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 shirley@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):

__X__ADD NEW RULE (INSERT AFTER RULE 2029 IN 2026/2027 HANDBOOK)

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

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

Rule Number _____ Page Number _____

2. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: _X_January 1, 2028 __ Other

3. Is this proposal changing a rule that was implemented within the last two years? _____YES __X_ NO (Refer to PHBA Rule 33, page 13 of 20256/2027 Handbook)

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

GUEST JUDGES PERMIT:

Receiving a PHBA guest judge permit is a privilege granted by the PHBA, not a right. Any person who has been removed from the PHBA judges list for any violations of PHBA rules shall be ineligible to hold a Guest Judge Permit.

A. The PHBA may grant a Guest Judge Permit to individuals meeting requirements per this rule. Guest judges may judge a lifetime maximum of two single-judge or multi-judge PHBA-approved shows. Thereafter, guest judges must apply for and receive PHBA judging credentials to continue judging PHBA-approved shows.
B. Affiliate clubs sponsoring a PHBA-approved show must request permission from the PHBA to hire a guest judge. Guest judge permits may be requested by affiliate clubs in states with two or fewer PHBA approved judges domiciled in their state.
    1. For a PHBA affiliate club events offering a wide variety of classes, the PHBA may grant a guest judge permit to individuals holding judging credentials with:
        a. American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA)
        b. American Paint Horse Association (APHA)

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c. Appaloosa Horse Club (ApHC)
d. Pinto Horse Association of America (PtHA)
e. International Buckskin Horse Association (IBHA)
f. American Buckskin Registry Association, Inc. (ABRA)

2. For a PHBA affiliate club event offering PHBA-approved events that limit the classes offered to reining, working cow horse or boxing, cutting or over-fence classes, the PHBA may grant a guest judge permit to individuals holding judging credentials with organizations specific to those classes and which include:
   a. National Reining Horse Association (NRHA) – reining
   b. National Reined Cow Horse Association (NRCHA) – reining, working cow horse, boxing
   c. National Cutting Horse Association (NCHA) – cutting, boxing
   d. United States Equestrian Federation (USEF) – over fence classes

C. The PHBA in its sole discretion, reserves the right to add or exclude organizations from those listed in B above.

D. Guest judges agree to abide by all rules contained in the Official Handbook of the PHBA and are subject to all disciplinary rules contained therein.

E. In order to receive Guest Judging status with PHBA, the judge must meet the following conditions a minimum of 30 days prior to judging:
   1. Judge must certify their credentials in the appropriate association.
   2. Judge must be a current-year PHBA member in good standing.
   3. Judge must pass a written PHBA rulebook test. Test may be abbreviated to contain questions pertaining to only those classes offered at the approved show for which the judge is being considered.
   4. Judge must agree to abide by all PHBA rules while judging the PHBA approved event and be subject to all rules contained in the PHBA Official Handbook including any disciplinary rules.

F. Guest judge permits shall be valid only in the calendar year in which the permit was issued.

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

Provide additional accredited judges reducing judges' travel and lodging expenses for PHBA approved events. Per the judges list on the PHBA website, a total of seven PHBA judges live in the eleven western states. The nearest judge to our NM show location is four hours away. Two judges are six hours away with two additional judges being seven hours away – not just a quick trip or day trip to a show. There are currently no PHBA approved judges in NM. Having a larger pool of judges to choose from could lower show expenses for an approved PHBA event. Most of our shows are multi-breed approved events and this would also help in our search for multi-breed carded judges. If not passed, we may have to further limit the PHBA events we offer.

Explanation why this change is needed:

Expand available judge choices within reasonable distances from events.
Lower judges' expenses for APA's.

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

Gain memberships from judges who are not currently PHBA members.
Possibly add PHBA classes and events to other national breed shows by accepting their accredited judges for PHBA classes generating PHBA show revenue (approvals and show fees).
Possibly encourage new or renewed PHBA judge certifications.

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

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PHBA New Rule Proposal – Guest Judge Permit (submitted by B Zielke 11/10/26)
Minimal after permit approval procedure is finalized and put in place. Require judge and/or show management to be responsible for furnishing required documentation.

8. Contact information of person submitting proposed change:

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SIGNATURE Julie Schley
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SIGNATURE Kay Coen

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