

GENERAL RULES

1. Proof of current negative Coggins is required at each show.
2. **Year-End Awards** are based on same horse/rider combination for five shows is required for divisions in order to qualify for year end/overall awards, exception in single class awards for Equitation classes, points are kept on the rider only, and Halter and Performance points are on the horse only. (Walk-Trot Division riders may switch horses. Points stay with rider.)
3. **Numbers:** Exhibitors must display a visible number or numbers in all classes. Any exhibitor failing to display a number or displaying the wrong number will be penalized at the judge's discretion. **HUNTERS MUST WEAR A NUMBER TO SCHOOL.**
4. Plantation Acres Saddle Club, Inc. (PASC) adopts the rules of the USEF, AQHA, NBHA and NRHA as its own except when it conflicts with the rules enumerated within.
5. **Release of Liability:** The PASC and co-sponsoring organizations, if any, shall not be responsible for any personal injury, or for loss or damage to property, occurring at any PASC activity. A signed entry forms shall be deemed acceptance of the conditions of this rule. In the event an entry form is not signed or presented, appearance on the grounds or at the ring of any PASC activity as an exhibitor, handler owner or consignor shall be deemed to be acceptance of the conditions of this rule.
6. **Protective headgear:** All participants in hunter ring (both over fences and on the flat) classes are required to wear properly secured protective riding helmets **WHENEVER** they are mounted. The helmets must meet the specifications of the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM), must be manufactured and distributed by a participant in the certification program of the Safety Equipment Institute (SEI) and must bear the SEI certification label (SEI F1163 or above).
7. All entries and members agree to abide by the rules of PASC as a condition of entry. The show committee reserves the right to decline any entry or may return any fees without being held for compensation.
8. Exhibitors may advance at any time during the circuit, except at the same show, to a higher level division and in that case, they forfeit any points earned in the lower division and may not regress. Number of qualifying shows may be transferred but the points will not.
9. **Only exhibitors are allowed to sign entry form.** Those under 18 years of age need to be signed by a legal parent/guardian. It is the members' responsibility to properly complete all entry forms and to read and understand the rules and division/class specifications.
10. All **protests** filed by any person must be accompanied by a \$50 fee. Such fee shall be returned only if the protest is upheld in the favor of the person submitting the protest. All protests must be submitted in writing, signed and dated.
11. Each member must work at PASC shows or an approved function for an equivalent of five (5) hours approved time per circuit year. The work hours must be recorded by a

board member in a record book at the time the work was performed. All members who are not credited with the time at the end of the circuit will lose all points. \$150.00 may be paid in lieu of any hours not worked (\$30 per hour).

12. Ribbons/prizes/awards must be picked up the same day as awarded with the exception of an insufficient supply. All ribbons, trophies, and first place prizes will be located ringside or in the registration office.
13. PASC will not tolerate under any circumstances, any unsportsmanlike conduct, or cruel or inhumane treatment of any animal and reserves the right to expel any exhibitor, handler, trainer, or spectator from the grounds.
14. "Member's age" will be determined by a young person's age as of the beginning of the circuit year (which runs from September 1 through August 31).
15. Under NO circumstances will an exhibitor under the age of 18 be allowed to show a stallion that is over the age of one year. This includes the Leadline classes.
16. Judges will examine and check all horses brought into any class for lameness. This is essential. Obvious lameness shall be cause for disqualification. Obvious lameness is:
 - Consistently observable at a trot under all circumstances.
 - Marked nodding, hitching, or shortened stride.
 - Minimal weight-bearing in motion or at rest; inability to move.