



CALIFORNIA STATE HORSEMEN'S ASSOCIATION, INCORPORATED  
ENGLISH WESTERN PROGRAM  
INSTRUCTIONS FOR SHOW SANCTIONING

1. You are applying to the California State Horsemen's Association (CSHA) for sanctioning of your horse show(s).
  - a) You must submit a written application to the State English Western Chair for the current show year (January 1<sup>st</sup> through September 15<sup>th</sup>).
  - b) Each organization shall pay a flat fee of \$25.00 regardless of the number of shows being submitted for approval.
  - c) A copy of your class list must be sent along with your application.
  - d) If the class list is submitted separately from the application, the show(s) will not receive final approval until the class list is received.
  - e) Tentative approvals can be granted pending receipt of the class list and or selection of the judge provided that all other information is provided and the appropriate fee is/has been submitted
2. Shows are to be judged in accordance with the West Coast Horse Show (WCHS) Rule Book, latest edition. A copy of the rule book must be on hand at all shows and is available for download on the CSHA website.
3. Show Premium must also include the following information: Name of Judge and card(s) held; CSHA approved; Governed by WCHS Rule Book
4. All shows must be judged by an individual currently licensed in good standing by CSHA in the appropriate competition categories, or by another organization recognized by the CSHA Judges Commission. **It is your responsibility to ensure that the judge has a valid recognized card.** Organizations recognized for this purpose are:

AHA Arabian Horse Association  
AMHA American Morgan Horse Association  
APHA American Paint Horse Association  
ApHC Appaloosa Horse Club  
AQHA American Quarter Horse Association  
NRCHA National Reined Cow Horse Association \*  
NRHA National Reining Horse Association \*

NSBA National Snaffle Bit Association  
PHBA Palomino Horse Association of America  
POA Pony of the Americas Club  
PtHA Pinto Horse Association of America  
SAHJA Sacramento Area Hunter Jumper Association  
WPCSA Welsh Pony & Cob Society of America  
USEF United States Equestrian Federation

\* Recognized for reining class or reining shows only

5. Age Division. Show must meet minimum specifications for rider/handler and horse. Not all age divisions are required for show approval.
  - a) English & Western
    - 1) Lead Line (6 & under)
    - 2) 10 & under (walk trot/jog only)
    - 3) 17 & under (Junior)
    - 4) 18 & over Amateur Adult (Senior)
    - 5) Open
  - b) Reining & Ranch
    - 1) 17 & under (Junior)
    - 2) 18 & over Amateur Adult (Senior)
    - 3) Open
  - c) Halter
    - 1) Junior Horse (5 & under)
    - 2) Senior Horse (6 & over)
    - 3) Open Horse

6. Class Categories. CSHA members are eligible to compete in the following class categories. Not all class categories are required for show approval. Specify which categories you will offer on the show approval application form.
  - a) English
    - 1) Pleasure, Equitation, Hunter, Jumper, Showmanship
  - b) Western
    - 1) Pleasure, Equitation, Trail, Western Riding, Showmanship
  - c) Ranch
    - 1) Pleasure, Equitation, Trail, Western Riding, Showmanship
  - d) Reining
  - e) Halter
7. The following are not normally approved classes for purposes of CSHA member points:
  - a) Classes restricted to a club members or a special interest group.
  - b) Classes based on the number of years showing or awards won, eg: Green limit, Maiden or Novice.
  - c) Classes based on age breaks that bar a part of the CSHA age divisions, eg: 12 & under, 15 & under, etc.
  - d) Warm up, training or gimmick classes.
  - e) Championship classes.
  - f) Restrictive medal classes.
8. Show Dates are approved on a first come, first served basis with the exception that shows put on by a CSHA region or CSHA member club will have priority on calendar approval. We reserve the right to book multiple shows on the same date, taking into consideration the distance separating the competing shows or the class categories being offered.
9. Rain Dates can be requested on the original application. Your approval will follow to the new date, provided that you notify the State EW Chair as soon as possible of the rained out date with your intention to utilize the alternate date. We reserve the right to book another show approval on your alternate rain date.
10. Show Records are required to be maintained for one year and are subject to submission. We will require a list of competitors (class sheet) and judge's placing (judge's card) for each class. These documents can be in paper or electronic form, but must be accessible upon demand by CSHA for point verification.
11. Point Sheets will be presented to you by CSHA members. Please verify the placing and number of horses per class against your records and sign the point sheet. Intentional falsification by the person certifying the point sheet shall be grounds for revocation of approval for all show(s) and forfeiture of fee. Return the point sheet to the rider. It is the riders' responsibility to turn it in their program chair.
12. Liability Insurance is required for each of the approved show date(s). If it is necessary, CSHA may require that you provide a certificate of insurance as proof of coverage.
13. Incomplete Applications will be held pending final approval. If the required information to complete the application is not received by the State EW Chair prior to the show date, the show will not receive final approval. The sanctioning fee shall be deemed forfeited and not subject to refund.