AQHA Professional Horsemen Application

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Mission Statement
To enhance and promote industry professionals of the American Quarter Horse Association as the premier purveyors of equine services. The association serves to foster credibility, proficiency and advocacy, through the endorsement of superior industry standards that will enable professionals to excel in a sustainable career.

Membership in AQHA Professional Horsemen is a privilege, not a right, subject to continual review of the Professional Horsemen’s Council and/or the Executive Committee. Membership in the Professional Horsemen may be terminated by the Professional Horsemen’s Council and/or the Executive Committee with or without notice and formal hearing.

By becoming a member of AQHA Professional Horsemen, such member understands that the equine industry and clients expect a higher standard of conduct. As such, member understands and agrees that AQHA has the right to investigate complaint(s) regarding a member’s alleged conduct. Further, such member must cooperate in the investigation and abide by decisions concerning application approval and revocation of membership.

The undersigned does hereby waive any right he/she may have to require disclosure to him/her by AQHA of any information obtained to evaluate him/her as a Professional Horseman, agreeing that the accuracy of information concerning the undersigned’s character, reputation and horsemanship abilities is paramount to his/her disclosure rights, if any.

Applicant’s Signature: ___________________________ Date: ______________

AQHA Professional Horsemen Code of Ethics

We, the members of the American Quarter Horse Association of Professional Horsemen in carrying out our role of providing service to the American Quarter Horse industry, recognize the need to do so in a professional manner, and to deal with the public and our colleagues with the highest degree of integrity. Therefore, we have set forth the following creed which shall govern our endeavors to fulfill our obligations:

• To adhere to the professional standards of the American Quarter Horse Association and to work to further its goals and objectives.
• 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 conduct all business affairs with integrity, sincerity and accuracy in an open and forthright manner.
• To act with integrity in financial dealings with clients, other professionals and the public. In this regard, any horse shown by my spouse, client or child will be economically owned as prescribed by applicable rules.
• To fully disclose to customers the actual sales price and commissions involved in the sale or purchase of a horse.
• To not charge or receive a monetary commission, or other remuneration constituting a commission from both the buyer and seller of a horse.
• To handle our business, operations and communications (including those through social media) in a manner that promotes the positive image of the American Quarter Horse industry.
• To install confidence among clients and the public in the American Quarter Horse industry, avoiding any action conducive to discrediting it or membership in the American Quarter Horse Association.

By signing this application, I agree to be bound by the rules of application and the Code of Ethics of the Association of AQHA Professional Horsemen. I understand that in order to participate in this program, I must maintain a continuous individual membership with AQHA.

Applicant’s Signature: ___________________________ Date: ______________
MEMBERSHIPS:

- AQHA Affiliate
- AQHA Racing Affiliate
- USA Equestrian Inc.
- National Barrel Horse Association
- National Cutting Horse Association
- National Reined Cow Horse Association
- National Reining Horse Association
- National Snaffle Bit Association
- Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association
- National Thoroughbred Racing Association
- U.S. Dressage Federation
- Women's Professional Rodeo Association
- World Conformation Horse Association
- Other Associations: ____________________________________________

JUDGES CARD(S) HELD:

- American Quarter Horse Association
- US Equestrian Federation
- American Miniature Horse Registry
- American Paint Horse Association
- Appaloosa Horse Club, Inc.
- Canadian Equestrian Federation
- International Buckskin Horse Association
- National Cutting Horse Association
- National Reining Horse Association
- National Snaffle Bit Association
- Palomino Horse Breeders of America
- Pinto Horse Association
- National Reined Cow Horse Association
- World Conformation Horse Association
- Other Associations: ____________________________________________

REFERENCES: References are required from two current AQHA Professional Horsemen, two clients and a National Director. These references will be contacted by AQHA.

