entries for NOHSA World Championship classes must be submitted and paid for no later than August 27 at 11:59 p.m. (CST) to avoid post entry fees. Entries must be submitted on the official online entry form and once an entry is received by the office it is considered official. Online entries will become available on July 1 at www.nohsa.net. Each horse and exhibitor combination must qualify in at least one class in order to enter in qualifying classes. Exhibitors will receive an email confirming payment and receipt of entries upon submission.

Post Entries

NOHSA offers the subsequent entry deadline of 5:00 p.m. the night before the class (accepted at the show office) with a post entry fee of \$15.00.

Entry Fees

		Before 8/27	After 8/27
Youth Classes	QUALIFIED/ ANCILLARY	\$35.00	\$50.00
	NOT QUALIFIED	\$50.00	\$65.00
Adult / All Age Classes	QUALIFIED/ANCILLARY	\$40.00	\$55.00
	NOT QUALIFIED	\$55.00	\$70.00

Show Office

The NOHSA show office will open Wednesday, September 9. During the horse show, the show office will open at least one hour prior to start of competition.

Scratches & Refunds

Entries may be scratched or substituted up to 11:59 p.m. (CST) on August 27 for no cost. Exhibitors will be responsible for payment of entry fees for classes that are scratched after the August 27 deadline. Substitutions and class changes after August 27 will be subject to post-entry fees.

All stall purchases will be considered final as of 11:59 p.m. (CST) on August 27.

Any requests for a refund after the deadline must be submitted in writing through the official Refund Request form, which is available on the NOHSA website, prior to the conclusion of the show (11:59 p.m. on September 14). All requests will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis by the World Show Committee following the conclusion of the NOHSA World Championship Show.



Awards

World Show Classes: Buckles and World Champion neck ribbons will be awarded to all World Champions. Prizes will be awarded to sixth place and ribbons will be awarded through tenth place. Finalist ribbons may be awards in rail classes that require a split and a finals.

Ancillary Classes: An Ancillary neck ribbon will be awarded to the winner in all ancillary classes. Prizes will be awarded through sixth place and ribbons will be awarded through third place for ancillary classes without added money.

High Point Awards: The NOHSA High Point award will be awarded to the highest point-earning horse and exhibitor combination in the following divisions: Small Fry 11 & Under, Youth 13 & Under, Youth 14-18, 19-49, 50 & Over, Youth Ranch 18 & Under, Ranch 19 & Over, Youth Walk Trot 18 & Under, and Walk Trot 19 & Over.

Horse Registration

A current NOHSA Competition Registration is required for each horse. A Competition Registration is the horse's official NOHSA registration.

Membership

A current NOHSA Membership is required for the exhibitor in all classes except Lead Line 6 & Under. Current membership cards must be presented at the time of entry. In the event an exhibitor is not a current NOHSA member, a membership may be purchased with the entry.

WORLD SHOW ENTRY INFORMATION

Horse Substitutions

If a horse that is qualified in at least one class becomes injured or passes away, the exhibitor may request to transfer the qualification to a different horse. The substitute horse must have a current NOHSA Competition Registration at the time of the transfer.

To request a substitution, the exhibitor must submit the following before 8:00 a.m. on September 10, the start of the NOHSA World Championship Show: a complete online Horse Substitution form, a signed letter from a licensed veterinarian, along with supporting documentation, a \$20.00 substitution fee. Substitutions will not be accepted via email.



Back Numbers

All back numbers will be issued from the entry office.

WORLD SHOW STALLING INFORMATION

All horses entered and shown at the NOHSA World Championship Show must have a paid stall or pay the applicable tie-out fee.

Stall Fees

Stalls purchased before 11:59 p.m. (CST) on August 27 will be available at the horse show rate of \$115.00 per stall. All stalls are assigned on a first come, first paid basis.

