

## BYLAW OR RULE CHANGE PROPOSAL FORM

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USE TO SUBMIT A BYLAW OR RULE CHANGE PROPOSAL (MUST BE POSTMARKED 120 DAYS PRIOR TO CONVENTION FORMS CAN BE MAILED TO THE PHBA OFFICE, EMAILED TO [assist@palominohba.com](mailto:assist@palominohba.com), OR FAXED TO (918)438-1232

A rule or regulation is not subject to amendment by change, addition or repeal until it has been in force for at least two calendar years. Such limitation may be waived by the PHBA Executive Board upon finding extraordinary circumstances:  
A. Concerns the safety, health or well being of a horse and/or rider; B. Materially benefits PHBA's programs or it's financial stability; or C. Involves other compelling circumstances.

The PHBA President will assign proposed bylaw or rule changes to specific committees for their recommendations. Some committees may be asked to review a proposed rule change and report their recommendations to another committee that ultimately reports to the Board of Directors. Committee Chairs will need to coordinate that input. Committees are free to discuss other proposed rule changes but the assigned committee's recommendation is that which will be used during voting at the Board of Directors' meeting.

### Instructions for writing a proposed rule change:

- Define the problem and develop as many positive solutions as possible.
- Determine if any other rules would be affected if your proposal were to be adopted and specify the rule numbers.
- Submit proper wording for a proposed rule change by typing or neatly printing the exact wording being proposed. If you propose changes to existing language, ~~strike through~~ the words you propose to delete. Type in **bold** and *italics* the words you wish to add
- Determine the financial impact (both income and expense) your proposal could have on PHBA.
- You must get signature of three (3) PHBA members who support this proposal.

### 1. PROPOSED CHANGE (select one):

       ADD NEW RULE

       DELETE EXISTING RULE. Reference rule as it appears in the        official Handbook.

  X   CHANGE EXISTING RULE. Reference rule as it appears in the 2025 PHBA World Show Premium.

Rule Number Eligibility Requirements & APA Credits Page Number 5 & 8

2. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE:    January 1, 2027   X   Other May 1, 2026 for 2027 PHBA World Show

3. Is this proposal changing a rule that was implemented within the last two years?        YES   X   NO  
(Refer to PHBA Rule 33, page 23 of 2025 Handbook)

4. If adding a new rule or changing an existing rule, write rule as it should appear in the World Show Premium: (use attachment if needed)

### WORLD SHOW ENTRY INFORMATION (page 5 (requirements) & page 8 (APA credit):

#### REQUIREMENTS

Horses and exhibitors do not have to pre-qualify to be eligible to participate in this show. All Owners and Exhibitors must be current PHBA members to show and horses must be registered with PHBA.

Replace with –

*For Open and Amateur exhibitors, there are three ways to qualify for the PHBA World Show:*

*1. Horses (palomino and palomino bred) may qualify (exception for weanlings, yearlings and two year olds) to participate at the PHBA Open/ Amateur World Championship Show. In order to qualify to compete at the PHBA Open/Amateur World Show, all horses (or horse and amateur combo) must show to three (3) different judges in PHBA approved classes at PHBA affiliate sponsored shows during the qualifying period. Additionally horses (or horse and rider amateur combo) must be shown to at least one judge at a PHBA show their state of residence (unless there is no*

**active APA in that state) to qualify. The qualifying period will be from May 1<sup>st</sup> through April 30<sup>th</sup> for a world show scheduled in July. When making entries for the PHBA World Championship Show, the exhibitor will provide verifiable proof of having shown to the required number of judges.**

**2. Horses (palomino and palomino bred) may participate in the Palomino Performance Program (P3) and submit results from at least three qualifying events during the prior calendar year.**

**3. If neither of the above qualifying requirements are met, a palomino or palomino-bred can still be entered and shown for a higher entry fee per horse ½ which will be retained by PHBA and ½ which will be distributed by PHBA to the APA of the horse owner (if the owner does not have a designated affiliate, 100% of additional entry fee will be retained by PHBA). Horses entered in Open and/or Amateur classes, will require an additional \$200 fee.**

**Horses and exhibitors showing only in youth classes do not have to pre-qualify to be eligible to participate in the PHBA Youth World Championship Show.**

