



**PATTERNEED SPEED
HORSE ASSOCIATION
RULEBOOK
(PSHA)**

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WELCOME TO THE PATTERNEED SPEED HORSE ASSOCIATION

SECTION 1: MISSION STATEMENT

A. This Association is organized for the following purposes: To promote an atmosphere conducive to learning for the new horse and rider. To promote the highest level of competition for all riders at all levels while preserving a family friendly environment. Promote humane treatment of our horse athletes. Recognize outstanding achievement of our members, riders, and horses. To provide for the operation and governance of Patterned Speed Horse shows and competitions.

SECTION 2: GENERAL RULES

A. The show season begins August 1st of current year and ends July 31st of the next year.

B. MEMBERSHIP: The membership year is to run from August 1st through July 31st, each year Members must pay PSHA membership dues before their times will count for the new season. The President may rule that a member can receive their times if unforeseen circumstances membership did not get paid before their first runs took place; such as the application getting lost before reaching the Treasurer and/or Secretary. Upon such unforeseen ruling applicant will immediately reapply their application.

C. CONTESTANT NUMBERS: All members will be given a permanent number that will remain with them forever. Each horse competing will have a permanent horse number that will remain with them forever. These numbers will be given by show management at the shows or by the State Times

Keeper or State Secretary. Any rider without paid current membership must ride with an "X" number assigned by show management.

D. BAD DEBTS: Any member who has been duly notified by Certified, return receipt letter from the State Office of PSHA that they have incurred a bad debt to a PSHA affiliated club or to the PSHA head office, after a 30-day grace period, shall be barred from having their times count from date of notice until past debts are paid. Any NSF check received by the State Office or club will be automatically re-deposited. If the check does not clear the bank the second time, a \$40.00 fee will be added and the balance referred to an outside source for collection. During this collection process, the member in question will be barred from having their times count from date of notice until past debts are paid.

E. Unsportsmanlike Conduct:

1. **Profanity:** It is recommended that show management consider excessive profanity anywhere in the vicinity of the arena, to be grounds for ejection from the show for that day. "Vicinity" is to be defined as being audible in the arena.
2. **Intoxication:** You can be immediately disqualified from any further competition at a show if you are obnoxiously intoxicated. Enforcement of this rule will be the responsibility of every adult present at regular shows. A committee (appointed by show management) will handle any problems at invitational events.
3. **Unnecessary Roughness/Horse Abuse.** Disorderly Conduct Excessive violations of unsportsmanlike conduct will result in the following disciplinary action carried out by the President or Vice President.
 1. **First Offense:** Verbal warning recorded by PSHA

President and/or Vice President with the offense, location, date and time.

2. **Second Offense:** Written notification with a signed letter from the President and/or Vice President acknowledging:
 - A. The offending behavior.
 - B. Notifying the offender of a 1-year probation period.
 - C. Notifying that the next step is a full year suspension from PSHA.
3. **Third Offense:** One full-year suspension from PSHA from the date of the most recent offense.
4. **Fourth Offense:** Escalation of events that leads to a second suspension results in a lifetime ban from PSHA. The ban will be voted on by the Board of Directors as referenced in By-Laws, Article 1 Section 4, B. Page 72.

F. RULES COMMITTEE PURPOSE:

1. To update the rule book annually.
2. To decide on any points of rule clarification.
 - A. If a member requests a rule clarification, it must go to the president who will contact, the Rules Committee, the Rules Committee shall respond within a 20-day period. Responses can be made either by letter, e-mail, telephone call or in person, but it shall be responded to.
 - B. If all three Rules Committee members are not available, the alternate will be utilized to make the rule clarification.
 - C. To set up and conduct the Judges and Timers clinics each year. To go over current rule changes; go over common-sense judging calls and judging positions per event. To keep a list and go over extraordinary calls that may have to be made and the correct call to be made. To remind and refresh current judges and to help new and trainee judges so all judges will be making the same calls state-wide.
3. The other main duty of the Rules Committee is:
 - A. To act on and resolve any protests that come up in the

course of the season.

All Rules Committee decisions will be ruled on by the entire committee and all final decisions will be published in the newsletter. All concerned parties will be notified within 20 days from the date of the Rules Committee's decision and any appeals of this decision must be made within 48 hours of receiving the decision to the PSHA President. The President shall then call a meeting of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors members can only have one vote with no replacement votes if additional offices are held by that member.

- B. For rule clarifications, members must contact the President who will then contact the Rules Committee members.

G. PROTEST RULES:

- 1. Any member wishing to file a protest must do so within 48 hours of a judge's call or hearing of an administrative decision. A written description of the circumstances accompanied by a \$25.00 deposit must be filed with the President.
- A. Upon receipt of protest, the President is required to inform the protester of their rights and the process of the protest resolution process.
- B. The President shall inform the Rules Committee which shall meet and resolve the dispute within a 20-day period, providing a member or members of the Rules Committee are not directly involved in the protest. If the Member protesting requests a meeting be convened, this 20-day deadline will be waived, thus allowing time for the Rules Committee to schedule the meeting.
- C. If a meeting is requested by the member filing a protest, the President must inform all interested parties of the meeting via e-mail, telephone, or mail. If a team is involved in the protest, the President must inform the

team captain who in turn will inform his/her team members.

- D. If requested, the meeting must be set on an agreeable date to all parties concerned, teleconferencing optional.
- E. Protester shall have the right to attend and face the Committee, as well as the Judge making the decision, along with those witnesses having information bearing on the decision
- F. If the Committee rules in favor of the protester, the protester shall be returned the \$25.00 deposit and all times and runs pertaining to the protest shall be accepted and recorded by PSHA. If the Committee rules against the protester the deposit shall be forfeited to PSHA.
- G. All concerned parties will be notified by the president of the Rules Committee's decision and any appeals of this decision must be made within 48 hours of receiving this decision, to the PSHA President.

2. The Steward may make a protest through the Steward's report with no charge.

3. All Rules Committee decisions will be ruled on by the entire Committee and all final decisions will be published in the newsletter.

H. OFFICIAL CARD REQUIREMENTS:

- 1. Judges and Timers cards, provided by PSHA, shall be issued by a Rules Committee member. All interested people attending the clinic to receive their Judges and Timers cards must be a current PSHA member. If membership is not current, the card will be held until proof of membership is presented.
- 2. A State Wide Judges & Timers Clinic will be held on Sunday in conjunction with the annual Awards and Banquet Meeting, and will be presided over by the Rules Committee.

Tests and renewal clinics are to be given by a member or members of the Rules Committee only before a Judges or a Timers card will be issued. So there are enough Judges and Timers clinics held each year, the Rules Committee could appoint a judge or judges in every active club. These judges must have attended the annual Judges and Timers Clinic held during the annual Awards and Banquet Meeting, or a clinic put on by a Rules Committee member, before they can put on clinics and tests themselves.

- 3.** All renewal Judges and Timers will attend a clinic each year for discussion of new rules, discrepancies in judging existing rules and clarification of rules from the Rules Committee. Upon completion of the clinic, a renewal card will be issued.
- 4.** Judges and Timers Cards will be valid from Jan 1st through Dec 31st.

I. CARD REVOCATION:

- 1.** A State Judges and Timers card may be revoked only by the PSHA President after sustained complaints have been received concerning three separate occurrences of the same or different infraction(s) submitted by three different members in writing, from any State approved show, attesting to the inability of said judge or timer to make the proper decision from the PSHA Rule Book.
- 2.** Upon being informed, the PSHA President shall inform the Rules Committee, and in turn, so inform all interested parties that a hearing will be held.
- 3.** Said hearing shall be held on an agreeable date to all parties, but must be held within ten (10) days after final complaint.

4. If the official's card should be revoked at this said hearing, the name of said Judge or Timer shall be published in the next issue of the newsletter.
5. Said Judge or Timer shall not be allowed to re-apply for a new card for one full year.

SECTION 3: SHOW OFFICIALS

Only stewards, judges and timers that have a current PSHA Card can officiate at approved shows. Any part of an event run with improper officials will be disallowed.

A. STEWARD:

1. Shall be an experienced current PSHA card carrying judge, preferably from another club and must be nineteen (19) years of age and older. The Rules Committee recommends that show management uses discretion in choosing an experienced judge as their show steward.
2. Shall act as the rider's liaison at PSHA Shows to ensure that all courses are properly set, measured, marked and proper equipment is used.
3. Shall check Judges and Timers for current cards. Show own card to show management.
4. Check that required information is posted at the show.
5. May ride in any event. May time any event. Can not judge any event.

EXCEPTION: Shows operating with no other available officials on the grounds, the steward may be permitted to

judge the ride of another official, allowing that official the opportunity to ride.

- 6.** Have a current PSHA Rule Book. (Digital copy is approved.)
- 7.** Re-measure event, read the clock and the watch and sign record breaking sheet for record runs. In case of a steward breaking a record, another qualified judge to witness measurement of course and sign record breaking sheets.
- 8.** Only file a steward's report upon show completion if there are issues that need to be addressed by the steward.
- 9.** Disallow particular events if improperly run.
- 10.** Steward to be identified at the show.
- 11.** Steward has authority to ask riders for appropriate western wear.
- 12.** The Steward may not leave the show until it is completed. In case of an emergency, another qualified steward must be appointed.
- 13.** Steward does not have the authority to decide not to run a particular event because of poor arena conditions (see Section 5 Competition General Rules, paragraph 14).
- 14.** Any changes made to arena sheets after they have been signed off by the judge must be initialed by the Steward.

B. JUDGE:

- 1.** Current PSHA membership card and be a minimum age of seventeen (17). Must be a Timer before becoming a

student judge. Must be a certified judge for a minimum of 2 years before assisting student judges.

- 2.** Student Judges must pass timer's test 100%, hand signals 100%, and remainder of written test by 94%.
- 3.** Student card issued at this point. Student judges will have two (2) years to complete their student judging requirements. Limit time of lapsed judge's card to three (3) years. If more than three years, judge can renew card by retaking the written test and discussion for rules clinic be done by phone, Facetime, or Zoom. There would be no student judging required.
- 4.** Student judge two state shows, each event twice (example: open 1 & 2) and get signature of the judge on the back of the card along with the date of the show and event judged. If a club does not offer an event, student judges are not required to meet the qualification criteria for that event. Student judge will be excluded from judging those said events. A Rules Committee recommendation to all permanent judges that if they feel a student judge needs more experience judging they may refuse to sign their card at that time and suggest they get more experience.
- 5.** Permanent card issued at this point.
- 6.** Attend yearly renewal clinic and steward and/or judge during at least two (2) PSHA approved shows per year. If a person is a steward at two (2) approved shows during the show season, it will take the place of judging two (2) shows.

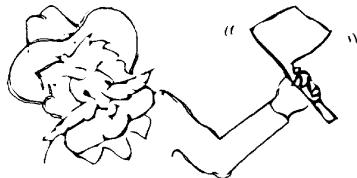
C. JUDGE'S DUTIES:

- 1.** At least one judge (two recommended) to be provided for each team or rider.

2. Judge to watch for infraction of the rules.
3. When the judge is in doubt, the benefit will go to the rider.
4. Have a current PSHA Rule Book. (Digital rulebook is approved.)
5. Call all penalties and disqualifications.
6. After each event, the judge will sign the arena sheet last, check that the sheet has all of the required signatures and generally check the arena sheet for mistakes.
7. A judge may sign off on the arena sheet and ride in an event he has judged.
8. Read both the clock and watch and sign the record-breaking sheet.
9. Judge to show card to the Steward.
10. A class may be judged by two or more separate judges who shall each sign the arena sheet indicating the portion each judged.
11. The judge is the only person with authority to give the green flag or green light as a signal the course is ready to start.
12. Any changes made to the arena sheets by the 1st timer and/or Secretary are to be initialed by the Judge at the completion of the event or time of signature. Any changes made after the arena sheet has been signed off by the Judge must be initialed by the Steward.

JUDGE'S SIGNALS

1. Course ready. Hold up green flag or activate green light.



2. General Disqualification. Thumb extended over shoulder. NT

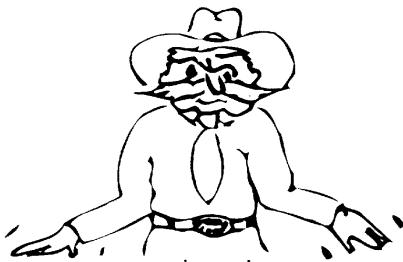


3. Five Second Penalty. Hand raised with 5 fingers extended.

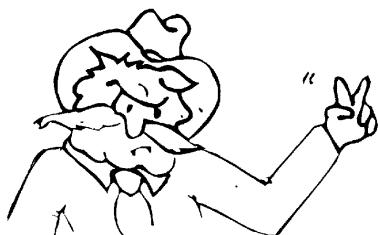


Repeat to show 10, 15, etc.

