



AQHA STEWARD CODE OF ETHICS

Designation as an AQHA-approved Steward is a privilege, bestowed to individuals whose equine expertise and personal character merit the honor. In carrying out our role of providing service to the American Quarter Horse industry, we recognize the need to do so in a professional manner, and to deal with the public and our colleagues with integrity.

By signing below, I agree to the following:

- To ensure that the welfare of the American Quarter Horse is paramount and that every American Quarter Horse shall at all times be treated humanely and with dignity, respect and compassion.
- To uphold AQHA rules and guidelines according to the AQHA Handbook, pertaining to inhumane treatment and the welfare of the horse.
 - Policy Statement, pages 2 - 5
 - Violation Sections, 100, 200 and 300
 - Show Rule, SHW205
- To uphold AQHA rules pertaining to unsportsmanlike conduct.
 - VIO220
- To monitor show grounds for inhumane treatment and unsportsmanlike conduct
- To have the conviction to discuss and dissuade inhumane treatment and unsportsmanlike conduct with individuals engaging in such conduct.
- To report inhumane treatment and unsportsmanlike conduct to show management and AQHA per AQHA Steward Reporting guidelines.
- To adhere to the professional standards of the AQHA and at all times, act in a professional manner.
- To be courteous and to steward with a positive attitude.
- To not accept any sort of remuneration, consideration, or anything of value that constitutes a bribe in the furtherance of stewarding duties.
- To promptly report to the Senior Director of Judges or Senior Director of Breed Integrity and Animal Welfare any attempt by third parties to bribe me or otherwise influence me in the furtherance of my stewarding services.
- To report any information regarding bribes or illegal persuasion of show officials, whether directed toward me or other officials.
- To instill confidence among exhibitors and the public in the American Quarter Horse industry, avoiding any action conducive to discrediting it or membership in the American Quarter Horse Association.

I understand and agree that designation as an AQHA Steward is a privilege and not a right. I further understand and agree that such designation is revocable by AQHA without cause, notice or formal hearing.

Signature

Date

Printed Name