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# COASTAL PLAINS PERFORMANCE ASSOCIATION

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Bylaws and Operating Procedures | Proposed Updates: 2023- 2024



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## I. General

**I.A. Affiliation.** The Coastal Plains Performance Association shall be a non-profit organization (subsequently referred to as CPPA or "Association") and is a member of the Georgia Federation of Saddle Clubs (GFSC). In addition to Coastal Plains, the GFSC consists of the Coastal Empire, Deep Dixie, East Georgia, Flint River, Georgia Mountain, Northwest, South Georgia and South Ogeechee Associations. CPPA shows feature Halter, English, Western, Racking and Reigning classes. The association colors for CPPA shall be royal blue with gold fringe, gold ring and gold lettering.

**I.B. Governance.** All aspects of CPPA shows are governed by the current editions of the following documents, in order of reference:

**I.B.1.** The Coastal Plains Performance Association-Bylaws and Regulations.

**I.B.2.** The Georgia Federation of Saddle Clubs Association Operational Rules.

**I.B.3** The American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA) Official Handbook of Rules and Regulations and the Bylaws of the Racking Horse Breeders Association of America (RHBA).

**I.C. Organization.** CPPA is organized by 6 saddle clubs holding performance memberships. Each saddle club must pay association dues, which will be decided on a yearly basis. Each club will be represented by **AT LEAST** one (1) person at the association meeting with only one (1) vote per club. (7/2007) There will only be one performance saddle club per county. (09/2009) Each club will be responsible for its own member's identification by furnishing them with a membership card.

Each club will pay for its own riders at the state show, if the rider does not show the club forfeits their money. CPPA Saddle Clubs are as follows:

**I.C.1** Bit N Spur Saddle Club

**I.C.2.** Diamond Bar d Saddle Club

**I.C.3** Ware County Saddle Club

**I.C.4** Brantley County Saddle Club

**I.C.5** Broken Spur Saddle Club

**I.C.6** Circle W Saddle Club

**I.D. Open Showing.** All shows sanctioned by CPPA are open shows, meaning that all shows will be advertised as open to the public. Any horse and exhibitor may enter any show as long as

they pay the required entry fee and exhibit according to the rules and regulations set forth by CPPA.

**I.D.1.** No show will be held on a holiday weekend, i.e. Mother's Day or Easter (7/2005)

**I.D.2** All performance shows will begin at 11am (10/2022)

## **II. Membership**

**II.A.Eligibility.** Anyone is eligible to become a member of CPPA, provided they pay the appropriate membership fee to one of the 6 Performance Saddle Clubs (defined in paragraph I.C.) and remain in good standing. Member entitlements and obligations are conferred starting with the first show at which a member joins. Good standing is characterized by:

**II.A.1** Membership fee is paid in full

**II.A.2** no outstanding class entry fees.

**III.A.3.** Adherence to CPPA Bylaws and Regulations.

### **II.B. Member Entitlements**

**II.B.1. GFSC State Show.** Members who qualify are entitled to participate at the annual GFSC State Show in the classes in which they qualified. A contestant must ride half of the qualifying shows and be in the top six-point earners of the Coastal Plains to be eligible to ride at the state show. Only scheduled point shows are considered qualifying shows. (9/2013)

**II.B.2. Year-end Awards.** Members are eligible to receive year-end awards in applicable categories with the conformation of your participation in our state show.

**II.B.3. Voting.** Members are eligible to attend, make and discuss motions brought forth at Association meetings however each club will be represented by one (1) person at the meeting with only one (1) vote per club. (7/2007)

**II.B.4. Officer Positions and Board Membership.** Members are eligible to be elected to Association Officer positions and to board membership.

### **II.C. Member Obligations**

**II.C.1. Good Standing.** All members must maintain good standing as defined in paragraph II.A. Failure to do so may result in forfeiture of points of merit, expulsion, or other sanctions as determined by the Rules Committee.

