

## **MQHA Amateur Association** **Approves New Year End Awards**

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During the Missouri Amateur Quarter Horse Association meeting held at the 2005 MQHA Convention on January 21-23 at Lake Ozark, Missouri, new year-end awards were approved. For the point year ending December 31, 2005, MAQHA will sponsor “High Point Performance Horse” awards for the Novice Amateur, Select Amateur and Amateur Divisions. Rules applying to these awards are provided. Rules applying to the Select Amateur High Point All-Around Horse and Rider approved for the point year ending December 31, 2004, and beyond are also provided.

The following rules will apply for the point year ending December 31, 2005:

### **Amateur Division – High Point Performance Horse**

Category Definition: (i) Amateur Performance Category is all amateur riding classes and amateur showmanship. The horse with the most accumulated amateur performance points (includes Amateur Showmanship). (High Point and Reserve High Point offered)

### **Novice Amateur Division – High Point Performance Horse**

Category Definition: (i) Novice Amateur Performance Category is all novice amateur riding classes and novice amateur showmanship. The horse with the most accumulated novice amateur performance points (includes Novice Amateur Showmanship). (High Point and Reserve High Point offered)

### **Select Amateur Division – High Point Performance Horse**

Category Definition: (i) Select Amateur Performance Category is all Select amateur riding classes and Select amateur showmanship. The horse with the most accumulated Select amateur performance points (includes Select Amateur Showmanship). (High Point and Reserve High Point offered)

The following rules applied for the point year ending December 31, 2004, and beyond:

### **Select Amateur Division: High Point All-Around Horse and Rider**

The Select Amateur High Point All-Around Horse and Rider is the select amateur horse/rider with the highest point total after complying with the following rules. Category Definition: (i) Select Amateur Halter Category consists of all Amateur halter classes, (ii) Select Amateur Exhibitor Performance Category consists of Select Amateur Showmanship at Halter, Select Amateur Western Horsemanship, Select Amateur Hunt Seat Equitation and Select Amateur Equitation Over Fences, (iii) Select Amateur Horse Performance Category consists of the rest of the Select Amateur riding classes and Select Amateur pleasure driving. In order to qualify for consideration as the Select Amateur High Point All-Around Horse and Rider, the select amateur horse/rider must have earned points in the select amateur halter category and the two select amateur performance categories with a minimum of ten points earned in the lowest category. (High Point and Reserve High Point offered)