

Kansas Quarter Horse Association Points & Year-End Award Rules

1. Year-end awards will be based on points earned at all KQHA approved shows held between October 16th of the previous year and October 15th of the current year.
2. To qualify for a year-end award, **the owner or lessee and the exhibitor of the horse** must both be members of KQHA. This includes the open, amateur, and youth divisions. KQHA membership must be current for points to be tabulated (See the Forms page for membership forms).
3. **To be eligible for year-end awards an amateur/horse or youth/horse combination or open horse must show in a class at a minimum of THREE (3) circuits to a minimum of SIX (6) judges.**
4. The KQHA shall be notified in writing by the new owner upon change of ownership of the horse. KQHA points will follow the horse providing the new owner or lessee is a member in good standing of the KQHA within 30 days of transfer.
5. Points in amateur and youth divisions will be compiled on a one horse - one exhibitor basis as per rule SHW 260.7 in the 2022 AQHA Official Handbook of Rules and Regulations.
6. A married couple membership will allow KQHA points to count on horses registered in either the name and/or both names.
7. KQHA points will follow the horse if it is shown as a stallion part of the year and then gelded. The owner is required to notify the KQHA office in writing in such cases.
8. Due to it taking up to 4 weeks for AQHA process the results of a show and another 2-3 weeks to mail out the official results to the secretary of a show, year-end points are tabulated on results sent to KQHA from the show secretary. These results are not the official AQHA results. The results must then be transferred to the points secretary by the show secretary. AQHA reserves the right to make corrections to official results at any time and notify show management of those corrections. This may change the standings and the official records of AQHA will be used to mediate any disputes which may arise during the show season.
9. The KQHA year-end awards shall be determined by the Board of Directors. Awards will be issued for 1st through 5th place in the open, youth, and amateur divisions. In case of a tie, duplicate awards will be issued.

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Amateur & Youth All-Around Awards

KQHA All-Around awards will be calculated using current AQHA rules. A year-end all-around award will be given in the following divisions:

- Amateur = Amateur, Novice Amateur, Select Amateur
- Youth = 13 & under, 14-18, Novice Youth

Open High Point Horse of the Year

The KQHA Open High Point Horse of the Year shall be awarded to the horse that has accumulated the most KQHA points. The horse must acquire a minimum of 25 points in each of two or more categories and must have points in a third category.

The categories are as follows:

- Category I – Halter/Performance Halter
- Category II – Reining, Working Cow Horse, Western Riding, Ranch Riding, Ranch Trail, Trail
- Category III – Team Penning, Ranch Sorting, Barrel Racing, Pole Bending, Cowboy Mounted Shooting
- Category IV – Jumping, Working Hunter, Hunter Hack
- Category V – Western Pleasure, 2-year-old Western Pleasure, Hunter Under Saddle, Pleasure Driving
- Category VI – Tie-down Roping, Dally Team Roping – Heading, Dally Team Roping – Heeling, Cutting

High Point Halter Horse

KQHA will award a High Point Halter Horse in each of the following divisions:

- Open High Point Halter Horse
- Amateur High Point Halter Horse
- Youth High Point Halter Horse

Versatility Ranch Horse All Around Awards

The KQHA High Point Versatility Ranch Horse all-around will be the horse earning the most points at KQHA approved Versatility Ranch Horse competitions.

- VRH All Around Divisions: Youth, Limited Youth, Amateur, Limited Amateur, Cowboy, Open
- The VRH all-around high point will consist of VRH Ranch Riding, VRH Ranch Trail, VRH Ranch Cutting, VRH Ranch Cow Work, VRH Ranch Reining and VRH Ranch Conformation.
- All points earned in VRH classes will count only for the VRH all-around.
- Any riders showing in the Limited Cow Work in the amateur and the youth will be counted as limited riders for the all-around purposes.
- Points for the VRH all-arounds will be calculated using the AQHA VRH all-around rules.
- To qualify for the all-around versatility ranch horse, one cattle class must be included, and the horse must also show in conformation. One additional class from the remaining category must be entered and shown.

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- Additional classes may be entered and shown and will also count toward the VRH All-Around.

Kansas Year-End Point System

Points are tabulated based on the number of class entries as follows:

#Entries	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
1	1								
2	2	1							
3	3	2	1						
4	4	3	2	1					
5	5	4	3	2	1				
6	6	5	4	3	2	1			
7	7	6	5	4	3	2	1		
8	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	
9 or more	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

Additional points will be awarded in each halter division:

- Halter Grand Champion = 2 additional points awarded
- Halter Reserve Champion = 1 additional point awarded