**II.C.2. Adherence to CPPA Rules and Regulations.** All members must adhere to the CPPA Bylaws and Regulations. Failure to do so may result in forfeiture of points of merit, expulsion or other sanctions as determined by the rules committee.

**II.C.3. Work Requirements.** Every member will be required to work a minimum of 30 minutes at each show to be eligible for points. Sign-up sheet for work times will be provided at each show. Workers must be a minimum of 15 years of age to work the gate and a minimum of 18 years of age to be ring steward or announcer. Failure to complete work schedule will result in forfeiture of points of merit. (8/2015)

**II.C.3.A.** If rider is less than 15 years of age; they must have a representative work for them.

**II.C.3.B** Families with multiple riders, who are immediate family members are only required to work one (1) 30 minute work period.

**II.C.3.C** If a trainer has a client under 15 years of age (to not include family members) without a representative to work their 30minute requirement a fine of \$10 MUST be paid by end of show to receive points. Notation of fine should be made on the work sign-up sheet for each show.

**II.C.4.D** The ONLY way a member's points will still be earned for the day that does not work is if they pay the NON-Working Rider Fee Prior to the start of each show that is Twenty Dollars.

**II.C.4. GFSC State Show Participating Members.** All members who participate in the GFSC State Show are required to work a time slot at the show. Any members who fails to work their allotted time slot will incur a \$100.00 fine payable to the association. This fine must be paid before good standing for the next season is accorded to that member. Members who arrange for another individual to work their time slot are still responsible for the competition of the work obligation.

**II.D. Meetings.** CPPA holds meetings on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month. Members are encouraged to attend, provide input on issues raised and vote on motions brought forth. A person may be put on the meeting agenda if there is an issue that they need to present to the association. (7/2007) Proposed changes for the state show should be presented to each saddle club for the October meeting to be voted on and the results brought back to the association in preparation for the federation meeting no later than November 10<sup>th</sup>. (9/2012)

**II.E. Courtesy and Sportsmanship.** All members are expected to display courtesy and sportsmanship at all association sanctioned shows, events, meeting and gatherings. This includes but is not limited to cleaning up after themselves at a show, treating other competitors and participants with respect and treating judges and show officials with respect. Incidents of gross discourtesy and/or unsportsmanlike conduct may result in a immediate expulsion from the premises and a subsequent formal hearing with the association officers, at which additional sanctions may be levied.

**II.F. Term of Membership.** Member entitlements and obligations are conferred starting with the first show at which a member joins and expire at the conclusion of the GFSC State Show. Points are accumulated starting with the first show as a member. Neither membership nor points are retroactive.

### **III. CPPA Officers**

### **III.A. Officers**

**III.A.1. General.** Officers must be CPPA members in good standing and are elected by the general membership at the July association meeting of each fiscal year and shall be in office for a period of one (1) year, the term to go through the state show for that year. A club representative unless the office of president is needed to vote as a tie breaker. (7/2008) Secretary, Points Keeper and Treasurer can be combined offices if an association and club vote and agrees upon in motion. 9/2012

**III.A.2. President.** In addition to serving as the CPPA representative to the GFSC, the association President is responsible for the following:

**III.A.2.a** Attending all meetings called by the GFSC and providing feedback to the CPPA members.

**III.A.2.b** Chairing meetings of general membership.

**III.A.2.c** Coordination of the following seasons' schedule

**III.A.2.d** Coordinating and managing all aspects of each show day, to include making a final inclement weather determination after consultation with the host saddle club.

**III.A.2.e.** Acting as a managing officer and ensuring adherence to all applicable rules and regulations at association shows.

**III.A.3. Vice President.** The Vice President assists the President in the execution of their responsibilities and acts on the President's behalf when the President is unavailable. Succeed to office of the President for the unexpired term in case of a vacancy in that office.