Reservations after August 27 will incur an additional \$15.00 late fee per stall or tie-out. Please note that any additions or changes to stall reservations made after this date are not guaranteed to be placed with your original group.

Each stall purchase includes three (3) complimentary bags of shavings. Additional shavings may be purchased on-site directly from the facility. Outside shavings will not be permitted.

	Before August 27	After August 27
Full Stall	\$115/stall	\$130/stall
Tie-Out Fee	\$20/horse	\$35/horse
Early Arrival	\$45/horse	<i>Not available</i>

Stalling Group

One group name must be designated each stalling group. Accuracy of information pertaining to the stalling group is the responsibility of the exhibitor. Exhibitors that incorrectly identify their stalling group are not guaranteed to be stalled in their desired location.

Stall Location

Stalling preference cannot be guaranteed. Priority stalling will be given to sponsors, by level and date sponsorship payment was received. Sponsorship payment must be received by NOHSA no later than August 27 in order to receive stalling perks.

Stalls will be pre-assigned and must be reserved and paid before assignment. Stall reservations will not be considered complete until payment has been received and will be subject to the appropriate fees based on the date payment is received.

Stall assignments will be released on September 4.

Health Paper Requirements

All horses are required to check in with the facility upon arrival. Horses traveling from out of state are required to have a negative EIA test (Coggins) within the past 12 months and an original Health Certificate within 30 days of the opening date of the show, September 10.

Arrival & Departure Dates

Move-in begins on Wednesday, September 9 at 8:00 a.m. Early arrival may be purchased

WORLD SHOW STALLING INFORMATION

with your stall reservation before the stall reservation deadline of August 27 for an additional \$45 fee per horse. Early arrivals may arrive on Tuesday, September 8 after 4:00 p.m. Arenas will not be available to early arrivals until move-in begins on Wednesday, September 9 at 8:00 a.m.

Horses must be removed from the facility by 11:59 a.m. on Monday, September 14.

Feed & Bedding

Advanced bedding and hay reservations of 20 or more can be preordered through C Bar C Expo Center at (765) 720-3251. Orders smaller than 20 should be made in-person on the show grounds.

Stall Decorations

Absolutely no decorations will be allowed to protrude into the barn aisles. All decorations must be attached using temporary set-ups and must be removed prior to move out. Use of nails, tacks, wire, or any similar material is forbidden. Fines will be assessed.

GENERAL SHOW RULES

Animal Welfare

National Open Horse Show Association is committed to the humane and proper treatment of all animals. In this respect:

1. The welfare of the horse is the primary consideration in all activities.
2. Horses will be treated with kindness, respect and compassion at all times.
3. Responsible care will be used by all parties in handling, treatment and transportation of horses.
4. Horsemen and women as owners, exhibitors, trainers or agents will ensure the health and well-being of animals in their care at all times.

Inhumane treatment of any horse, as defined per NOHSA Rule #46, will be grounds for disqualification and/or removal of that horse and all awards will be forfeited.

\$250 Added Money Classes

All \$250 Added classes will be held as offered. Prize money will be awarded to the exhibitor that earned the placing. A percentage of all entries made prior to 5:00 p.m. the evening before the class is held will be jackpotted per the payback schedule below.

Payouts

Number of Paid Entries															
	1	2	3	4	5	6-10	11-15	16-20	21-25	26-30	31-35	36-40	41-45	46-50	51+
# Of Places	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	\$270	\$170	\$140	\$130	\$120	\$130	\$140	\$160	\$190	\$200	\$230	\$260	\$260	\$280	\$310
		\$110	\$100	\$100	\$90	\$90	\$110	\$130	\$130	\$150	\$160	\$160	\$180	\$180	\$190
			\$60	\$60	\$70	\$70	\$80	\$80	\$90	\$100	\$110	\$110	\$120	\$130	\$140
				\$30	\$30	\$40	\$50	\$60	\$70	\$80	\$80	\$90	\$100	\$110	\$120
					\$20	\$30	\$40	\$50	\$60	\$70	\$70	\$80	\$90	\$100	\$100
						\$30	\$40	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$60	\$70	\$80	\$80	\$90
							\$30	\$30	\$40	\$50	\$50	\$60	\$60	\$70	\$80
								\$30	\$30	\$40	\$40	\$50	\$50	\$60	\$60
									\$20	\$30	\$30	\$40	\$40	\$50	\$50
										\$20	\$30	\$30	\$40	\$40	\$40
											\$20	\$30	\$30	\$30	\$40
												\$20	\$20	\$30	\$30
													\$20	\$20	\$20
														\$10	\$20
															\$10

