



**Show Rules &  
Eligibility for  
Canadian Sport Horse  
Breed Classes**

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## CANADIAN SPORT HORSE **RULES & ELIGIBILITY**

This document outlines the Show Rules & Eligibility for Canadian Sport Horse Breed Classes. For more information on our other services or events, please visit the CSHA website at [www.c-s-h-a.org](http://www.c-s-h-a.org)



## Rules for Competitors & Owners

To be eligible to compete in CSHA sanctioned shows, owners of horses must be:

- Current Annual members of the CSHA and not in arrears to the Association.
- Owners, riders & handlers must be a current member of your provincial equine governing body (Ontario Equestrian, etc.) or hold private insurance. Proof must be provided with entry forms.

In all CSH classes, juniors must wear an approved helmet and are not permitted to show stallions other than colt foals of the current year. A parent or guardian must sign for a junior exhibitor.





## Definitions

Only offspring by CSHA breeding approved sire and dam, F1 or higher, are eligible to compete in Canadian Sport Horse Breed Classes, except as noted for Broodmare or Stallion classes.

**Yeld Mare:** For the purpose of the CSHA, a mare 4 years of age or older, approved for breeding with the CSHA that has not raised a foal during the current year, or that had a foal die within 2 weeks of birth, is defined as a Yeld Mare for this class.

**Brood Mare:** A mare 4 years of age or over approved for breeding purposes and has raised a foal in the current year.

**Stallions:** Four years of age or over, inspected and licensed, or fully approved and licensed in the current year. Stallions are not eligible for Grand Championship classes.

The top 2 in each mare class can compete for Champion Mare but not for Grand Champion. Grand Champion is for foals, yearlings, two-year olds, three-year olds – a Best Young Horse Class.

Required

# DOCUMENTS & MEMBERSHIPS

A copy of identification papers must accompany show entry forms. In the case of pending registrations, a "Pending Letter" from the National office must be provided as proof of eligibility.

As a member of the WBFSH, the CSHA does not support dual registration. A horse carrying the brand of another breed registry or that is identified to have dual registration, including CSHA, will not be allowed to compete in CSHA breed classes.

Copies of ALL required current memberships and payment must accompany entries before an entry can be considered eligible.

A copy of a Negative Coggins test dated within the current year may be required. Please refer to the individual show's requirements for proof of vaccinations/Coggins as needed (may vary by show).



## Important CSHA MEMBERSHIPS

**All requests for CSHA memberships must be in the office at least three (3) business days prior to a show with all the correct documentation and payment of fees in order for the entry to be eligible. If a pending letter is required, it is also the owner's responsibility to make the request. This request is to be made at least three (3) business days prior to a show as well. Please be aware that pending memberships cannot be verified by National Office or Directors of the CSHA on the day of a show.**



## Turnout for **HORSE & HANDLER**

### TURNOUT AND ATTIRE AT SHOWS

**Halters, Bridles and Leads:** Foals are to be shown in a properly fitted plain leather halter and leather lead with NO CHAIN. Yearlings, two-year-olds, three-year-olds, mares and stallions are to be shown in a properly fitted snaffle bridle. If they are shown in a lead shank with a chain, it must be looped through the bit and clipped back onto itself. Split chain jumper style leads are acceptable, provided the chains are attached on either side of the bit. Only snaffle bits are permitted.

**Crops and Whips:** Crops are permitted in all classes but must be under 30" in length. No gimmicks such as clickers, bells or any noise makers are permitted in or at the ring at any time. Treats are permitted in the ring in moderation and must not be left behind in the ring.

**Handler Attire:** All handlers must wear closed toed boots or shoes. Jeans, track pants, splash pants and shorts are not permitted. Handlers are encouraged to present themselves in a neat and tidy fashion to ensure that there are no distractions in the ring.

**Equine Turnout:** Horses must be braided for any classes in which they are being judged. This includes foals, unless their manes do not allow for braiding due to length. All horses should be well groomed, neat and free of stains, shavings and dirt. If a mare is entering the ring for her foal to be judged, the mare does not need to be braided. Mares showing in a mare class must be braided. Tail braids are optional, however, they are encouraged.





## CANADIAN SPORT HORSE **SHOW MANAGEMENT**

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## Rules for

# SHOW MANAGEMENT

Show managers must adhere to the Rules of Entry. Permitting an entry into a class with an incomplete entry can cause the show manager to be denied a show the following year.

Show managers must ensure key items are included on the entry form as indicated on the attached sample entry form.

The following privacy statement must appear on the entry forms\*: *"I hereby give permission to the CSHA to use my name, horse ownership details and/or a photo of myself and/or my horse in conjunction with a CSHA event being reported in the CSHA newsletter, and in articles or reports of activities used in social media, CSHA website, or other media which may be utilized by the CSHA for publicity or communications purposes."*

*\*members may use the provided check box to opt-in or opt-out, or they may cross out the entire paragraph if they do not wish to participate*

## ENTRY FORM

## BLANK TEMPLATE

Below is an example of an entry form template. One entry form per each horse/pony must be completed. The privacy statement (shown in the bottom-right corner) must be included on all entry forms.