**III.A.3.a.** Select all Judges bookings for the scheduled shows.

**III.a.4. Secretary.** The secretary Principally attends to the association's administration, to include:

**III.A.4.a.** Maintaining all accurate membership rosters to include age as of January 1st of the current year and ensuring exhibitors are in good standing and eligibility.

**III.A.4.b.** Ensuring that working members meet the volunteer requirements as outlined in the CPPA Bylaws and Regulations and advising the president of any non-compliance.

**III.A.4.c.** Scheduling, announcing, keeping, maintaining and publishing minutes from membership meetings.

**III.A.4.d.** Assuming the responsibilities of association points keeper if this officer's position goes unfilled for any reason.

**III.A.4.e.** Bringing back numbers and walkie-talkies to each show.

**III.A.4.f.** Keep up with and maintain information and website. 9/2012

**III.a.4.g.** Keep true record of all receipts and disbursements. The association secretary is the submit statements showing where monies were spent for the year.

**III.A.5 Treasurer.** The Treasurer maintains the CPPA bank account and is also responsible for:

**III.A.5.a.** Maintaining all Association financial and accounting records

**III.A.5.b.** Ensuring that all membership dues, entry fee, and other credits are deposited in the CPPA account in a timely manner.

**III.A.5.c.** Ensuring that all Association bills and fees are paid.

**III.A.5.d.** ensuring that Officers and Board Members are reimbursed for approved expenditures.

**III.A.5.e.** Providing fiscal reports as appropriate and bringing financial reports and reading financial reports at each association meeting (08/2023)

**III.A.6. Points Keeper.** The Points Keeper's responsibilities include:

**III.A.6.a.** Maintaining a current tally of points of merit on all eligible Association members.

**III.A.6.b.** Maintaining all class sheets for the current show season.

**III.A.6.c.** Posting updated point totals to the Association website

**III.A.6.d.** Posting updated point totals at each show.

**III.A.6.e.** Validating member eligibility for competition at the GFSC stat show.

**III.A.6.f.** Validating year-end Association awards.

**III.A.6.g.** If directed by the President, coordinating a points audit with a certified public accountant in response to a written request from any member.

### **III.B. Miscellaneous Officers, Board Members, and Committees Information**

**III.B.1. Representation.** No individual may represent the Association in any capacity without the expresses consent of the Association President or Association Officers.

**III.B.2. Association Functions.** The Association President or their designee shall be present at Association functions.

**III.B.3. Expenses.** The Association will reimburse Association Officers for expenses incurred, with the Approval of The Association Officers.

**IV. Points of Merit** Points of Merit are awarded in each of the CPPA classes unless otherwise noted on the class sheet. Points of merit shall be kept by the Association Points Keeper or Secretary on all qualified Association members who exhibit. Points

shall be kept on the exhibitor only. An exhibitor may show the same or different horses in multiple events and accumulate points, subject to other CPPA bylaws and Regulations.

**IV.A.** The Association points Keeper or Secretary shall transcribe and tally points of merit from the official class sheets used to keep score at each Association sanctioned show.

Place	Point of Value	Round up show Point Value
First	6	7
Second	5	6
Third	4	5
Fourth	3	4
Fifth	2	3
Sixth	1	2

**IV.B.** At all Round Up Show an extra point will be given per placing. All 12 and under exhibitors will receive a ribbon along with their points

**IV.C.** In the event that a non-Association exhibitor places above an Association exhibitor, the non-Association exhibitor/rider shall be entitled to the respective award for the earned place. However, the non-Association rider will not affect the placement of points for the Association rider, with Association rider/exhibitor being moved up in sequence and receiving points of merit **accordingly. (7/2008)**

**IV.D.** Points may be earned in both the GFSC State Show Walk/Trot/Jog classes or the GFSC State Show Canter/Lope classes in both English and Western Disciplines.(08/2023)

**IV.D.1.** Any exhibitor may compete in any non-GFSC state show qualifying class, regardless of category or discipline, with no impact on GFSC Stat Show qualifying Points.