4. Safe or clean run. Both hands, palms down and extended arms length in front with a back and forth motion.



5. Two horses on course. Two fingers held up.
2/H/O/C



D. FIRST TIMER:

1. Current PSHA membership card and be a minimum age of 16 years. All timers to be tested and required to know how to convert minutes and seconds to seconds and to understand clocks. (NOTE: Conversion chart in back of Rule Book.) Must complete timers test and student timing requirements before becoming a student judge.
2. Pass timer's test 100%. Student card issued at this point. Student timers will have two (2) years to complete their student timing requirements.
3. Student to time one (1) PSHA approved shows, each event twice (example: open 1 & 2 class) as second timer, also student time as a first timer with electronic clocks at least two (2) team events and get signature of first timer on back of card along with date, show and events timed. If a

club does not offer an event, student timers are not required to meet the qualification criteria for that event. Student timer will be excluded from timing those said events. A Rules Committee recommendation to all permanent timers that if they feel a student timer needs more experience timing, they may refuse to sign their card at that time and suggest they get more experience.

4. Permanent card issued after student requirements are met.

5. Attend yearly renewal clinic and time during at least two (2) PSHA approved shows per year. Limit time of lapsed timers card to three (3) years. If more than three years, timer can renew card by retaking the written test and discussion for rules clinic be done by phone, Facetime, or Zoom. There would be no student timing required.

E. SECONDTIMER:

1. Must pass timers test 100%. Second timers card issued at that time. All other Timers Qualifications apply. Second Timers maybe any age.

F. TIMER'S DUTIES:

1. At least two (2) timers are to be provided for each rider or team to be timed. If two (2) electronic timing clocks are used, an additional person is needed for the second clock only for events needing the 'eye' turned off and on (i.e.; Figure 8, 2-Man Stake, 2 Man Three Barrel, all 4-Man events). Head timer to have first time, second timer to have back up time. Requested third timer to have additional time which shall be used only when or if #1 or #2 clocks fail to function properly. If no clock failure occurs during run, #1 and #2 times shall be official times on all runs. Third time

must be within 30/100ths of #1 time should it become necessary to use #3 time to establish a record run.

- 2.** Show Timer's card to the Steward.
- 3.** Rider or team's time shall start when any part of the horse crosses the starting line and shall stop when the rider or last member of the team crosses the finish line.
- 4.** The time of the First Timer shall be official unless he fails in getting the exact start or has watch failure, in which case, the Second Timer's time is used and shall be the official time. Have the courage to admit when your timing is in doubt. When a First Timer fails and the Second Timer's time is used, that time must be verified by a Steward, Judge or the First Timer.
- 5.** First Timer to announce times for other Timers(s) and Secretary (example: 15.40). When digital clock is used, time shall be announced using all the digits shown (example: 19.567).
- 6.** Second Timer may be a Student Timer. Second Timer is required to call out his time to check accuracy of all timing devices. When a hand watch time is used the thousandths shall be .005 unless hand watch reads to thousandths.
- 7.** Timers to check and know each record time before each event.
- 8.** Raise her/his hand when ready to time.
- 9.** Sign arena sheet and record-breaking sheet.
- 10.** Do not reset your watch or clock on a record run until the Steward and Judge have read them.

- 11.** If necessary to run an event, First and/or Second Timer may sign off and ride in the class she/he has been timing.
- 12.** A class may be timed by two (2) or more separate timers who may sign the arena sheet indicating the portion timed.
- 13.** When student first timers are timing, head timers should show student how to fill out show arena sheets. Such as filling in the captain's numbers when captain is not riding, filling in no times, team names, penalties, and horse's names for bareback relay, cowhide, and rescue race events.

G. ARENA SECRETARY DUTIES: (16 yrs and Over)

- 1.** Know the hand signals and watch judge for signals. First timer to call judge's signals for secretary.
- 2.** Record all entries and times. Record times using all digits shown (19.537). When a hand watch time is used, the thousandths shall be .005 unless hand watch reads to thousandths.
- 3.** Record all times even if disqualified, then penalties, then total time. Record reason for disqualification or penalty.
- 4.** Do not change errors. Draw one line through the error and re- record on the next available line correctly.
- 5.** First timer could be the arena secretary if digital clock is used.

H. STATE TIMES KEEPER:

- 1.** The current PSHA President may hire a State Times Keeper whose responsibilities shall be to file all PSHA approved shows. She/he will receive five (5) cents per ride

as compensation.

2. It shall also be the duty of the State Times Keeper to post all times in the computer.

I. STATE FINALS OFFICIALS

1. An Officials Meeting will be held just prior to the Riders Meeting at the show in order to discuss situations that occur at these shows, and do not occur normally during our show season. It will be used to make sure that all Officials are ruling as consistently as possible.
2. All members officiating at the State Final Show must either attend the Officials Meeting which will be held just prior to the Riders Meeting, or must be briefed by a member of the Rules Committee prior to officiating any event at these shows.

SECTION 4: RECORD BOOK

A. PSHA HISTORIAN: The historian's duties will be to keep track of all the PSHA history.

1. Event Records.
2. Supreme Award recipients.
3. Seven "A" recipients.
4. The location of State Finals Championship Show. This information will be made available for publication in the State Finals program.

B. RECORD RUNS

Who: PSHA members only.

Where: Any PSHA approved show, State Finals Championship Show and Interstate Championship Meet.

When: Official recorded run only, and upon notice from PSHA. Does not count on tie run-off. Must be timed on an electric clock, second time may be on a hand watch. Third time must be within 30/100ths of #1 time should it become necessary to use #3 time to establish a record run.

How: Record breaking sheet and copies must be filled out in its entirety or run shall not count. Copies must go to the record breaker(s) who may check sheet and if necessary, have it corrected by the show steward prior to leaving the show that day. Obvious clerical errors may be corrected at any time, although no corrections may be made on the times as recorded in the arena. A reasonable facsimile may be used if no record sheet is available.

1. Stop show; measure the course and fill out form immediately.
2. Timers, Judge and Steward read both the watch and clock and sign the sheet.
3. Rider(s) sign the sheet.
4. The electric clock and watch must not vary over 30/100ths of a second. Third time must be within 30/100ths of #1 time should it become necessary to use #3 time to establish a record run.
5. Plaques will be engraved and redistributed annually only, with all progressively faster runs recorded, and plaques presented to the current record holder. Tied records will be recognized by engraving on the plaque name, date and time.
6. For each new event or course measurement change, a committee of three (3) knowledgeable PSHA riders shall decide a new time to beat, when the event is accepted into

the PSHA Award System. Each run faster than the committee's record time shall be measured and recorded on a record-breaking sheet until a new nameless record is set by the PSHA. The fastest Junior and Senior times at the end of the season, shall receive the permanent record plaque at the PSHA Convention.

7. In case of a steward breaking a record, another qualified judge must witness the measurement of the course and sign the record-breaking sheet.
8. All records recorded to the 1000th will be considered tied to the 1000th.
9. All records run at Interstate Championship Meet shall be used providing they meet our criteria.

SECTION 5: COMPETITION GENERAL RULES

A. Western equipment to be used. Saddle with horn, bridle type optional. Western boots and/or western sports riding tennis shoe with heel required in all events using a saddle with the exception of the mounting rider in rescue race, cowhide race and bareback relay. Riders to wear neat attire. Riders to wear neat western attire at State Finals (see Dress Code on Page 61) and Interstate. Riders are allowed to wear baseball caps and/or visors at all shows except Interstate. Arena officials to be neatly dressed. A mandatory warning is required before a dress call is made and then the judge's call is un-protestable.

1. APPAREL

- a. Shirt tucked in if not an over-blouse.
- b. Pants western, no cut-offs or shorts.
- c. Boots western, sports riding tennis shoe with heel are allowed.

- d. All hats/visors/helmets are allowed except at Interstate Championship show only Western hats or helmets are allowed.

2. The same horse/rider combination may appear only once in the same individual event. Same horse or rider may appear multiple times in an individual event.

3. In two person events, any change of any horse or any rider means a new team has been created. Only one of the two rider numbers would have to change. The same horses and/or rider may appear on multiple two person teams in an event, except at State Finals, reference page 59.

4. For All State Shows: A team using the same team name or the captain splits members resulting in the possibility of two or more times being recorded for that day at 2 different arenas all said team times for that event will be thrown out for that day. The first qualified ride of the season in each team event establishes the team. All four-man teams must have at least one permanent member, all others may be substitutes. The team captain is responsible for checking the other members of his/her team for current year PSHA membership.

5. Refer to equipment specifications for rules concerning equipment. Refer to course specifications for rules concerning events.

6. In all events an optional white start/finish line maybe used, except for bareback relay a start/finish line must be used.

7. In all events except barrels, two lime dots 30 feet apart shall designate the start and finish line. In barrels, the starting lime dots shall be 60 feet apart. A horse must pass between the lime dots at the start and finish or be off course.

Photocell and light to be on the line in front of the starting poles. Attaching the photocell and light to the poles with clamps would be acceptable.

8. When the course is measured, the measurement shall be taken from the center of the barrels, poles, containers, or other properties, or to the lime dot if event property has been moved. If the property is down or moved and not reset, a rider must attempt to run the course properly around the dot and if there is any doubt, the benefit should go to the rider.

9. Ties. It shall be optional to the riders to flip a coin or accept a runoff. In breaking the tie, the loser takes the next lower position. In the event of a disagreement, the decision shall be left to the judge. If both riders are disqualified on their runoff, the fastest no time wins. (No ties will be run off at State Finals)

10. Mounted. Riders shall be considered mounted when the knee is over the center line of the horse's back. In events where mounting is required, rider must be mounted when crossing the finish line.

11. Starting and finishing. The judge is the person of authority on course and will signal course ready with a green flag or green light. After being given the course, the rider has one minute to start. Rider must start and finish from his half of the arena. In the Cowhide Race, the judge will not give the signal that the course is ready until after the rope is dallied on the horn of the saddle and horse and rider are ready.

12. Re-rides. Re-rides are to be run after the last rider in that event has run. Re-rides are permitted for (a) interference by another rider and/or horse (to be determined by the judge), (b) for failure of all timing devices, provided no disqualification of event has occurred. If the re-ride is

granted, all penalties will carry over to the re-ride.

Example: If a rider no-timed during the event. They will not be granted a re-ride. If they had a plus 5, that will carry over to their new time. At state finals, should an event be moved for safety reasons, all classes, in that event, that have been completed will have an option for a re-ride with original penalties carrying over. (ie: NT in original run carries over to a NT in the re-ride. +5's carry over to the re-ride as well) Classes that have not been completed will be started over as if they have not run.

13. Ground Rules must be posted in a conspicuous place and called to the attention of all the contestants. Emergency numbers: For people-911, Ambulance, Doctor, and/or Hospital. For animals: Local veterinarians, to be posted with ground rules. Show committees must not amend or substitute established rules as written in this Rule Book.

14. Moving a course. If moved for safety reasons, riders may choose to either rerun or keep their first time. If moved for initial wrong measurement, all riders must rerun.

15. The Steward shall disallow any event that was improperly set or run. For any other infractions of the rules by the show sponsor, the PSHA member riders shall receive their times, and the sponsor shall pay a \$25.00 fine or no future shows shall be allowed. Arena sheets inadvertently not signed by officials the show sponsor shall pay a \$25.00 fine per show or no future shows will be allowed. Also, there will be notification in the Newsletter of incompliant show sponsors.

16. Resetting equipment: Events that require the use of flags. In the flag races, riders must reset the containers and flags. If a rider drops a flag or misses the container, he must retrieve the flag and place it in the proper container. A dropped flag may be reset from the ground before

remounting. If a rider knocks over a container, he must reset the container (exception: SECTION 9, Penalty No.2). If the staff is broken, rider must complete the course with the flag portion of the staff. A dropped baton must be retrieved by the riders (see #17). In all other events the arena crew will reset downed equipment. Poles should be reset whenever possible.

17. Events that require the passing of the baton. If a rider is on course, the rider dropping the baton must retrieve it, crossing start/finish line if necessary. If the baton is dropped on the off-course side of the start/finish line, either the passer (who need not remount) or the receiver may retrieve it. With the exception of the last rider, a rider missing the baton may run the course, return for the baton and then correctly run the course. Any member of the team may move up and take the baton if the intended receiver misses, but no rider may run more than once.

18. Riders' Responsibilities: It is the riders' responsibility to check all arena sheets as they are posted. If there are errors in names or times, it must be corrected at the show. If a protest is to be made, it must be made within the 48-hour time limit.

