



**October 8-11, 2026
Midland, MI**

QUALIFICATION*:

Horse/exhibitor combinations placing in the top two in a division class under any judge at the 2025 Holiday ShoDown, 2026 Spring ShoCase, 2026 Summer ShoStopper, or during the first three days of The Championship SHO may advance to the championship classes held Sunday of the event. The top two in our Jr & Sr Pleasure classes as well as our 2 & Under Halter and Showmanship classes will also be eligible.

CLASSES OFFERED:

Walk/Trot Championship Classes

- WT Halter
- WT Showmanship
- WT Western Pleasure
- WT Horsemanship
- WT Western Disciplined Rail
- WT English Pleasure
- WT Equitation
- WT English Disciplined Rail

Qualifying WT Divisions:

- Green Rider 10 & Under
- Green Rider 11-18
- Green Rider 19 & Over
- Green Horse
- Select Senior
- 2 & Under (halter & showmanship classes only)

EXAMPLE:

Exhibitor/horse combination places 1st in Green Rider 19 & Over Western Pleasure under Judge B at the 2026 Spring ShoCase. This pair is now eligible for the WT Western Pleasure Championship class held at The Championship SHO in October 2026.

Walk/Trot/Canter Championship Classes

- Halter
- Showmanship
- Western Pleasure
- Horsemanship
- Western Disciplined Rail
- English Pleasure
- Equitation
- English Disciplined Rail

Qualifying WTC Divisions:

- Stock Horse 12 & Under
- Stock Horse 13-15
- Stock Horse 16-18
- Stock Horse 19-29
- Stock Horse 30 & Over
- Jr & Sr (western and english pleasure classes only)

EXAMPLE:

Exhibitor/horse combination places 2nd in Stock Horse 13-15 Hunt Seat Equitation under Judge A at the 2026 The Championship SHO. This pair is now eligible for the English Equitation Championship class to be held Sunday.

Ranch & Non-Stock Championship Versatility Events

In consideration of the unique talents of our Ranch and Non-Stock horses, we will hold both a Ranch Horse Championship Versatility and a Non-Stock Championship Versatility on Saturday evening. **The 10 horse/exhibitor combinations that have accumulated the most total division points across all four of the qualifying shows will be eligible for these events.** For 2026, qualifying horses will compete in the following:

<u>RANCH HORSE</u>	<u>NON-STOCK</u>
Ranch Trail	Trail
Western Disciplined Rail	Western Pleasure
Ranch Reining	English Equitation*
Ranch Conformation	Showmanship
	<i>*may be ridden either seat</i>

The horse/exhibitor combination accumulating the highest number of points across all four events will be our champion in each division (Ranch or Non-Stock)!

***THE FINE PRINT:**

Qualification is based on the horse/rider combination. No swapping of horses/riders will be permitted for the Championship classes.

Horses and exhibitors may only have ONE entry per Championship class. If an exhibitor qualifies for a Championship class with two or more horses, the exhibitor must choose which horse he/she will compete with for the Championship. Similarly, if a horse is qualified for the same Championship class with more than one exhibitor, only one exhibitor may compete in that class.

Exhibitors may only compete in a Championship class for which they are eligible in the current calendar year. For example, if a WT exhibitor qualifies for the Western Pleasure Championship class at the previous year's Holiday ShoDown and then moves up to a WTC division during the current calendar year, the exhibitor must re-qualify in a **WTC** Western Pleasure Class. This guideline would also apply for 2 & Under horses that may have aged out.