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

_____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 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)

SEE ATTACHED

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

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

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

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

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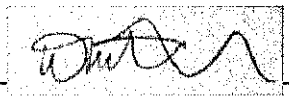
Signature  **Date** 11.10.26

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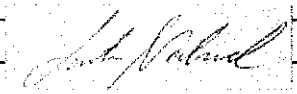
SIGNATURE 

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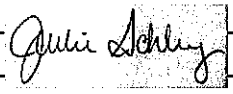
SIGNATURE 

THIS FORM MUST BE FILLED OUT COMPLETELY. INCOMPLETE SUBMISSIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED; THEY WILL BE RETURNED TO SUBMITTER, NOTING WHAT IS INCOMPLETE. IF TIME ALLOWS BEFORE SUBMISSION DEADLINE, PROPOSAL MAY BE RESUBMITTED WITH CORRECTIONS. NO PROPOSAL WILL BE CONSIDERED IF RECEIVED AFTER DEADLINE.

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RULE CHANGE PROPOSAL

Proposed Change: Amend Existing Rules

Rule Reference: PHBA Year-End Awards in Youth Divisions— Minimum Eligibility Requirements (Rules: 1427, 1428, 1452, 1453, 1471, 1472)

Proposed Effective Date: January 1, 2028

4. Proposed Rule Language

~~First place will be given to high point horse earning a minimum of twenty-five (25) points in each youth event.~~

~~Second place will be given to reserve high point horse earning a minimum of twenty-five (25) points in each youth event.~~

To be eligible for first or second place youth PHBA year-end award in a designated category, a horse/exhibitor combination must meet at least one of the following participation requirements during the applicable award year:

A. APA and World Show Participation: Compete in the applicable award category under a minimum of four (4) different PHBA-approved judges at PHBA-approved Affiliate Palomino Association (APA) shows and participate in the same award category at the PHBA World Championship Show.

OR

B. APA Show Participation: Compete in the applicable award category under a minimum of eight (8) different PHBA-approved judges at PHBA-approved APA shows during the applicable award year.

Participation shall be verified through official show results submitted to and recorded by the PHBA National Office.

Once the minimum participation requirement has been satisfied, year-end award standings shall continue to be determined by total points earned in accordance with existing PHBA point calculation and award ranking rules.

Participation at the PHBA World Championship Show only shall not replace the four (4) APA judge requirement under Option A.

5. Explanation and Justification

Encouraging Participation at APA-Approved Shows

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Affiliate Palomino Associations are essential to the continued success of PHBA. These organizations invest significant financial resources and volunteer hours to provide approved showing opportunities for members across the country.

The current 25-point minimum does not necessarily reflect a consistent level of participation and may disproportionately affect exhibitors competing in regions with smaller class sizes or fewer available shows.

Replacing the minimum point threshold with a participation requirement encourages members to support APA-hosted events while establishing a consistent eligibility standard regardless of the number of horses competing in a class.

Recognizing Participation Rather Than Class Size

Under the existing structure, an exhibitor may participate consistently throughout the year but fail to earn the minimum 25 points because of limited competition within a particular category.

Conversely, exhibitors competing in larger classes may reach the minimum point requirement with fewer appearances.

A judge-based participation requirement creates a more consistent measure of an exhibitor's commitment to participating in PHBA-approved competition.

Supporting the PHBA World Championship Show

The proposed amendment provides two pathways to year-end award eligibility.

Exhibitors who support APA shows under at least four judges and participate in the World Championship Show would satisfy the minimum participation requirement.

Those who choose not to attend the World Show could still qualify by competing under eight judges at APA-approved shows.

This structure creates an incentive to attend the World Championship Show without making World Show participation mandatory for year-end award eligibility.

Increasing Support for Affiliate Palomino Associations

APA-hosted shows generate opportunities for membership engagement, breed promotion, and ongoing participation in PHBA programs.

Requiring a minimum level of APA participation encourages exhibitors to support these events and helps protect the long-term sustainability of local and regional affiliates.

Providing a Clear and Verifiable Eligibility Standard

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Judge participation can be verified through existing PHBA-approved show results reported to the National Office.

This approach creates a straightforward eligibility standard that can be consistently applied across award categories and communicated to exhibitors before the start of the show season.

6. Financial Impact

Impact on PHBA: Minimal anticipated financial impact. Eligibility can be verified using existing show results and judge records maintained by the National Office.

Impact on APAs: Potential positive financial impact through increased exhibitor participation, class entries, and support for APA-approved shows and world show events.

Impact on Exhibitors: Exhibitors will have two clearly defined participation pathways to qualify for year-end awards. The amendment eliminates the minimum 25-point threshold but does not change how points are accumulated or used to determine award standings.

Impact on World Show: Potential increase in participation by exhibitors seeking to satisfy the four-judge-plus-World-Show eligibility option.

7. Estimated expense:

Expense will be limited to time for verifying eligibility of year-end award recipients and additional expense for providing awards in youth categories.

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