

highest total points will be named Champion. A tie on points will be resolved by the placing on the number one judge's card, and then on the number two judge's card, and then on the number three judge's card as circumstances dictate under this system.

- b. After the Champion has been determined, the remaining first place horses, and the horse or horses placing second below a first place for the Champion on a judge's card used for the Champion placing, are the only candidates for Reserve Champion. If the same horse appears first on a judge's card and second below a first place for the Champion on a judge's card used for the champion placing (or two or more second placings as herein described), such horse will be named Reserve Champion. If no horse fits within the criteria stated in the preceding sentence on two or more of the judges' cards, the horse with the highest total points after the Champion has been named will be named Reserve Champion. A tie on points will be resolved by the fall of the cards as stated in the last sentence of a. above.

After the Champion and Reserve Champion have been determined, the placing of the remainder of the class will be based on points with the highest point total placing highest in the class until all placings required have been determined. A tie on points will be resolved by the fall of the cards as stated in the last sentence of a. above.

4. The Number One Judge will call the gaits in all performance classes.
5. The judges' cards will be posted.

ARTICLE 1130. EUROPEAN JUDGING SYSTEM

A European Judging System may be utilized at an AHA Recognized Shows (except Regional & Nationals) as long as it includes the following basic elements:

1. Uses one to five judges. The system requires that the judge(s) scores be announced after each horse is evaluated. The placing in each class will be based on the total score for each horse. The score for type will be utilized as the first tie breaker.
2. The Number One Judge's card will break ties not decided by the type score. Subsequent judges' cards (in numerical order) will be utilized to break ties if the tie is not resolved by the Number One Judge's card.
3. This system may or may not be utilized in Championship classes.
4. Shows may utilize a European Judging System to select Top Ten and Champion and Reserve Champion.

ARTICLE 1131. MAJORITY OPINION SYSTEM (MOS) (BOD 11/95)(Res. 45-00)

Utilized for Arabian Breeds Challenge Cup (UPHA)

1. The Majority Opinion System (MOS) is a method of scoring judges cards for a multi-judge panel where each judge has the power of one full vote to place all competitors in a class. Final placings are scored by at least a two-thirds majority of those votes favorable to each place being awarded. All judges tie the same number of entries per class, that number depending on the number of entries in the class.
2. Using this system, all classes will be judged by three judges. These three judges and their cards are designated as Number One (A), Number Two (B) and Number Three (C).
3. The Number One (Call) Judge is appointed in rotation and the three judges rotate their positions in the ring for each class.
4. Each judge will judge independently with no conferring (except in the presence of the Ringmaster when a workout is to be called) until the cards are handed in.
5. Ties are resolved by the two-thirds majority vote opinion of the three judges.
6. The United Professional Horsemen's Association (UPHA) Arabian Breeds Challenge Cup will resolve a three way identical tie for first place by a mandatory workout of the tied exhibitors. If the tie is not resolved after the workout, the class is determined by the Fall of the Cards.
7. The judges cards will be posted.
8. A computer can be utilized during the show.

ARTICLE 1132. ARABIAN HALTER JUDGING SYSTEM (Res. 11-08)

When adjudicating all Breeding/Gelding In-Hand classes (with the exception of Class A, B, C and Local Competition Championships and ACS Shows) judges will use the "Arabian Scoring System". The various attributes of the horse, which may include but are not limited to: Arabian Type and Presence, Head, Neck & Shoulder, Body & Substance, Conformation, Legs & Feet, Quality & Movement and Suitability as a Breeding Animal will be scored. There will also be a penalty category for rule infractions, poor manners, undue stress or inhumane treatment. The horses shall be ranked based on a total numerical score. Ties for Arabian classes will be broken first by the highest total Arabian Type (Presence) Score, and then by the highest total score for Movement (Quality at Walk/Trot). Ties for Half-Arabians/Anglo-Arabians will be broken first by the highest total Conformation score, and then by the highest total score for Movement (Quality at Walk/Trot). In a multiple judge system the same tiebreakers will be used. If a tie still remains the call judge's card shall break the tie. Each judge(s) scores may be announced immediately following the presentation of the horse. Scores must be posted within an hour of the end of the session in which the final section of the class was held. The "Arabian Scoring System's" composition, format and scoring procedures described herein may be modified by the AHA Education and Evaluation Commission.

