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Rule Change Intent

This proposal re-organizes and cleans up the Arabian HOTY award categories and verbiage for ease of understanding. The proposal adds clarity to the Working Hunter section awards by cleaning-up redundant and unnecessary verbiage and removes the award category of Green Working Hunter to include the Green Working Hunter classes into the Specialty Hunter Award category. The proposal clarifies outdated verbiage in the Halter award category where Half/Anglo Arabian Stallions are permitted to compete in Halter classes. This proposal also changes the Arabian Western Dressage HOTY category to align more closely with the Arabian Dressage HOTY category, by splitting the AR WD award category from one combined HOTY award, into several HOTY awards based on the WD level. The Arabian Committee feels that there is ample participation in Arabian Western Dressage to justify breaking down the category into several awards and that these exhibitors deserve to be recognized for their accomplishments. The proposal splits the AR WD category into six award categories as follows: Introductory and Advanced Introductory Levels, Basic Level, Level One, Level Two, Levels Three through Six, and Western Dressage Rail to include the following classes: WD Suitability and WD Hack. WD Seat Horsemanship and WD Seat Equitation on the Rail classes are removed from the HOTY category, due to those classes being adjudicated based on the rider instead of the horse.

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SUBCHAPTER 11-F AWARD SECTIONS

GR1124 Arabian and Half/Anglo Arabian Divisions

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~~6. Award Categories. National and Regional awards will be awarded in the following categories:~~
~~English Pleasure/Pleasure Driving—Open, Adult Amateur, Junior Exhibitor;~~
~~Country English Pleasure/Country Pleasure Driving—Open, Adult Amateur, Junior Exhibitor;~~
~~Hunter Pleasure—Open, Adult Amateur, Junior Exhibitor;~~
~~Western Pleasure—Open, Adult Amateur, Junior Exhibitor;~~
~~Working Western Horse—includes Western Trail, Reining, Working Cowhorse, Cutting and Western Riding, all Ranch classes, one award category;~~
~~Hunter— Regular Working; (includes Regular Working Hunter Open/Handy/Stake/Under Saddle and Modified Working Under Saddle/Over Fences);~~
~~Green Working (includes all Green classes);~~
~~Hunter Specialty (includes all ATR/JTR, AOTR/JOTR, AATR/AAOTR classes including Horses 14.2 hands and under and Working Hunter 2' section classes, Horses 14.2 Hands and Under Open; and Working Hunter 2' Open.)~~
~~Exception: Cross Rail classes do not count for award points;~~
~~Specialty Horse—includes Park, English ShowHack, Ladies Side Saddle, Native Costume, Hunter Hack, Formal Combination, Informal Combination, Formal Driving, Roadster, English Trail, English and Western InHand Trail, Versatility, Gymkhana, Carriage Pleasure Driving, and Jumper, one award category;~~
~~Halter—includes Performance Halter (Stallions, Mares, Geldings for Arabian and Half/Anglo Arabians) and Breeding/In-Hand (Stallions, Mares, Geldings for Arabians and Mares and Geldings for Half/Anglo Arabians), one award category;~~
~~Dressage—Open: Training Level; First Level; Second Level, Third Level, Fourth Level and FEI combined Level~~
~~Amateur: Training Level; First Level; Second Level, Third Level, Fourth Level, and FEI combined Level~~
~~Sport Horse - Sport Horse In-Hand; Sport Horse Under Saddle and Sport Horse ShowHack combine for one award category. Western Dressage-Includes Open, Amateur, and Junior Exhibitor classes for all test levels and Western Dressage Suitability, Western Dressage Hack, Western Dressage Seat Horsemanship, and Western Dressage Seat on the rail.~~
~~7. Overall Grand Champion Categories:~~
~~Purebred Arabian -based on the total of all points won in all Purebred Arabian categories.~~
~~Half/Anglo Arabian based on the total of all points won in all Half/Anglo Arabian categories.~~
~~Arabian Gelding -based on the total of all points won in all Purebred Arabian categories.~~
~~Purebred Arabian Junior Exhibitor -based on the total of all points won in Arabian Junior Exhibitor classes (classes combined with amateur sections will not be counted).~~
~~Half/Anglo Arabian Junior Exhibitor -based on the total of all points won in Half/Anglo Arabian Junior Exhibitor classes (classes combined with amateur sections will not be counted).~~

6. Award Categories. National and Regional awards will be awarded in the following categories:

- ***a. English Pleasure/Pleasure Driving***
  - ***i. Open***
  - ***ii. Adult Amateur***
  - ***iii. Junior Exhibitor***
- ***b. Country English Pleasure/Country Pleasure Driving***
  - ***i. Open***
  - ***ii. Adult Amateur***
  - ***iii. Junior Exhibitor***
- ***c. Hunter Pleasure***
  - ***i. Open***
  - ***ii. Adult Amateur***
  - ***iii. Junior Exhibitor***
- ***d. Western Pleasure***
  - ***i. Open***

ii. Adult Amateur

iii. Junior Exhibitor

e. Working Western Horse: includes Western Trail, Reining, Working Cow horse, Cutting, Western Riding, and all Ranch classes.

f. Regular Working Hunter: includes Regular Working Hunter Open, Handy, Stake, Under Saddle, Low, and Modified Working Under Saddle/Over Fences classes.

g. Hunter Specialty: includes all Horses 14.2 Hands and Under, Working Hunter 2', and Green Working Hunter classes. Exception: Cross Rail classes.

h. Specialty Horse: includes Park, English Show Hack, Ladies Side Saddle, Native Costume, Hunter Hack, Formal Combination, Informal Combination, Formal Driving, Roadster, English Trail, English and Western In-Hand Trail, Versatility, Gymkhana, Carriage Pleasure Driving, and Jumper classes.

i. Halter: includes Performance Halter (Stallions, Mares, Geldings) and Breeding/In-Hand (Stallions, Mares, Geldings) classes.

j. Dressage Open:

i. Training Level

ii. First Level

iii. Second Level

iv. Third Level

v. Fourth Level

vi. FEI Combined Level

k. Dressage Amateur:

i. Training Level

ii. First Level

iii. Second Level

iv. Third Level

v. Fourth Level

vi. FEI Combined Level

l. Sport Horse: includes Sport Horse In-Hand, Sport Horse Under Saddle, and Sport Horse Show Hack classes.

m. Western Dressage: includes Open, Amateur, and Junior Exhibitor classes

i. Introductory and Advanced Introductory Levels

ii. Basic Level

iii. Level One

iv. Level Two

v. Levels Three, Four, Five, and Six

vi. Western Dressage Rail: includes Western Dressage Suitability and Western Dressage Hack classes.

7. Overall Grand Champion Categories:

a. Purebred Arabian: based on the total points won in all Purebred Arabian categories.

b. Half/Anglo Arabian: based on the total points won in all Half/Anglo Arabian categories.

c. Purebred Arabian Gelding: based on the total points won in all Purebred Arabian categories.

d. Purebred Arabian Junior Exhibitor: based on the total points won in all Purebred Arabian Junior Exhibitor classes. Exception: classes combined with amateur sections.

e. Half/Anglo Arabian Junior Exhibitor: based on the total points won in all Half/Anglo Arabian Junior Exhibitor classes. Exception: classes combined with amateur sections.