19. All reasons for disqualifications shall be recorded on the arena sheet with the exception of a general disqualification (Example: knock down of a pole or barrel).

20. No one under the age of eighteen (18) will be allowed to ride a stallion at PSHA Approved Shows.

21. The use of stallions in Bareback Relay will not be permitted.

22. No penalties will be assessed for righting a pole or barrel that has not touched the ground.

- 23.** Touching or patting ahead of the elbow shall not be construed as striking and therefore not a disqualification
- 24.** No Juniors (13 & under) will be allowed to pull the hide in the Cowhide Race.

SECTION 6: DISQUALIFICATIONS

A. RIDER OR TEAM SHALL BE DISQUALIFIED FOR:

1. Any infraction by the horse or rider of the General Rules.
2. Any infraction by the horse or rider of the Event Rules.
3. Leaving the course, upsetting the starting poles after being given the course, crossing the starting line plane outside the starting poles.
4. Whipping the horse with the properties of the event.
5. Intentional striking of the horse on the head, once given the course will be a disqualification to the rider.
6. Unsportsmanlike conduct in the arena. Judges will disqualify riders for use of profane language, unnecessary roughness, abusing the horse, disorderly conduct of any kind, and disqualify an unmanageable horse for safety reasons. Decisions by the judge shall be final.
7. Two horses on course. Teams will be disqualified if horse waiting its turn crosses the starting line before the horse finishing the course crosses the finish line completely.
- 8 In all events which require mounting or dismounting in the

event, any rider mounting from the wrong side of the line/plane or dismounting to the wrong side of the line/plane. Mounter may not touch the ground in front of the line/plane. Horse must get all four feet over the mount or dismount line/plane.

9. In all events rider must be mounted when crossing the start/finish line.

10. Loose horse defined as separated from and out of control of the contestant. A ground tied horse shall be considered in control.

11. Touching the ground on the “on course” side of the line in Rescue Race, Cowhide Race, and Bareback Relay.

12. Individual Flags: Failure to place the flag in the last container or upsetting the last container. Exception: State Finals, reference page 36.

13. Individual Events only: Knock down of a stake, pole or barrel other than those used as containers.

14. Cowhide Race: Failure of the cowhide rider to make initial contact with the hide or rope behind the mounting line/plain. Cowhide rider is not required to maintain continuous contact throughout the entire race or to be on top of the hide as long as he makes initial contact with the hide or rope behind the mounting line/plain. Failure to be prone, sitting or have at least one knee on the ground before crossing the mounting line/plain.

15. Failure to turn or stay on the correct side of the dot in the event of a moved property.

SECTION 7: EQUIPMENT

A. The following equipment shall be used whenever any of the following terms are used. All equipment is to be standardized according to the applicable specifications.

1. Timer's Equipment:

A. Electric Clocks: The light and the photocell are to be set on the starting line. Clubs to maintain their own clocks.

B. Hand Watches: To be 100th of a second Digital Hand Stop Watches.

C. A Current PSHA Rule Book: Will be on each timer's table during the show, provided by the show management.

2. Starting Equipment: To be green flags or green lights. Starting flags are to be provided by the show sponsor.

3. Tape Measure: The metric side of the tapes used to set course measurements are to be blacked out at the beginning of the tape for a minimum of 2 inches in order that the metric side of the tape will not be mistakenly used.

4. Equipment to be furnished by the show committee for all events (baton and cowhide excluded) and equipment to be uniform on each line of competition. The event will be disallowed if it is run with substandard equipment. Any equipment designated to be white shall be white, with the exception of the blue, white or green plastic ring on the bottom of the barrel.

5. Barrels: Fifty-five gallon plastic barrel, containing eight

(8) pounds of dry sand with both ends intact, and set in an inverted position. Barrels must be all the same color. The ring must be sealed down to the bottom of the barrel. Advertising maybe included on barrels as long as the barrels match.

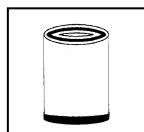
Specifications*:

Height: 35 1/4 inches

Diameter: 22 3/4 inches

Ring: 23 1/4 inches

*Plus or minus 1/2 inch on all specs.



6. Baton: Approximately eighteen (18) inches long; may vary one inch shorter or longer, be made of rubber, plastic or their combination.

7. Cowhide: Cowhide is to be approximately 6 square feet. The measurement may vary up to one square foot less or more (Length x Width). The measurement may vary up to one square foot less or more. (720" minimum & 1008" maximum). Hide is attached to a rope not to exceed thirty (30) feet in length that is to be dallied to the horn of the saddle.

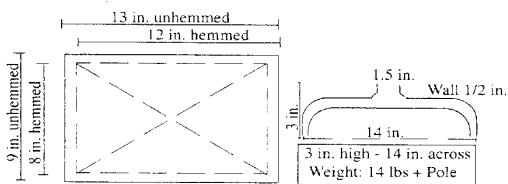
8. Safety equipment: Any rider is allowed to wear safety equipment where necessary. Cowhide rider is required to wear a safety helmet fastened securely.

9. Containers: The flag containers to be marked inside the container with a permanent mark at the 8 to 10 inches, measured from the bottom of the container up. Quarter barrels, painted white and containing 8 to 10 inches of sand or soil.

10. Flags: Consists of a staff and a flag. Staff to be 1 inch or 1-1/16 inch wood doweling, 5 feet long, painted white and planed the full length, or bottom three feet of the staff, to flatten two sides. Flag staff to be made out of any kind of

wood doweling. Bottom inch tapered to a dull point. Flags to be sturdy cloth (double thickness, hemmed 8" x 12 "), securely fastened to flag staff with nails, brads or large staples, one light and one dark, leaving an 8" x 8" portion free from staff.

Alternative 1 1/8 wood doweling flag staffs maybe used. They must be planned the full length on both sides by 1/8 inch. After planning the thickness between the two planned sides is not to exceed 7/8 inch. Show management must have similar flags on any course.



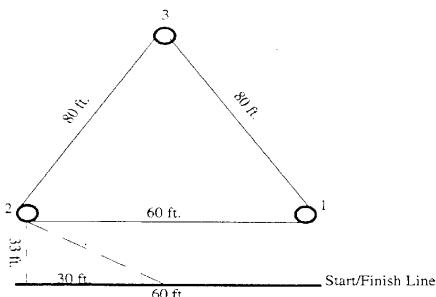
11. Pole Bases: Black rubber base (14lbs.), or black plastic bases to be filled with a substance to equal 14 lbs., 3 inches tall, 14 inches across. Total weight with pole and converter, approximately 17 lbs (plastic converter is needed to hold pole in base securely).

- A.** Standard 1 inch schedule 40 or 80 white plastic pipe, 80 to 81 inches long. From top of pole to bottom of the base.
- B.** Plastic converter to be used to secure pole in base, either by cotter-key, screw, or nail, cut to fit flush.
- C.** Pole base is to be black; pole must be white. Optional 2 pieces of colored tape (2 1/2" to 3" wide) to be placed 12" down from the top of the pole and the second piece to be placed 24" down from the top of the pole.

SECTION 8: INDIVIDUAL EVENT RULES

TEXAS BARRELS

COURSE: Three barrels shall be placed in a triangular formation. No.1 and No.2 barrels are set 33 feet from the start/finish line, and 60 feet apart. No.3 barrel is set 80 feet from No.1 and No.2 barrels. The start/finish line shall be 60 feet in length.

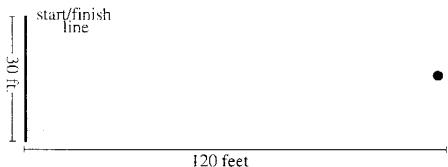


EVENT: Rider circles No.1 barrel to the right, No.2 barrel to the left, No.3 barrel to the left and finishes; or rider circles No.2 to the left, No.1 to the right, No.3 to the right and finishes.

Disqualification 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 9, 10, 13, 15 apply.

CALIFORNIA STAKE RACE

COURSE: One pole placed 120 feet from the start/finish line.

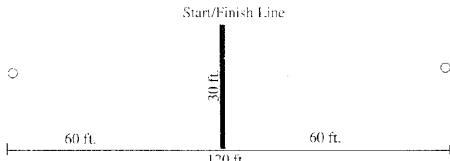


EVENT: Rider circles pole either way and returns across the finish line.

Disqualification 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 9, 10, 13, 15 apply.

FIGURE 8 STAKE RACE

COURSE: Two poles are set 120 feet apart at opposite ends of the course. Center poles mark the start/finish line and are placed at a point halfway between the two end poles.

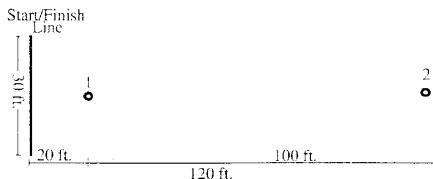


EVENT: Rider may begin on either side of the start/finish line; direction of the first turn is optional. Rider makes a figure 8 around the two end poles.

Disqualification 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 9, 10, 13, 15 apply.

FLAGS – INDIVIDUAL

COURSE: Two containers to be set 100 feet apart. No.1 container to be set 20 feet from the start/finish line. A flag is placed in each container. If the steward deems the wind to be strong enough to interfere with the running of the event, a small rubber band may be used to secure the flag.



EVENT: Rider may designate position of the flags at the start of the run. Rider takes flag out of No.1 container, while turning No.2 container rider places the flag, he is carrying in it and removes No.2 container's flag, whereupon he places it into No.1 container and finishes. Rider can circle or turn any container in any direction, as many times as necessary, as long as they put the flags in the proper container in the correct order. If a rider drops a flag, it may be reset from the

ground before remounting.

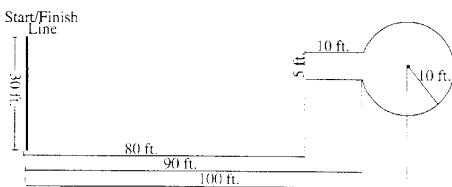
General Rule Section 16: Resetting equipment: events that require the use of flags. In the flag races, riders must reset the containers and flags. If a rider drops a flag or misses the container, he must retrieve the flag and place it in the proper container. A dropped flag may be reset from the ground before remounting. If a rider knocks over a container, he must reset the container. If the staff is broken, rider must complete the course with the flag portion of the staff. In all other events the ring crew will reset downed equipment.

Disqualification 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 12, 15 apply.

Exception: During the yearly Championship Finals Show ONLY, after the completion of putting the first flag in the container and removing the second flag but failing to place the second flag in the last container prior to crossing the finish line shall be a 5 second penalty.

KEYHOLE

COURSE: A keyhole shall be marked according to the diagram with white lime. Center of the circle to be 100 feet from the start/finish line. Circle to have radius of 10 feet, the neck length to be 10 feet and the neck width is to be 5 feet. Extend the circle to meet the neck.

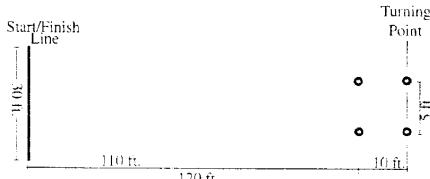


EVENT: Rider rides into the circle of the keyhole (all four feet must be inside the circle), turns horse and finishes. Stepping on or over any lines of the keyhole shall be off course.

Disqualification 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 9, 10 apply

KEYRACE

COURSE: Distance 120 feet. Four poles are placed 5 feet apart at marks 110 and 120 feet from the start/finish line.

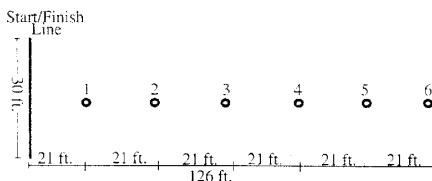


EVENT: Rider races between the poles, across the turning plane, turns and reverses course through the poles and finishes.

Disqualification 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 9, 10, 13, 15 apply.

POLEBENDING – INDIVIDUAL

COURSE: Six poles shall be set in a straight line with the poles set 21 feet apart. The first pole to be set 21 feet from the start/finish line.



EVENT: Rider may start left or right of the poles. Rider runs, turns No.6 pole, bends through the poles, turns No.1 pole, bends through the poles, turns No.6 pole and finishes.

Stepping on or across the start/finish line while turning pole No.1 is a disqualification.

Disqualification 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 9, 10, 13, 15 apply.

Exception: During the yearly Championship Finals Show ONLY, each pole knocked down during the polebending run shall be counted as a 5 second penalty.

