



Show Secretary & Manager Newsletter

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This newsletter includes timely updates for you and your show management team, including new program opportunities, the 2026 rule change deadline, and important reminders regarding score sheets and electronic devices. Please review the information below and share applicable updates with your judges, scribes, affiliate leadership, and event staff.

Non-Pro Outreach

NRHA is launching a pilot program this fall to connect newer exhibitors with experienced Non Pro members who can answer general NRHA and show-related questions. Participating shows will receive digital resources to help introduce mentors to exhibitors while remaining compliant with NRHA Non Pro Conditions.

Interested in participating? Show management teams and Non Pro members may contact kcolbath@nrha.com.

Affiliate Catalyst Grant Program

NRHA has launched the Affiliate Catalyst Grant Program to provide short-term seed funding for innovative affiliate-led projects. Eligible projects should support local growth by increasing membership, participation, education, or event entries and should have the potential to continue beyond the initial funding period.

Please share this opportunity with your affiliate officers and leadership. The Policy Overview, Application Form, FAQs, and informational webinar dates are available on the [Affiliate Catalyst Grant Program webpage](#).

Have a suggestion for a Rule Change?

Deadline: December 31, 2026

Proposals received by the deadline will be reviewed during 2027. If approved, changes will take effect January 1, 2028.

[RULE CHANGE PROPOSAL FORM](#)

Score Sheets and Electronic Tablets

Please review this reminder with all judges, scribes, and scoring personnel before your event.

Official record: NRHA Official paper score sheets are the only official record of a judge's scores. Scores entered on electronic tablets are supplemental and may be used to verify score calculations and efficiently transmit scores to the announcer.

Scribe responsibilities: The scribe must first record every score on the official paper score sheet. Scores may be transferred to an electronic tablet only after they have been recorded on paper.

Judge verification: The judge must review and confirm all scores on the paper score sheet before signing it. Score sheets should be signed at the end of each set of competitors and must not be pre-signed.

Meta/AI glasses at NRHA Events

Under NRHA Rule B. Scoring (3), Equipment (4)(n), the use of Bluetooth headsets or other electronic communication devices during Category 2 and Category 6 aged events will result in a No Score. These devices are permitted in all other event categories.

This prohibition includes, but is not limited to:

- Bluetooth or wireless earpieces
- Cell phones or other electronic communication devices
- Any Meta or AI-enabled glasses or similar wearable technology

To help exhibitors avoid a No Score, please share this reminder with competitors, assistants, and event personnel before any Category 2 or Category 6 aged event.



If you have any questions, email us anytime at shows@nrha.com or [call us at \(405\) 946-7400](tel:4059467400).

Thank you for your attention and continued support in making each event a success for every member!