

2022 YWS State Qualifying System* **Congress NYATT & YES Delegate Selection**

The state qualifying period for the 2022 AQHYA Youth World Show will be June 1, 2021 – May 31, 2022.

Letter of Intent

Any youth interested in showing at the Youth World Show using the state qualifying system must submit to the youth advisor a Letter of Intent, which is available for download at KQHYA.com. All classes a member may wish to be considered for must be listed on the Letter of Intent and be filed with the youth advisor. For points to count for shows held between June 1, 2021 and January 31, 2022 Letters of Intent AND memberships must be on file by February 1 of the year participating. For shows held February 1, 2022 and after membership must be paid at the show or before and the Letter of Intent received within 10-days of the show (ex: if the youth paid their membership at the Prairie Classic, the Letter of Intent must be received within 10-days of the conclusion of the show).

YWS Team Selection Process

Exhibitors are required to show at **3 circuits, in each class in which they wish to qualify and to a minimum of 7 judges.**

At the end of the qualifying period an exhibitor's best 7 placings will be used to determine team spots for each class.

KQHYA is allotted four state qualifying positions in every Level 2 & Level 3 class plus 13 & under classes (Western Pleasure, Hunter Under Saddle, Horsemanship, Hunt Seat Equitation, Showmanship, Trail & Ranch Riding). However, if we do not have qualifiers in a specific class, let's say Jumping, we can then take two of those available entries and add them to another class, such as Horsemanship, effectively giving us six positions to fill.

After those who have met the requirements have been identified, if there are still team spots available, we will backfill those spots with priority given to exhibitors who have come closest to meeting the requirements. In the case of a tie, the youth with the most 1st place placings in that class will fill the position. If there is still a tie, then the oldest youth will fill the position. Alternates will be selected from the existing qualified team members by the Youth Advisor.

When a show offers both a Level 2 and a Level 3 class, points from placings will ONLY count toward that level (i.e., if you choose to show in L2 Showmanship, you cannot use those points for L3 Showmanship qualifying. If you choose to show in L3 Showmanship, you cannot use those points for L2 Showmanship qualifying).

For classes not held with seven (7) judges and/or qualifying shows such as jumping and timed events: Please complete the Letter of Intent on the KQHYA website and provide proof that you have competed somewhere in your classes of intent, such as High School/Junior High School/Youth Rodeo, NBHA, AQHA, NRHA, NCHA, NVRHA, NRCHA, IEA, USEF, etc. Examples of proof might include an association standings list, or an entry blank/tab sheet signed by a show official held by May 31, 2022. You will still need to complete the team requirements and will have to be a member of KQHYA prior to the entry closing date for the Youth World Show.

Point Tabulation

Qualifying points for each class will be awarded as follows: Points will be awarded on the basis of one (1) point for each horse defeated plus one (1) point for oneself, through nine (9) places, with a maximum of fifty (50) points for first place in a class.

Ex: 20 horses in class: 1st=20 points, 2nd=19 points, 3rd=18pts, 4th=17pts, 5th=16pts, 6th = 15pts, 7th = 14 pts, 8th = 13 pts, 9th = 12 pts

Ex: 6 horses in class: 1st = 6pts, 2nd = 5pts, 3rd = 4 pts, 4th = 3 pts, 5th = 2 pts, 6th = 1 pt.

A running tabulation of each youth's points will be kept and posted on the KQHYA website. The Youth Director will handle the tabulations.

Selection is limited to KQHYA members who are legal Kansas residents in accordance with KQHYA Policy #5, sections 2 and 3, or who have completed a Change of Affiliation application according to AQHA rules. Youth must be a member in good standing and must have paid the current years' dues on or before the date of the first qualifying show. No points will be accumulated until dues are paid.

Any situation not covered in the KQHYA Policies will be administered According to the current years' official handbook of the American Quarter Horse Association.

Qualifying Shows

Only shows which are approved for year-end points by KQHA will count towards YWS qualifying. Novice, introductory and special event shows or judges will not count towards the point tabulation.

The following shows will count for 2022 YWS Qualifying. This list is subject to change due to show cancellations, additions, class scheduling, or show location changes:

Palomino Horse Exhibitors of Kansas (Salina) – June 18 – 20, 2021

Friday/Saturday (1 judge) & Saturday/Sunday (2 judges)

Kansas Buckskin Horse Association (Topeka) – June 24 – 27, 2021

Thursday/Friday (2 judges) & Saturday/Sunday (2 judges)

KQHA Hope in the Heartland (Topeka) – September 23 – 26, 2021

Saturday/Sunday (2 judges)

KQHA Prairie Classic (Oklahoma City, OK) – February 9 – 13, 2022

Reining & Ranch Riding - TBD

Showmanship - TBD

Remaining Classes – Saturday/Sunday

Western Kansas Horse Show Management Cottonwood Classic (Hutchinson) – February 2022

Saturday/Sunday (2 judges)

Western Kansas Horse Show Management Salt City Circuit (Hutchinson) – March 2022

Saturday/Sunday (2 judges)

KQHA Let it Ride (Topeka) – April 2022

Saturday/Sunday (2 Judges)

KQHA Celebrating Kansas (Topeka or Hutchinson) – May 2022

Saturday/Sunday (2 judges)

2022 KQHYA YWS State Qualifying Team & NYATT Requirements

KQHYA Youth World State Qualifiers & Congress NYATT must complete the following requirements:

- Hold current membership in good standing in AQHYA and KQHA.
- Complete a Letter of Intent for YWS State Qualifying & NYATT.
- Secure at least \$150 in sponsorship due by June 1st. *Additional sponsorships are welcome and encouraged.*
- Provide a quality item for the Silent Auction OR pay buyout option of \$100 by June 1st.

Nationally qualified youth who are not members of KQHYA but reside in Kansas as of June 1, 2022 must purchase a KQHA membership and provide a \$150 sponsorship. All youth participating in the AQHYA World Show must be members in good standing of KQHA and stalled with their state affiliate. Both state and national qualifying entries are made through the state affiliate.

The KQHYA Advisor & the Youth Activities Committee reserve the right to extend Youth World invitations to the classes with open spots, even if some requirements have not been met. Consideration for these exceptions is on a case-by-case basis and will only be considered AFTER all spots, in each class, are allocated by Kansas youth who have fulfilled all KQHYA Youth World qualifying requirements. This selection policy is subject to change due to any changes to the YWS qualifying requirements made by AQHA.

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2022 KQHYA Youth Excellence Seminar Delegate Requirements

Each year KQHYA members attend the annual AQHYA Youth Excellence Seminar. During this event Region 8 directors are selected as well as the AQHYA National Officer Team. 4 voting delegate positions are available for KQHYA. These four positions are first filled by current officers OR any KQHYA member running for a Region 8 director position or national officer position. If a position remains open, a youth who has held an officer or director position in KQHYA will be given priority followed by a youth who has attended YES previously. If a position remains then a current KQHYA member in good standing will fill the position. All delegates must be members of KQHA in good standing prior to registration. In the event a youth residing in Kansas who has a Change of Affiliation to another state on file who wishes to run for Region 8 director must make petition to the KQHYA Advisor and Youth Activities Committee. Delegates and other KQHYA attendees are expected to always represent KQHA/KQHYA as respectful leaders. All attendees are responsible for their own registration fees, and travel costs may be the responsibility of the delegate/attendee as determined by the KQHYA advisor at the time of registration.