

Maritime Quarter Horse Association
Small Fry, Walk-Trot and Lead-Line Rules

Exhibitors in Leadline and Small Fry (Walk-Trot) classes and not permitted to canter/lope anywhere on the show grounds. Violation of this rule may result in the exhibitor being ineligible to participate in Walk/Trot classes.

Any rider who has exhibited in a canter/lope class will not be permitted to exhibit in a Walk/Trot or Small Fry class.

1. Leadline 8 & under

Horses to be shown at a walk in both directions of the ring. At the judges discretion, the ring may be halved. Horses will be shown in proper tack for Western or English and will be led by a person with a halter and lead. Reins will be held by exhibitor. Exhibitors will show in suitable attire for Western or English. Exhibitors will be 8 years old or under as of January 1.

2. Small Fry Walk Trot Pleasure 11 & Under

Horses to be shown at the walk and trot/jog in both directions of the ring. Horses will be shown in proper tack for Western or English. Class to be judged on horse's movement at both gaits in both directions of the ring. Exhibitors will show in suitable attire for Western or English. Exhibitors will be 11 years old or under as of January 1.

3. Small Fry Horsemanship/Equitation 11 & Under

Horses to be shown at the walk and trot/jog in both directions of the ring. Horses will be shown in proper tack for Western or English. Class to be judged on the rider at both gaits in both directions of the ring. Exhibitors will show in suitable attire for Western or English. Exhibitors will be 11 years old or under as of January 1.

4. Small Fry Showmanship 11 & Under

This Showmanship Class is dedicated to participants in the 11 and under. In addition, if you participate in AQHA Novice Youth Showmanship or AQHA Youth Showmanship 13 and under you may not exhibit in Small Fry Showmanship. This class shall be judged on exhibitor's ability to fit and show a horse in a halter. Exhibitor must be neatly attired and lead a well groomed horse that performs the requested pattern with promptness, smoothness, and precision."

5. Adult Walk Trot Pleasure

Horses to be shown at the walk and trot/jog in both directions of the ring. Horses will be shown in proper tack for Western or English. Class to be judged on horse's movement at both gaits in both directions of the ring. Exhibitors will show in suitable attire for Western or English.