

## Saskatchewan Cutting Horse Association Standing Rules 2023

### Changes to the 2023 Standing Rules are noted in bold type.

1. The Saskatchewan Cutting Horse Association is affiliated with the Canadian Cutting Horse Association and the National Cutting Horse Association. SCHA shows will be conducted following the rules of these Associations. At multi-approved shows the rules of the NCHA will supersede those of the CCHA. CCHA rules will be followed for CCHA and SCHA or SCHA only approved shows or classes.  
- Note: SCHA Youth members will show based on NCHA rules but the SCHA Year End Awards will be calculated based on the SCHA Year of November 1 to October 31.
2. Horse or rider eligibility to enter classes will be determined by the record of earnings of the approving association.
  - a) NCHA earnings determine the eligibility for NCHA approved classes,
  - b) CCHA earnings determine the eligibility for CCHA approved classes,
  - c) Total NCHA and SCHA lifetime earnings are used to determine the eligibility for SCHA only approved classes.
3. The annual membership fee in the SCHA is:
  - a) Active - \$40.00
  - b) Associate - \$10.00
  - c) Youth - \$5.00- Beginning in 2015 the Annual Membership Fee in the SCHA will be:
  - a) Active (Family) - \$100.00
  - b) Active (Individual) - \$60.00
  - c) Youth - \$5.00
  - d) Associate - \$10.00
- 3.1 SCHA Active or Youth memberships are required by both the owner and the rider of any horse shown in CCHA or NCHA classes.
- 3.2 The SCHA will give first time cutters a membership in the SCHA.
4. The SCHA Board of Directors has the right to suspend any member for unsportsmanlike conduct.
5. Any member or non-member may be suspended and denied privileges of the Association for failure to pay when due any financial obligation to the Association.
6. To qualify for SCHA Year-End Awards:
  - a) Horse owner and rider must be SCHA active or youth members,
  - b) Must have shown in the same class at a minimum of 60% of the shows where that class was held for the year,  
Example: if a contestant shows in the same class at 7 out of 12 shows, they will have shown in 58% of the classes held and therefore does not qualify for SCHA Year-End Awards.
  - c) The show has to be approved by July 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year.

7. SCHA Year End Awards to SCHA Champions and Reserve Champions will be based on a point system rather than dollars earned. Points will be awarded as follows:

<u># of entries in class</u>	<u>points given</u>
1	1
2	1 <sup>st</sup> - 2, 2 <sup>nd</sup> - 1
3	1 <sup>st</sup> - 3, 2 <sup>nd</sup> - 2, 3 <sup>rd</sup> - 1
4	1 <sup>st</sup> - 4, 2 <sup>nd</sup> - 3, 3 <sup>rd</sup> - 2, 4 <sup>th</sup> - 1,
5	1 <sup>st</sup> - 5, 2 <sup>nd</sup> - 4, 3 <sup>rd</sup> - 3, 4 <sup>th</sup> - 2, 5 <sup>th</sup> - 1
And so on	

Note: any horse(s) who receives a score of 60, will automatically receive 1 point only, regardless of the number of ties at this score, or their position in the class. No points will be awarded to a disqualified horse or contestant regardless of their position in the class.

8. The Board of Directors prior to the new point year will determine classes eligible for year-end awards.
9. The SCHA will provide funding toward the year-end awards based on \$500.00 for Champions and \$300.00 for Reserve Champions. To be eligible for SCHA year-end awards, the class must be held at 60% of the shows for

that year.

