

East Gippsland Performance & Quarter Horse Association

Hi Point Categories, Classes and Rules for the 2010/11 Season
Applies to the complete year.

1 – High Point & Runner Up - Halter (Horse)

- QUARTER HORSE
- APPALOOSA
- PAINT
- PAINT BRED
- ALL OTHER BREEDS

2 – High Point & Runner Up - Junior Horse (Horse)

- JUNIOR HORSE WALK / TROT
- JUNIOR HORSE WALK / JOG
- JUNIOR HORSE WESTERN PLEASURE
- JUNIOR HORSE TRAIL
- JUNIOR HORSE HUNTER UNDER SADDLE

3 – High Point & Runner Up - Senior Horse (Horse)

- SENIOR HORSE WALK / TROT
- SENIOR HORSE WALK / JOG
- SENIOR HORSE WESTERN PLEASURE
- SENIOR HORSE TRAIL
- SENIOR HORSE HUNTER UNDER SADDLE

4 - High Point & Runner Up - Youth (Rider)

- YOUTH HUNTER UNDER SADDLE
- YOUTH HUNT SEAT EQUITATION
- YOUTH WALK / TROT
- YOUTH WALK / JOG
- YOUTH WESTERN PLEASURE
- YOUTH WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP
- YOUTH TRAIL
- YOUTH SHOWMANSHIP

5 – High Point & Runner Up - Improver (Rider)

- IMPROVER HUNTER UNDER SADDLE
- IMPROVER HUNT SEAT EQUITATION
- IMPROVER WALK / TROT
- IMPROVER WALK / JOG
- IMPROVER WESTERN PLEASURE
- IMPROVER WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP
- IMPROVER TRAIL
- IMPROVER SHOWMANSHIP

6 – High Point & Runner Up - Beginner Youth (Rider)

- BEGINNER YOUTH HUNTER UNDER SADDLE
- BEGINNER YOUTH HUNT SEAT EQUITATION
- BEGINNER YOUTH WALK / TROT
- BEGINNER YOUTH WALK / JOG
- BEGINNER YOUTH WESTERN PLEASURE
- BEGINNER YOUTH WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP

- BEGINNER YOUTH TRAIL
- BEGINNER YOUTH SHOWMANSHIP

7 – High Point & Runner Up - Beginner Adult (Rider)

- BEGINNER ADULT HUNTER UNDER SADDLE
- BEGINNER ADULT HUNT SEAT EQUITATION
- BEGINNER ADULT WALK / TROT
- BEGINNER ADULT WALK / JOG
- BEGINNER ADULT WESTERN PLEASURE
- BEGINNER ADULT WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP
- BEGINNER ADULT TRAIL
- BEGINNER ADULT SHOWMANSHIP

8 – High Point & Runner Up - Amateur Owner (Rider)

- AMATEUR HUNTER UNDER SADDLE
- AMATEUR HUNT SEAT EQUITATION
- AMATEUR WALK / TROT
- AMATEUR WALK / JOG
- AMATEUR WESTERN PLEASURE
- AMATEUR WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP
- AMATEUR TRAIL
- AMATEUR SHOWMANSHIP

9 – High Point & Runner Up - Amateur (Select) Owner (Rider)

- AMATEUR SELECT HUNTER UNDER SADDLE
- AMATEUR SELECT HUNT SEAT EQUITATION
- AMATEUR SELECT WALK / TROT
- AMATEUR SELECT WALK / JOG
- AMATEUR SELECT WESTERN PLEASURE
- AMATEUR SELECT WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP
- AMATEUR SELECT TRAIL
- AMATEUR SELECT SHOWMANSHIP

10 – High Point & Runner Up - Reining

- OPEN REINING
- BEGINNER REINING (Adult & Youth)

