North Dakota Quarter Horse Association
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ND QUARTER HORSE YEAR-END AWARDS RULES: 2027

Horses must be registered in the same name as the membership for NDQHA points to count for year-end awards. If a horse is registered in the name of more than one member, each individual must have an NDQHA membership for points to count. If a horse is registered in the name of a ranch, corporation, company or syndicate, the membership must be in the same name as the horse is registered for points to count. The owner and handler must be members of NDQHA for points to count for year-end awards. **For leased horses, owners and exhibitors must be members of NDQHA for points to count for year-end awards. Points will not be tabulated until the membership has been paid. Points earned prior to that time will not be tabulated in total.**

1. A fee of $2.00 per horse/per judge will be charged at all the NDQHA Point Approved shows. This fee will go to the Year End Award Fund.

2. The show year for NDQHA year-end awards will be from January 1 to September 31.

3. NDQHA points are awarded on the following basis: The maximum number of NDQHA points awarded for a class is nine (9). Example: First place in a class of 10 receives 9 points, second place – 8 points, third place - 7 points, fourth place – 6 points, fifth place – 5 point and sixth place - 4 point. In the event there are fewer horses in the class, the first-place horse gets as many points as there are horses in the class. For example, if there are four horses in the class, first place receives 4 points, second place – 3 points, third place – 2 point and fourth place - 1 point.

Maximum points available:

9 or more horses	9 points	8 horses	8 points	7 horses	7 points
6 horses	6 points	5 horses	5 points	4 horses	4 points
3 horses	3 points	2 horses	2 points	1 horse	1 point

1. Tie breakers for all awards will be:
   1. the greatest number of firsts
   2. the greatest number of seconds
   3. the greatest number of thirds
   4. if a tie still exists, it shall be a decision of the Board of Directors as to how to break the tie.

2. A horse must exhibit in at least one (1) of the NDQHA hosted shows to be eligible for a year-end award. A list of NDQHA hosted shows and the approved Year end pointed shows will be published on the NDQHA website.

3. Awards will be given out at a time and place designated by the Board of Directors. All winners must make arrangements for awards that were not picked up at awards banquet. Any expenses incurred with shipping will be the responsibility of the winner or the award(s) will be forfeited.

NDQHA YEAR-END AWARDS

Open Division

Hi-Point – Year-End Class Winners

1. Membership: Both owners and exhibitors need to be members of NDQHA.
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All Around – Year-End Winners

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4. The winning horse in each division would be the horse with the most **halter plus performance points** in three or more AQHA performance categories in each division.
5. **L1 classes do not count in the Open All-Around award.**
6. All Ages classes will be split into junior and senior categories for year-end award purposes. Separate junior and senior classes will remain the same.

Amateur Division

Hi-Point – Year-End Winners

1. Membership: Both owners and exhibitors need to be members of NDQHA.
2. A horse must receive at least ten (10) points in a given class to be eligible for a year-end class award.
3. A horse must exhibit in at least one (1) of the NDQHA hosted shows to be eligible for a year-end award. A list of NDQHA hosted shows and the approved Year end pointed shows will be published on the NDQHA website.

All Around – Year-End Winners

1. Membership: Both owners and exhibitors need to be members of NDQHA.
2. A horse must receive at least ten (10) points in a given class to be eligible for a year-end class award.
3. A horse must exhibit in at least one (1) of the NDQHA hosted shows to be eligible for a year-end award. A list of NDQHA hosted shows and the approved Year end pointed shows will be published on the NDQHA website.
4. The winning horse in each division would be the horse with the most **halter plus performance points** in three or more AQHA performance categories in each division.

Youth Division

Hi-Point – Year-End Winners

4. Membership: Both owners and exhibitors need to be members of NDQHA.
5. A horse must receive at least 5 (5) points in a given class to be eligible for a year-end class award.
6. A horse must exhibit in at least one (1) of the NDQHA hosted shows to be eligible for a year-end award. A list of NDQHA hosted shows and the approved Year end pointed shows will be published on the NDQHA website.

All Around – Year-End Winners

5. Membership: Both owners and exhibitors need to be members of NDQHA.
6. A horse must receive at least five (5) points in a given class to be eligible for a year-end class award.
7. A horse must exhibit in at least one (1) of the NDQHA hosted shows to be eligible for a year-end award. A list of NDQHA hosted shows and the approved Year end pointed shows will be published on the NDQHA website.
8. The winning horse in each division would be the horse with the most **halter plus performance points** in three or more AQHA performance categories in each division.
9. Must have participated in at least two (2) fundraisers (a $50.00 sponsorship qualifies as one (1) fundraiser) and two (2) meetings.

The Dollar amount available is based on the two dollar a horse fee collected in the current year. This total shall be split by the number of classes. All Around Awards shall be four times the class Award. The total per class shall then be split by approximately 60 percent for first and 40 percent for second.

A. Halter - All halter classes except grand & reserve classes
B. Performance - All performance classes. All Ages classes will be split into junior and senior categories for year-end award purposes. Separate junior and senior classes will remain the same.
C. Amateur - as specified by the Amateur Division
D. L1 Amateur- as specified by the Amateur Division
E. Select- as specified by the Amateur Division
F. Youth - as specified by the NDQHYA Bylaws
G. L1 Youth - as specified by the NDQHYA Bylaws
H. Rookie- As Specified by AQHA
I. L1 Amateur Walk/Trot - as specified by the Amateur Division
J. L1 Youth Walk/Trot - as specified by the NDQHYA Bylaws
K. Small Fry - as specified by the NDQHYA Bylaws

All Around High Point and Reserve Year End Awards are offered as specified by the AQHA All-around rules showing a minimum of three events in one division (Select, Amateur, L1 Amateur) in three or more categories.

All Around Open Horse (L1 classes not to count in the Open Division All Around Awards.)