GENERAL SHOW RULES

Results

All results are subject to verification and review. If a tabulation error is suspected, a written inquiry must be submitted to NOHSA via email at office@nohsa.net within 24 hours of the completion of the class. NOHSA reserves the right to correct such an error without recourse from entrants. NOHSA World Championship Show results are unofficial until the review is completed. Official results and score sheets will be made available online within 30 days of the conclusion of the show.

Right of Cancellation

National Open Horse Show Association reserves the right to cancel these events without notice and without liability any time prior to the contests.

Right of Removal

National Open Horse Show Association and the World Show Committee reserves the right to prohibit any person or horse from showing, or attending to any horse in the show ring and to remove any person or horse from the grounds without being liable for compensation.

QUALIFYING RULES

World Championship Show Qualifying Rules

Qualification is achieved on a class-by-class basis through participation in each class at open horse shows throughout the qualifying period of August 2, 2025 and August 1, 2026. Each exhibitor and horse combination **must qualify in at least one class to participate in NOHSA World Championship Show qualifying classes.**

Each horse and exhibitor combination will be required to participate in the corresponding class at three separate eligible events within the qualifying period to qualify in that class category. Qualifications may not be split between multiple horses or combined.

Eligible Events

Open horse show class results from shows that also offer classes sanctioned by a national equine organization are not eligible for submission. These include, but are not limited to, any shows that offer classes approved by: AQHA, ABRA, APHA, ApHC, ARHA, FEI, IBHA, NBHA, NCHA, NRCHA, NRHA, NSBA, PHBA, POAC, PTHA. This does not apply to results submitted from 4-H, FFA, local, state or regional organizations hosting open horse shows.

Shows must be held in-person—online competitions will not be considered. Shows held in the same location on consecutive days will count as one event. The number of judges or showbills for a single event will not affect eligibility.

Submitting Results

Exhibitors must submit a complete Exhibitor Results Report within 30 days of the date the results were earned for their participation to count toward qualifying.

Exhibitors must hold a current NOHSA Membership and horses must hold a current NOHSA Competition Registration on the day of submission for a completed Exhibitor Results Report to count toward qualifying.

Exhibitor Results Reports that are incomplete will be rejected. An exhibitor who submits incorrect or false information may be subject to disciplinary action.

Qualifying Fees

Once an exhibitor and horse combination qualify in at least one class category, the pair is eligible to enter additional World Championship Show qualifying classes for which they are not qualified by paying the standard entry fee, plus an additional \$15.00 qualifying fee per class. This option is not available to a horse and exhibitor combination who has not qualified in at least one class.

Qualifying Classes

The following classes are qualifying classes for the 2026 World Championship Show:

English Equitation 19-49	Western Horsemanship 50 & Over
English Equitation 50 & Over	Western Pleasure 19-49
English Pleasure 19-49	Western Pleasure 50 & Over
English Pleasure 50 & Over	Yearling & 2-Year-Old Halter
Halter Geldings 19 & Over	Yearling & 2-Year-Old In-Hand Trail
Halter Mares 19 & Over	Youth English Equitation 13 & Under
Ranch Conformation Geldings	Youth English Equitation 14-18
Ranch Conformation Mares	Youth English Pleasure 13 & Under
Ranch Rail 19 & Over	Youth English Pleasure 14-18
Ranch Reining 19 & Over	Youth Halter Geldings 18 & Under
Ranch Riding 19 & Over	Youth Halter Mares 18 & Under
Ranch Trail 19 & Over	Youth Ranch Rail 18 & Under
Showmanship 19 - 49	Youth Ranch Reining 18 & Under
Showmanship 50 & Over	Youth Ranch Riding 18 & Under
Small Fry English Equitation 11 & Under	Youth Ranch Trail 18 & Under
Small Fry English Pleasure 11 & Under	Youth Showmanship 13 & Under
Small Fry Showmanship 11 & Under	Youth Showmanship 14-18
Small Fry Trail 11 & Under	Youth Trail 13 & Under
Small Fry Western Horsemanship 11 & Under	Youth Trail 14-18
Small Fry Western Pleasure 11 & Under	Youth Walk Jog Trail 18 & Under
Trail 19-49	Youth Walk Jog Western Horsemanship 18 & Under
Trail 50 & Over	Youth Walk Jog Western Pleasure 18 & Under
Walk Jog Trail 19 & Over	Youth Walk Trot English Equitation 18 & Under
Walk Jog Western Horsemanship 19 & Over	Youth Walk Trot English Pleasure 18 & Under
Walk Jog Western Pleasure 19-49	Youth Western Horsemanship 13 & Under
Walk Jog Western Pleasure 50 & Over	Youth Western Horsemanship 14-18
Walk Trot English Equitation 19 & Over	Youth Western Pleasure 13 & Under
Walk Trot English Pleasure 19 & Over	Youth Western Pleasure 14-18
Western Horsemanship 19-49	

Ancillary Classes

Ancillary classes require no qualification and are open to all age groups unless otherwise specified. Exhibitor and horse combinations who have not qualified for World Championship Show classes may still attend and compete in ancillary classes.

EWD Halter Mares & Geldings	Non-Pro \$250 Walk Jog Western Horsemanship
EWD Showmanship	Non-Pro \$250 Western Horsemanship
EWD Walk Jog Trail Independent	Open \$250 English Pleasure
EWD Walk Jog Western Horsemanship Independent	Open \$250 Ranch Riding
EWD Walk Jog Western Pleasure Independent	Open \$250 Walk Jog Western Pleasure
EWD Walk Trot English Pleasure	Open \$250 Walk Trot English Pleasure
Lead Line 6 & Under	Open \$250 Western Pleasure
Non-Pro \$250 Showmanship	

CLASS PROCEDURE & RULES

Class Procedure

All classes will be shown under NOHSA rules. In any instance which the NOHSA rules are not defined, NOHSA will defer to the NSBA Official Handbook. 19 & Over, 19 - 49 and 50 & Over World Championship Show qualifying classes are intended for non-professional exhibitors. Open \$250 ancillary classes are intended for both professional and non-professional exhibitors.

Class Conflicts Policy

In the event that a horse or exhibitor is entered in two or more classes in separate arenas that have the potential to be showing at the same time, the show office and back gate must be notified at least two classes prior to the conflict. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to notify the show office and the back gate.

Every reasonable attempt will be made by show management to accommodate horses and exhibitors showing in conflicting arenas. Arenas will not be held due to conflict. Exhibitors may have to choose which class to participate in and which to forego. Refunds will not be made in the event of a conflict.

Judging and Placing

Each class will be judged by two judges and will use both placings to determine the final placings unless otherwise noted. Final placings are calculated from the average placing earned by each horse under each judge. Cumulative scores are not used to determine final placings across multiple judges. The designated tiebreaker judge will break all ties. Decisions of the judges are final. For official class rules and judging guidelines, please reference the NSBA Official Handbook.



Why Do We Rank?

There are two common methods of determining a final placing or outcome in a multi-judged event. Calculating the final placings from the rank of each horse on a judge's card allows the winningest horse to be rewarded.