SHOW REPORTING

ARTICLE 1133. JUDGES AND SHOW MANAGEMENT REPORTS

1. The Judges Report Form and the Show Committee's Evaluation of Judges Form are included in the show packet sent to the show contact. They must be returned to the Judges and Stewards Commissioner, P.O. Box 440949, Denver, CO 80044-0949.
2. Judge's Show Report Form.
 - a. It is the responsibility of Show Management to provide the judge(s) with these forms before the conclusion of the show.
 - b. All judges must complete and sign this form and return to above address.
3. Show Committee's Evaluation of Judge Report Form.
 - a. Complete a separate form for each judge at the show.
 - b. This evaluation must be completed and signed by the Manager of the show and returned to the above address.

ARTICLE 1134. STANDARD CLASSES REPORT

1. The Standard Classes Report will be forwarded to the Show Secretaries indicating correct Standard Class Codes.
2. This report, in class sequence order, shall supersede any statements concerning designated classes that qualify for Regional and National Championship classes in the prize list.
 - a. This does not affect USEF/EC Championship eligibility.
 - b. This does not affect classes listed in the individual show's prize list requiring specific placings to "show back" into Championship classes.

ARTICLE 1135. SHOW & EVENTS RESULTS REPORTING

Proof of membership with Competition Card must accompany Show/Competition results when the member joins at the show. (BOD 8/04)

1. All COMPLETE and CORRECT Show and Event Results Reports must be received by AHA on official Results Forms (or computer print outs including all required information) and postmarked/electronic transaction dated no later than 15 calendar days after the close of the show. (Res. 7-93) Show and Event results must be sent by certified mail returned receipt or signature delivery confirmation. (BOD 11/01) Complete results include cover sheet, results, all applicable fees, membership, single event memberships, memberships paid at the show or event, including Regional Shows and events, horse, owner, rider and trainer lists and all other pertinent information.
2. All show results must be submitted electronically. Those shows that do not submit results in an acceptable electronic format will be assessed an office

class believes that an entry has a whip mark, that entry must be examined by all judges of that class and each judge must determine if a whip mark exists. If a majority of the judges of that class determine that a whip mark exists, then the entry must be excused from the ring, according to the specifications set forth in this Rule. If a majority of the judges determine there is not a whip mark, then each judge who is of the minority opinion shall submit his or her own written findings of fact and shall have the authority to eliminate said entry from further consideration.

SUBCHAPTER AR-2 BREEDING/GELDING IN-HAND CLASSES.

AR106 General.

1. Horses must be serviceably sound i.e., horse must not show evidence of lameness, broken wind or complete loss of sight in either eye (See GR1204.4). Transmissible weaknesses shall be considered a serious fault in breeding stock. Colts and stallions two years old and over must have both testicles descended. A wry tail or one carried in an unnatural fashion is a breeding fault, and judges must consider it as a fault in adjudicating breeding and in-hand classes.

2. Breeding/In-Hand classes for geldings may be offered. To be shown and judged under the same provisions as the breeding/in-hand horse.

3. A suitable headstall equipped with a throatlatch is mandatory. Horses shown braided must be shown in Hunter, Show Hack, or Dressage appointments (See AR143.1, AR132.1, and DR121 respectively) or in a leather stable halter. A whip or crop is optional, at the discretion of the handler (See GR803). One whip or crop per handler allowed, however, whips are not mandatory and handlers are allowed to use items such as grass, hat and/or treats to maintain horse's attention. Whips are to be no longer than 6' including snapper or lash. No appendages of any kind are permitted on the end of the whip (e.g., plastic or paper bag, ribbons, etc.).

Effective 4/1/08: A suitable headstall equipped with a throatlatch is mandatory. Horses shown braided must be shown in Hunter, Show Hack, or Dressage appointments (See AR143.1 and AR132.1) or in a leather stable halter. A whip or crop is optional, at the discretion of the handler (See GR320). One whip or crop per handler allowed, however, whips are not mandatory and handlers are allowed to use items such as grass, hat and/or treats to maintain horse's attention. Whips are to be no longer than 6' including snapper/lash/appendage. *Small appendages (no more than 12 inches in length) of ribbon, plastic, etc. are permitted. BOD 1/14/07 Effective 4/1/08*

AR107 Conduct and Specifications.