**IV.D.a.** Points of merit are used to determine eligibility to compete at the GFSC State Show. The top six (6) finishers for each GFSC State Show qualifying class, as determined by the total tally of points of merit for each exhibitor in that class, will represent CPPA in that class at the GFSC State Show.

**IV.E.** Points and standings will be posted on the Association website as expeditiously as possible. Members requesting corrections may contact the Points Keeper directly.

**IV.F.** Any Association member shall have the right to request an audit of the recorded points of merit at the end of each show year. If so requested, the Association President shall arrange for the points to be fully audited by a Certified Public Accountant. The requesting member **MUST:**

**IV.F.1.** Make the request to the Association President in writing.



**IV.F.2.** Pay the cost of the audit and inform the Association President in the written request that the requester is aware of this monetary obligation.

**V.Awards.** Awards are given at the conclusion of a CPPA season, usually after the GFSC State Show. Only members who have shown in at least half of the season's shows and are in good standing are eligible to receive awards. Awards will be given each year depending on funding. The decision will be made by the Association Officers.

**V.A.** GFSC Queen and Princess

**V.A.1. Princess.** The highest point exhibitor in 12 and Under Western Horsemanship will represent CPPA at the GFSC State Show. The association will pay for ads in GFSC book (08/2023)

**V.A.2. Queen.** The highest point exhibitor in 13-19 Western Horsemanship will represent CPPA at the GFSC State Show. The association will pay for ads in GFSC book.(08/2023)

**V.B Halter Highpoint.** The highest combined points exhibitor in Halter Division Classes for all age divisions.

**V.C. Division High Points.** Awards will be given to those exhibitors/riders accumulating the highest number of points for the following applicable age groups:

**V.C.1.** 12 and Under

**V.C.2.** 13 to 19

**V.C.3.** 20 and Over

**V.D. Ties.** In the event of a tie for one of the six state qualifying spots or any year end awards, the tie will be broken in the following manner:

**V.D.1.** The exhibitor/rider who has attended the most shows.

**V.D.2.** In the event they have attended the same number of shows, the exhibitor/rider with the most first place places (in the class in question or the classes that make up the award).

**V.D.3.** If neither have won first place it will be the exhibitor/rider with the most of the highest placing finishes.

**V.D.4.** In the event there is still a tie, it will be the exhibitor/rider who has beaten the most horses for each first place.

**V.F. Miscellaneous Awards Information**

**V.F.1.** Any rider belonging to the Coastal Plains Association who shows for another Association at the GFSC State Show will not be eligible for year-end awards with Coastal Plains.

**V.F.2.** Any exhibitor/rider who qualifies for GFSC State Show in a particular event and does not show in that event at the GFSC State Show will forfeit all points in that class toward year-end awards unless waived by the Association Officers

**V.F.3.** Any exhibitor/rider in the Association who qualifies for GFSC State Show and does not show will forfeit year-end awards. However, if an exhibitor/rider is unable to participate in the GFSC State Show for a legitimate reason approved by the Association Officers, they may be excused from the GFSC State Show participation and still receive the year-end awards. Exceptions are as follows:

**V.F.3.A.** Rider is sick or reasons beyond the exhibitor/rider's control

**V.F.3.B.** Death in the Family

**V.F.3.C.** Sick/Lame horse-Rider retains points if the horse dies before the GFSC State Show (Revised 9/2012)

**V.F.4.** Clubs/Exhibitors/Rider who qualify for the GFSC State Show must turn in paperwork and payment by the deadline given. The Association Points Keeper/President has the authority to place the next exhibitor/rider in line to compete at the GFSC State Show if a qualified exhibitor fails to register or make other arrangements by the deadline given.