## **APA EXHIBITOR CREDIT**

~~To recognize your efforts in support of the local Palomino shows that you and your horse attend, exhibitors at the 2025 World Championship Show will be rewarded with an entry fee discount. When exhibitors submit their original World Show entries, they MUST include proof of having shown at four (4) APA shows (4 judges' total) during the period of May 1, 2024 through April 30, 2025. Discounts for the open entries will be on the horse. The amateur and youth will be on the horse and exhibitor combo. The show secretary must sign this form and a copy of your show print out must be attached to the form at the time your original submission to be eligible. Applicable at the 2025 PHBA World Championship Show. This credit applies to both Palomino and Palomino Bred horses. The applicable discount is \$25.00 per class in the open and amateur divisions and a \$10.00 discount per class in the youth division. Does not apply to Stakes or futurity entries.~~

Replace with –

### **APA Youth Exhibitor Credit**

**To recognize youth exhibitor efforts in support of the local Palomino shows that you and your horse attend, youth exhibitors at the 2027 World Championship Show will be rewarded with an entry fee discount. When exhibitors submit their original World Show entries, they MUST include proof of having show at four (4) APA shows (4 judges total) during the period of May 1, 2026 – April 30, 2027. Discounts for youth entries will be on the horse and exhibitor combo. The show secretary must sign this form and a copy of your show print out must be attached to the form at the time you original submission to the eligible: applicable at the 2027 PHBA World Championship Show. This credit applies to both Palomino and Palomino Bred horses. The applicable discount per class in the youth division is \$10.00.**

**5. Justification for change and impact if not passed: (use attachment if needed)**

### **Explanation why this change is needed:**

PHBA local affiliates are the backbone of PHBA. We spread the word; we represent PHBA; we promote PHBA through shows, social media and outreach; we are PHBA. We support PHBA and we need PHBA support to help maintain and build our local affiliates.

Making local APA shows qualifying shows for the PHBA World Show would help grow our local shows.

Currently, there is little incentive for palomino exhibitors to support their local affiliates because there are no qualifying requirements for the world show. When the local shows are not supported, it is difficult it earn national points or titles. Not needing to qualify for the world creates a "lose-lose" situation for the local affiliates.

Requiring qualification for the PHBA World Show, would be a pro-active step to maintain and grow the affiliates. It would stimulate growth at the local level resulting in additional memberships and show income for

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both the local affiliate and PHBA. Losing affiliates, losing local shows and losing members will eventually lead to the loss of PHBA.

Currently, NMPEA is the only active PHBA affiliate west of the Dakotas, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas, i.e. there are no active APA's in the west except in NM! NMPEA members attend the PHBA World Show (and are tough competitors) but most do not attend local APA shows as there is no need to qualify for the World. Currently and since the APA World Show Credit Discount was been put in place, the NMPEA APA Credits have not been utilized by NMPEA members to receive entry fee discounts at the World Show.

Bringing back world show qualifying might even bring back affiliates in the other western states.

Also, making the PHBA World Show a qualifying show would also increase the prestige factor for world show titles as exhibitors would need to qualify to compete there. This would be a boost to the value of a world show title and could be used as a marketing tool for PHBA, the PHBA World Show and the local affiliates.

#### 6. How will this rule change affect PHBA financially if adopted:

Increased income to PHBA for horses entering only the World Show and not showing at local APA shows is unknown but estimating at least 10 horses or more are in this category. For some affiliates, this could be the difference between profit or loss for a show. For PHBA,  $10 \times \$100 = \$1000$  would pay for the extra administration of the fee. If more than ten horses are exhibiting at the world without showing at local shows, the generated income would be more. For a local affiliate, a single \$100 could pay for meals for a judge or for a show approval or show awards.

Increased revenue per show fee of \$7.00 per horse PHBA national show fee. For example, for a small double judged show with just a few horses with an increase from 5 to 15 horses:  $10 \times \$7 \times 2 = \$140.00$ . At a larger four judge show with 45 horses increasing to 60 horses:  $15 \times \$7 \times 4 = \$420$ . Multiplying these numbers by the number of annual shows (using an average) could conservatively result in additional \$10,000 plus in revenue to PHBA from this fee alone. There could be other revenue generated by increased memberships, registrations and transfer fees.

Increase in the prestige factor at the World Show could result in additional entries generating increased entry fees, stall fees and office fees. Dollar amount unknown.

Adding Palomino Performance Participation (P3) as a qualifying criteria could result in additional income to PHBA in enrollment fees especially in those states without an active APA or large state where the distance to shows is great. It would also promote palomino and palomino bred horses showing at local shows showing the versatility and beauty of the PHBA horses thus promoting the breed. PHBA additional income impact not available.

#### 7. Estimated expense to PHBA if rule change is adopted:

Expenses should be minimal except for providing means or a form for exhibitors to provide verifiable qualifying shows attended.

#### 8. Contact information of person submitting proposed change:

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