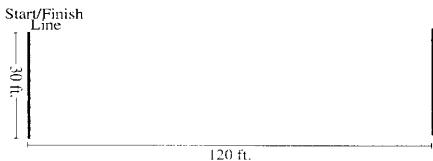
SECTION 9: TWO & FOUR MAN EVENT RULES

PENALTIES TO APPLY IN TWO MAN AND FOUR MAN EVENTS ONLY

There shall be a five second penalty for each of the following:

1. For each knockdown of a stake, pole or barrel other than those used as containers. Each time a stake, pole or barrel is knocked down and rights itself.
2. In the flag race, if the last rider missed or upsets the last container and crosses the finish line. When the arena crew mistakenly resets either a knocked down container, misplaced flag or their combination.

COWHIDE RACE COURSE: A mounting line/plain, thirty (30) feet long, shall be marked 120 feet from the start/finish line.



EVENT: Horse and rider drag cowhide over the mounting line/plain where hide rider is stationed. All four feet of the horse must cross the mounting line/plain/120-foot distance but while turning the mounter, horse/rider/cowhide does not have to be within the 30 foot mounting line/plain. Hide rider must be prone, sitting, kneeling or have at least one knee on the ground and have contact with the hide or rope before he crosses the mount line/plain. Hide rider is not required to

maintain continuous contact throughout the entire race nor to be on top of the hide as long as he makes initial contact with the hide or rope behind the mounting line. Cowhide rider is required to wear a safety helmet fastened securely.

Coveralls and footwear other than western wear is optional. The judge will not give the course ready signal until after the rope is dallied to the horn of the saddle and horse and rider are ready.

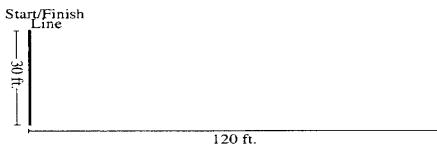
EQUIPMENT: Cowhide is to be approximately 6 square feet (864"). (Length x Width) The measurement may vary up to one square foot less or more. (720" minimum & 1008" maximum) Cowhide is attached to a rope not to exceed thirty (30) feet in length that is to be dallied to the horn of the saddle. Dally to be defined as wrapped around the horn (2-3 wraps), not under the rider's leg, not under the saddle fender, and not through the tree or fork of the saddle. One of the rider's hands must be on the rope at all times. No knots, ties or twists permitted.

AT STATE FINALS: All cowhides and batons that contestants intend to use will be brought to the judges and stewards for inspection after the riders meeting on Friday afternoon. At this meeting, the scheduled judge of the event with the assistance of the steward will inspect and determine if a cowhide or baton is legal. The cowhide and /or baton will be marked with a paint pen, marker or a wrap of tape to show it has passed inspection. A historical life time event. Ruled at the 1997 Convention, that the event Cowhide Race is guaranteed forever to run for those who so choose.

Disqualification 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 14 apply

RESCUE RACE – 2 MAN

COURSE: A mounting line/plain shall be marked 120 feet from the start/finish line. The mounting line/plain shall be 30 feet long.



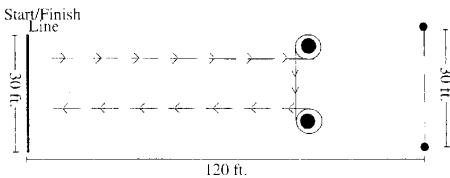
EVENT: Rider to be rescued stands behind the 120 foot line/plain. Mounted rider races to rider being rescued who mounts behind him and finishes. If rider fails to make his mount, but remains behind the line/plain he may continue to mount. All four feet of the horse must cross the mounting line/plain/120 foot distance but while turning the mounter, horse/rider does not have to be within the 30 foot mounting line/plain.

General Rule Section 5 #10: Mounted. Riders shall be considered mounted when the knee is over the center line of the horse's back. In events where mounting is required, rider must be mounted when crossing the finish line.

Disqualification 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11 apply.

TWO MAN STAKE RACE

COURSE: Two poles 30 feet apart, 120 feet down the course from the start/finish line.



EVENT: First rider turns either pole from the inside out, then turns the opposite pole from the outside in (either two left or two right hand turns). Then rider races across the start/finish line. Second rider in two man stake race has the option to make a right hand turn first or a left hand turn first. Arena crew to reset downed poles during 1st riders run.

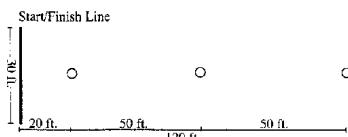
Penalty No.1: There shall be a five second penalty for each of the following: For each knockdown of a stake, pole or

barrel other than those used as containers. Each time a stake, pole or barrel is knocked down and rights itself.

Disqualification 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 15 apply.

TWO MAN THREE BARREL FLAGS

COURSE: Three containers and two flags are to be used. No.1 container to be set at 20 feet, No.2 container to be set at 70 feet and No.3 container to be set at 120 feet from the start/finish line. A flag is to be set in No.1 and No.3 containers. If the steward deems the wind to be strong enough to interfere with the running of the event, a small rubber band may be used to secure the flag.



EVENT: First rider may designate position of the flags at the start of the run. First rider removes flag from No.1 container and places it in No.2 container. While turning No.3 container, rider removes flag and places it in No.2 container and finishes. Second rider then takes either flag from No.2 container and while turning No.3 container, places flag into No.3 container. Rider takes remaining flag out of No.2 container and places it in No.1 container and finishes. Riders can circle or turn any container

in any direction, as many times as necessary, as long as they put the flags in the proper container in the correct order. If a rider drops a flag it may be reset from the ground before remounting.

General Rule Section 16: Resetting equipment: Events that require the use of flags. In the flag races, riders must reset the containers and flags. If a rider drops a flag or misses the container, he must retrieve the flag and place it in

the proper container. A dropped flag may be reset from the ground before remounting. If a rider knocks over a container, he must reset the container (exception: SECTION 9, Penalty No.2). If the staff is broken, rider must complete the course with the flag portion of the staff. In all other events the arena crew will reset downed equipment. Poles should be reset whenever possible.

Penalty Rule No.2: There shall be a five second penalty for each of the following: In the flag race, if the last rider misses or upsets the last container and crosses the finish line. When the arena crew mistakenly resets either a knocked down container, misplaced flag or their combination.

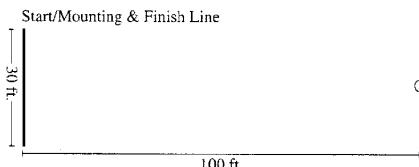
Disqualification 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 15 apply.

SECTION 10: 4 MAN TEAM EVENTS

Refer to Section 9 page 38 - 4 Man Team Penalties

BAREBACK RELAY – TEAM OF FOUR

COURSE: A barrel is placed 100 feet from the start/finish line.



EVENT: Teams consist of four riders and one horse. First rider is mounted on the horse at the start/finish line with other members on the ground at the start line. First rider rides down, circles barrel, returns to the finish line and dismounts. Second rider mounts, rides the course and so on until all four riders have completed the course. The horse must get all four feet across the start/finish line on each

exchange of riders. Use of neck rope is optional. As the first rider starts, the line is called the “start line,” for riders #2, #3 and #4 the line becomes the mounting line. Then as rider #4 finishes the events; the line becomes the “finish line.”

General Rule Section 5 #21: The use of stallions in Bareback Relay will not be permitted.

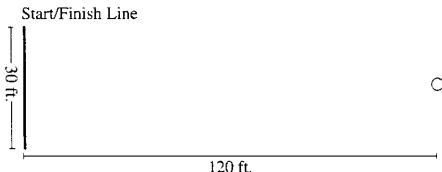
Penalty No.1: There shall be a five second penalty for the following: For each knock down of a stake, pole or barrel other than those used as containers. Each time a stake, pole or barrel is knocked down and rights itself.

A historical life time event. Ruled at the 2008 Annual Meeting, that the event Bareback Relay – Team of Four is guaranteed forever to run for those who so choose.

Disqualification 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 15 apply.

TEAM BATON – TEAM OF FOUR

COURSE: A barrel is set 120 feet from the start/finish line.



EVENT: First rider with baton runs course around the barrel crosses the finish line then passes the baton to the next rider. All other members individually complete the same course. Arena Crew to reset downed barrel during run.

General Rule Section 5 #17: Events that require the passing of the baton. If a rider is on course, the rider dropping the baton must retrieve it, crossing start/finish line if necessary. If the baton is dropped on the off course side of

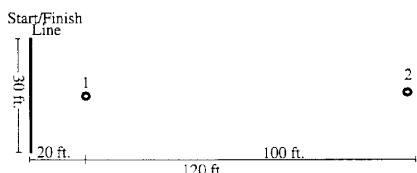
the start/finish line, either the passer (who need not remount) or the receiver may retrieve it. With the exception of the last rider, a rider missing the baton may run the course, return for the baton and then correctly run the course. Any member of the team may move up and take the baton if the intended receiver misses, but no rider may run more than once.

Penalty No.1: There shall be a five second penalty for each of the following: For each knock down of a stake, pole or barrel other than those used as containers. Each time a stake, pole or barrel is knocked down and rights itself.

Disqualification 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 15 apply.

TEAM FLAGS – TEAM OF FOUR

COURSE: Two containers to be set 100 feet apart. No.1 container to be set 20 feet from the start/finish line. A flag is placed in each container. If the steward deems the wind to be strong enough to interfere with the running of the event, a small rubber band may be used to secure the flag.



EVENT: First rider may designate position of the flags at the start of the run. Procedure of the rider is the same as Flags – Individual. After the first rider completes the course, all other team members individually complete the same course. Riders can circle or turn any container in any direction, as many times as necessary, as long as they put the flags in the proper container in the correct order. If a rider drops a flag it may be reset from the ground before remounting.

General Rule Section 5 #16: Resetting equipment: Events

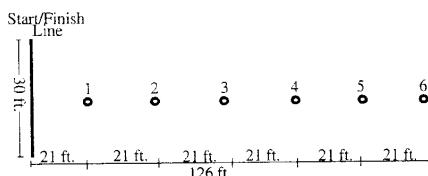
that require the use of flags. In the flag races, riders must reset the containers and flags. If a rider drops a flag or misses the container, he must retrieve the flag and place it in the proper container. A dropped flag may be reset from the ground before remounting. If a rider knocks over a container, he must reset the container (exception: SECTION 9, Penalty No.2). If the staff is broken, rider must complete the course with the flag portion of the staff. A dropped baton must be retrieved by the riders. In all other events the arena crew will reset downed equipment. Poles should be reset whenever possible.

Penalty No.2: There shall be a five second penalty for each of the following: In the flag races, if the last rider misses or upsets the last container and crosses the finish line. When the arena crew mistakenly resets either a knocked down container, misplaced flag or their combination.

Disqualification 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 15 apply.

TEAM POLEBENDING – TEAM OF FOUR

COURSE: Six poles shall be set in a straight line with the poles set 21 feet apart. The first pole to be set 21 feet from the start/finish line.



EVENT: The first rider rides the polebending course, crosses the finish line and then the next rider rides the course until all four riders have completed the course. The start/finish line is only open for the passing of horses. If a horse should cross the start/finish line while running the

pattern the team will be given a No Time. Arena crew will reset downed poles.

Penalty No.1: There shall be a five second penalty for each of the following: For each knock down of a stake, pole or barrel other than those used as containers. Each time a stake, pole or barrel is knocked down and rights itself.

Disqualification 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 15 apply.

SECTION 11: STATE SHOW APPROVAL

A. Individual PSHA members or clubs may sponsor a PSHA show.

When: Shows may be held any day of the week with one or more events. If July 31 falls on a split weekend with August 1st, August 1st will be included as the last show date in the current season. No other state shows will be held on State Finals Championship Show weekend, Interstate Championship Meet weekend, or the same weekend as the Judges and Timers Clinic. There may also be no shows scheduled after the last weekend of the show season. i.e. No Monday through Friday shows.

Approval Fee: \$10.00 per day plus 1.50 per ride, including nonmembers, in all PSHA approved events.

Entry Fee: A show's entry fees must be the same for all events and riders. Special fees for sponsoring club members shall be cause for disallowing said club member's times.

