

These are PROPOSED CHANGES

There were a significant number of General Rules that were intermixed with the By-Laws. I took what appeared to be General Rules out of the By-Laws and only included how to change them in the By-Laws. I then started a WWHSA General Rules section. These were the rules that were repeated within every Discipline Rules. Each discipline should go through these.

By-Laws of the Western Wisconsin Horse Show Association

ARTICLE 1: The name of this organization shall be "Western Wisconsin Horse Show Association" hereafter referred to as WWHSA.

ARTICLE 2: The purpose of the WWHSA shall be:

- A. To promote interest in and to further the training and showing of all breeds.
- B. To develop the best possible methods and opportunities to show horses and mules of all breeds and riding disciplines.
- C. To secure and insure adequate and fair recognition and consideration of all breeds at approved events.
- D. For the uses and purpose for which this non-profit organization is formed to lease, purchase, hold use and enjoy in fee simple, deed trust, or dispose of any acquired property at the pleasure of this organization, excepting and providing that no pecuniary profit or gain shall result.
- E. To release the association from any legal responsibility at WWHSA-approved events either as a participant or spectator.

ARTICLE 3: Officers:

The WWHSA shall be governed by:

- A. President
 1. Shall preside over all WWHSA meetings and all other duties incident to the officer.
 2. Shall appoint committees to perform tasks deemed necessary.
 3. Call any committee into session at any time.
 4. Engage legal counsel in accordance with approval of the Board of Directors.

B. Vice-Presidents (3)

Currently have Pleasure/Speed combined. Officer list shows separate VP's

There shall be a Vice-President Pleasure, Vice-President Speed and a Vice-President Dressage/Hunter-Jumper.

1. Shall perform all the duties of the President in his/hers absence.
 - a. If need arises for a Vice President to act as President: Current VP's decide which one will step in. If not in agreement, acting VP is selected by simple majority of Board of Directors convened.
Added to keep "who's in charge" from becoming an issue.

2. When so acting, shall have all the powers and restrictions of the President.
 3. Shall have other duties, and exercise such authority as may be delegated by the President.
- C. Secretary
1. Shall keep records of all WWHSA meetings
- D. Treasurer
2. Shall keep a record and have charge and custody of all WWHSA funds and pay out same upon order by WWHSA President or acting President.
 3. Shall provide a financial report at WWSHA meetings to include funds on hand, income and expenditures.
 4. Shall provide an annual report to include funds on hand, annual income and annual expenditures.

Following information was intermixed with officers. Was not clearly defined.

ARTICLE 4: Board of Directors

- A. Shall consist of one (1) of the two (2) delegates from each WWHSA Member Club.
- B. Each WWHSA Member Club shall have one (1) vote.
- C. Shall elect WWHSA Officers.
- D. Make appointments to fill any vacancies in office.
- E. Shall audit all bills for payment.
- F. Carry on all business and other activities of this organization.

ARTICLE 5:

- A. All voting, including elections, will be by simple majority of Board of Directors convened unless otherwise specified in the By-Laws.

Separated Clubs from members as information was intermixed.

ARTICLE 6: WWHSA Member Clubs (hereafter referred to as "Club")

Membership of WWSHA shall consist of clubs and organizations that;

- A. Shall abide by the By-Laws and General Rules of WWHSA.
- B. Shall pay annual Club dues on or before the February meeting.
- C. Shall designate two (2) Club Delegates.

ARTICLE 6: WWHSA Members (hereafter referred to as "Members")

- A. Shall abide by the By-Laws and General Rules of WWHSA.
- B. Shall be a member of a registered Club.
- C. Shall pay annual Membership dues.

Was not addressed in current By-Laws

ARTICLE 7: Annual Dues

- A. All annual dues and fees will be set at the November meeting for the following year.

Was intermixed and unclear

ARTICLE 8: Election of Officers

- A. Nominations for Officers will be accepted at the November meeting.
- B. Elections will be held following Nominations.
- C. New officers will take office at the February meeting.

Original showed proposals at Feb meeting, then read/Voted at next meeting, not defined when change was effective. By-Laws should not change mid year.

ARTICLE 9: Change By-Laws

- A. Proposed Amendments to By-Laws must be made at the August meeting.
- B. Amendments will be read and voted upon at the November meeting.
- C. Must pass by a two-thirds (2/3rd) majority vote of the Board of Directors convened.
- D. Will become effective January 1st of the following year.

Original showed proposals and voting at Feb meeting. Did not define when they became effective nor did it define WWHSA General Rules being separate from Individual Discipline Rules. Since November is the most attended meeting, it has better chance of more people knowing of changes. Discipline changes can then be discussed at the Discipline meetings with final vote in February and effective immediately. Other option for Disciplines Rules would be having the vote at the individual Discipline meetings to be brought forth at the February meeting.

ARTICLE 10: Change General Rules

- A. Changes to WWHSA General Rules must be proposed and voted on at the November meeting.
- B. Changes to WWHSA Discipline Rules must be proposed and voted on at the WWHSA Disciplines Rules November meeting.
- C. All Rule changes become effective January 1st of the following year.

ARTICLE 11: Conduct.

- A. Any member or club, who for any reason does not adhere to and abide by the WWHSA By-Laws, the WWHSA General Rules or Show Rules may by two-thirds majority vote of the Board of Directors convened, forfeit his/her membership in the WWHSA for the balance of the calendar year. No refunds will be given.
- B. Submitting a bad check to WWHSA or a WWHSA Member Club must make good within 30 days of the date of the NSF check, or will be excluded from year-end award consideration.