11 - Leadline

- LEADLINE

EGPQHA Rules and Regulations for Hi Point category and competition

Hi Points Allocation

- Points only to 4th place
- Beginner and Improver Classes may be split on the day at the discretion of the committee.
- For a "Double Points" show, allocation will be 2 x the above values
- In halter classes a "Champion" will result in 2 points allocated
- In halter classes a "Reserve Champion" will result in 1 point allocated

	PLACING IN CLASS			
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
4 or more	4	3	2	1
3	3	2	1	
2	2	1		
1	1			

- Riders will only get points from date of joining EGPQHA
- Horses will only get points from the date of owner/s joining EGPQHA
- All members' names and horse's names must be listed on the membership form to enable and to qualify for HP tabulation. If details are missing/not complete points will not be allocated.
- Points will not be backdated for any reason (except office errors of EGPQHA)
- To qualify for a Hi Point Award members must have achieved a minimum of 4 points for the show year, in the category. (Please see specific rule below re Autumn/Winter series)
- It is the responsibility of members to notify the committee of any change to the information pertaining to Hi Point issues, including additions / deletions of horses names

Youth Hi Point Rules

- In events were 2 horses may be ridden (i.e. western horsemanship and trail), points from the highest placed horse will be tabulated for hi point awards
- Youth are 18 and below (as at the 1st of August 2009)

Amateur & Amateur Select Hi Point Rules

- In events were 2 horses may be ridden (i.e. western horsemanship and trail), points from the highest placed horse will be tabulated
- for hi point awards
- Please see AQHA rules to clarify amateur status

Improver Rules in General

- Improver classes are designed to give newcomers into the Western Industry a chance to experience showing and competition
- Improvers who accumulate 20 or more points at the end of any year in any individual class or overall for the year will no longer be eligible to ride in improver classes during subsequent years. This is also assessed under the guidance of the Review Panel.
- An improver is a rider who does not receive any remuneration or payment for training horses for others.
- Improver classes are based on the Riders ability regardless of the horse

- Improvers may compete in Improver classes for the complete year, regardless of the quantity of points won.
- Improvers may compete either a snaffle, hackamore or curb bit and may ride one or two handed

Beginner Rules in General

- Beginner classes are designed to give beginners into the Western Industry a chance to experience showing and competition without an outlay for gear and equipment
- A beginner Horse & Rider class is designed for a combination of horse & rider where neither have won 3 blue ribbons in that class overall
- Beginners who win 3 blue ribbons in any individual class (including Improver classes) will no longer be eligible to ride in that class at subsequent shows

Attire & Tack for Improver and Beginner Classes

- All riders must wear: - long pants or jeans, a long sleeve shirt, boots with a heel (e.g. Western style boots or Jodhpur boots) and a hat/cap
- Approved safety helmets are optional for all riders
- Any bridle is permitted providing it is legal to AQHA rules (ask show committee if you are unsure)
- Riders may use 2 hands on reins regardless of bridle
- Any type of saddle is permitted
- No training aids are permitted as per AQHA rulings
- Unregistered horses are permitted

General Notes

- When an "Open" class is on the program points will be allocated to respective senior and junior horses.
- Improver and Beginner Rider/Horse combinations are accepted at the discretion of the committee and may be reviewed at any time.
- The committee's decision is final
- In "specific" events, i.e. Quarter Horse Colt/Stallion, the horse must be registered with the relevant breed society. The "other breeds" halter classes are specially for unregistered horses, that do not fit in the above categories
- Paint horses may only compete at halter in the class of which the horse is registered. I.E. "Paint" horse if fully registered as a Paint horse OR "Paint Bred" if so registered. Please ask the show secretary if unsure
- Western Junior horse classes are for horses that are 5 years and under. They may be shown two handed in a snaffle bit or hackamore or one handed in a curb bit.
- Western Senior horse classes are for horses 6 years and over. They must be shown in a curb bit and ridden one handed.
- English classes are as per the AQHA rules and regulations
- All gear, equipment and clothing are as per the AQHA rules and regulations.