

2009 KENTUCKY STATE FAIR WORLD'S CHAMPIONSHIP HORSE SHOW PLEASURE AND PARK HORSE QUALIFYING REQUIREMENTS

1. All horses must qualify to compete in the American Saddlebred Show Pleasure, American Saddlebred Country Pleasure, and American Saddlebred Park sections of the 2009 Kentucky State Fair World's Championship Horse Show. Horses will be entered in these sections only if they **have been shown in a minimum of six (6) classes, in three (3) or more different competitions**, in the same section in which they wish to compete at the 2009 World's Championship Horse Show, either under saddle or in harness, beginning July 1, 2008, through June 30, 2009. At the 2009 World's Championship Horse Show, the same horse may not enter and/or compete in the Junior Exhibitor and the Adult class, nor may it enter and/or compete in "under saddle and driving" or in more than one age division. For purposes of qualification, however, as noted above, the same horse may enter and compete in both driving and under saddle, so long as the competition is in the same section (i.e., country pleasure driving and country pleasure under saddle). Also for purposes of qualification, a horse in the Show Pleasure or Country Pleasure sections cannot be shown by its trainer on behalf of the owner of the horse, nor may a horse be shown by any **adult** family member of the trainer of the horse (provided, however, that this does not preclude a family member of a trainer from showing a horse if the horse is owned by the trainer or by such family member).

2. Qualifying information for the American Saddlebred Show Pleasure, Country Pleasure, Park sections, as well as the Western Invitational section, can be found in the 2009 Horse Show Premium Book.

3. Each qualifying class in the American Saddlebred Show Pleasure Horse section, the American Saddlebred Country Pleasure Horse section, and the American Saddlebred Three-Gaited Park section has a maximum number of qualified entrants that will be permitted to compete in each class. For the 2009 competition, the maximum number of qualified entrants for each qualifying class is as follows:

Description	Maximum #
Adult Three-Gaited Show Pleasure [3 sections]	75 [25 per section]
Junior Exhibitor Three-Gaited Show Pleasure, Rider 14 – 17 Years Old [2 sections]	40 [20 per section]
Junior Exhibitor Three-Gaited Show Pleasure, Rider 13 Years Old and under [2 sections]	40 [20 per section]
Junior Exhibitor Show Pleasure Driving, Driver 17 Years Old and under	15
Adult Show Pleasure Driving [2	30 [15 per section]

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Adult Five-Gaited Show Pleasure [2 sections]	50 [25 per section]
Junior Exhibitor Five-Gaited Show Pleasure, Rider 17 Years Old and Under	25
Junior Exhibitor Three-Gaited Country Pleasure, Rider 13 Years Old and Under	20
Junior Exhibitor Three-Gaited Country Pleasure, Rider 14 – 17 Years Old [2 sections]	40 [20 per section]
Adult Three-Gaited Country Pleasure [2 sections]	50 [25 per section]
Country Pleasure Driving [2 sections]	30 [15 per section]
Open Park Mare	25
Open Park Stallion/Gelding	25
Amateur Park Stallion/Gelding	25
Amateur Park Mare	25
Junior Exhibitor Park	20

4. In the event the total number of entrants received for any qualifying class does not exceed the maximum numbers listed in #3 above, all entrants will be permitted to compete at the 2009 World's Championship Horse Show.

5. As in prior years, Championship classes at the 2009 Horse Show will be limited to competitors who have received a ribbon in a qualifying class at the 2009 Horse Show. In the case of a split of a qualifying class, the policy for divided classes, as explained in the prize list, will be applied.

6. In the event the total number of qualified entrants received for any qualifying class *exceeds* the maximum numbers listed in #3 above by 5 horses or less, the Kentucky State Fair reserves the right to permit all qualified entrants to compete in a qualifying class; but if the number entered *exceeds* the maximum number by more than five (5), the number of entries will be reduced to the original maximum number (e.g., if there are eighty-eight (88) entries in Adult Show Pleasure, only seventy five (75) will be allowed to show). The horses that will be eligible to compete in such qualifying class will be chosen based on a point system tabulated and verified by the American Saddlebred Horse Association ("ASHA"), as follows:

For Show Pleasure, Country Pleasure, and Park, horses must have “qualified” as described in #1 above (6 classes, at 3 shows), in the same section.

