



KQHYA Congress Team Requirements and Rules

1. You must be a member of both KQHA and KQHYA before May 1st
2. The horse(s) you wish to qualify with must be nominated with KQHA in the Youth division before May 1st. Please note that you must nominate your horse(s) for the Youth division; nominating for the Novice Youth division alone will not allow you to meet qualifications.
3. You must submit a letter of intent to the youth advisor by May 1st.
4. You must attend a minimum of three meetings by the end of the qualifying period. Youth meetings are held at the KQHA annual awards banquet, the PQHA Summer Kickoff show in May, the Keystone Showdown in June, the PQHA Mid-Summer Madness show in July and the Centre Hall Grange show in August. Meetings will be announced at each show.
5. You must work a minimum of 8 hours at the Keystone Showdown. If a youth is unable to work a portion of their hours, he or she may designate someone to work for them, with the approval of the youth advisor. All work hours must be documented by a KQHA board member or youth advisor.
6. You must participate in at least two fundraising events.
7. You must raise a minimum of \$100.00 in sponsorship money. Sponsorship money is due May 1st and is to be sent in along with your letter of intent.
8. You must have a minimum of 10 points to qualify for an event.

Congress Team Events

Showmanship
Horsemanship
Western Pleasure
Hunt Seat Equitation
Hunter Under Saddle
Reining
Barrels

Congress Team Selection

- The Keystone Showdown is triple pointed; all other qualifying shows are weighted equally
- In order to be selected to participate in an event, you must meet all of the above requirements and earn points by placing in these respective youth classes at our qualifying shows. The qualifying points will be taken from your top ten KQHA pointed shows. A show is considered as one judge, so double judged shows will count as two shows. The top two point-earning horses/riders that have met the above requirements by the end of the qualifying period (after the first Centre Hall show in August) will earn a place on the team. An alternate will also be designated for each class. Novice youth classes will not count toward team qualification.
- If a member nominates two horses intending to qualify both for the team, that member must meet the appropriate requirements for each horse he/she intends to qualify. ie. Duties will be assigned for each horse nominated and sponsorship money will be collected for each horse nominated. If you intend on qualifying only one horse for the team, then you only have to meet the requirements per that horse/rider combination.
- A member may qualify with up to two horses in two different events. If a member qualifies two horses for the same event, and that member meets all the qualifications for both horses, the KQHA Board reserves the right to approve or disapprove that member's participation with both horses in that event. The spirit of the team selection is to send as many youth as possible.
- The Youth advisor reserves the right to make the final decisions pertaining to the selection of team members and the events in which they would best represent our club.
- Once a member has been selected to be on the team, it is their responsibility to be present on the day of the NYATT at Congress and show in their event(s). Exceptions will be made in the case of veterinary or medical emergency, or death in the immediate family. In that case, an alternate will be substituted.
- After team selection has been made, NO substitution of horses will be allowed except in the case of death of the horse. If the member does not have a replacement horse by the entry deadline, an alternate member will be substituted.
- If a member qualifies for a position on the Congress team but does not show for any reasons other than veterinary or medical emergency or death in the immediate family, all monies provided to that member by the club for Congress expenses shall be returned in full to KQHVA