## **VI. Show Rules**

**VI.A.1.** All sanctioned shows shall be conducted in accordance with CPPA Bylaws and Regulations.

**VI.A.2.** Any decision involving rules not specifically addressed by the CPPA Bylaws and Regulation, the GFSC Operational Rules, the AQHA Official Handbook of Rules and Regulations, and the Bylaws of the RHBA shall be left to the judgment of the Association Officers.

**VI.A.3.** There should be no rule changes after the first annual show with the exception of a state rule change. Arguments and discussion shall be carried out at the Association meetings, not the show grounds.

**VI.A.4.** Association Officers cannot amend or change proposals or bylaws once passed for that show season. (7/2005)

**VI.A.5.** Members having a problem or making a protest must first see their club representative (9/2010). The club President will bring it to the attention of the association president if necessary. If a protest is made there will be a \$100, non-refundable protest fee. If protest-ee is found to be guilty they will owe the \$100 fine back to the protester given through the association president (9/2012)

**VI.B. Official Class Sheets.** All sanctioned shows shall require the use of a class sheet approved by the Association, the original of which shall be furnished to the Association Points Keeper at the immediate conclusion of each show.

## **VI.C. Judging**

**VI.C.1. CPPA Bylaws and Regulations.** The Vice President shall be responsible for instructing the judge as to how CPPA Bylaws and Regulations determine how a class should be judged. Current AQHA or RHBAA rules shall be guidelines for judged events where there are not specifications in either the GFSC Operational Rules or the CPPA Bylaws and Regulations. Reigning pattern shall be selected by the judge and used for both age groups.

**VI.C.1.a.** Participants are not to speak to the judge unless spoken to. All judge's decisions are final.

**VI.C.1.b.** The ring steward is not to influence the judge in any way and should refrain from unnecessary talking.

## **VI.C.2. Judge Selection**

**VI.C.2.a.** Every effort will be made to retain judges with sufficient experience and temperament to judge Association shows fairly, accurately, and professionally.

**VI.C.2.b.** Except where approved by the Board in extreme cases, no judge shall be retained twice in the same season

**VI.C.2.c.** Prior to scheduling judges for an upcoming season, the President or their designee will submit a slate of potential judges for review and approval by the Board.

**VI.C.2.d.** In the event the judges does not show up due to an unavoidable circumstance, a volunteer judge will then be selected starting with the first name on the volunteer list, If one of the judges is related to a contestant he/she must disqualify themselves in the event. (08/2023)

**VI.D. Admission.** No admission to the club grounds shall be charged by any club at an Association sanctioned show.

**VI.E. Alcohol.** The president or representative of all clubs in the association shall constitute a committee to handle any member of any club that is intoxicated or disorderly at any association connected event. If this person causes a disturbance or objects to leaving after being asked to do so by this committee, then this person shall be ineligible to participate in any of the remaining events of that particular frolic. In addition to the association president, club representatives must be responsible for seeing that his/her members follow our rules concerning no drinking on show grounds and the host club president is responsible for the guests or spectators. (9/2010)

**VI.F. Unsportsmanlike Conduct.** Unsportsmanlike conduct or rowdiness of any kind will not be tolerated at any Association function and will be dealt with in the following manner:

**VI.F.1. Non-Members.** Will be asked to leave the premises and forfeit any and all applicable entry fees.

**VI.F.2. Members.** Will be asked to leave the premises and forfeit any and all applicable fees and forfeit any accumulated points for that sanctioned show. After the third incident, member will be banned for the Association for a minimum of 1 show season.

**VI.G.Entry Fees.** All entry fees must be paid at registration either in full or with an open, signed check. There will be a \$10 Judge Fee (9/2020), \$20 Non- Working Member Fee, pre-Registered entries (before 5pm day before show) are \$10 per class and Day of Show are \$15 per class, and Jackpot Class fee will be \$20 for pre-entry and \$25 for entry the day of the show.