Ranking a class is a judge inputting their placings in order—1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc. This practice is seen in all rail classes as well as other pattern classes in which a score may be determined using an overall placing card. In the event of a multi-judged class, the rankings of each horse under each judge are averaged to find the horse that earned the highest average placing. In this scenario, the horse with the higher average placing under each judge is rewarded.

Example 1 - Cumulative Score

Using a cumulative score system to determine the highest point earning horse

	Horse A	Horse B	Horse C
Judge 1	78 (2nd)	76 (3rd)	82 (1st)
Judge 2	81 (2nd)	82 (1st)	80 (3rd)
Judge 3	78 (1st)	77 (2nd)	76 (3rd)
Total	237 (2nd)	235 (3rd)	238 (1st)

Horse C beats Horse A by a margin of one point.

Example 2 - Ranking

Using a nine-point system for first place and assuming there are more than three horses participating

	Horse A	Horse B	Horse C
Judge 1	2nd (8)	3rd (7)	1st (9)
Judge 2	2nd (8)	1st (9)	3rd (7)
Judge 3	1st (9)	2nd (8)	3rd (7)
Total	25 (1st)	24 (2nd)	23 (3rd)

Horse A beats horses B and C because they placed higher on the overall average when ranked/placed.

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Lead Line Class Rules

Lead Line classes are for riders aged 6 & under. Exhibitors may not cross-enter into a class in which the rider is expected to compete astride independently. Lead Line exhibitors are not required to qualify and are exempt from entry fees. Lead Line classes will not be placed and all participants will receive an award. A Lead Line sign-up form will be available at the show office.

Small Fry Class Rules

Small Fry classes are for exhibitors aged 11 and under that are not ready to compete at a lope or canter. All Small Fry classes will be offered as Walk Jog or Walk Trot. Exhibitors may not cross-enter into any classes that require a lope or a canter. Horses entered into Walk Trot classes with one exhibitor may enter into classes that require a lope or a canter with another exhibitor.

Riders aged 11 and under may choose to participate in 13 & Under classes, but will be ineligible to compete in any Small Fry 11 & Under classes (including Small Fry Showmanship 11 & Under).

Small Fry exhibitors are welcome to participate in Youth Walk Trot, Youth Walk Jog, Open \$250 Walk Trot, and Open \$250 Walk Jog classes.

Walk Trot Class Rules

Walk Trot classes are for Walk Trot or Walk Jog riders of any age. Exhibitors may not cross-enter into a class that requires a lope or a canter—this includes both qualifying and ancillary classes. Horses entered into Walk Trot classes with one exhibitor may be shown in a class with a lope or canter with another exhibitor.

Rail work will not be included in any of the Walk Trot or Walk Jog pattern classes, including any Small Fry 11 & Under classes.

Ranch Class Rules

Horses and riders entered in Ranch classes may cross-enter into Western and English All-Around Classes. Hoof polish, braided or banded manes and tail extensions are prohibited in any Ranch classes.

Ranch Conformation

All horses entered in Ranch Conformation must also show in a Ranch performance class. This includes Ranch Rail, Ranch Reining, Ranch Riding, or Ranch Trail. The horse is not required to be shown by the same exhibitor in both the Ranch Conformation and Ranch performance class.

Equestrians With Disabilities Rules

NOHSA will follow all Equestrians With Disabilities rules and regulations set forth by National Snaffle Bit Association and outlined in the NSBA Handbook. According to official NSBA rules and regulations, participants in the Equestrians With Disabilities competition must have a diagnosed mental or physical condition attested to by a licensed medical physician.

An EWD Special Diagnosis Form must be completed, signed by a licensed medical doctor and submitted to NOHSA prior to competing in classes for Equestrians With Disabilities or must hold current approval from NSBA.

