

# **EMO Western States Championship Show**

**Open, Amateur/Select and Youth competitors**

**South Point Casino, Las Vegas NV July 2017**

**National Qualifying: Show to 10 judges at AQHA approved shows. Owner must reside west of Mississippi River. For more info: [westernstateschampionship.org](http://westernstateschampionship.org)**

## **IQHA State Qualifying Requirements for the EMO Championship**

### **Idaho State Qualifying for Youth and Amateur classes:**

Youth and amateur exhibitors in Idaho must have the following criteria in place before qualifying points can count for the 2017 show:

- The youth or amateur must be a member in good standing with Idaho QHA in 2016, judges counted will start at the date of membership paid.
- Youth or amateur must be owners of the horse qualified or must be a family horse listed with AQHA and Idaho QHA.
- The youth or amateur must be the rider of the horse and ride in the applicable youth (18 & under classes), amateur or select classes and show to 5 or more judges at AQHA approved shows, of which four must be Idaho QHA approved, and two must be held in the state of Idaho in the calendar year of 2016.
- Youth and amateurs must be Idaho QHA members in good standing in 2017 before April 30, 2017 to keep the qualified horse/rider combo able to ride at the show in July 2017.

Qualifications for the EMO Western States Championship are on a class by class basis. The youth or amateur must qualify for each class they enter into the championship round. This can be a combination of either state qualifying or nationally qualifying for each class. To nationally qualify you must show to 10 judges.

**Idaho State Qualifying for Open classes:** For a horse to qualify in the open classes through Idaho QHA the open horse (junior, senior, or all ages) must have an owner who is a member of Idaho QHA to track the 5 judges needed. The open rider must be a member of Idaho QHA during the qualifying period in 2016 and must be a member in 2017 before April 30, 2017 to be able to ride a qualified horse in the open classes in the Championship round.

Qualifications are on a class by class basis. Each horse must qualify by state or by nationally qualifying in each open class.

State Qualifying has no limit on the number of horses/ rider combos that can qualify for the EMO Championship classes as long as they meet the rules set forth above.

None of the top three horses or riders from a world show, for the last 10 years, can compete at this championship show. (Congress is not considered a world show).