



# AMERICAN CUTTING HORSE ASSOCIATION

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## SUMMARY OF RULE CHANGES FOR 2022

1. Fee to protest a judge's decision raised from \$50 to \$100.
2. Rule 38M: Dress code in warm up or practice pen areas – Non-collared shirts (t-shirts) are permissible. No unsafe activities will be tolerated – specific activities will not be mentioned.
3. Rule 40E amended to read: ACHA has the right to suspend or deny membership to any person suspended from other horse associations.
4. Class limit changes: 3000 Novice Horse becomes 5000 Novice Horse, 15,000 Novice Horse becomes 25,000 Novice Horse, 15,000 NH/NP becomes 25,000 NH/NP.
5. Senior Non Pro age limit has been lowered from 60 to 55.
6. Qualifying for Championship Show will be amended to: Rider must show in the class at least four (4) times at any affiliate, ACHA produced show, or ACHA approved producer show.
7. No points will be awarded during a point year after the Championship Show.
8. Classes may be combined after the draw if a majority of contestants are in agreement.
9. Family-owned horse rule will be expanded to include more family relationships and will be the same as NCHA.
10. Membership dues for Household (family) will be raised to \$75.

The online Rule Book is being revised to reflect these changes and an addendum will be available to attach to the current printed edition.

**Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!**