A Special Adaptive Equipment Form, if applicable, must be completed by a certified instructor or coach of PATH, Int., Special Olympics, US Para- Equestrian, Certified Horsemanship Association or IRD certified therapeutic riding instructor, indicating the adaptive equipment required for each participant prior to competing in classes for Equestrians With Disabilities. For a complete set of EWD rules and forms visit www.nohsa.net.

Exhibitors will be responsible for providing any special mounting needs.

CLASS PROCEDURE & RULES

A rider may not show in any other Youth, Adult, or ancillary classes while showing in the Equestrians With Disabilities classes. Exhibitors must hold a current NOHSA Membership and horses must hold a current NOHSA Competition Registration.

Handler attire must meet the requirement of NSBA Rule #137 with the exception that hats are not required. However, if a hat is worn it too must meet the standard of Rule #137.

CINCH Medal Horsemanship Rules

The CINCH Medal Horsemanship Finals is a special event hosted in conjunction with the NOHSA World Championship Show.

Exhibitors of all ages that placed first or second in an CINCH Medal Horsemanship Qualifying Class at a NOHSA Partner Member Show within the qualifying period of August 2, 2025 to August 1, 2026 are formally invited to compete in the inaugural CINCH Medal Horsemanship Finals.

All exhibitors in an CINCH Horsemanship Medal Class must hold a current NOHSA Membership and horses must hold a current NOHSA Competition Registration to compete in a CINCH Horsemanship Medal Class. It is the sole responsibility of the exhibitor to be a current member and to make sure their horse is registered with NOHSA. Exhibitors are not required to compete on the same horse with which they qualified; however, exhibitors are required to be NOHSA members and all horses are required to hold a current Competition Registration at the time of competition.

Entry Information

All eligible riders will have received a NOHSA Medal and an invitation at the time of qualification. A complete list is also available online at www.nohsa.net.

Entry Deadlines are as follows:

July 1–August 27	\$0 (Exhibitors must submit an entry online through the NOHSA World Show entry form)
After August 27	\$15

Prelims

Should entries warrant, a preliminary round will be held, per the criteria below.

Entries	Format
15 or less entries	no prelims, all advance to finals
16-30 entries	A preliminary round will be held. Ten exhibitors will be called back to the finals; the top two ranked exhibitors from each of the following divisions; 18 & Under, 19-49, and 50 & Over, and the remaining of the top ranked exhibitors.
31 or greater entries	A preliminary round will be held. Twelve exhibitors will be called back to the finals; the top two ranked exhibitors from each of the following divisions; 18 & Under, 19-49, and 50 & Over, and the remaining of the top ranked exhibitors.

CLASS PROCEDURE & RULES

Payouts and Awards

A total of \$1,000 will be awarded, paying up to six places and following the payback schedule below. The CINCH Horsemanship Champion will receive a trophy and the top ten exhibitors will receive a pair of CINCH Jeans in their favorite size and style.

Number of Finalists						
	1	2	3	4	5	6+
# Of Places	1	2	3	4	5	6
\$ Paid	\$1000	\$600	\$450	\$400	\$360	\$320
		\$400	\$350	\$300	\$260	\$220
			\$200	\$200	\$200	\$190
				\$100	\$100	\$100
					\$80	\$90
						\$80

HIGH POINT AWARDS

NOHSA will award High Point Awards at the NOHSA World Championship Show.

High Point Award ties will be broken by (1) the horse or contestant winning over the greatest number of horses, (2) the number of points earned in the greatest number of classes, and (3) in head-to-head competition, the horse and exhibitor combination that placed higher the most times.

High Point Declaration & Changes

Each horse and exhibitor combination is limited to competing for one High Point Division, which must be declared at time of entry. Exhibitors who wish to compete for a Ranch High Point Award or Walk Trot High Point Award will not be eligible to compete for their corresponding age division with the same horse. If entries are received without a High Point Award declaration, the exhibitor's corresponding age division will be listed. High Point Award declaration changes will be accepted until back numbers are picked up from the show office.