How:

1. File a complete Show Approval form signed by the authorized club representative to the Vice-President of PSHA within 5 days of said show date with the \$10.00 per day approval fee. An e-mail will be sent to verify approval of show or shows. Club will receive a show packet from the PSHA Vice-President before show date.
2. All shows are to be advertised on the website and will include show date, location, entry fee, arena fee, payback percentage if it is a jackpot show, rainout arena and list of events in order of running (including unapproved events).
3. Minimum of one (1) or more PSHA approved events per day.
4. Show management has the option to offer up to 4 open classes per individual events and the option to offer 2 open classes per 2-man and 4-man team events.
5. Show management can offer a Jackpot Open Class for all individual events, 2 man, and 4 man events at any PSHA approved show. Entry fee will be a minimum of \$5.00. State and Club to receive same cents per ride as per individual events.
6. Shows may run more age divisions than offered at State Finals Championship Show. Classes may be combined that do not fill.
7. Show management will pay the PSHA per rider fees for non-member riders (X).
8. Show management has the option of using electronic arena sheets. Timer or Secretary would be able to enter times into a computer as they were run and backup

handwritten list will be kept, except in the case of the use of an electronic recording device that enters the times directly into the computer. At the end of the class the sheets may be printed for judges and timer's signatures and posted for riders, OR show management may provide a composite judges and timers sheet for signatures, indicating that the arena sheets have been checked and all duties have been performed according to PSHA standards. Show management will provide a means for riders to collect their times from the show. Electronic or scanned copies of show sheets can be submitted to times keeper by email and no hard copy will be necessary. If times are not sent electronically, hard copies will be sent to the state times keeper.

C. WHO Shows: Western Horsemen of Oregon (WHO) approved games shows to be included in averages for PSHA. Times must be submitted by the rider on the approved form to the PSHA times-keeper. Times must be postmarked within 72 hours except for the last weekend, when times must be postmarked within 24 hours. To be accepted, 1.50 per ride must be included and either the show steward or the show chairman must initial the form. Forms will be available on the website or upon request from the state office. A copy of the entry form must be attached to the PSHA Form and fees will be paid on every event entered at a rate of 1.50 per ride. Times will not count for PSHA records. Penalties noted as "plus 5" to be noted as a no time on the PSHA Form. Any rider competing at the PSHA State Championship show must compete for WA at the OR/WA Interstate show.

D. Last Show of the Season: Arena sheets to be sent overnight mail to State Times Keeper within 24 hours of show ending. Arena Sheets may be scanned and emailed to the State Times Keeper within 24 hours of the show ending, with the hard copies to be sent by regular mail, also within

24 hours. Expenses for mailing to be reimbursed by PSHA in the case of a club not having the means to scan and email show paperwork to the State Times Keeper. Clubs will be assessed \$100.00 for failing to comply with show results deadline.

E. REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF A SHOW

1. One steward per show, one judge and two timers per line, all must have current cards.
2. Post all times as soon as possible after each event: arenas sheets to include heading information, official's signatures, permanent numbers, name of riders and horses of day numbers.
3. Cowhide, Rescue, and Bareback Relay horse's names must be filled in on arena sheet.
4. It is the riders' responsibility to check the arena sheets to make sure they are properly filled in.
5. No PSHA approved events shall count for times if added after publication of the show.
6. Return original results plus \$1.50 per ride postmarked within forty-eight (48) hours and must be mailed first class mail to the State Times Keeper, money and ride sheet to State Treasurer.
7. Show management must use PSHA Rules.
8. Show personnel should wear neat attire.
9. Shows may run more age divisions than offered at State Finals. Classes may be combined that do not fill.

- 10.** Clubs will be assessed \$25.00 for failing to comply with show results deadline. Further, that approval for subsequent shows will be withheld until all payments are received. Also, there will be notification in the newsletter of delinquent show results.
- 11.** Ground rules must be posted in a conspicuous place and called to the attention of all contestants.
- 12.** Show committees must not amend or substitute established rules as written in this rule book.
- 13.** For any infractions of the rules by the show sponsor, the PSHA member riders shall receive their times, and the sponsor shall pay a \$25.00 fine or no future shows shall be allowed.

F. REQUIREMENTS FOR SHOW CHANGES

1. All items on Show Approval Form must not be changed after Midnight, 5 days prior to the show, unless otherwise authorized by rule or approved by PSHA executive board.
2. Event Order can be changed by Show Management in order to provide safe ground for the event. If show management sees the possibility of a change of event order, they will post the proposed change on the PSHA Website and the club Facebook as soon as possible.

G. RAINED OUT SHOWS

1. Must notify PSHA Vice President and request rescheduling within forty-eight (48) hours. The five (5) Days deadline and \$10.00 approval fee does not apply. Club may run only previously scheduled and incomplete events. All times will count for completed classes.

H. POSTPONED SHOWS

1. Rained out arena must have been listed on the website and approval sheet in order to move to another arena on the same day. If only one day of a two-day show is rained out, the sponsor may send in another \$10.00 approval fee and hold a two day show when the sponsor reschedules the rainedout show. The five (5) day deadline will be waived.
2. A show may be postponed because of an immediate death of a PSHA member. The show sponsor must notify the PSHA Vice-President within 48 hours of the scheduled show and reschedule. The \$10.00 approval fee and five (5) day deadline will be waived.
3. A show that has been postponed due to rain and must start later to let the arena dry and any event that cannot be run in the order listed on the PSHA website due to safety can be run when the arena becomes safe and show management and the steward chooses to do so. If multiple events are affected, they shall be run when show management and steward deem safe.

SECTION 12: AWARD RULES

- A. No times shall be recorded for awards until dues are paid to PSHA.
- B. No times will be counted for closed or restricted shows (exception: State Finals Championship Show and Interstate Championship Meet).
- C. Any member of a PSHA club living in a state that does not offer them the opportunity to ride under PSHA Rules shall be eligible to compete for PSHA awards.
- D. Application for award formulation must be presented to

PSHA for approval, with an outline of all relative criteria in a standard procedural manner.

E. Anyone awarded a PSHA Perpetual Trophy must return it in good condition or be willing to pay for the reconstruction or replacement of it to remain in good standing with the PSHA.

1. Any repairs to any Perpetual Trophy will be done so under the supervision of the PSHA.

2. Perpetual Trophies are to be returned to the State Finals Championship Show Committee by Monday of Interstate Championship Meet weekend.

3. George Brecht/Betty Jean Runyon Memorial

Award recipient to be chosen by a committee of the President, past year's recipient and one other person selected by the President. The President and the committee members will be directed to establish written guidelines for the Award.

Trophy History: Established in 1970 awarded and donated by Willipa Valley Saddle Club in memory of George Brecht, a member of the club, who passed in a tragic accident. Betty Jean Runyon, also a member, played a role in establishing this award. It was considered a sportsmanship award. In 2000 Betty Jean passed and in her honor her name was also added to the trophy/award.

F. AGE DIVISIONS

Age determined as of Aug 1 each year

Junior	13 and under
Intermediate	14-17
Senior A	18-30
Senior B	31-43
Super Senior A	44-56
Super Senior B	57 & Over

G. STATE AWARDS

State Finals Championship first place plaques or buckles to be awarded at the State Finals Championship Show or PSHA Annual Meeting and recognition given to the next five (5) places. In the event of a tie for first place, a second plaque or buckle will be purchased and awarded at the PSHA Annual Meeting and first place points will also be awarded to both recipients. No ties at State Finals will be run off.

1. Executive committee has the power to adjust the placing ranges based on the previous year's income.

Example: Champion for each event will be awarded.

Committee has the ability to drop 5th and 6th place if the previous year was not financially able to support the following year

2. Executive Committee has the power to completely drop the event placings 2-6 at State Finals and award High Point finishers in the age groups only. Awarding up to at least 5th place. Example: Champion in each event will be awarded for each group. Calculations for age group high point and reserve will also go to 5 places after the weekend tally.

CS: California Stake Race (Junior, Intermediate, Senior Group I, Senior Group II, Senior Group III, and Senior Group IV).

B: Texas Barrels (Junior, Intermediate, Senior Group I, Senior Group II, Senior Group III, and Senior Group IV).

8: Figure 8 (Junior, Intermediate, Senior Group I, Senior Group II, Senior Group III, and Senior Group IV).

F: Flags, Individual (Junior, Intermediate, Senior Group I, Senior Group II, Senior Group III, and Senior Group IV).

K: Keyhole (Junior, Intermediate, Senior Group I, Senior

Group II, Senior Group III, and Senior Group IV).

KR: Keyrace (Junior, Intermediate, Senior Group I, Senior Group II, Senior Group III, and Senior Group IV).

P: Polebending (Junior, Intermediate, Senior Group I, Senior Group II, Senior Group III, and Senior Group IV).

CH: Cowhide

RR: Rescue Race

2MS: Two Man Stake Race

3B: Two Man Three Barrel Flags

RL: Bareback Relay

TB: Team Baton

TF: Team Flags

TP: Team Polebending

Club of the Year Award – Perpetual and permanent trophies.

Champion Individual Event and All Around Horse Awards – Silver headstall or Saddle and perpetual trophies or other item of equal or greater value approved by PSHA Board.

Record Breaking Run Award – Perpetual and permanent plaques. A record-breaking run award of belt buckle with event and time engraved up to \$250.00, and a \$200.00 gift card be awarded at convention. (2019)

High Point Junior Event Horse Award – Perpetual and permanent plaques.

High Point Individual Event Intermediate Horse – Perpetual and permanent plaques.

High Point Individual Event Senior A Horse - Perpetual and permanent plaques.

High Point Individual Event Senior B Horse - Perpetual and permanent plaques.

High Point Individual Event Super Senior A Horse - Perpetual and permanent plaques.

High Point Individual Event Super Senior B Horse - Perpetual and permanent plaques.

H. POINTS FOR CALCULATING HIGH POINT AWARDS

Champion All Around Horse: Junior, Intermediate, Senior Group I, Senior Group II, Senior Group III, and Senior Group IV horses to be placed on one list according to times. Only top placing in each event to be counted: 12, 9, 7, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1. Horse must receive individual, 4-man, and 2-man team points. Horse may only appear on list once in each event, using the highest placing in each event.

Champion Individual Event Horse. Junior, Intermediate, Senior Group I, Senior Group II, Senior Group III, and Senior Group IV. individual event horses to be placed on one list according to times, only top placings in each individual event to be counted; 12, 9, 7, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1. Horse may only appear on list once in each event, using the highest placing in each event.

Junior, Intermediate, Senior A, Senior B, Super Senior A, and Super Senior B Individual Event Horses: Horses to be ridden by a Junior, Intermediate, Senior A, Senior B,

Super Senior A and Super Senior B in those respective individual events only. Each horse to be placed on one list according to times in their age division listed above, only top placings in each individual event to be counted: 12, 9, 7, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1.

Placing Ties: Points will be awarded to each contestant equally to the placing in which they tied. Example: If two contestants tie for 3rd in an event, they will both be awarded 7 points.

I. All calculations for high point awards must be calculated independently by two (2) separate persons, using either two (2) computers, two (2) hand tallied calculations, or a combination of the two. Except in the first year a new computer program is developed for use – in which case a 3rd party, including at least one hand calculation, must tally points until all computer calculations are functioning properly. Upon completion of the calculation, results are to be compared for accuracy. Should the results not agree, the results will be recalculated until they do agree. The two parties used for points calculations will be selected by the State Finals Chairperson(s) prior to the State Finals Show.

HIGH POINT TIES: All high point calculation ties will be broken by the horse/rider combination with the most-highest placings. Example: 2 contestants have equal points at the end of the weekend in their age group high point placing. The tie will be broken by the rider with the most 1st places, if neither rider had 1st place finishes you move to the most 2nd place finishes and so on, until the tie can be broken.

J. Club of the Year Award: In all events; 12, 9, 7, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1. Independent PSHA members with, no club affiliations may not pledge their State Finals Championship Show points to a club. Clubs sending riders to State Finals Championship Show must supply the State Finals Championship Show Committee Chairman with a current

membership roster at least two weeks prior to State Finals Championship Show. A sign-up form will be included in clubs show packets to fill out and submit. Riders belonging to more than one club must designate which club they are riding for.

K. SEVEN “A”

1. To be eligible for this award a horse must run three (3) “A” times in each of the following events: California Stake Race, Barrels, Polebending, Keyhole, Figure 8, Keyrace, and Individual Flags during the current PSHA qualifying season. State Finals and Interstate times can be used in the 3 time average of qualifying season. The rider is to keep track of his/her own times and when they feel they have achieved the status of Seven “A”, they will contact the PSHA Times Keeper to verify eligibility. Times-Keeper will notify the State Finals Championship Show Committee Chairman and the PSHA President. Five “A” and six “A” awards are no longer presented. The first time 7A Horse Award will be a lettered sheet to include the horses name, year and 7A's. Repeat 7A's will receive a halter with 7 A's.