10. The Director of each show will determine when entries close for a particular show and the classes that are to be offered at that show. Late entries go to the bottom of the draw.
11. The Show Secretary will determine if a class will be canceled due to lack of entries after the close of entries for a show.
12. Beginning in 1995, a \$500.00 Achievement Award Buckle will be presented by the SCHA to SCHA members who accumulate \$500.00 in lifetime earnings competing in the following Saskatchewan classes: \$2,000 Limit, Novice Rider \$1,000, \$1,000 Limit Rider Ranch, \$1,000 Novice Horse Novice Rider Ranch, and Youth.
  - Beginning in 2014, the limit for the SCHA \$500.00 Achievement Buckle is raised to \$1,000.00. Anyone who has previously received a \$500.00 Buckle is ineligible for another Achievement Buckle
  - Retroactive to 2019, earnings in the Dave Robson Memorial \$1,000 Limit Rider (Any Horse) Class will be included in the eligibility for the Achievement Buckle Award.
13. That the SCHA take an annual membership with Farm and Food Care Saskatchewan, formerly the Foundation for Animal Care in Saskatchewan (FACS).
14. That the SCHA take an annual membership with the Saskatchewan Horse Federation. The SHF will be the insurer for the SCHA sanctioned events. Each event must be insured individually.
15. That the SCHA award an honorarium of \$1,000.00 a year each, for the Bulletin Editor, Secretary/Treasurer, Webmaster and Historian.
16. SCHA Directors must attend at least 60% of the Director's meetings held to retain their position as director, except due to extenuating circumstances.
17. SCHA Office charges per cut will include a fee of \$3.00 to fund year-end awards along with funds to cover administration costs.
18. The Stallion Incentive Fund was implemented in 1997 to promote cutting and "cow bred" horses, the breeders of cutting horses and the SCHA. The Stallion owner pays a nomination fee of \$300.00 per stallion to have the stallion included in that year's fund. All foals resulting from that year's breeding will be eligible to compete for Fund Money in their 4-year-old year. Beginning in 2007, stallion owners with more than one stallion nominated will be offered the second nomination fee for \$100.00 less.
  - The Fund will be managed as follows: after expenses, 50% of the net proceeds go to Stallion Fund, 50% of the net proceeds go to SCHA General Fund.
  - Beginning in 2001 the Stallion Incentive Fund (payout in 2007) will be split after expenses are paid, as follows: 30% to SCHA General Fund, 55% to the Stallion Incentive Fund Winner(s), 9% to the Stallion Owner of the stallion who sired the year's champion and 6% to the Mare Owner of the dam of the year's champion.
  - Beginning in 2014, total points earned in the \$5,000 Novice Horse class at SCHA shows will determine winners throughout their eligible year. The Fund prize money will be paid out according to the CCHA schedule. Beginning in 2015 (2010 Stallion Incentive Fund) a horse must have been shown in a minimum of 60% of the classes to be eligible for the Stallion Incentive Fund payout.
  - Beginning in 2013, there will be a minimum of 6 nominated stallions for the Fund to proceed in any given year.
  - Beginning in 2017, the Stallion Incentive Fund will be allowed to run its course, with potentially 2021 being the last year of competition. Collecting for the fund will be discontinued beginning in 2017.
19. The SCHA will purchase the updated version of the Faster Horses Computer Program for use by the show secretary on an annual basis.
20. If a member writes 2 dishonoured cheques within a year then that member will be required to pay fees in cash for the remainder of the year.
21. All entry fees must be paid within an hour of the end of the first day of the show or the entry will not be included in the draw for the second day. When fees are paid the entry will go to the bottom of the draw.
- 22. If Show Management accepts phone entries or mailed entries not accompanied by payment of total**

entry fees, the entrant is obligated to pay the entry fees in full even if they fail to compete and the Show Management is responsible for collecting fees. All horses entered must be included in the draw and their entry fees added to the purse. Payout will be based on number of horses entered, not the number of horses shown. Entries cancelled after the official closing date shall forfeit all fees. The only exceptions permitted are:

- A. When a contestant furnishes a certificate from a qualified veterinarian declaring the horse disabled and unable to compete. Such certificate must be in the hands of the Show Management prior to the draw.
- B. In the case of disabling injury to the rider, or serious sickness or death in his/her family, Show Management must be advised prior to the draw.
- C. In the cases of A. and B. above, only cattle charges will be payable.

**23. Recommended Payout Schedule where NCHA Payout is Not Required**

# Horses	# PLACES PAID									
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<b>2</b>	100%									
<b>3</b>	55%	45%								
<b>4-6</b>	46%	36%	18%							
<b>7-9</b>	40%	32%	18%	10%						
<b>10-12</b>	37%	30%	17%	10%	6%					
<b>13-15</b>	34%	27%	16%	10%	7%	6%				
<b>16-18</b>	31%	25%	16%	10%	7%	6%	5%			
<b>19-21</b>	29%	23%	16%	10%	8%	6%	5%	3%		
<b>22-24</b>	27%	22%	15%	10%	8%	6%	5%	4%	3%	
<b>25-Up</b>	26%	21%	14%	10%	8%	7%	5%	4%	3%	2%

**24. A SCHA class with fewer than 2 entries competing (trying to complete a 2½ minute work) does not constitute a class and shall be cancelled.**