



ASHA Star Show Frequently Asked Questions

ASHA Star Shows were created in 2020 to bring organization and benefits to shows that are unaffiliated with the United States Equestrian Federation. ASHA Star Shows will offer a consistent set of guidelines, along with additional marketing support. Shows will be eligible for the ASHA Horse Show Grant program and be able to participate in ASHA awards programs, ASR CH Points program and be able to qualify for the World's Championship Horse Show.

Question: How do you become a Star Show?

When a show fills out the ASHA Horse Show Application they will check a box for USEF Licensed Competition, USEF Lite Competition or ASHA Star Show. If a show is not a USEF or USEF Lite competition the show will automatically default to an ASHA Star Show, which were known as Open Shows before 2020. The ASHA Horse Show Application can be found at this link: <https://www.asha.net/media/680401/2020-asha-horse-show-application.pdf>.

Question: How much does it cost to be a Star Show?

Starting in 2020, all shows (USEF, USEF Lite and ASHA Star Show) are required to pay the \$50 ASHA Horse Show Application fee. 100% of that fee goes into the ASHA Horse Show Grant program. There is no additional fee required to become an ASHA Star Show.

Question: Do USEF and USEF Lite competitions have to be a Star Show?

USEF and USEF Lite competitions are two of the three options available for ASHA shows, with ASHA Star Show being the third option. USEF and USEF Lite competitions cannot be an ASHA Star Show.

Question: What ASHA awards programs are available?

At shows that fill out the ASHA Horse Show Application and pay the \$50 fee all participants are eligible to accumulate points for ASHA High Point Awards, ASHA National Pleasure Horse Awards and ASHA State Pleasure Awards. You must be a member of ASHA to be eligible for the ASHA awards programs.

Question: How many CH points can I accumulate?

At shows that fill out the ASHA Horse Show Application and pay the \$50 fee all horses are eligible to accumulate CH points for the ASR Saddlebred Record program. Each type of show (USEF, USEF Lite and ASHA Star Show) has different criteria for earning CH points.

USEF Shows accumulate CH points at full value. That means 1 point for a win in a qualifying class of at least 6 horses; 2 points for a win in a championship class with at least 4 horses and 1 point for a reserve in a championship class with at least 4 horses.

USEF Lite Shows accumulate CH points at half the value of USEF shows. That means 1/2 point for a win in a qualifying class of at least 6 horses; 1 point for a win in a championship class with at least 4 horses and 1/2 point for a reserve in a championship class with at least 4 horses.

ASHA Star Shows accumulate CH points at half the value of USEF shows with a maximum number of 3 points allowed from Star Shows. That means 1/2 point for a win in a qualifying class of at least 6 horses; 1 point for a win in a championship class with at least 4 horses and 1/2 point for a reserve in a championship class with at least 4 horses.

Question: What about qualifying for the World's Championship Horse Show?

Only shows that fill out the ASHA Horse Show Application and pay the \$50 fee are eligible to qualify for the World's Championship Horse Show. This includes USEF, USEF Lite and ASHA Star Show competitions only. No other types of shows qualify.

Question: Do I have to be an USEF or ASHA member to show at a Star Show?

You do NOT need to be a USEF or ASHA member to show at ASHA Star Show or USEF Lite competitions. You WILL need to be a USEF and ASHA member to show at USEF competitions. Also, you WILL need to be an ASHA member if you want to participate in the ASHA awards programs.

Question: What rules do shows have to follow?

ASHA Star Show competitions follow USEF Saddlebred Breed Rules which supersede all other rules. All ASHA shows (USEF, USEF Lite and ASHA Star Show) must submit the ASHA Horse Show Application and \$50 fee at least one month before the show. Results must be submitted to ASHA within ten days of the last day of competition. Shows must enforce the Safe Sport suspended/banned list. Safe Sport training is only required at USEF licensed competitions.

Question: What about the ASHA Horse Show Grant Program?

All ASHA shows are eligible to receive a grant through the ASHA Horse Show Grant Program, which is funded by the \$50 Horse Show Application fee. ASHA accepts grant applications through March 31. If a show is awarded a grant the \$50 Horse Show Application fee will either be waived or reimbursed. The ASHA Horse Show Grant Application can be found at this link <https://www.asha.net/media/680335/2020-asha-horse-show-grant-application.pdf>.