7A TIMES:

California Stake Race	8.099 & Under
Barrels	15.249 & Under
Figure 8	10.699 & Under
Individual Flags	8.299 & Under
Keyrace	8.749 & Under
Keyhole	7.249 & Under
Polebending	21.349 & Under

L. SUPREME CHAMPION

1. A Supreme Champion Horse Award is to be given to any horse running three times in each event listed below, within three (3) qualifying seasons (State Finals Championship Show, and Interstate Championship Meet included). After receiving a Supreme Horse Award, it is with the understanding that all new qualifying times must be run in the next year or three (3) years. Previous years times will not be used.
2. The first Supreme Champion Horse Award is a belt buckle, 3 1/2 inches by 5 inches (may be a fraction larger in an unusual design). This award is given out only once. There is a \$500.00 limit on buckle without permission of the president and executive board. Rider will also receive a gift card for \$200.00 this award will be given only once. (2019)
3. The repeat award will be a quality leather headstall and breast collar that can be ordered at any time. The breast collar and/or headstall will have “REPEAT SUPREME CHAMPION HORSE” hand-tooled, embroidered, or buck stitched on it. Silver or bling may be added per the rider’s choice. Only the PSHA President will have the authority to order any SUPREME CHAMPION HORSE AWARDS.

SUPREME TIMES:

Barrels	- 14.609 and under
Figure 8	- 10.209 and under
Flags (Ind)	- 7.909 and under
Keyhole	- 6.909 and under
Keyrace	- 8.309 and under
Polebending	- 20.509 and under

SECTION 13: STATE FINALS CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

A. Committee: A committee will be appointed at the PSHA Annual Meeting to set up and coordinate the annual State Finals Championship Show for two (2) years.

B. Date: State Finals Championship show will be held on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Open, no other shows will be approved for the same weekend as State Finals Championship Show.

C. Qualification: Based on an average of three (3) best times during the current season. For times ridden under a day number to be included in the 3-time year-end average, written notifications must be sent to the State Times Keeper and include the date, show sponsor, class, and day number by July 15 of current year. We will invite 15 different riders, regardless of the number of horses, in the Junior and Intermediate classes and 60 different horse and rider combinations for the Senior age group which will be broken into 4 different groups. There will be one (1) run at State Finals Championship Show by each horse and rider combination. The same rider can appear multiple times on multiple horses in an individual event. Two-man and four-man teams, a rider may appear with a different horse/rider combination, but no horse may compete against itself in team events.

D. Invitations to State Finals:

Top 12 Four-Man Team Averages

Top 12 Two-Man Team Averages

Top 15 Different Junior Riders Individual Averages

Top 15 Different Intermediate Riders Individual Averages

All seniors age 18 and above will be placed in 4 groups of 15

ranked by averages:

Group I: Averages ranked 1 through 15

Group II: Averages ranked 16 through 30

Group III: Averages ranked 31 through 45

Group IV: Averages ranked 46 through 60

1. No additional invitations for ties with the exception of last place. In the event that a horse, rider or team qualifies with two (2) or more averages, the next qualified horse, rider or team will be invited. In the event that a class is not filled, management will take the next qualified average to fill the class. Only qualified averages to be listed in the program.

2. In all events the first rider will be the fifteenth (15) place rider or the slowest average. Alternates for the Junior and Intermediate age groups will be listed in the program and will only ride if an invitation is canceled. In the Senior age groups, after the invitation acceptance deadline; the state times keeper will issue invitations to alternates to bring the horse/rider combinations in each event back to a total of 60, or as close to that total as possible, with qualified averages. In the event that there are not 60 qualified averages, the 4 Senior groups will be divided as equally as possible.

3. Invitations shall include averages as computed by the state times keeper. If an error of averages is found by the rider on invitations, with proof of arena sheets, that rider or team may ride at State Finals if proof of qualification. Riders and/or Team Captains, in the case of team events, shall correct averages if any errors and accept the invitation either in person or by telephone no later than 5:00 PM on the Saturday immediately following the email date of the invitation. Those without email will still get a mailed

invitation, following the same rules as above. If the rider and/or team captain do not receive invitation by the Monday following the first weekend, rider and/or team captain must call by 5:00 PM on Saturday to inquire. If the State Times Keeper/Designated Person(s) receives no call, rider and/or team will not be allowed to ride. The call-in number and E-MAIL address for acceptance to State Finals must be printed in the July news letter and on Invitation. Interstate invitations will be accepted or declined at the same time State Finals invitations are accepted or declined. E-MAIL may be used as an alternate to call in. Either method is acceptable with the cutoff time for both being the same time on Saturday night. E-mail could be sent up until cut off time. A confirmation e-mail will be sent to those utilizing the e-mail method.

E. Grand Entry: There will be no riding double at Grand Entry at State Finals Championship Show.

F. Entry Fees: The entry fee will be \$4.00 for each event the contestant is invited in.

G. PSHA Awards Fee: There will be an awards fee of \$25 per rider that can be paid at any time up until the start of State Finals. If the Awards fee is not paid, you will not be eligible to ride at State Finals or eligible for any PSHA Awards. This can be paid in the form of a sponsorship of \$50 raised by July 31st.

H. Awards: State Finals Championship Show awards are to be handled by the State Finals Championship show Committee according to PSHA awards specifications. The fastest time in each group will place rider/riders as "State Champions."

I. Show Management: State Finals Committee must return within forty-eight (48) hours arena sheets and records; must

be sent first class mail to State Times Keeper.

J. Moving Arena: Should an event be moved for safety reasons, all classes, in that event, that have been completed will have an option for a re-ride with original penalties carrying over. (ie: NT in original run carries over to a NT in the re-ride. +5's carry over to the re-ride as well) Classes that have not been completed will be started over as if they have not run.

K. State Finals Dress Code: All competing contestants must wear Western Attire. Western attire is defined by: Western Jeans, Western boots or appropriate riding shoe and a button down/snaps/zippers, collared shirt. Collared shirt may be short, long or sleeveless. Neat polo shirts are acceptable. All hats/visors/helmets are permitted during State Competition. In 2-person and 4-person teams, coordinated outfits and costumes that don't meet the western attire definition are allowed if they are safe to ride in. Western boots or riding shoes are still required. Any questionable costumes should be brought to State Finals stewards and approved before the event. Any unsafe props must be removed before riding. Any such costumes may not be allowed at Interstate.

SECTION 14: INTERSTATE CHAMPIONSHIP MEET

A. Date: Labor Day weekend: Saturday and Sunday. No other shows will be approved for this weekend.

B. Qualification: Based on an average of three (3) best during the current season. Times-Keeper records will be used to determine if a three (3) time average has been established unless arena sheets are available to prove differently. Junior and Intermediate individuals shall be combined before compiling invitations. All Senior shall be combined before compiling invitations.

C. Invitations: Interstate invitations will be accepted or declined at the same time State Finals invitations are accepted or declined. See invitations to State Finals Championship Show.

Top 10 Junior and Senior Individuals

Top 10 Two-Man Teams

Top 5 Four-Man Teams

D. Competition: Washington –vs- Oregon.

All events to be run under Interstate Rules except for Friday Night open show will be ran under PSHA rules.

E. Grand Entry - There will be no riding double in the Grand Entry at Interstate Championship Meet.

F. Queen Contest: Based on advertisement sales, horsemanship and personality, etc. Awards to be selected by the Interstate Committee. All queen candidates are required to register through their club.

G. Substitutions: If a cancellation should occur, the next fastest average should be invited up to the second alternate. In the 2-person and 4-person team events, once the first two alternates are not available or are already being used as substitutes. Teams may be put together with preference given to riders who qualified in the top ten but whose partner is not present or unable to compete. For example, if the number three qualifying team in two-man stake is missing a member and the number five team is missing a member as well. The able members from those teams will have the option to ride together. Combinations will be paired from the top average and downward. If a person or team is asked to ride and decides not to ride, they have then forfeited their position for that event.

In the event we are unable to fill all positions with the methods listed above, the President, or ranking executive member in attendance, will set a deadline for submissions to ride. The proposed teams must be submitted to the President, or ranking executive member, in writing by the deadline. A committee consisting of three or more of the executive members in attendance, the team captain and PSHA State Times Keeper.

This committee will consider all submissions and make a decision on who will ride before the next riders meeting. Their decision will be based on the following criteria:

1. Experience competing in the event.
2. Safety competing in the event.
3. Which team(s) provide the best chance for Washington to win Interstate.

H. Friday Night Approved Show at Interstate: The Friday night open show at Interstate is PSHA Approved. Fees to PSHA will be waived. Western attire must be worn for riders and arena officials. The show will be ran Junior-Senior only. The rules concerning X riders will be waived. Times to count for current year. Schedule to be printed in the Newsletter. All proceeds from the show to go to Interstate. Events to be

ran under PSHA Rules. This is a special event and held at this show only.

I. INTERSTATE COMMITTEE: Six and seven members, including chairman, on alternate years with two hold over members each year for continuity whose purpose is to plan and produce the annual Interstate Championship Meet and maintain a separate show treasury with W.H.O. Show management must return within forty-eight (48) hours arena sheets and records; must be sent first class mail to State Times Keeper.

SECTION 15: PAST STATE CHAMPIONS

2025 HIGH POINT ALL AROUND HORSE

“Stella”

Ridden by JoJo Craiger

2025 HIGH POINT INDIVIDUAL EVENT HORSE

“Opal”

Ridden by Jessica Bailes

2025 HIGH POINT CLUB

OF THE YEAR

“Nooksack Riders”

GEORGE BRECHT/BETTY JEAN RUNYON

MEMORIAL AWARD

Kelbi Bower

2025 AGE DIVISION HIGH POINT WINNERS

HIGH POINT INDIVIDUAL EVENT

JUNIOR HORSE

“Mattie”

Ridden by Isis Davenport

HIGH POINT INDIVIDUAL EVENT

INTERMEDIATE HORSE

“Bandit”

Ridden by Gabriyela Hernandez

HIGH POINT INDIVIDUAL EVENT

SENIOR A HORSE

“Opal”

Ridden by Jessica Bailes

**HIGH POINT INDIVIDUAL EVENT
SENIOR B HORSE**

“Fling”

Ridden by Landis Stivala

**HIGH POINT INDIVIDUAL EVENT
SUPER SENIOR A HORSE**

“Betty”

Ridden by Candice Deubel

**HIGH POINT INDIVIDUAL EVENT
SUPER SENIOR B HORSE**

“Oakley”

Ridden by Rhonda Getter

SECTION 16: SUPREME CHAMPION HORSES

“RENO”

Owned and ridden by Lindsay Sogge

“EL PINCH BAR”

Owned and ridden by Waynora Martin

“LEO JACK”

(TWICE)

Owned and ridden by Dan Jagla

“JUNIPER BAR JET”

Owned and ridden by Dan Jagla

“LIT’L BAR BRITCHES”

Owned and ridden by Ladd Tjoelker

“CHARITY WIN”

(SIX TIMES)

Owned and ridden by Sylvia Hylton

“I’D RATHER BE SATIN”

Owned and ridden by Dacia Miller

“TERRIFIC DEVIL”

Owned and ridden by Lee Britt

“NEVADA”

Ridden by Ned Bittner and Diane Carter

Owned by Art Alexander

“L.B.”

(TWICE)

Owned and ridden by Amy & Bryan McHale

“THEODORE HERBERT”

Owned and ridden by Waynora Martin

“DUSTY”

Ridden by Judy Glazier,

Chad Glazier, & Tracy Glazier

Owned by Judy Glazer

“KINK”

Owned and ridden by Kristy Minkoff

“MR. TURBO FLAIR”

(TWICE)

Owned and ridden by Sylvia Hylton

“CAESAR’S BOLD COPY”

Owned and ridden by Kelli Short

“CAESAR’S BAR CHEX”

(TWICE)

Owned and ridden by Kelli Short & Erin Stebly

“GIMMIE DAT CASH”

Owned and ridden by Amy DeBoer

“YIPPY SKIPPY”

Owned and ridden by Sylvia Hylton

“BE PROUD MAN”

Owned and ridden by Tanya Plagerman

“JUS PASSIN THE SASS”

Owned and ridden by Landis Lutton

“BUDDY”

Owned and ridden by Rhonda Getter

SECTION 17: 2026 RECORD TIMES

1984 Jr Cal Stake 7.280 Tricia Lien - Dusty Dol

1999 Sr. Cal Stake 7.297 Marci Lemke – Billy

1989 Jr Figure 8 9.865 Dacia Miller - I'd Rather Be Satin

1994 Sr Figure 8 9.742 Judy Glazier - Dusty

2019 Sr. Figure 8 9.74 Lindsay Sogge – Reno

1989 Jr Keyhole 6.478 Dacia Miller - I'd Rather Be Satin

2001 Sr Keyhole 6.301 Wendy Rauhala - Link of Pearls

1983 Jr Barrels 13.977 Jessie Colburn - Flying War Jet

2015 Sr Barrels 13.693 Amber Moore – CP Dark Moon

2019 Jr Keyrace 7.776 Aimee Henderson - Dixie

2025 Sr Keyrace 7.748 Tanya Plagerman - Jiminy

1983 Jr Poles 19.518 Jessie Colburn - Flying War Jet
1986 Sr Poles 19.304 Dan Jagla - Juniper Bar Jet

2017 Jr Flags 7.544 Lindsay Sogge- Reno
1985 Sr Flags 7.490 Julie Richards - Rainier Jet Star

1982 2M3B Flags 16.318
Art Hodges - Bar X Dude
Brandon Young - Kaye Ann's Queen

1979 Rescue Race 7.661
Diana Lien/ Randy Little - Hawk

2000 2 Man Stake Race 22.346
Sylvia Hylton - Mr. Turbo Flair
Kelli Short - Caesar's Bar Chex

