

INPHC YEAR END HIGH POINT RULES 2025

APHA SHOWS

1. All exhibitors must adhere to the rules set forth by the Indiana Paint Horse Club (INPHC) as well as those of the American Paint Horse Association (APHA).
2. In order to receive any INPHC points, the owner(s) or leaseholder(s) and exhibitor(s) of the horse must be INPHC members in good standing. The name on the INPHC membership must match what is on file with the APHA. Points will begin accumulating only after membership is paid. Dues may be paid online, send a check to the INPHC Treasurer or at the entry table at the Indiana Paint Horse Club – sponsored show.
3. To qualify for a year end award for a particular class, you must show in that class to at least $\frac{1}{2}$ the judges at the APHA shows as scheduled and held during the show season and must include one of the 2 judge shows except if the 2 judge shows are cancelled. The show schedule is posted on the INPHC.Club website.

Any class held at only one show (i.e., Futurity classes, Yearling In Hand Trail), will not be eligible to receive a year-end award.

4. Exception – if you are working an INPHC APHA show and you cannot participate in the show as an exhibitor, you may designate another APHA show (with the same number of judges) to be used for year end points, in lieu of the INPHC APHA show. The alternate show must be submitted to the board 30 days prior to the alternate show. If the alternate show is cancelled another show may be chosen. The placings of the alternate show must be submitted to the treasurer via email at indianapainthorseclub@gmail.com within 30 days after the alternate show is completed.
5. Awards will be given for any class that has exhibitors who have met the qualifying requirements. Exception: Individual awards for speed event classes will not be given. For those classes, a HIGH POINT award will be given out in each division (Youth, Novice Youth, Youth WT, Amateur, Amateur Masters, Novice Amateur, Amateur WT and Open) to the horse with the highest cumulative state point total, and will include points earned Pole-Bending, Stake Race and Barrel Racing classes. An exhibitor does not need to exhibit in all three events to qualify for this award. Additional awards will also be given to second and third place in this category.
6. The top 3 finishers for each class and each All Around division will be awarded either a dollar value or specific prize as designated by the Awards committee.

All Around Divisions are: Amateur Masters, Open, Amateur, Youth, Novice Youth, Novice Amateur, Amateur Walk Trot, Youth Walk Trot.

7. Points will be awarded in all Youth, Amateur and Open classes in the following manner:
 - a. If there are six or more entries, first place receives six points on down to sixth place receiving one point
 - b. If there are fewer than six entries, first place receives points equal to the number in the class, on down to last place, which will receive one point.
8. Ties will be broken by the exhibitor that accrued the most first, seconds or thirds, etc to sixth place. If this does not break the tie, the number of shows attended will be used.
9. A Lead-Line exhibitor may use any horse. To be eligible for the year-end awards, all Lead Line exhibitors and horse owners, must be INPHC members. A Lead-Line exhibitor may change horses during the year and points will continue to accumulate.
10. All Youth and Amateur exhibitors (except Lead-Line exhibitors) will be scored on a one-horse, one exhibitor basis.
11. Open division/class awards will follow the horses' owner and not the exhibitor.
12. If a horse is euthanized or dies, that horse/exhibitor combination will be considered as qualified for year-end awards, but no further points will accrue.
13. To qualify for an all-around award, an exhibitor must show in one halter and two performance classes in their respective division.
14. An Award committee appointed by the President will be responsible for the annual awards banquet and the presentation of year-end high point awards.
15. If any situation arises which is not covered in the above rules, the INPHC President and Awards committee will jointly make a ruling in the matter.

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