SHOW NAME - ENTRY FORM			
INSERT DATE INSERT START TIME INSERT LOCATION ADDRESS		<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; display: inline-block;"> <b>INSERT LOGO</b> </div>	
<b>**ONE ENTRY FORM PER HORSE/PONY**</b>			
CLASS NUMBER (\$):		CSHA REGISTRATION #:	
NAME OF HORSE/PONY:			
SEX:		AGE:	
SIRE:			
DAM:			
SIRE OF DAM:			
BREEDER:			
NAME OF OWNER:			
OWNER'S CSHA #:		FEES:	
ADDRESS:		Entry Fee: \$_____ per class	
TELEPHONE:		Admin Fee per horse: \$_____	
EMAIL:		Stabling per day per horse: \$_____	
OWNER'S PROVINCIAL ASSOCIATION # OR PERSONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE POLICY#		Shavings per bag: \$_____	
		Late Fee after (Date) : \$_____	
		<b>TOTAL FEE (+ tax if applicable):</b>	
HANDLER'S NAME:		<b>THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS MUST ACCOMPANY THIS ENTRY FORM:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Copy of current Provincial Association Membership (or Personal Liability Insurance Policy # and Insurer)</li> <li>▪ Copy of current CSHA Membership (For CSH/CSP classes)</li> <li>▪ Copy of CSHA papers</li> <li>▪ Completed stabling form if you require stalls</li> <li>▪ Copy of Identification Papers (Open classes) or Pending Letter</li> </ul>	
HANDLER'S PROVINCIAL ASSOCIATION # :			
PARENT/GUARDIAN'S NAME FOR JUNIOR HANDLER:			
TELEPHONE:			
<b>PAYMENT:</b> <b>Email money transfers can be sent to:</b> insertyoureemail@gmail.com Please make Security Password: CSHASHOW (Please include owner's full name in the notes/memo section of the EMT) <b>Cheque:</b> Please mail cheque with entries. Cheques can be made payable to: Insert Name <b>Credit Card:</b> Include card details below  <b>Credit Card:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> VISA <input type="checkbox"/> MC Expiry mm/yy: ____/____ <b>Card Number:</b> _____		<i>"I hereby give permission to the CSHA to use my name, horse ownership details and/or a photo of myself and/or my horse in conjunction with a CSHA event being reported in the CSHA newsletter, and in articles or reports of activities used in social media, CSHA website, or other media which may be utilized by the CSHA for publicity or communications purposes."</i>  <b>Initials:</b> _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Opt out  The organizers/volunteers of the Canadian Sport Horse Association will not be held responsible for any accident, loss, death or injury to persons, horses or properties of exhibitors or spectators while attending the above show.  <b>Name:</b> _____ <b>Date:</b> _____	
<b>EMAIL COMPLETED ENTRIES TO:</b> Insertyoureemail@gmail.com  <b>CONTACT FOR MORE INFO:</b> Your Name (555) 123-4567		<b>MAIL COMPLETED ENTRIES TO:</b> Your Name 1234 Street City/Province Postal Code	



## **CONSIDERATION FOR NEW SHOW DATE/VENUES:**

All show managers must ensure that they have obtained proper insurance coverage for hosting a horse show. Proof of insurance must be forwarded to the Show Committee (provincial or national as appropriate) no less than 2 weeks prior to the show date. The CSHA reserves the right to cancel any show, if the show manager fails to comply with this requirement.

In order for a new venue or show date to be considered, the show manager & facility making the request, must complete an application form (available on the CSHA website) to become a host facility.

A proposal must include information on availability of washrooms, fenced rings (indoor or outdoor), ample parking for trailers, etc.

**Note:** An on-site inspection by a CSHA Board Member will be completed prior to approval.

The CSHA Board of Directors reserves the right to deny show managers a show date based on noncompliance with requirements, unsuitable facilities or poor attendance at previously held shows. Show venues which fail to meet the appropriate criteria once obtaining a date may lose their date if attendance is poor. All show managers must be a member in good standing with CSHA and their provincial equestrian governing body for the duration of the year which their show takes place.

## **SHOW FORMAT:**

The show ring is to run at the discretion of the judge. However, the recommendation by the CSHA Board of Directors is as follows: The ring steward will invite the entries to enter and walk clockwise along the perimeter of the ring to allow the judge to view the entries at a walk. The ring steward then instructs the entries to line up in the ring, with enough spacing between entries that the judge can safely inspect each horse. The judge will inspect each horse, and at the completion of each inspection, instruct the entry to trot their horse in hand in a straight line. The judge will view the horse's trot from a side profile. The entry then lines up at the end of the ring in a head to tail fashion to allow the other entries to follow behind them.

Show managers may split classes based on gender at their discretion and without notice if entries permit.