All American Saddlebred horses competing in any competition listed on the ASHA’s database, regardless of whether such competition is a USEF licensed competition, will be eligible for consideration. In order for a non-licensed competition to be listed on the ASHA’s database, the manager, chairperson, or a representative of that competition must notify the ASHA as to the dates, location, and manager of the competition before the competition is to be held. The secretary or the manager of said show is responsible for sending in the results to the ASHA within ten (10) days after the competition and by the closing date of the qualifying period. Results will not be accepted (regardless of the postmark or meter date) by the ASHA that are received in the office after the closing date of the qualifying period.

All ribbon winners in classes of six (6) or more entries will receive the following points – 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1 (8 for 1st, 7 for 2nd, and so on) - based on number of ribbons awarded; a class with five (5) entries from first place through fourth place, as follows: 4, 3, 2, 1; a class with four (4) entries, from first place through third place as follows: 3, 2, 1; and a class with three (3) entries, from first place through second place as follows; 2, 1. A class with two (2) entries, the first place will receive one point; only one (1) entry will receive no points. Points will count in the following sections: Show Pleasure – Three-Gaited, Five-Gaited, and Driving; Country Pleasure – Three-Gaited and Driving; Park – Three-Gaited. Points will not be allocated in the following classes for qualification at the 2009 Kentucky State Fair: Open Pleasure, Walk/Trot Pleasure and Park Pleasure.

Points will not be allocated in the Show Pleasure, Country Pleasure, and Park sections (as noted in #3) at the 2008 Kentucky State Fair.

To break any tie necessary to determine the eligibility list, preference will be given to the entry with the larger number of points from USEF competitions. If no points come from USEF competitions, then the entry with the larger number of points earned from classes with six (6) or more entries will be given preference.

Only points accumulated during the qualifying period in the section in which the horse is entered at the 2009 Kentucky State Fair will count toward qualifying for the Kentucky State Fair. Points accumulated during the qualifying period remain with a horse, regardless of any change(s) of ownership.

The ASHA will tabulate the points accumulated by each horse, and points will be posted on the ASHA website at www.asha.net. The results for Horse Shows that are listed on the ASHA website will be used to determine points for eligibility, and must be in the ASHA Office for tabulation by the end of the qualifying period (regardless of postmark and metered date).

The Kentucky State Fair reserves the right to resolve any dispute as to the accuracy of the point total used to determine which horses are deemed eligible to complete.

The first and second place winners only (i.e. Champion and Reserve Champion) in a championship class for Show Pleasure – Three-Gaited, Five-Gaited, and Driving; Country Pleasure – Three-Gaited and Driving; Park – Three-Gaited at the 2008 World's Championship Horse Show shall be eligible to compete in the same section in 2009 for which the championship class was held, provided that such horses also showed **in a minimum of six (6) classes, in three (3) or more different competitions (not including the 2008 World's Championship Horse Show)**, in the same section in which they wish to compete at the 2009 World's Championship Horse Show, either under saddle or in harness during the period beginning July 1, 2008, and ending June 30, 2009.

7. Inasmuch as qualifying for the 2009 Kentucky State Fair may result from participation in competitions not sanctioned by the USEF and thereby not subject to the USEF Drugs and Medications program, in addition to the random drug testing that entrants in the 2009 Kentucky State Fair are subject to, all qualifying and Championship classes at the 2009 Kentucky State Fair in the Pleasure and Park sections will be subject to mandatory drug testing in conjunction with the USEF Drugs and Medications program.

8. The Kentucky State Fair World's Championship Horse Show is a member of the USEF, and is therefore subject to all USEF rules and regulations.

9. The Kentucky State Fair reserves the right to make a determination to exclude a class from inclusion that does not qualify as an American Saddlebred competition, such as any of the following: "open English pleasure"; "pleasure prospect"; "open to all breeds"; "show/country" (without designating one or the other); "pleasure"; or any class other than Park section classes in which a professional trainer is permitted to show a horse.

10. The Kentucky State Fair World's Championship Horse Show reserves to itself, without limitation, the sole and unconditional right to interpret any questions or dispute with regard to the interpretation of the above, including any ancillary questions, without further recourse, and its decision shall be final.