Statement of Policy

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SUMMARY

NRHA Worldwide Eligibility Policy for show year 1/1/2027 – 12/31/2027

Category 1

Class Name	Class #	Earnings Cap	Categories Included	Years
Intermediate Open*	1200	$15,000	1,2,4,6,8,11	1/1/2026-12/31/2026
Limited Open	1301	$7,500	1,2,4,6,8,11	1/1/2026-12/31/2026
Rookie Professional	1350	$5,000	1,2,4,6,8 ,11	Lifetime
Intermediate Non Pro*	1500	$12,500	1,2,4,6,8,11	1/1/2026-12/31/2026
Limited Non Pro	1600	$ 10,000	1,2,4,6,8,11	Lifetime
Novice Horse Level 1	1700/1800	$5,000	1,2,4,6,8,11	Lifetime
Novice Horse Level 2	1750/1850	$25,000	1,2,4,6,8,11	Lifetime
Novice Horse Level 3	1775/1875	$50,000	1,2,4,6,8,11	Lifetime

(*Riders can only factor back 1 level per year)

Category 2 & 6

Class Name	Class #	Eligible Riders	Categories Included	Years
Level 4 Open*	2100 6210	**All riders are eligible for L4 Open.** (Top 35 Professionals are eligible for this level *ONLY* and cannot compete in any other levels.) (If a Non Pro rider ranks in the Top 35 rankings for ALL riders and wishes to show in Open competition, he/she is eligible for the L4 division *ONLY.*)	2,6,8,11	1/1/2026 – 12/31/2026
Level 3 Open*	2200 6220	**Top 36-90 Professionals are eligible for L3 Open and higher.** (If a Non Pro rider ranks in the Top **36-90** rankings for ALL riders and wishes to show in Open competition, he/she is eligible for L3 and higher.)	2,6,8,11	1/1/2026 – 12/31/2026
Level 2 Open	2300 6230	**Top 91-200 Professionals are eligible for L2 Open and higher.** (If a Non Pro rider ranks in the Top **91-200** rankings for ALL riders and wishes to show in Open competition, he/she is eligible for L2 and higher.)	2,6,8,11	1/1/2026 – 12/31/2026
Level 1 Open	2325 6231	**Professionals not ranked in the top 200 lifetime are eligible for L1 Open and higher.** **Professionals not ranked in the top 200 prior year are eligible for L1 Open and higher.** (If a Non Pro rider is not ranked in the Top **200** rankings for ALL riders and wishes to show in Open competition, he/she is eligible for L1 and higher.)	2,6,8,11 2,6,8,11	Lifetime 1/1/2026 – 12/31/2026
Level 4 Non Pro*	2400 6240	**All Non Pro riders.** (Top 35 Non Pro riders are eligible for this level *ONLY.)*	2,6,8,11	1/1/2026 – 12/31/2026
Level 3 Non Pro*	2500 6250	**Top 36-90 Non Pro riders are eligible for L3 Non Pro and higher.**	2,6,8,11	1/1/2026 – 12/31/2026
Level 2 Non Pro	2600 6260	**Top 91-200 Non Pro riders are eligible for L2 Non Pro and higher.**	2,6,8,11	1/1/2026 – 12/31/2026
Level 1 Non Pro	2625 6261	**Non Pros not ranked in the top 200 lifetime are eligible for L1 Non Pro and higher.** **Non Pros not ranked in the top 200 prior year are eligible for L1 Non Pro and higher.**	2,6,8,11 2,6,8,11	Lifetime 1/1/2026 – 12/31/2026
Amateur Derby	2800 6800	**Non Pros eligible for Level 1 or Level 2 and have earned less than $100,000 are eligible for Amateur** **Also not eligible:** • Youth members (as defined by the youth membership requirements in the NRHA Handbook). • Legal dependents of professional equine trainers. A legal dependent is defined as being officially claimed as a dependent on a tax return. • Spouses or legal partners/mates of professional equine trainers. Partner/mate status will only be accepted when the civil status is legally and lawfully registered in the country/state of residence. All relationships must be current and lawful. • A "professional equine trainer" is defined as someone who handles the mounted preparation of a horse with the intent to improve the horse's performance in any equine discipline (as defined in the NRHA Handbook).	2,6,8,11	Lifetime

(*Riders can only factor back 1 level per year)

Category 3

Class Name	Class #	Points Cap	Categories	Years
Youth Rookie	3300	25	Exclude Youth 10 & Under (SS)	Lifetime

Category 5

Class Name	Class #	Earnings/Points Cap	Categories Included	Years
Rookie Level 1	5300	$500/200 youth pts. (exclude SS)	1,2,4,5,6,8,11	Lifetime
Rookie Level 2	5310	$2,000/350 youth pts. (exclude SS)	1,2,4,5,6,8,11	Lifetime

Category 10

(Short Stirrup (SS) money and points are excluded)

Class Name	Class #	Earnings/Points Cap	Categories Included	Years
Ride & Slide Open 2	10200	$150 /100 Green points/50 Youth Points (exclude SS)	1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,10	Lifetime
Ride & Slide Open 1	10100	$75 /50 Green Points/25 Youth Points (exclude SS)	1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8	Lifetime
Ride & Slide Non Pro 2	10201	$150 /100 Green points/50 Youth Points (exclude SS)	1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,10	Lifetime
Ride & Slide Non Pro 1	10101	$75 /50 Green Points/25 Youth Points (exclude SS)	1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8	Lifetime
Ride & Slide Youth 2	10202	$150 /100 Green points/50 Youth Points (exclude SS)	1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,10	Lifetime
Ride & Slide Youth 1	10102	$75 /50 Green Points/25 Youth Points (exclude SS)	1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8	Lifetime
Green Reiner 1	10002	$250/ 125 youth pts (exclude SS) / 250 green pts.*	1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8	Lifetime
Green Reiner 2	10001	$ 400/ 225 youth pts (exclude SS) / 400 green pts.*	1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8	Lifetime

* Number of horses to be used for computation shall be those horses actually competing; excluding the number of horses entered but scratched from competition.

Ex: If 20 riders show in Green Reiner 1, 1st will receive 20 points, 2nd -19 points, 3rd-18 points, etc.

Neither a no score nor a 0 are eligible to receive points in an NRHA Green Reiner class; however, this does not alter the scale of points for placing.