1. The following procedures shall be followed in all breeding classes, including Gelding In-Hand classes:

a. At all AHA Regional and National level competitions, the order of go shall be determined and posted by the birth date oldest to youngest, including post entries. The procedure (for selecting the order of go) may be used at other recognized competitions at the discretion of competition management. All in-hand classes will be conducted as Breeding and Gelding In-Hand Classes.

b. Horses shall enter the arena in-hand at a relaxed walk (a four-beat flat-footed gait), guiding in a counterclockwise direction. Each horse shall clear the gate at a walk before striking the trot. Failure to completely clear the gate at a walk shall require the horse to re-enter at the proper walk. The horse shall then strike a trot until reaching its designated position in line, as directed by the ringmaster or judge(s).

c. Horse shall then be asked to walk counter-clockwise and/or clockwise at the discretion of the judge(s), in a relaxed manner on a loose lead with the handler at the side of their horse, whips down. The leadline must maintain a clearly discernible drape, i.e., the handler must not place their hand on the chain or close enough to in any way restrict natural head and neck motion. Also, the handler may not unnecessarily impede the forward motion of the horse while at the walk.

d. All horses to walk on the rail [or area designated by the judges(s)] at each direction past each (and all) judge(s).

e. Handlers are expected to keep a reasonable clearance between horses and judges should modify the alignment of horses to achieve that clearance. Further judging will not commence until the Call Judge approves the placement and spacing of all horses.

- f. Following the cessation of the walk, horses shall be presented to the judge(s) individually in accordance with the order of go. Horses shall be led individually to the judge(s) at the walk and presented for judging. In order to satisfy a proper presentation to the judge, horses should stand correctly, bearing weight on all four feet (not stretched), in a quiet and deliberate manner. Following evaluation by the judge(s), horses shall walk and trot away from the judge(s) direction and resume their place in the line.
- g. The horses "on deck" and the two next horses shall be the only horses allowed to prepare of those horses in the line, this to include controlled shanking for the purpose only of positioning the horse for presentation to the judge(s). Any further shanking shall be limited to that reactive to an unruly horse in order to regain control of that horse.
- h. There can be NO contact of the whip to the horse. ANY contact shall result in elimination by the judge.
- i. A horse that appears to be intimidated by its handler will be penalized. This may include but is not limited to, crouching, cowering, quivering, withdrawing and buckling their knees. Judge(s) may excuse any entry deemed in violation of any of these restrictions.
- j. Final comparative judging requested by the judge(s) shall be entirely at their discretion, however, under all the aforementioned guidelines.

Effective 4/1/08: The following procedures shall be followed in all breeding classes, including Gelding In-Hand classes:

- a. At all AHA Regional and National level competitions, the order of go shall be determined and posted by the birth date oldest to youngest, including post entries. The procedure (for selecting the order of go) may be used at other recognized competitions at the discretion of competition management. All in-hand classes will be conducted as Breeding and Gelding In-Hand Classes.
- b. Competition management shall have the option of choosing one of two class procedures:
 - (1) - In the Ring Class Procedure
 - (2) - Exit the Ring Class Procedure
- c. In the Ring Class Procedure

Judging begins when the first horse enters the ring. From the moment the horse enters the ring its movement is being evaluated and scored(2) The horse shall enter at a trot, and at the handler's discretion may either proceed directly along the rail, or trot a counterclockwise circle at the in-gate end of the arena and then proceed along the rail to the far end of the arena. Upon each horse reaching the designated position at the far end of the arena they are to remain relaxed. The judge(s) will then ask for the next horse to enter the ring. When all horses have entered the ring the horses shall be asked to walk collectively counter-clockwise and/or clockwise past each (and all) judge(s). They shall walk in a relaxed manner on a loose lead with the handler at the side of his horse, whips down. The lead line must maintain a discernible drape and the handler must not place his hand on the chain or close enough to in any way restrict the natural head and neck motion. The handler may not unnecessarily impede the forward motion of the horse while at the walk. Following the cessation of the walk all horses shall relax within the ring and only the horse "on deck" shall be prepared to show. Each horse shall be led to the judge(s) at the walk and presented for judging. In order to satisfy a proper presentation to the judge, horses should stand correctly, bearing weight on all four feet (not stretched), in a quiet and deliberate manner. Following the evaluation by the judge(s), horses shall walk away from the judge(s), and then strike a trot before turning left and proceeding counter clockwise down the rail. They shall resume their relaxed position at the end of the arena. The scores for all categories will be completed, recorded, and may be announced at this time.

