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):
CHANGE EXISTING RULE. Reference rule as it appears in the official Handbook.
2. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2028
3. Is this proposal changing a rule that was implemented within the last two years? NO
(Refer to PHBA Rule 33, page 13 of 2026/2027 Handbook)
4. If adding a new rule or changing an existing rule, write rule as it should appear in the Handbook: (use attachment if needed)

TRAIL page 115
3578. Five (5) point penalties
D. Use of either hand to instill fear ~~or praise~~;

IN HAND TRAIL page 118
3618. Five (5) Points Penalties
D. Use of either hand to instill fear ~~or praise~~ (slight touching or tapping with bone hand to cue horse in a sidepass maneuver only is acceptable).

RANCH HORSE page 122
3649. Five (5) point penalties
A. Use of free hand to instill fear ~~or praise~~

RANCH RAIL PLEASURE page 125
3668. Faults to be scored according to severity and can be a cause for disqualification:
T. Use of either hand to instill fear~~/praise~~

Ranch Trail page 127
3672. CREDITS AND PENALTIES . All runs begin upon entering the area of competition and any infractions are subject to penalty at that time (such as two hands on the reins, using either hand to instill fear ~~or praise,~~ etc.). The rider has the option of eliminating any obstacle, however this will result in being off pattern (OP) and the horse/rider team may not place above others who have completed the pattern correctly. A judge may ask a horse to pass on an obstacle after three refusals or at any time for safety concerns

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3672 D. Five (5) points
use of either hand to instill fear~~/praise~~

WESTERN RIDING page 131
3690. Five (5) point penalties
D. Use of either hand to instill fear ~~or praise~~**.**

YOUTH HUNT SEAT EQUITATION ON THE FLAT page 167
6236. Scoring
C. Ten (10) points
Use of either hand to instill fear ~~or praise~~ while on pattern or during rail work

YOUTH WESTERN HORSEMANSHIP page 171
6258. Penalties. An exhibitor should be penalized in the pattern independent of maneuver scores and deducted from the final score as follows:
C. Ten (10) points
Use of either hand to instill fear ~~or praise~~ while on pattern or during rail work

5. Justification for change and impact if not passed: (use attachment if needed)
Equine Industry Standard
6. How will this rule change affect PHBA financially if adopted:
No financial impact
7. Estimated expense to PHBA if rule change is adopted:
No financial impact
8. Contact information of person submitting proposed change:
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