

## 2011 RULE CHANGES

1. If a person belongs to two associations and earns points in both, that person will forfeit any points earned at Mid-state and will be entered as a non-member for the remainder of that show year. Points forfeited will NOT be redistributed.
2. Novice Pleasure – Riders will be ineligible to ride Novice Pleasure if a rider has 25 **combined** points in **non-timed judged classes** excluding Novice Pleasure and 10 and under classes.
3. A person will not be allowed to compete bareback unless class rules state otherwise.
4. The following three classes will be added to the schedule:  
**Open Pleasure** class that does NOT earn points or receive year end awards. (this class does not have to be judged but can be called from the announcer stand giving the participants sufficient time to work their horses)  
**Open Halter** class to replace the Queens class that is dropped for the last 6 shows. This class will NOT earn points or receive year end awards and will be part of the non-rotating classes.  
**Exhibition barrel and poles** to all shows with a 2 ride / person limit. Exhibition class will follow the Sr. class.
5. **After May 15**, speed events will not start before 6 PM regardless of the show start time.
6. **Entry Fees:** No refunds will be given due to rainouts.
7. Arena **may** be closed until one and one-half hours before show time and **may** close again 30 minutes before show time for watering and raking at the Arena Director's discretion."
8. Reining - Add pattern #11 as shown in the AQHA & NRHA rule books.
9. A rider 10 yrs old and younger may ride a pony in a buckaroo class where there is a corresponding pony class in that event" ie.. Buckaroo Barrels and Poles
10. A rider must remain in the age division in barrels and poles that they begin riding in for that show season only. A rider may move up to buckaroo but cannot move back down to pony after competing in buckaroo barrels or buckaroo poles for that year only. (Riders may still compete in pony barrels and buckaroo poles or vise versa but cannot move down in the same event)
11. Highpoints will be determined by age not by class. Highpoint age determination will be as follows:  
Pewee Highpoint - 10 and under  
Buckaroo Highpoint - 11 to 13  
Junior Highpoint - 14 to 18  
Senior Highpoint - 19 and up  
Points will be earned in all classes (with the exception of current not tabulated classes, ie. Queens). If a pewee/buckaroo rider competes and places in an open or junior class, the points they earn in that class will count toward the highpoint for their age group.
12. For barrel pick-up, jumpers will only have one attempt to get on the horse. If you fall to the ground you must exit the arena on foot. You cannot get back on the barrel or be picked up from the ground.
13. Omit the AQHA rule #433, Western Equipment, item E- Prohibited equipment.