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Section B: Class and Division Descriptions and Award System -

B-1 The Board of directors reserves the right to make changes to the awards program at any time during the year.

B-2 The following Point System is for Year-End individual class awards. Total number of entries in a class determines the number of points awarded to the class. Every rider receives points.

Example:

First place receives the total number of entries plus 1 point. (If there are 10 entries in the class, first place would receive 11 points).

Second-Tenth Place receives 1 point for him/herself and 1 point for every horse they place above. (If there are 10 entries in the class, second place would receive 9 points).

All classes use the same formula.

B-3 The number of Year End awards given in any class will be based on the number of average entries participating in that class during the calendar show year. One award for every 4 average entries through-out the year.

B-4 Description of classes:

Open	Open to professional and Non Professional riders. Points or monies earned go to the horse. There are no earnings limits on the horse or rider.
25K Novice Horse	Open to professional and Non-Professional riders. Points or monies earned go to the horse. The horse cannot have won more than \$25,000 dollars in NCHA monies or equivalent points.
5K Novice Horse	Open to professional and non-professional riders. Points or monies earned go to the horse. The horse cannot have won more than \$5,000 dollars in NCHA monies or equivalent points.
Non-Pro	***The rider must conform to NCHA guidelines for Non-Professional. Rider must own horse. Points and money earned go to the rider. The rider may only show 1 horse in any given class, but may show different horses throughout the year for year-end awards.
35K Non-Pro	*** See Non Pro Class... in addition the rider cannot have won more than \$35,000 in weekend NCHA monies or equivalent points.

2K Limit Rider (Any Horse)- Jackpot	This class is for the Non-Professional Rider who has not earned more than \$2,000 in NCHA monies or equivalent points weekend or aged event. The rider may ride a horse that they do not own. Points or money earned go to the rider.
Youth	Age of a youth rider is under 18 for show purposes as of the date of the first show of the year. The rider may ride a horse that they do not own. Points or money earned go to the rider. A youth may only show one horse per class, but may show different horses throughout the year for year end awards.
1K Limit Non-Pro Rider	*** See Non Pro Class.... In addition the rider cannot have won more than \$1,000 in weekend NCHA monies or equivalent points. There is no earnings limit on the horse.

Ranch Horse Division	
<u>Ranch Classes Description</u>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Please do not abuse the integrity of these classes. These classes is an entry level class for beginner riders, unfinished cutting horses, reined cow horses, ranch horses and those that do not cut (hand down) or are learning to cut. Horses/riders that do not fit this criteria will be reviewed by the board for removal from the class. <input type="checkbox"/> Riders may use two hands on reins only if using an NCHA approved smooth snaffle bit. <input type="checkbox"/> Riders using any approved shanked bit, will be limited to using one hand on the reins. Use of second hand on reins will be penalized according to NCHA rules. <input type="checkbox"/> Romel reins are acceptable in this class. <input type="checkbox"/> Riders are eligible to show multiple horses in this class. For riders showing multiple horses..... Please have help on hand in the event you are up back to back, so you do not hold up the show. <input type="checkbox"/> Entries will be open until 12:00 pm the day of the show. Pre entries are still welcome and recommended. <input type="checkbox"/> 3 head of re-run cattle per cutter. <input type="checkbox"/> All Ranch Classes are all Jackpots. 	
Ranch Open	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Open to professional and Non Professional riders. Points or monies earned go to the horse. There are no earnings limits on the horse or rider. <input type="checkbox"/> A year end champion and reserve champion buckle will be awarded in this class.
Ranch Non Pro	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> This class is open to all non-professional/amateur riders (open riders are not permitted). <input type="checkbox"/> Points accumulated will count towards the horse and rider combo. <input type="checkbox"/> A year end champion and reserve buckle will be awarded in this class.
Ranch Rookie	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> This class is open to all non-professional/amateur riders (open riders are not permitted) with <i>TOTAL</i> rider earnings less than \$250 in any NCHA, NRCHA, or any Ranch Class (4Cs or otherwise).

