

# NYATT TEAM MAINE

## Maine Quarter Horse Youth Selection for the QH Congress Team:

### State Team Qualifications

QUALIFYING PERIOD THROUGH OUT THIS GUIDELINE IS January 1 TO JUNE 1 OF CURRENT YEAR

(A) To be eligible for the state qualified team the Youth must:

1. Attend youth meeting including all meetings at the show and one outside date
2. Participate in 50% of the Youth Fundraising events held during the qualifying period
3. Be a member of MeQHHA and a member of AQHHA in good standing by May 31 of current year.
4. Must have exhibited at the MeQHA Pine Tree Classic with the horse they intend to show at the QH Congress, during the qualifying period

### State Team Selection Process

Each team is allowed two (2) exhibitors per event. (Showmanship, Horsemanship, Western Pleasure, Hunter Under Saddle, Reining and Barrel Racing are the current events offered)

1. Any youth interest in being on the State Team must send a Letter of Intent to the Youth Team Advisor by July 1st in writing and must submit his/her list of class choices by preference and must be signed by a parent.
2. Youth who are interested in being on the state team that have sent in their letter of intent and class choices will then be put on a list. In the event it is necessary, the preference will be given to those who point better in such class per the year-end award point system.
3. The top (2) Youth will qualify for the Team in their first choice event. If there should be a tie, preference will be given to the Youth who has participated in more of the meetings and fundraising during the current year.
4. If a Youth does not qualify for his/her for 1st choice event, he/she may qualify in a second or third choice event if the youth is of the top three (3) qualifiers.
5. This system will be strictly adhered to with limited exception. If a change is deemed necessary through unusual circumstances, the change must be presented by the State Team Youth Advisor and parent, then reviewed by the MeQHA Board of Directors before any such change is made.

### State Team Policies

- (A) In the event a Youth does not participate on a team that they accepted a position on, they shall submit in written explanation of their actions concerning that team to the team advisor and the association President within (2) weeks after the final date of the event they were to participate in. Pending a decision from the MeQHHA and the Association President, this may or may not be grounds for suspension of Youth from all State Teams for a period of one (1) year.
- (B) MeQHHA will appoint a Youth Advisor to accompany the Team to the QH Congress if the current Youth Advisor is unable to attend. The MeQHA President will select the Team Advisor.
- (C) All team members are responsible to the Team Advisor. Everyone on the team must abide by the rules they set up.

- (D) Team members shall at all times conduct themselves in a becoming manner. Each member's actions reflect on all MeQHYA members and the state in general. Conduct unbecoming to the team or state in general, is cause for dismissal from the team by the team advisor.
- (E) When the team is selected, you will be competing as a team and must work together.
- (F) Any team apparel shall be chosen by the Executive board of MeQHYA and approved by the Youth Advisor and the MeQHA Board of Directors.
- (G) If the team does not fill with MeQHA members, the MeQHA Board with consultation from the Youth Advisor may allow non-members from neighboring states/provinces.

# ALL AMERICAN QUARTER HORSE CONGRESS LETTER OF INTENT

**DEADLINE:** This form must be submitted to the Youth Advisor by May 1 of each year.

(Refer to the MeQHYA QH Congress Guidelines for complete details regarding eligibility and Team Select process)

## CONGRESS TEAM ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

- Member is not required to be a resident of the State of Maine, however if qualified for 2 states must choose 1
- Must be a member in a good standing with MeQHYA by May 31 of the current year
- Must have exhibited in a minimum of 3 MeQHA pointed shows (Excluding Novice shows) with the horse they intend to show, during the qualifying period (January 1 to July 31 of the current year)
- Must attend 3 MeQHYA meetings including all meetings at shows and one outside date
- Must participate in 50% of fundraising events during the qualifying period
- Must have exhibited in a minimum of 2 pointed shows with the horse they intend to show during the qualifying period

PLEASE COMPLETE BELOW

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[ ] I have met the STATE QUALIFYING Guidelines and request to participate on the All American Quarter Horse Congress Team in the class(es) listed below

{ } I have NOT met all of the STATE QUALIFYING Guidelines and request to participate on the All American Quarter Horse Congress Team in the class (es) below:

Youth Divisions:            13 & Under \_\_\_\_\_            14-18 \_\_\_\_\_

FIRST CHOICE CLASS: \_\_\_\_\_

If I do not qualify in my first choice event than I would like to participate in these other classes if I am one of the top 2 qualifiers: (list in order of preference)

2: \_\_\_\_\_

3 \_\_\_\_\_

4 \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Registered Name of Horse: \_\_\_\_\_ Registration: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Youth: \_\_\_\_\_ AQHYA # \_\_\_\_\_

I Give permission for my child to participate and attend the All American Quarter Horse Congress as a member of the State of Maine.

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach a 1 to 2 paragraph letter stating why you wish to be on the MeQHYA QH Congress Team and how you will best represent our State and Organization.