Exceptions as follows:

- Lead Line Class—Young children must be led in on horse. Class is free (7/2007)

**VI.H. Show Awards.** CPPA is responsible for providing ribbons (08/2023)

## **VI.J. Miscellaneous Show Rules Information**

**VI.J.1.** When a show is rained out, the hosting club has the right to reschedule and notify the association and the other clubs of the new date. (7/2006) When a show is cancelled, the hosting club should pick make-up dates and bring them to the association to vote on. If a show is cancelled after it has been started, those signed up will receive double points at the next show in the classes they were signed up in. If this were to happen at the last show of the season, points will be taken from previous show (\*Reason: to avoid the expense of hiring another judge.) (7/2008)

**VI.J.2.** All animals at Association sanctioned shows must be properly restrained at all times. Dogs must be on a leash and horses must be tied or held by a lead line. No animals should be allowed to roam free. The handler who does not abide by these rules will be suspended for the rest of the day's activities. If they remain in violation, the handler will be asked to leave.

**VI.J.3.** In all performance classes the exhibitor/rider will be recognized by number only. Names are to be called out only when winners are announced.

## **VII. Exhibitor/Rider Rules**

**VII.A. Rules and Regulations.** All exhibitors/riders, members and non-members alike, shall exhibit and compete at sanctioned shows under the full jurisdiction of the Association rules and regulations in effect on that date. A copy of these rules and regulations will be available on the website.

**VII.A.1.** Any exhibitor/rider belonging to CPPA who shows for another association at the GFSC State Show will be barred from CPPA for the following year.

## **VII.B. Class Registration**

**VII.B.1.** All exhibitors/riders must fill out a show registration sheet and either pay all entry fees in full or leave an open, signed check with the registrar prior to showing. No exhibitor/rider will be allowed into the arena without a completed registration sheet and fully paid entry fees or an open, signed check on file for that day's show. No adds will be authorized without a completed registration sheet and fully paid entry fees or an open, signed check on file for that day's show.

**VII.B.2.** Registration is to be completed prior to the start of the show for that day's show.

**VII.C.** Exhibited Horses. A horse may be exhibited only once in an event in any one age group.

**VII.C.1.** horses do not have to be owned by the exhibitor/rider to be shown in any judged event.

## **VII.D. Household Members**

**VII.D.1.** Members of the same household, as clarified on page 7 of the GFSC Operational Rules, may exhibit the same horse in the same event in different age groups and both may earn points of merit.

**VII.D.2.** If a common horse is shared by non-household members in the same event in different age groups, only one exhibitor can earn points of merit for that shared event during that show. The point-earning exhibitor's name must be submitted to the points keeper well in advance of that shared event. However, both non-household members may earn points exhibiting a common horse in different events in which only one member shows. *(For example: only one non-household member can earn points if a common horse is shown English Pleasure 1-12 and English Pleasure 13-19, but both members can earn points if a common horse is shown in Halter mares by one member and English Pleasure 1-12 by the other member exclusively).*

**VII.F. Stallions.** No exhibitor or rider under the age of 20 will be allowed to ride or show a stallion at any Association sanctioned show.

**VII.G. Readiness.** All exhibitors/riders must be ready to show when their name or class is called. After Class is called for the third time gate will be closed and class will start. No riders may enter the ring after class has been closed. All Tack changes must be stated at sign up and be notified on sign up sheet. (08/2023)

**VII.H. Illegal Drug Usage.** No illegal drugs, as outlined by AQHA Rules, will be permitted to be used on any animal at an Association sanctioned show.

**VII.H.1.** If an Association member suspects that a horse has been drugged, they may put up a \$50 bond and challenge the accused to a test. A veterinarian will be summoned, and the horse tested. If the result is positive, the owner will be responsible for the vet bill. If the results of the test are negative, the accuser will forfeit the bond and pay the vet bill.

**VII.H.2.** If the results of the test are positive, the Owner will be banned from the Association and their name will be sent to GFSC.

