



The American Quarter Horse Association approved dressage beginning January 1, 2010.

ABOUT AQHA

With more than 300,000 members and more than 5 million horses registered worldwide, the American Quarter Horse Association is the world's largest breed registry. Its programs, shows and races are among the most popular events in the world of horse enthusiasts. AQHA was established in 1940 in Fort Worth, Texas, and today houses its international headquarters in Amarillo, Texas.

DRESSAGE

- Dressage will be offered through USEF/USDF-licensed competitions holding an AQHA class held within the existing class. Beginning in 2011, this will start with the highest test in Training Level and go through Grand Prix.
- Dressage is based on a percentage scoring. Since the show industry has always been a point-driven system based on number of class entries, AQHA has created a conversion table to allow dressage participants to accumulate points towards the Register of Merit award, AQHA Incentive Fund and year end high point awards

ELIGIBILITY

- Horse must be AQHA registered, and the exhibitor must have a current individual membership.
- Open, amateur and youth eligibility based on AQHA criteria.
- Competition license fee of \$85 for lifetime of the horse paid to AQHA.

BENEFITS TO MEMBERS

- At each of the nine USEF/USDF Regional Championship shows in 2010, an AQHA trophy will be awarded to the three high-point registered American Quarter Horses competing in the championship class with the highest percentage score in the open, amateur and youth divisions. Entry must have a minimum 60 percent score.
- AQHA has created a high-point recognition program for the open, amateur and youth divisions for first through 10th place for each division and the highest award to the highest-point-earning registered American Quarter Horse in each division, including points earned in at the highest test at Training Level through Grand Prix.