All entries must be sound. Exhibiting any unsoundness will be excused from the ring at the judge's discretion.

Any unmanageable entry may be excused from the class at any time at the discretion of the judge and show management.

Mares are permitted to enter the ring with their foal for the Foal of Current Year class as well as the Broodmare class. No other horses may accompany a foal into the ring. Mare and foal combinations must have two handlers- one for the foal and one for the mare. Foals must be presented at the trot on the inside of the ring, between the mare and the judge, or in front of or behind the mare. The foal must not trot on the far side of the mare as this will not allow the foal to be judged properly. Mares may not enter the ring with their foal at the Royal Winter Fair for either of their respective classes.



Core &amp; Optional

# CLASS OFFERINGS

All core classes (listed on the following page) must be offered at each CSHA Sanctioned Show. Show managers may add additional classes at their discretion. See below for examples of optional classes:

## OPTIONAL CLASSES

**CSHA Stallion-** 3 years and over - Must have current active CSHA License and breeding approval

**Junior and/or Novice Handler** - Open to junior handlers up to their 19th birthday and handlers that are in their first or second year of handling in classes at the CSHA shows. No stallions or colts except weanlings may be shown. Class will be judged on presentation of the animal, neatness and appearance of the handler and overall condition of the animal. Conformation will not be the determining factor but may count 15%.

Junior handlers must wear approved helmet. If less than three (3) entries, classes may be combined. Animals may be owned or borrowed

**Hunter suitability under saddle** - open to 3 years & over mare, gelding or stallion

**Dressage suitability under saddle** - open to 3 years & over mare, gelding or stallion



All points for Sanctioned Shows must be completed and sent to the Show Committee no later than 2 weeks after the show date.



## CSHA CORE CLASSES

# PRIZE LIST

CLASS #	CLASS DESCRIPTION
<b><u>BROODMARE</u></b>	
1	Broodmare - with CSHA Breeding Approval
2	Yeld Mare - with CSHA Breeding Approval
<b>Champion and Reserve Mare</b> (1st and 2nd from classes 1 and 2)	
<b><u>FOAL &amp; YEARLING</u></b>	
3	CSHA Foal of Current Year - Filly, Colt, Gelding
4	CSHA Yearling foaled Previous Year - Filly, Colt, Gelding
<b>CSHA Junior Champion and Reserve</b> (1st and 2nd from classes 3 and 4)	
<b><u>TWO &amp; THREE-YEAR-OLD</u></b>	
5	CSHA Two-Year-Old foaled - Filly, Colt, Gelding
6	CSHA Three-Year-Old foaled - Filly, Colt, Gelding
<b>CSHA Senior Champion and Reserve</b> (1st and 2nd from classes 5 and 6)	
<b><u>STALLION</u></b>	
7	Stallion - Three Years of Age or Older, Licensed with CSHA for Current Year
<b><u>GET &amp; PROGENY</u></b>	
8	CSHA Get of Sire - 2 or more by the same Sire
9	CSHA Progeny of Dam - 2 or more out of the same Dam
<b>CSHA Grand Champion and Reserve</b> - Open to all CSHA Junior & Senior Champions and Reserves in the Young Horse Classes (Mares & Stallions are not eligible)	

## Year-End Awards & Points CALCULATIONS



In order to be eligible for year-end awards, the horse must compete in a minimum of three shows. The Royal Agricultural Winter Fair can be used towards your qualifying shows. For High Point Breeder and High Point Owner & Exhibitor, only points accumulated by horses that attended the minimum of two shows will count towards year-end.

**Points for each class are to be calculated as follows:**

- ✓ 1<sup>st</sup> – 6 x number of horses entered\*
- ✓ 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5 x number of horses entered\*
- ✓ 3<sup>rd</sup> – 4 x number of horses entered\*
- ✓ 4<sup>th</sup> – 3 x number of horses entered\*
- ✓ 5<sup>th</sup> – 2 x number of horses entered\*
- ✓ 6<sup>th</sup> – 1 x number of horses entered\*
- ✓ Junior/Senior Champion: 10 points
- ✓ Junior/Senior Reserve Champion: 5 points

*\*to a maximum of 10*

**All points for year-end will be split by gender and separate awards given out to Fillies/Mares and Colts/Geldings.**

**Year-End awards will be given for the following classes:**

- Champion & Reserve Champion Broodmare
- Champion & Reserve Champion Yeld Mare
- Champion & Reserve Champion Foal of Current Year – Filly
- Champion & Reserve Champion Foal of Current Year- Colt/Gelding
- Champion & Reserve Champion Yearling – Filly
- Champion & Reserve Champion Yearling – Colt/Gelding
- Champion & Reserve Champion Two-year-old – Filly
- Champion & Reserve Champion Two-year-old – Colt/Gelding
- Champion & Reserve Champion Three-year-old – Filly
- Champion & Reserve Champion Three-year-old – Colt/Gelding
- High Point Owner & Exhibitor
- High Point Breeder