**VII.H.3.** If the test results are positive and the accused refuses to pay the veterinarian's bill, the Association will pay the bill and the \$50 bond will be refunded to the accuser.

**VII.I. Horse Abuse.** In the event of horse abuse, the representative of each club will be asked to approach and be responsible for their members in this matter. All horses are to be ridden with normal and humane equipment, and the horse's tail cannot be tied in any way. Stirrups are not to be tied. (9/2010)

#### **VII.J. Dress Code**

**VII.J.1.** CPPA conforms to the dress code in the AQHA Official handbook of Rules and Regulations and the Bylaws and Regulations of the RHBA, with the following exception: for all racking classes at Association sanctioned show any type of saddle is acceptable. (This applies to Association shows ONLY; at the GFSC State Show proper saddle and attire per breed of horse is mandatory).

**VII.J.2.** Additional exceptions to AQHA and RHBA standards may be made at the discretion of the judge.

#### **VIII. Definition of Classes-**

#### **VIII. – Point Earning GFSC Classes**

**VIII.A. Halter.** This shall be a judged event. Horses shall be of western or stock type, either grade or registered. A horse may be shown in only one class with the exception of Youth Halter classes. There will be no assistance from anyone to set up a horse in a halter class. (9/2012)

**VIII.A.1.** Weanling and Yearling

**VIII.A.2.** Stallions

**VIII.A.3.** Mares

**VIII.A.4.** Geldings

**VIII.A.5.** Pony (12 and Under Class) (9/2012)

**VIII.A.6.** Youth Mares (11/2015)

**VIII.A.7. Youth Geldings (11/2015)**

**VIII.B. Racking Classes.** According to Federation By-Laws will be shown as follows:

**VIII.B.1. Style Racking:** Horses are to be shown at a Show Walk and Style Rack

**VIII.B.2. Flat Shod Racking:** Horses are to be shown at a Show Walk, Slow Rack and a Fast Rack or “rack on”. Horses will be light shod. (9/2010)

**VIII.B.3. Racking Country Pleasure:** Horses are to be shown at Show Walk, Slow Rack, Fast Rack. English or Western attire may be worn, (9/2009). Horses will be light shod. (9/2010)

**VIII.B.4. Trail Pleasure Racking:** Horses are to be shown at a Show Walk, Slow Walk and Favorite Rack.

**VIII.B.5.** Racking classes will be divided into two age groups

**VIII.B.5.a.** 19 and Under

**VIII.B.5.b.** 20 and Over

**VIII.C. Ponies.** According to Federation By-Laws will be shown as follows:

**VIII.C.1.** The pony class shall be restricted to children 12 and Under.

**VIII.C.2.** Ponies must measure 50” or less at the withers.

**VIII.C.3.** No ponies are allowed to ride Western Pleasure 1-12 or English Pleasure 1-12

**VIII.C.4.** Riders competing in Pony Pleasure may not compete in Western Pleasure 1-12 or English Pleasure 1-12

**VIII.C.5.** As there is no Pony Horsemanship or Pony Equitation classes, these riders may compete in Western Horsemanship 1-12 and English Equitation 1-12. (08/2023)

**VIII.D. Western Walk/Trot (7/2009), Western Walk/Trot Horsemanship (7/2009), Western Pleasure, Western Horsemanship, English Pleasure, and English Equitation:** These are judged event and the guidelines will be current AQHA rules, with the exception of attire and tack. If there are 12 or more riders/exhibitors in each class, class will be split by Judge. (9/2012)

**VIII.D.1.** Age groups should be as follow:

**VIII.D.1.a.** 12 & Under

**VIII.D.1.b.** 13-19

**VIII.D.1.c.** 20 & Over

**VIII.E. Ranch Riding.** This is a judged event, and the guidelines will be the current ARHA Rules and Regulations (9/2019)

**VIII.E.1.a.** 12 & Under

**VIII.E.1.b** 13-19

**VIII.E.1.c.** 20 & Over

**VIII.F. Reining.** The reigning pattern will be chosen by the judge from the current AQHA Rule book and will be used for both age groups.