1979 Cowhide Race 7.984
Dan Jagla/Mike Brecht - Leo Jack

1985 Bareback Relay 38.352
Stragglers - Dust Bar D
Larry Glazier, Mick Gamlam, Randy Little, Tracy Glazier

2004 Team Baton 32.296 – Speed Freaks
Julie Sauve – Dillon, Curt Walz - Taxee Asley Cash
Elaine Weinz - Jags Jet Power, Jack Weinz - Victory Cruiser

2004 Team Flags 34.022 – Scott.com
Don Eaton - Solitary Luv, George Dunckel – Sugar,
Kirk Weinz - Par For Pride, Scott Rauhala - California
Cassidy

1988 Team Poles 85.955 - Dead End
Sylvia Hylton - Charity Win, Don Eaton - Heckuva Gamble,
Kim Sturlaugson - Stolz Jessie, Brandon Young - Bobby Guy

Min	Sec	Min	Sec	Min	Sec
1:00	60	1:30	90	2:00	120
1:01	61	1:31	91	2:01	121
1:02	62	1:32	92	2:02	122
1:03	63	1:33	93	2:03	123
1:04	64	1:34	94	2:04	124
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1:06	66	1:36	96	2:06	126
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1:14	74	1:44	104	2:14	134
1:15	75	1:45	105	2:15	135
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BYLAWS OF Patterned Speedhorse Association

(PSHA) ARTICLE I MEMBERSHIP

Section 1 Membership Open to anyone willing to follow the rules and regulations of the Patterned Speed Horse Association. Membership is renewable yearly. Family Membership defined as Household members residing at the same address, spouse or significant other, children 18 years or younger or through 23 years of age and enrolled in a school of higher learning. If child is over 18 years, not a student and living at home, an individual membership must be paid for them. Children living at home, married or with children of their own must pay a separate family membership. (7 Nov 2009)

Lifetime Membership:

Must be a member for at least 10 years in WSH/PSHA and currently maintains their Judges/Timers Card and who is 65 or older and no longer riding competitively, and or any circumstances where a member can no longer be competitive due to some unforeseen accident. (26 Oct 2013)

Section 2 Dues Dues of the Patterned Speed Horse Association must be paid prior to exercising any rights of the Association.

Section 3 Voting Rights Only Patterned Speed Horse Association Members who were registered riders, timers, judges, registration help or arena secretaries in attendance at a Membership or Special Meeting may Vote. Riders are automatically registered and counted by registrations and participation in a PSHA award event at any Patterned Speed Horse Association approved show. If a voter is questioned, eligibility to be checked by Patterned

Speed Horse Association books at the meeting. Judges and timers must show their current cards. Registered help at the show, plus arena secretaries will sign arena sheets that are sent to the Association Times Recorder in order to be eligible. There are no age requirements.

Section 4 Termination of Membership

A. Any member automatically terminates his/her membership by not paying annual dues or by presenting his or her resignation in writing to the Secretary.

B. The Board of Directors may, on written complaint of any members, request the resignation of any member or expel any member and refund the current year's dues, for unsportsmanlike conduct or for good cause, including behavior detrimental to the welfare of this organization. The expulsion of a member by the Board of Directors shall be by vote of the majority of the Directors present. Outside legal representation is not authorized.

Section 5 Holding Office Only a Patterned Speed Horse Association member, in good standing, 18 years of age prior to December 31 of the previous year, may hold a position as an officer, director, or committee chairperson.

Section 6 Legal Responsibilities No member, officer, chairperson, or director may dispatch or resolve of their own volition any matter that may have legal ramifications against Patterned Speed Horse Association. Any matter that may result in a court action, suit, or any type of legal action that might be brought against Patterned Speed Horse Association must be referred to the Rules Committee for action.

Section 7 Regions (22 Oct 2022) The State shall be divided into geographical areas called Regions, refer to PSHA Rule book and/or Web Site for definitions of the boundaries.

- A. The President of each active Region shall serve as a member of the Patterned Speed Horse Association Board of Directors.
- B. Any request to divide or combine a Region must be presented to the Membership at the Annual Meeting.
- C. Membership in each Region shall be established by geographic residence or Club affiliation and membership in the Patterned Speed Horse Association. Members shall be affiliated with only one Region. Any member belonging either through a club or an individual Membership shall be eligible for awards, providing the Region requirements have been met.
- D. Regions cannot charge membership dues, or vote clubs or individuals in or out of a Region.
- E. An active Region shall be defined as one where at least two riders have received Region numbers and have ridden under those numbers during the current or past year.

ARTICLE II **MEETINGS OF MEMBERS**

Section 1 Meetings All Patterned Speed Horse Association meetings of the membership shall be held at such place within or without the State as may be designated from time to time by the Executive Board.

Section 2 Annual Meetings The annual meeting of the Patterned Speed Horse Association membership, commencing with the year 2008 shall be held in October, or at such other date and time as shall be designated by the Executive Board.

A. Written and/or electronic notice of the annual meeting stating the place, date and hour of the meeting, along with the proposed rule changes shall be given to each member entitled to vote at such meeting not less than ten

(10) nor more than ninety (90) days before the date of the meeting.

B. The purpose of the Patterned Speed Horse Association meeting is to establish operating procedures and enacting rule changes (kept in the PSHA Rule Book). In order to make a rule change, proposals must be submitted to the President's office in motion form with proponents' signature(s) attached, prior to September 10 of each year for publication to the membership prior to the Annual Meeting. Person or persons submitting the proposal must be present at the Annual Meeting in order to "move the proposal" before the proposal will be considered by the membership. (10-27-18). Rule changes passed by the membership will become effective January 1st of the next year.

C. Annual Meeting minutes are to be prepared by February 1st of the following year and available to all members.

Section 3 Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Patterned Speed Horse Association membership, for any purpose or purposes, unless otherwise prescribed by statute or by the Article of Incorporation, may be called by the Executive Board or a request in writing of a majority of the Board of Directors, or at the request in writing of a majority of the membership entitled to vote. Such request shall state the purpose or purposes of the proposed meeting. Written notice of a special meeting stating the place, date and hour of the meetn

g and the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called, shall be given not less than ten (10) or more than sixty (60) days before the date of the meeting, to each member entitled to vote at such meeting. Business transacted at any Patterned Speed Horse Association special meeting shall be limited to the purposes stated in the notice.

Section 4 Quorum A quorum consists of the Members who attend the meeting.

Section 5 Voting When a quorum is present at any meeting, the vote of a majority of the members shall decide any question brought before such meeting, unless the question is one upon which by express provision of the statutes or of the Articles of Incorporation, a different vote is required in which case such express provision shall govern and control the decision of such question. Unless otherwise provided in the Articles of Incorporation or by statute, each member shall at every meeting of the membership be entitled to one vote. No proxy voting will be permitted.

Section 6 The Membership has the final authority over all matters of the Patterned Speed Horse Association.

ARTICLE III **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Section 1 Membership Members of the Board of Directors:

1. **Patterned Speed Horse Association President-Presiding Officer**
2. **Patterned Speed Horse Association Vice-President (27 Nov. 2012)**
3. **Patterned Speed Horse Association Secretary**
4. **Patterned Speed Horse Association Treasurer**
5. **Past-President (27 Nov. 2012)**
6. **Rules Committee Chairman**

- 7. Times Recorder**
- 8. Junior Riders Representative**
- 9. Representative from each active Region Club (22 Oct 2022)**
- 10. Social Media Coordinator (28 Oct 2023)**

Section 2 Management and Number

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property, business and affairs of the

Patterned Speed Horse Association shall be controlled and managed by the Board of Directors. The number of directors to constitute the first Board of Directors is 18 and such number may be increased or decreased by future action of the Membership or by inactivity/increased activity in any Region Club (22 Oct. 2022). The business of the Association shall be managed by its Board of Directors, which may exercise all such powers of the Patterned Speed Horse Association and do all such lawful acts and things as are not by statute or by the Articles of Incorporating or by these bylaws directed or required to be exercised or done by the Membership.

Section 3 Vacancies

Vacancies and newly created directorships resulting from any increase in the authorized number of directors may be filled by appointment of the President, excluding Elected Officers.

Section 4 Meetings

The Board of Directors of the Patterned Speed Horse Association may hold meetings, both regular and special, either within or without the State. Meetings of the Board of Directors are to be called by the Executive Board.

Section 5 Special Meetings

Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the President on two days' notice to each director, either personally or by mail or by electronic means, setting forth the time, place and purpose of the meeting. Special meetings

shall be called by the President or Secretary in like manner and on like notice on the written request of ½(half) the eligible directors.

Section 6 Quorum of Directors At all meetings of the Board of Directors, a majority of directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business and the act of a majority of the directors present at any meeting at which there is a quorum shall be the act of the Board of Directors, except as may otherwise be specifically provided by statute or by the Articles of Incorporation. If a quorum shall not be present at any meeting of the Board of Directors, the directors present may adjourn the meeting from time to time, without notice other than announcement at the meeting, until a quorum shall be present.

Section 7 Action by Consent Unless otherwise restricted by the Articles of Incorporation, any action required or permitted to be taken at any meeting of the Board of Directors or of any committee thereof may be taken without a meeting, if all members of the Board of Directors or committee, as the case may be, consent thereto in writing, and the writing or writings are filed with the minutes of proceedings of the Board of Directors or committee.

Section 8 Meetings by Telephone Unless otherwise restricted by the Articles of Incorporation, members of the Board of Directors or of any committee thereof, may participate in a meeting of the Board of Directors or committee by means of conference telephone or similar communications equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting by use of such equipment shall constitute presence in person at such meeting.

ARTICLE IV **EXECUTIVE BOARD**

Section 1 Members The President, Vice President (27 Nov. 2012), Past-President (27 Nov. 2012) Secretary and Treasurer shall constitute the membership of the Executive Board.

Section 2 Duties The Executive Board shall have the responsibility for conducting the day to day business of the Patterned Speed Horse Association.

1. The Executive Board will meet quarterly from November through April and Monthly from May through August to review organization financials and discuss other topics that are affecting the organization. This meeting can be done via Teams, Zoom or in person. (2 Nov 2024)
2. The Meeting will be scheduled by the President the second week of the month so that there is time for previous month financials to be completed and shared by the treasurer with the Executive Board. (2 Nov 2024)

ARTICLE V **ELECTED OFFICERS**

Section 1 Officers The elected officers of the Patterned Speed Horse Association shall be chosen by a majority vote of the Membership casting votes at the Annual Meeting.

1. President
2. Vice-President (27 Nov. 2012)
3. Secretary
4. Treasurer
5. Rules Committee – One new member is elected each year. That person becomes the Alternate for one year, and after that is a member of the committee for the next

3(three) years. To be considered for the Rules Committee, you must have been an active judge for a minimum of 5 years (31 Oct 2015) 2 years. The alternate must be an active judge for at least one year. (22 Oct 2022)

Section 2 Term Removal The elected officers of the Association shall hold office until their successors are chosen and qualify. Any officer elected or appointed by the Membership may be removed at any time by the affirmative vote of a majority of the Membership. Any vacancy occurring in any elected office of the Association shall be filled by the Board of Directors.

Section 3 The President The President shall be the chief executive and administrative officer of the Patterned Speed Horse Association, shall have general supervision of the business and finances of the Association, shall see that all orders and resolutions of the Membership are carried into effect and shall, preside at all meetings of the Patterned Speed Horse Association, Board of Directors and the Executive Board. The President with the approval of the Executive Board may execute all contracts and other instruments, except in cases where the signing and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by the Board of Directors or by these by-laws to some other officer or agent of the Patterned Speed Horse Association, or shall be required by law otherwise to be signed or executed. The President shall have the power to appoint, and determine the duties of such agents and employees as in his/her judgment may be necessary or proper for the transaction of the business of the Patterned Speed Horse Association. In general, the President shall perform all duties incident to the office of President and such other duties as may from time to time be assigned to him/her by the Board of Directors or the Membership of the Patterned Speed Horse Association. The President is a presiding officer of the Board of Directors and

the Executive Board. (22 Oct 2016) The President shall, by the first of January, appoint a 3 (three) member nominating committee, who responsibility it shall be to nominate at least one candidate for each of the elected positions. (22 Oct 2016)

Section 4 The Secretary The Secretary shall attend all meetings of the Board of Directors and all meetings of the Patterned Speed Horse Association and record all the proceedings of the meetings of the Association and of the Board of Directors in a book to be kept for that purpose. The Secretary shall give, or cause to be given, notice of all meetings of the Patterned Speed Horse Association and special meetings of the Board of Directors, and shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors or President, under whose supervision he or she shall be. The Secretary is a member of the Board of Directors and the Executive Board.

