



Zone High-Point Trophy FAQ

1. What divisions will the trophies be awarded in?

One trophy will be awarded in each of the following four divisions: Open, Amateur, Youth & Solid Paint-Bred

2. What requirements must the exhibitors and owners meet to receive the award?

The award will be given to the high-point or all-around winners in each of the above four divisions, with the following added criteria:

Open & Solid Paint-Bred Divisions:

- a. The horse owner must reside in the zone.
- b. The horse owner must be a current member of APHA, in good standing.
- c. Open and Solid Paint-Bred awards are calculated per horse.
- d. Green classes do not count toward the Zone High-Point trophy award.
- e. The horse must compete in at least two classes.
- f. At least one of the classes must be a point-earning class (at least three horses compete).

Amateur & Youth Divisions:

- a. The Amateur/Youth exhibitor must reside in the zone.
- b. The Amateur/Youth exhibitor must be a current member of APHA, in good standing.
- c. Amateur and Youth awards are calculated per horse and exhibitor combination.
- d. Novice and Walk-Trot classes do not count toward the Zone-High Point trophy award.
- e. The horse must compete in at least two classes.
- f. At least one of the classes must be a point-earning class (at least three horses compete).

3. Do we have to follow the high-point rules listed in the APHA Rule Book?

No, the rules can remain consistent with your current show rules for high-points. For example, you can require halter participation, or not.

4. What if we do not currently award high-points or all-arounds?

You can either choose the high-point rule listed in SC-150 or the all-around rule listed in SC-145 of the APHA Rule Book; or contact us, and we will work with you to determine the rules most appropriate for your show.

5. What if our zone offers more than just the four high-points?

- a. The trophy will only be given to the four winners.
- b. Examples:

- i. **What if we offer a 13 & Under and a 14-18 Youth High-Point?**

- One overall winner must be determined between the two – the one with the most qualifying points.

- ii. **What if we offer a Novice Amateur/Youth and/or Amateur/Youth Walk-Trot High-Point?**

- No high-point trophy will be awarded in these divisions. Only the horse's points in the regular Amateur or Youth divisions will count toward a high-point trophy.

- iii. **What if we have a Solid Paint-Bred high-point in each Open, Amateur & Youth divisions?**

- One overall winner must be determined. Points from each division must be counted separately if the horse competed in multiple divisions.

6. What if we do not require our high-points to live within the zone?

Open & Solid Paint-Bred Divisions:

Just continue down the list of eligible high-points to find the horse within the zone that has the most points. Eligibility is determined by the owner's address according to APHA's records at the time of the show.

Amateur & Youth Divisions:

Just continue down the list of eligible high-points to find the exhibitor/horse combination within the zone that has the most points. Eligibility is determined by the exhibitor's address according to APHA's records at the time of the show.

7. What division does the SPB High-Point trophy get awarded?

- a. The horse's points from each division (Open, Amateur & Youth) will count separately. Horses cannot combine points across divisions to become eligible for the award.
- b. If no horse meets these requirements, no trophy will be awarded in this division for your show this year.

8. What if the owner's membership is expired?

Per rule GR-020, the horse owner may retroactively purchase the required membership to receive the award. The purchase must be made immediately following the show, or the owner will forfeit the title and a new winner will be determined. All exhibitors must be members prior to showing to be eligible.

9. When will they receive the trophies?

As soon as the winners are received and finalized by APHA, the trophies will be engraved, personalized with the horse and owners' names. Trophies will then be shipped to the horse owner for Open & Solid Paint-Bred divisions and to the exhibitors for the Youth & Amateur divisions.

10. What is the zone responsible for?

- a. Submit your high-point rules to the APHA Awards Coordinator prior to the show.
- b. The zone show management must determine the high-point winners.
- c. The winners must be reported to APHA, either to an APHA representative present at your show, or to the APHA Awards Coordinator following the show.
- d. Zone show management sends photographs of the winners to APHA.

11. Is this award advertised?

The winners will be published at <http://apha.com/programs/showing/high-pointtrophy> . We encourage you to advertise this award prior to your show. Flyers are available online.

12. Will we need to provide the winners with anything at the show?

No, please provide APHA with the winners' information and we will engrave and mail the awards.

14. How often can I win the Zone Trophy?

Annually, at your Zone-O-Rama. There is not a restriction on how many times you can win.

15. Who do we contact at APHA?

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