



2010/2011 Select Amateur Endorsement Application

Welcome to the Australian Quarter Horse Association. Do you know about our Select Amateur Section of the Association? This category caters for the competitor over 50 years of age and gives you the opportunity to compete in classes in a friendly way with your own age group.

AQHA Select Amateurs are offered a range of classes, provided exclusively for them, such as Hunter Under Saddle, Hunt Seat Equitation, Western Pleasure, Trail, Reining, Western Riding, Showmanship at Halter and Western Horsemanship. Not all AQHA Approved Shows cater for these events but the numbers are growing.

If you are interested in becoming part of this group and not sure about all the details, you can contact one of the Amateur Division Committee Members who will be only too willing to have a chat. Their web site is www.aqhaamateurdivision.com.au where you will be able to find their contact details.

Endorsement Fee: \$30.00 (In addition to your membership fee) or

Membership Number: _____

\$20.00 (If you are also applying for an Amateur Endorsement)

Date of Birth: ____/____/19____

Your application for a Select Amateur Endorsement must be true and correct in each detail. A false statement shall be grounds for possible disciplinary action under the AQHA's disciplinary procedure, which can include suspension, fine, and/or expulsion from membership.

A Select Amateur Endorsement application must be completed and submitted every year.

In submitting this application for an AQHA Select Amateur Endorsement, I hereby affirm that I am 50 years of age or older at or after 1st August 2010, and have not within the previous three years:

- a) Exhibited a horse owned by someone other than myself or my immediate family member*, for remuneration**.
- b) Trained a horse owned by someone other than myself or my immediate family member*, for remuneration**.
- c) Assisted in training a horse owned by someone other than myself or my immediate family member*, for remuneration**.
- d) Instructed a person in riding, driving, training, or showing a horse either directly or indirectly for remuneration**.

* "Immediate family member" means the applicant's spouse, parents, defacto partner, child of the family, grandparents, brother(s) or sister(s). Such ownership must be evidenced by the records of the Association and the certificate of registration of such horse must show as the owner by proper endorsement of the Association.

** "Remuneration" means payment of money or other consideration for a service or benefit. Under AQHA rules, prize money is not to be considered remuneration, but payment of entry fees, expenses etc, by any person other than the contestant or the contestant's spouse, parents, defacto partner, child of the family, grandparents, brother(s) or sister(s) shall be considered remuneration.

PLEASE NOTE: The AQHA Rules and Regulations state that Select Amateurs riding in Open classes can only ride their own horses or horses owned by their immediate family members.

Please complete the following:

By applying for a Select Amateur Endorsement, I agree to comply with the AQHA's Rules & Regulations as contained in the current AQHA Official Handbook, and as they may be amended from time to time. I understand that my AQHA Select Amateur Endorsement and/or Amateur Endorsement privileges are revocable. Should I, for any reason, become ineligible to compete in approved Select Amateur or Amateur classes, I have the affirmative duty to immediately and voluntarily surrender my AQHA Select Amateur Endorsement and/or Amateur Endorsement/s, and refrain from further exhibiting in any form of Amateur class. I agree that should the AQHA find, for any reason, that I am ineligible to compete as a Select Amateur or Amateur, upon request, I agree to surrender my Select Amateur and/or Amateur Endorsement immediately. I further acknowledge that for violation of AQHA rules, I may be subject to possible disciplinary action and/or fine to a maximum amount of \$5,000 together with revocation of any Select Amateur/Amateur points and awards, both of me and my horse.

I verify that I meet all Select Amateur eligibility requirements. I also verify that the horse I show in any AQHA Select Amateur, Amateur or Open class is legitimately owned by me or someone in my *immediate family. I, or the immediate family member who owns the horse that I will exhibit, agree to provide proof of legal ownership upon request by the AQHA. I am aware that a false declaration of eligibility may result in disciplinary action including fines and/or suspension or expulsion.

Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____