Section 5 The Treasurer The Treasurer shall have the custody of the corporate funds and securities and shall keep full and accurate accounts of receipts and disbursements in books belonging to the Patterned Speed Horse Association and shall deposit all moneys and other valuable effects in the name and to the credit of the Patterned Speed Horse Association in such depositories as may be designated by the Executive Board. The President and Treasurer shall both be authorized signatures on all depositories of the Patterned Speed Horse Association. The Treasurer shall disburse the funds of the Patterned Speed Horse Association as may be ordered by the Executive Board, taking proper vouchers for such disbursements, and shall render to the President and the Executive Board, at its regular meetings, or when the Board of Directors so requires, an account of all his or her transactions as Treasurer and of the financial condition of the Patterned

Speed Horse Association. The financial condition of the Patterned Speed Horse Association shall be presented at the Annual Meeting of the Association. The Treasurer is a member of the Board of Directors and the Executive Board.

Section 6 Rules Committee The Rules

Committee shall consist of three knowledgeable Patterned Speed Horse Association Judges and an alternate. A new Rules Committee alternate shall be elected each year at the Annual Meeting by the voting membership. No member shall serve more than four consecutive years as a member or alternate of the Rules Committee. Should a vacancy occur, the Board of Directors shall appoint a replacement for the remainder of that year. A replacement Rules Committee member will be elected at the Annual meeting of the membership to fill the unexpired term. The Rules Committee Chairman is a member of the Board of Directors.

Section 7 The Vice President The Vice

President shall be responsible for the show approval office. The Vice President shall perform such duties as shall be assigned to him/her and shall exercise such powers as may be granted to him/her by the Board of Directors or by the President of the Association. In the absence of the President, the Vice President, shall perform the duties and exercise the powers of the President with the same force and effect as if performed by the President. The Vice President shall also assist the President and shall perform the duties and have the powers prescribed by the Board of Directors from time to time. The Vice President is a member of the Board of Directors and the Executive Board. (27 Nov. 2012)

ARTICLE VI **APPOINTED OFFICERS**

The President of the Patterned Speed Horse Association shall appoint (27 Nov. 2012) Times Recorder, Junior Riders Representative, and a Social Media Coordinator (28 Oct 2023).

Section 2 Times Recorder Duties of the Times Recorder are in the PSHA Rule Book. The Times Recorder is a member of the Board of Directors.

Section 3 Junior Riders Representative The President is to appoint a Junior Riders Representative. The Junior Riders Representative shall perform such duties as shall be assigned to him/her and shall exercise such powers as may be granted to him/her by the President of the Association. The Junior Riders Representative is a member of the Board of Directors.

Section 4 Social Media Coordinator President is to appoint a Social Media Coordinator. The Social Media Coordinator shall perform such duties as shall be assigned to him/her and shall exercise such powers as may be granted to him/her by the President. These duties will include Facebook Administration of the PSHA Facebook page, promoting PSHA events on social media platforms and posting reminders of upcoming events and deadlines. The Social Media Coordinator is a member of the Board of Directors. (added Oct 28, 2023)

ARTICLE VII **INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE**

Section 1 Indemnification

A. The Patterned Speed Horse Association shall indemnify to the full extent authorized or permitted by the

general corporation law of the State of Washington, as now in effect or as hereafter amended, any person made, or threatened to be made, a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding (whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, including an action by or in the right of the Association) by reason of the fact that he or she is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the Association or serves or served any other enterprise as such at the request of the Association.

B. The foregoing right of indemnification shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which such persons may be entitled apart from this Article VII. The foregoing right of indemnification shall continue as to a person who has ceased to be a director, officer, employee or agent and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors and administrators of such a person.

Section 2 Insurance The Association may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the Association, or is or was serving at the request of the Association as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against any liability asserted against him or her and incurred by him or her in any such capacity, or arising out of his or her status as such, whether or not the Association would have the power to indemnify him or her against such liability under the provisions of the general corporation law of the State of Washington.

ARTICLE VIII MANAGEMENT

Subject to the provisions of the laws of the State of Washington, the following provisions are adopted for the management of the Association and for the conduct of the

affairs of the Patterned Speed Horse Association, and for defining, limiting and regulating the powers of the Patterned Speed Horse Association, the directors and the members:

Section 1 Business The business of the Association shall be managed by its Executive Board, and the Board of Directors shall have power to exercise all the powers of the Association, without any action of or by the members, except as otherwise provided by statute or by the Bylaws.

Section 2 Term of Office All elected and appointed officials of the Patterned Speed Horse Association, except the Rules Committee, shall be for one year. Officials of the Association may be reelected or reappointed to the same position.

Section 3 Vacancies & Removal An increase in the number of directors shall be deemed to create a vacancy or vacancies in the Board of Directors, to be filled in the manner provided in the Bylaws. Any director or any officer elected or appointed may be removed at any time, in such manner as shall be provided in the Bylaws (Article V, Section 2).

Section 4 Funds The Executive Board shall have the power, in its discretion, to fix, determine and vary, from time to time, the amount to be retained as surplus and the amount or amounts to be set apart out of any of the funds of the Association available as working capital or a reserve or reserves for any proper purpose, and to abolish any such reserve in the manner in which it was created.

Section 5 Annual Statement The Executive Board shall present at each annual meeting, and at any special meeting a full and clear statement of the business and condition of the Association.

Section 6 Books The Executive Board shall have the power, in its discretion, from time to time, to determine whether and to what extent and at what times and places and under what conditions and regulations the books and accounts of the Association, or any of them, shall be open to the inspection of members; and no one member shall have any right to inspect any account or book or document of the Association, except as conferred by law or authorized by resolution of the Board Directors or of the Membership.

Section 7 Checks and Deposits All checks or demands for money and notes of the Association shall be signed by such officer or officers or such other person or persons as the Executive Board may from time to time designate. All funds of the Association not otherwise employed may be deposited to the credit of the Association in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as the Executive Board may from time to time select.

Section 8 Fiscal Year The fiscal year of the corporation shall be fixed by resolution of the Membership.

Section 9 Disposition Upon any sale, exchange or other disposal of the property and/or assets of the Association, payment there for may be made either to the Association or directly to the Members in proportion to their interests, or otherwise, as the Membership may determine.

Section 10 Contract Limitations In case the Association shall enter into any contract or transact any business with one or more of its directors, or with any firm of which any director is a member, or with any corporation or association of which any director is a stockholder, director or officer, such contract or transaction shall not be invalidated or in any way affected by the fact that such director has or

may have an interest therein which is or might be adverse to the interests of the Association, even though the vote of such director might have been necessary to obligate the Association upon such contract or transaction; provided, that the fact of such interest shall have been disclosed to the other directors and the Members of the Association, as the case may be, acting upon or with reference to such contract or transaction.

Section 11 Robert's Rules of Order The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the organization in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these bylaws or any special rules of order the organization may adopt.

Section 12 Notices Whenever, under the provisions of the statutes or of the Articles of Incorporation or of these bylaws, notice is required to be given to any officer, director or member, it shall not be construed to mean personal notice, but such notice may be given in writing, by mail, addressed to such director or member at their address as it appears on the records of the Association, with postage thereon prepaid, and such notice shall be deemed to be given at the time when the same shall be deposited in the United States mail. Notice to officer, directors and members may also be given by e-mail or electronic newsletter.

Section 13 Seal The Patterned Speed Horse Association seal shall have inscribed thereon the name of the Association, the year of incorporation and the words "Corporate Seal, Washington." The seal may be used by causing it or a facsimile thereof to be impressed or affixed or reproduced or otherwise.

ARTICLE IX

AMENDMENTS

Section 1 Amendments These bylaws may be altered, amended or repealed or new bylaws may be adopted by the Members at any Annual Meeting of the Membership if notice of such alteration, amendment, repeal or adoption of new bylaws be contained in the notice of such Annual Meeting. A 2/3 majority, of the members casting ballots, will be necessary to enact any changes in these Bylaws.

Section 2 Amendment Proposals Proposed alterations to these Bylaws shall be submitted to the PSHA Board of Directors for wording at least 60 days prior to the Annual Meeting.

(March 8 2008) Barb Short, Secretary

BASIC OPERATION OF REGIONS (Removed, 22 Oct 2022)
(See PSHA Bylaws, Article I, Section 7)

ARTICLE I

NAME

Name of Region shall be _____ of Patterned Speed Horse Association.

ARTICLE II

PURPOSES OF REGIONS:

~~It shall be the purpose of _____ Region to join together, in common bond, the individuals throughout the Region interested in Patterned Speed Horse Association Competition; and~~

- ~~1. To serve and promote the best interests of Region recognized PSHA Shows.~~
- ~~2. To make adequate and fair rules governing Region competitions, guided by the Bylaws, regulations and rules of the Patterned Speed Horse Association.~~
- ~~3. To adjudicate questions of Region violations of the rules~~

and to inflict penalties therefore in accordance with the rules of the Region (or the Region Executive Board may call the PSHA President for help).

4. To maintain proper Region records in connection with Region awards and coordination with PSHA records.
5. To approve event dates for Region approval of all PSHA shows within the Region boundaries.
6. To promote and publicize the operation, activities and awards of the Region.

ARTICLE III

MEMBERSHIP

Membership in Regions shall be established by membership in PSHA, and members shall be affiliated with only one Region. Any member belonging either through a club or a Non Club Member and listed by PSHA as a member of _____ Region shall be eligible for Region Awards, providing the Region requirements have been met.

ARTICLE IV

BOUNDARIES OF REGIONS

(Refer to PSHA Rule Book for all boundaries)

The State of Washington is divided into geographical areas called Regions. The geographical boundaries of this Region are as follows: _____

ARTICLE V

OFFICERS

The Region officers shall make up the Executive Board of each Region.

1. There shall be at least two (2) elected officers, President and Vice President.
2. The Secretary and Treasurer may be appointed by the President of the Region. The President cannot be the Treasurer.

ARTICLE VI

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1 **Region President** - The duties of the Region President shall be:

1. To preside at all Region meetings and the meetings of the Region Executive Board.
2. To appoint, with the approval of the Region Executive Board, all officers who are not elected and all committee chairmen who may be necessary and to be an ex-officio member all committees.
3. To sign, as President, all contracts and other instruments in writing, including evidences of indebtedness, which have been approved by the Region Executive Board.
4. To call such meetings as needed with a minimum of one each year.
5. To see that the Patterned Speed Horse Association Bylaws and Region Standing Rules and regulations as may be adopted by the members of the Region are properly enforced.
6. To supervise generally the affairs of the Region.
7. To report to the members at the Region meetings the activities and general progress of the Region.
8. To attend all PSHA Board of Directors meetings as the Director from the Region. If the Region President is unable to attend, the Vice President should be notified, and attend as the Region Director. If both the Region President and Vice President are unable to attend the PSHA Board of Directors meeting, the Region President may call the PSHA President and get permission to have a Region alternative attend as a Director for that meeting. The duties of the Director to State shall be to represent the Region at PSHA Board of Directors meetings. To report back to the Region at the first meeting after PSHA Board of Directors Meeting the business conducted.
9. To verify that the yearly financial statement is sent to the PSHA Treasurer.

Section 2 Region Vice President - The duties of the Vice President shall be to perform the duties of the President in his/her absence or in his/her inability to serve.

ARTICLE VII **SPONSOR OF SHOWS AND RIDING ACTIVITIES**

~~The Region may approve, but shall not sponsor any show or activity where money and liability are involved. If something is done for the benefit of the Region, such as a Region Benefit Show, or any fund raising activity, it must be sponsored by a club or individuals.~~

ARTICLE VIII

REGION RELATED PROBLEMS

~~If at any time a Region cannot resolve a Region related problem, the Region President may take it to the Region Executive Board for discussion. If the problem cannot be resolved with the help of the Region Executive Board, it may be referred to the PSHA President for resolution.~~

ARTICLE IX

REGION STANDING RULES

~~Each Region may have additional Standing rules peculiar to their particular Region. Each Region's completed Standing Rules and Amendments must be sent to the State PSHA Office.~~