	<input type="checkbox"/> Points accumulated and applied towards year end awards and Ranch Rookie qualification will count per each horse and rider combo. <input type="checkbox"/> A year end champion and reserve buckle will be awarded in this class.
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B-5 Points awarded for placing in any given class will be based on the number of entrants in the class; Riders with a score of zero will not receive points, but will be counted as an entrant for point keeping towards the rest of the class.

B-6 In the event of a tie, points are divided equally among the horses involved. When there is a tie for an award **(if any)** the following will break the tie: for a one-day show, the winner will be determined by the flip of a coin, for a multiple-day show with a circuit award, the highest scoring horse on the last day will win the award.

B-7 All Riders must show in at least sixty percent (60%) of the shows to be eligible for year end awards. All riders and or horses must show in at least sixty percent (60%) of their respective classes for the total shows to be eligible for class year-end awards.

B-8 It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to declare all NCHA horse and non-pro rider earnings before showing for the first time in a calendar CCCC show year to the horse show secretary.

B-9 A horse and/or rider has officially graduated from a CCCC class at the end of the show year based on earnings and/or points accumulated prior to the first show of the subsequent show year.

B-10 Riders in the Non Pro Ranch Horse class may rein without penalty.

B-11 Horses may be shown with two hands in the Non Pro Ranch Horse Class, if shown in a ring smooth snaffle or hackamore. Any horses shown in a NCHA Approved bridle, the rider must use one hand on the reins.

B-12 Horse earnings are based on earnings for weekend events. Aged event earnings are not to be counted against the horse.

Section C: Graduation to other classes... all other divisions.

C-1 A horse and/or rider has officially graduated from a CCCC class at the end of the show year based on earnings and/or points accumulated prior to the first show of the subsequent show year.

C-2 Points earned in the CCCC by the horse or rider will be converted to 1 point equals one (\$1) dollar in NCHA earnings and in this rule book are called equivalent earnings. Other club or associations point will be assessed by the board and given an equivalent Earnings amount. AQHA Points are valued at \$100 per point.

C-3 At the beginning of every calendar show year, the rider/horse owner must tabulate their earnings and equivalent earnings for the prior show year, and show in the classes that correspond to their current earnings. It is the rider/owner’s responsibility to keep a record of the points accumulated, or money earned in any association or club. Failure to report the correct amount of points will result in review by the CCCC board, which could result in suspension of CCCC privileges. Points earned in other associations or clubs, which are not NCHA, affiliated, will be reviewed and assessed a dollar amount by the CCCC board of directors.

SECTION D: ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY

D-1 Any person found guilty of inhumane treatment or abuse of any horse(s) may be fined fifty dollars (\$50) for the first offense and suspended from the CCCC if found guilty for the second offense. Any accusations of inhumane treatment must be in writing and supported by, at least two individuals. That should include the accusing party and one witness.

D-2 Abuse includes excessive jerking, cueing, whipping, use of lip wire or similar device, or any other act intended to cause trauma or injury to a horse. Any act of abuse, or intent to abuse a horse, in the show arena or on the show grounds which could also potentially endanger the safety of other persons or animals.

D-3 Using a bit in such a way that a horse is caused to bleed from its mouth or face.

D-4 Using any object held in the rider's hand to hit a horse; This includes such acts occurring not only in the show arena but also those occurring anywhere on the show grounds—the warm-up area, practice pen or any other location.

D-5 Any member who willfully causes trouble inside or outside the ranks of the CCCC by excessively complaining, willfully causing disturbances, unsportsmanlike conduct or behavior, or unnecessarily aggravating CCCC members, can be fined up to two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) and/or suspended from the club.

D-6 Any member of the CCCC who threatens, or actually inflicts bodily harm or injury to another person based upon that person's actions, conduct, or decisions while acting in any official capacity for the CCCC or for any CCCC sponsored or approved event can be fined up to two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) and shall be suspended from membership in the CCCC for a period of not less than one (1) year.

D-7 There will be no excessive drinking in public before, during, or after a contest. Any person believed to be intoxicated at a CCCC show may be asked to leave by the show representatives. Nor will the CCCC tolerate excessive profanity in or around the cutting event. Infractions of this rule may result in a fine or disqualification of the rider.

D-8 Any person presenting a check that is returned for insufficient funds, there will be a \$25.00 office charge and that member will not be allowed to show until the check and office charge are redeemed.