**AQHA Professional Horseman**

- Name: ____________________________________________
- Address: ____________________________________________
- City, State, Zip: __________________________________
- Phone: ____________________________________________
- Email: ____________________________________________

**Client Reference**

- Name: ____________________________________________
- Address: ____________________________________________
- City, State, Zip: __________________________________
- Phone: ____________________________________________
- Email: ____________________________________________

**AQHA National Director**

- Name: ____________________________________________
- Address: ____________________________________________
- City, State, Zip: __________________________________
- Phone: ____________________________________________
- Email: ____________________________________________

**Services Offered:** (fill in all that apply)

- Conditioning for sales
- Boarding/Layups
- Mare care/Foaling services
- Stallion Services
- Race Trainer
- Breaking
- Professional Jockey
- Exercise Rider
- Frozen/Cooled Semen
- Embryo Transfer
- Racing Challenge Nominated: _______ Weanlings _______ Yearlings _______ Race Age
- Horse Shoeing
- Horse Auctions/Sales
- Other

**Training:**

- Show: _______ Youth _______ Amateur _______ Open
- Western: _______ Rail _______ Reining _______ Cutting _______ Halter _______ Roping
- Cow horse _______ Versatility Ranch Horse _______ Speed Events _______ Pattern Classes
- English: _______ Rail _______ Fences _______ Driving _______ Pattern Classes
- Racing: _______ Training Center _______ Race Track
- Lessons: _______ Beginning _______ Intermediate _______ Advanced Horsemanship _______ Handicapped Riding

Do you have lesson horses available: _______ Yes _______ No
Are you a member of a Trainer/Instructor Certification Program? _______ Yes _______ No

If yes, please list the programs: ____________________________________________

Other services (please specify): ____________________________________________
HORSE SALE REFERRAL:

Do you want to be referred for horse sales?  ○ Yes  ○ No

If yes, you must complete the financial information below and abide by the following statement:

As an expressed condition to referral of potential customers by AQHA, the undersigned agrees not to charge or receive a monetary commission, or other remuneration constituting a commission from both the buyer and seller of a horse involved in the transaction in which the undersigned is representing a client in the purchase or sale thereof.

The undersigned agrees the violation of this expressed condition constitutes a violation of the Code of Conduct requiring integrity in financial dealings with clients, other professionals and the public, and shall be grounds for removal from membership in the Association of AQHA Professional Horsemen.

How do you market your horses? (fill in all that apply)

○ Private Treaty  ○ Public Sales  ○ Production Sales

Price range of horses for sale: (fill in all that apply)

○ $5,000 or under  ○ $5,001 – $10,000  ○ $10,001 – $25,000  ○ more than $25,000

Signature ___________________________ Date ___________________________

PROFESSIONAL HORSEMEN MUST MAINTAIN A CURRENT-YEAR, INDIVIDUAL AQHA MEMBERSHIP.

Are you a current, individual AQHA Member?  ○ Yes  ○ No

If so, list your customer ID # ___________________________

If not, please mark below the AQHA membership you wish to obtain:

○ 1 year $55  ○ 3 year $140  ○ Life $1,250

Please mark below the Professional Horsemen membership you wish to obtain:

○ 1-year membership $50*  ○ 3-year membership $120*

*Half of the fee will be donated to one of these programs benefitting Professional Horsemen

Please apply my donation to the following program:

○ Professional Horsemen’s Crisis Fund ○ Professional Horsemen’s Scholarship Fund ○ Professional Horsemen’s Development Fund

If no box is checked, the donation will be applied to the area of greatest need.

Would you like to subscribe to AQHA’s magazines? If so, please fill in your choice below:

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If paying by credit card, your membership will automatically be enrolled in the convenient auto-renewal program. You can cancel at any time.

○ I would not like to enroll my membership in the auto-renewal program.

Dues payments MAY BE deductible by members as ordinary and necessary business expenses; however, contributions or gifts to the American Quarter Horse Association are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes. However, donations to the American Quarter Horse Foundation ARE tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. $1 of your annual membership dues is designated for a subscription to America’s Horse, AQHA’s official member publication. Through the payment of a membership fee to AQHA, I acknowledge that membership in AQHA is voluntary and I agree to be bound by all the terms and conditions of AQHA’s Official Handbook of Rules and Regulations.

FEES SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

IF PAYING BY CREDIT CARD, PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:

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Send completed form to AQHA

ATTN: Professional Horsemen

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