

**MQHA Year End Awards Eligibility & Requirements
2023**

1. Horses become eligible for year end awards when the owner's and exhibitor's memberships have been paid in full for the year. A horse purchased from a non-member becomes eligible for points only from the date of purchase by the MQHA member. Transfer of ownership between members will not alter Open points. Points accumulate only after membership has been paid. NO EXCEPTIONS.
2. For a horse to be eligible for a year-end award, the horse must show under 60% of the judges during the show season that offer AQHA/MQHA points. Please note the number of shows is based on the number of judges. The number of judges is based on the individual judges and will be rounded up or down at the 0.5 mark.

2023 MQHA Pointed Shows

Date	Show Format/ Judges	# of Judges
Canada Day Classic, June 30-July 3	Split Combined, Double Judged	4
Summer Sizzler, July 28-31	Split Combined, Double Judged	4
Fall Classic, September 4-5	Split Combined, Double Judged	2
MPHC Show, September 2-3	Split Combined, Triple Judged	3
Total Eligible Judges		13

The qualifying number of judges to show under will be eight (8)

3. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to advise the point secretary of any change in ownership.
4. Points for all classes will be based on the following: Horses placing in the top 9 will be given a point for each horse placing below them, plus one point, not to exceed 9 points. EXAMPLE: In a class of 9 horses or greater, 1st place receives 9 points, 2nd place receives 8 points, etc.
5. Grand and Reserve could receive additional points. The Grand Champion horse must receive two points more than any other horse in the same sex division, and the Reserve horse must receive one point more than any other horse in the same sex division, except the Grand horse. These additional points are not awarded for the individual class but to the overall division awards.
6. All Around points for each horse in the Open division and each horse/rider combination in the Amateur, Youth & Novice divisions are then added together to obtain the year-end awards.
7. In order for a horse to be eligible for MQHA Year End All Around (High Point & Reserve High Point) they must:
 - A. Compete in a minimum of 3 classes in their respective division (per show) at a minimum of 60% of the MQHA pointed shows.

- B. Open, Amateur and Youth must show in their respective Halter class and at least two other classes.
 - C. Walk-Trot, Novice Youth and Novice Amateur are not required to show in their respective Level 1 halter but if they do it will be counted as one class of the three required classes.
8. In order for a horse to be eligible for a MQHA year-end class award they must show under 60% of the judges during the show season for that specific class.
 9. In the event of a tie for High Point Overall Halter in any division, the award will go to the horse earning the most Grand Champions.
 10. In the event of a tie for a High Point Class Award, the award will go to the horse with the most first place wins. If there is still a tie, then the award will go to the horse that has shown in the most classes for that event. If a tie still remains, the award will go to the horse with the highest placing under the last judge
 11. High point for Lead Line is based on the exhibitor only. Both rider and horse owner must be MQHA members in good standing for points to count. EXAMPLE: Sally rides Rusty at show #1 and Snoopy at show #2. Both Rusty and Snoopy's owners must be MQHA members, in addition to the exhibitor.