

2022 RULE CHANGES APPROVED – July 10, 2021 – *Changes in Bold*

MAKE DATE OF DETERMINATION OF JUNIOR AGE CONSISTENT

SECTION 1 – GENERAL

A. Membership

1. Any person interested in the purposes of this organization may be eligible for membership upon proper application and payment of the required dues.
 - a. Yearly Membership
 - (1) Adult Competing Membership: Any person 18 years of age or over.
 - (2) Junior Competing Membership: Any person under the age of 18 as of the beginning of the ride year.
 - (3) Family Competing Membership: A household of one or two adults and children under the age of 18 as of **January 1 the beginning of the ride year.**

CORRECT REGION DEFINITIONS

SECTION 1 – GENERAL

B. Regions

1. There are presently six regions. Others will be established as needed.
 - c. Region 3: Colorado, Montana, New Mexico, Utah, Wyoming, Alberta, ~~and~~ Saskatchewan **and Northwest Territories.**
 - e. Region 5: Alabama, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Indiana, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan (excluding the upper peninsula), Mississippi, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, **Newfoundland,** Labrador, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Ontario, Prince Edward Island and Quebec.
 - f. Region 6: Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan (upper peninsula only) Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin, Manitoba and **Northwest Nunavut** Territories.

ALLOW MEMBERSHIP IN MULTIPLE REGIONS

SECTION 1 – GENERAL

B. Regions

5. If the domicile and residence of the horse/rider are in different regions, or if the rider desires to compete in ~~a region~~ **one or more regions** other than that of the domicile, the rider must inform the NATRC Executive Director ~~of in~~ which region(s) the rider is competing at the time of the first ride in said region(s). **Neither a horse nor a rider may compete for regional points in more than one region in any year. A horse or rider may compete for regional points in more than one region in any year if rider pays membership dues for the additional region(s).**

SECTION 9 - AWARDS

B. Annual Awards

1. General

- j. In order to qualify for annual **national** awards, the competing horse or rider must have completed at least three rides of any ride type in their designated region(s). See Section 10 for Region 1A requirements. **In order to qualify for annual regional awards, the competing horse or rider must be a member of that region and have completed at least three rides of any ride type in that region.**

CLARIFY LIMITATIONS FOR NOVICE DIVISION

SECTION 4 – DIVISIONS, CLASSES AND ELIGIBILITY

A. Divisions

2. Novice

e. Limitations

- (5) Horse and rider combinations having won a National Championship or placed 3rd or higher in the NATRC annual high point awards (excluding regional awards) in any class **in Open or Competitive Pleasure** in any previous year are ineligible to compete in the Novice division except by participating Distance Only.

CLARIFY LEG PROTECTION ALLOWED IN DO AND LEISURE

SECTION 4 – DIVISIONS, CLASSES AND ELIGIBILITY

C. Distance Only (DO) (not in competition)

3. Horses may participate with or without boots (e.g. splint boots, bell boots) ~~and/or the use of any temporary types of hoof protection.~~

SECTION 5 – THE RIDE

E. Hoof Protection/ Leg Protection

4. Horses in the Leisure Division may compete with or without boots (e.g. splint boots, bell boots) ~~and/or the use of any temporary types of hoof or leg protection.~~

SECTION 6 – JUDGING

D. Leisure Division. Horses will be evaluated on trail ability and manners. Riders will be evaluated on equitation and partnership with the horse. Safety may be scored.

5. Horses in the Leisure Division may compete with or without boots (e.g. splint boots, bell boots) ~~and/or the use of any temporary types of hoof or leg protection.~~