

## Trail Event Sanctioning Procedure and Form

**Purpose:** This procedure provides guidance for the National Walking Horse Association (NWHA) to sanction pleasure trail rides.

**Scope:** This procedure applies to any NWHA members who wish to recognize or organize a trail ride.

## Responsibilities:

Title	Description
Director	Directors assure that the trail ride meets the needs of the membership and the ride hosts.
Dir of Operations	Provides a venue for formal recognition of the rides. Provides forms, maintains and files copies. Assures that information is provided on the website.
Trail Committee	Solicits trail ride hosts. Provides information to NWHA membership about ride opportunities and promotes ride opportunities.

## **Procedure:**

- 1. The trail ride organizer will complete a "Sanctioned Trail Ride Recognition Form" and submit it to the corporate office either electronically or on paper (mail, fax) along with the current fees noted on the application.
- 2. The Director of Operations will affirm that the form is received.
- 3. The Director of Operations will add the event date, time and location to the NWHA calendar so that it appears on the website.
- 4. If the event organizer wishes, they may write a short ride description to be posted on the web site along with the date and time.

## NWHA Sanctioned Trail Ride Recognition Form

Trail Ride Name:	Date:
Location:	
Organizer:	
Contact Information:	
Host:	
Host phone number:	Email:
Back up ride host:	
Back up ride host phone number	Email:
Organizer Email:	
Enclose \$25 sanctioning fee with this fowww.nwha.com	orm or complete via the NWHA shop at
Brief description of trail ride for web si	ite (Maximum 100 words):

Ride Host affirms that the below requirements for sanctioning are complete, planned for, compliant or will provided the day of the event:

- 1. Ride must be in compliance with the Equine Activities Liability Law of the state in which the ride occurs.
- 2. Reliable emergency communication should be available
- 3. A first aid kit will be available on the trails
- 4. Minor children require an adult accompaniment
- 5. Minor children will wear ASTM F1163-04a/SEI certified riding helmets
- 6. Ride hosts or trail boss will be familiar with the ride location and will have conducted a safety inspection prior to start of ride.
- 7. Any ride flyers or websites will have this statement added to it: NWHA sanctions trail rides for the sole purpose of allowing NWHA Trail Points to be doubled on sanctioned rides. NWHA is not responsible for specific activities, risks or accidents that may occur as a result of equine related activities.

Ride Host Signature:		
Submit form and fees to:		
National Walking Horse Association		
P.O. Box 12430 Reading, PA 19612		
office@nwha.com		