**VIII.F.1.** Age groups should be as follows:

**VIII.F.1.a.** 19 & Under

**VIII.F.2.b.** 20 & Over

### **GFSC Non-State Qualifying Classes**

**VIII.G. Lead Line.** This is a free non-judged class. Adults may lead in young children on horse or pony. (7/2007)

**VIII.H. Jackpot Western Pleasure:** This will be a judged class with first thru sixth places. All riders are accepted in this class.

**VIII.I. Jackpot English Pleasure:** This will be a judged class with first thru sixth places. All riders are accepted in this class.

**VIII.J. Fun Class:** Includes but not limited to Costume Class, Ride A Buck, Egg & Spoon, Obedience Class, Crepe/TP Game etc.

**VIII.K. Model Gaited Horse:** This will be a judged class with first through sixth places. All Gaited horses are accepted in this class. (08/2023)

**VIII.L. Halter- Grooming and Conditioning:** Based on cleanliness, grooming, and fitness of horse. (08/2023)

**VIII.M Performance Horse Halter** – Halter class for all genders of performance horses. (07/2022)

**VIII.N. Walk/ Trot Schooling Open** – Open Class for all walk/ trot horses and riders being open to any discipline of tack. Schooling horses may be shown in class in schooling gear. (08/2023)

**VIII.O. Adult & Youth Ranch Pleasure Rail (Walk/Trot)** – Judged by using ARHA Rules.(08/2023)

**VIII.P. Youth & Adult Ranch Reining:** Pattern Class Judged by using ARHA Rules.(08/2023)



## **IX. Operating Procedures for Club/Association**

- I. All Saddle Clubs participating in Coastal Plains Performance Association will be required to pay yearly Dues of One Hundred and Twenty-Five Dollars (\$125) to be a member of the CPPA. Dues for Each club are not due until clubs booster show. (08/2023)
- II. All Saddle Clubs must have an accessible PA system, bird house, and arena dragged before the first Halter class of each Show. (08/2023)
- III. Saddle Clubs may Either provide on site concession or if unavailable to provide concession must let CPPA know one month in advance so CPPA or Club can hire a food truck to be at hosted show. Food Truck will retain all earnings. (08/2023)
- IV. It is the duty of Coastal Plains Performance Association to retain/book and pay for the judges for ALL Shows. (08/2023)
- V. Any club hosting a club booster will be splitting class entry fees Fifty-fifty (50/50) with exception of Jackpot classes. Jackpot Class' Earnings after payouts (70% Payout) will be split fifty-fifty (30% Profit after Association pays participants) will be split equally between the host saddle club and association. All Judges Fees collected by the association will be kept by association to assist in paying for judges. (08/2023)
- VI. All Non – working fees (\$20 for Association members that choose not to work) collected by the association will be retained by the association in order to pay for help working gates, announcer, or ring stewarts.
- VII. Any Club Hosting a Round up show, Per Yearly Calendar, Monies will be Retained by the association, including All Judges Fees and non-working member fees collected by association will be kept by association to assist in paying for judges (08/2023)
- VIII. CPPA is Responsible for providing all Ribbons, awards, and payouts, given at out as awards at show. (08/2023)
- IX. CPPA is Responsible for Sign up, Awards, Arena/Gate Crew During show, Ring Stewart, and all Judges. (08/2023)
- X. Each Club is Responsible for Providing CPPA with a list of all members in good standing showing under their club. (08/2023)

- XI. If a Club is not able to have a pre-determined appointed designated club member or Club officer at show in case of event that needs voting, they can have an emergency contact and phone number in place with the association to be conferenced in remotely to weigh in/vote on decision that needs to be made on clubs' behalf. (08/2023)