High Point Awards

SMALL FRY 11 & UNDER

Small Fry English Pleasure 11 & Under
Small Fry English Equitation 11 & Under
Small Fry Trail 11 & Under
Small Fry Western Pleasure 11 & Under
Small Fry Horsemanship 11 & Under
Small Fry Showmanship 11 & Under
Youth Halter Mares 18 & Under
Youth Halter Geldings 18 & Under

YOUTH 13 & UNDER

Youth English Pleasure 13 & Under
Youth English Equitation 13 & Under
Youth Trail 13 & Under
Youth Western Pleasure 13 & Under

Youth Horsemanship 13 & Under
Youth Showmanship 13 & Under
Youth Halter Mares 18 & Under
Youth Halter Geldings 18 & Under

YOUTH 14-18

Youth English Pleasure 14-18
Youth English Equitation 14-18
Youth Trail 14-18
Youth Western Pleasure 14-18
Youth Horsemanship 14-18
Youth Showmanship 14-18
Youth Halter Mares 18 & Under
Youth Halter Geldings 18 & Under

HIGH POINT AWARDS

YOUTH WALK TROT 18 & UNDER

Youth Walk Trot English Pleasure 18 & Under
Youth Walk Trot English Equitation 18 & Under
Youth Walk Jog Trail 18 & Under
Youth Walk Jog Western Pleasure 18 & Under
Youth Walk Jog Western Horsemanship 18 & Under
Small Fry Showmanship 11 & Under
Youth Showmanship 13 & Under
Youth Showmanship 14-18
Youth Halter Mares 18 & Under
Youth Halter Geldings 18 & Under

YOUTH RANCH 18 & UNDER

Youth Ranch Reining 18 & Under
Youth Ranch Rail 18 & Under
Youth Ranch Riding 18 & Under
Youth Ranch Trail 18 & Under
Ranch Conformation Mares
Ranch Conformation Geldings

19-49

Showmanship 19-49
English Pleasure 19-49
English Equitation 19-49
Trail 19-49
Western Pleasure 19-49
Horsemanship 19-49
Halter Mares 19 & Over
Halter Geldings 19 & Over

50 & OVER

English Pleasure 50 & Over
English Equitation 50 & Over
Trail 50 & Over
Western Pleasure 50 & Over
Horsemanship 50 & Over
Showmanship 50 & Over
Halter Mares 19 & Over
Halter Geldings 19 & Over

WALK TROT 19 & OVER

Walk Trot English Pleasure 19 & Over
Walk Trot English Equitation 19 & Over
Walk Jog Trail 19 & Over
Walk Jog Western Pleasure 19-49
Walk Jog Western Pleasure 50 & Over
Walk Jog Western Horsemanship 19 & Over
Showmanship 19-49
Showmanship 50 & Over
Halter Mares 19 & Over
Halter Geldings 19 & Over

RANCH 19 & OVER

Ranch Reining 19 & Over
Ranch Rail 19 & Over
Ranch Riding 19 & Over
Ranch Trail 19 & Over
Ranch Conformation Mares
Ranch Conformation Geldings

SPECIAL EVENTS

Exhibitors Party

All NOHSA World Show exhibitors are invited on Friday evening for a complimentary Exhibitors Party. Enjoy food, fun and prize drawings! CINCH Medal Horsemanship finalists will get the opportunity to draw for the finals!

CINCH Medal Horsemanship Finals

Nationwide Horsemanship exhibitors who have qualified throughout the year are formally invited to compete for a \$1,000 purse in the CINCH Medal Horsemanship Finals.

Finals will be held Saturday, September 12, with a finals party sponsored by CINCH Jeans.

Cowboy Corner

Join us in the Cowboy Corner throughout the weekend for a variety of instructional seminars from industry experts, family friendly activities, and kid's crafts! All activities are free and open to all attendees.



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