d. Handlers are expected to keep a reasonable clearance between horses and judges should modify the alignment of horses to achieve that clearance. Further judging will not commence until the Call Judge approves the placement and spacing of all horses.

e. *Exit the Ring Class Procedure*

All class entrants must be in a "controlled paddock" outside the ring until entering the ring individually in the designated order of go (AR107.1a). The horse shall enter at a trot, and at the handler's discretion may either proceed directly along the rail, or trot a counterclockwise circle at the in-gate end of the arena and then proceed along the rail to a

designated point by the judges. The horse shall then walk in a relaxed manner on a loose lead with the handler at the side of his horse, whips down. The lead must maintain a discernible drape and the handler must not place his hand on the chain or close enough to in any way restrict the natural head and neck motion. The handler may not unnecessarily impede the forward motion of the horse while at the walk. Each horse shall be led to the judge(s) at the walk and presented for judging. In order to satisfy a proper presentation to the judge, horses should stand correctly, bearing weight on all four feet (not stretched), in a quiet and deliberate manner. Following the evaluation by the judge(s), horses shall walk away from the judge(s), and then strike a trot. At the handler's discretion they may trot a counter clockwise circle and then proceed towards the exit, or proceed directly towards the exit. The scores for all categories will be completed, recorded, and announced at this time. The horse shall be excused from the ring to the controlled paddock where it shall remain until the placings are announced, and the next horse shall enter promptly and be presented accordingly until the class is completed.

f. Only the horses "on deck" shall be allowed to prepare for its presentation to the judge(s). Preparation shall include controlled circling and positioning the horse for presentation to the judge(s). The only shanking allowed shall be limited to an unruly horse in order to regain control. All other exhibitors must remain relaxed within the ring or they shall be penalized.

g. There can be NO contact of the whip to the horse. ANY contact shall result in elimination by the judge.

h. A horse that appears to be intimidated by its handler will be penalized. This may include but is not limited to, crouching, cowering, quivering, withdrawing and buckling their knees. Judge(s) may excuse any entry deemed in violation of any of these restrictions.

i. A "controlled paddock" is an area designated by show management outside the competition ring for Breeding/Gelding In-Hand classes. The USEF steward and/or the Show Commission shall supervise this area. Only one specified person appointed by the show committee shall be in the controlled paddock to assist with the entrance(s) into the arena. BOD 1/14/07 Effective 4/1/08

2. A horse must be handled and shown throughout an entire class by only one and the same person, except that a substitute handler may be used if, during a class, the original handler becomes ill or is injured. Time allowed for the change of handler shall be in accordance with General Rules, GR833. No handler may show more than one horse per class.

3. Specifications.

a. Colt/Stallion, Filly/Mare Breeding Classes. Emphasis shall be placed in the following order of importance: type, conformation, suitability as a breeding animal, quality, movement, substance, manners, and presence. When Colt/Stallion and Geldings are judged together, the above class specifications will be used except that Geldings shall not be judged on suitability as a breeding animal.

b. Gelding In-Hand Classes. Emphasis shall be placed in the following order of importance: conformation, type, quality, movement, substance, manners, and presence.

c. Transmissible weakness shall be considered a serious breeding fault in breeding stock. Colts and Stallions two years old and over must have both testicles descended.

4. In-Hand horses are not to be stretched. A horse is considered not stretched if all four feet are flat on the ground and at least one front and one rear cannon bone is perpendicular to the ground.

5. Excessive use of the whip or actions that may disturb other entries shall be severely penalized.

6. Additional causes for mandatory elimination from the arena are

a. removal of eyelashes,

b. changing the natural color of the mane and/or tail (See GR802),

c. balding the area around the eyes or proximal to the muzzle and nostrils. A judge may penalize an entry with excessive amounts of oil, grease or other substances so as to cause an unnatural appearance;

d. No product shall be applied to a horse's hoof to hide or conceal a conformation defect. Only clear or transparent products may be used on the hooves of horses while being shown in Breeding and/or In-Hand classes.