

# NOVICE AMATEUR OWNER APPLICATION

FEE \$15.00

(in addition to your membership AND regular AO fee)

Complete this form if you wish to participate in **Novice Amateur Owner** classes.

## RULES & REGULATIONS

The requirements of Rule 237A – NOVICE DIVISION – AMATEUR OWNER are as follows -  
All Amateur Owners are eligible for Novice Amateur Owner status provided they meet the criteria as set out below – **Novice Amateur Owners must be current financial PHAA members and current financial PHAA Amateur Owners.**

There will be two divisions for Novice Amateur Owner – Showmanship and Ridden Performance.  
On attaining 50 lifetime points in Amateur Owner Showmanship classes or a win in an Amateur Owner Showmanship class at a National or State Championship show, providing there were at least 5 entrants in that class, that Novice Amateur Owner will no longer be eligible for Novice Amateur Owner Showmanship events from the 1 August after attaining that level.

On attaining 50 lifetime points in Amateur Owner Ridden Performance classes (combined points from all ridden performance events, not individual events) or a win in an Amateur Owner Ridden Performance class at a National or State Championship show, providing there were at least 5 entrants in that class, that Novice Amateur Owner will no longer be eligible for Novice Amateur Owner Ridden Performance events from the 1 August after attaining that level.

Novice Amateur Owners are eligible to compete in Amateur Owner events and Novice Amateur Owner events. An application form will be completed and submitted to the PHAA for approval by the PHAA office.

The Novice Amateur Owner Division will have its own Honour Roll and Registers Of Merit will be available For continuation of other rules see over page. Please return your current A/O card with this application for notation.

## APPLICATION FOR NOVICE AMATEUR OWNER CARD

**Name:** ..... **Memb No:** .....

**Address:** .....

**Email:** ..... **Phone:** .....

I hereby agree to abide by the Novice Amateur Rules as set out by both the PHAA and the HSAA. I have read and understood the rules printed on page 2 of this application.

**Signature**..... **Date:**.....

If a **point score book** is required an additional \$25 is payable per book. Please send \_\_\_ point score books.

<b>PAYMENT</b>	I enclose cheque / money order / credit card details for \$ .....	<b>OFFICE USE ONLY</b>
Visa / MasterCard (Please Circle)	Card No: ___ / ___ / ___ / ___	Rec No.....
Name on Card: .....	Expiry Date __ / __	Date: .....
<i>Please note – Credit card payments will attract a 2.00% Merchant fee.</i>		Recorded: .....
Signature: .....	Date: .....	Card Issued: .....

**PLEASE NOTE**

Your name will be published in the next Paint Horse Journal and if no objections are received by the due date your Amateur Owner status will stand.

Amateur points will be accumulated on a one horse/one rider basis and are not transferable. Stallions are eligible. All Amateur shows may be held separate from and independent of PHAA Open classes.

Show Approval - A show and / or each approved event must be open to all Paint Horse Amateur exhibitors in good standing to gain PHAA approval. All exhibitors in amateur classes are required to hold a current PHAA Amateur Exhibitors card.

Amateur Eligibility - As per the HSAA Rulebook with the following provisos :

1. A card will be conditionally issued on payment of fees and any points earned from that date will remain valid provided the application is approved.
2. Applicants name will be printed in the Paint Horse Journal following issue of the card and will be approved if no protests are lodged within a four (4) week period after printing.
3. Protests will be heard by the Amateur Committee and if successful all points previously earned by the applicant will be forfeited.

Amateur Requirements - Every rider competing in an Amateur class must possess an Amateur card issued by the PHAA. Show management may inspect this card at any show. There shall be an annual fee for the said card. Amateur points score runs from the 1 August to 31 July each year.

**AMATEUR QUALIFICATION:** To qualify as an Amateur exhibitor with the PHAA, and individual must meet the following requirements:

1. Age. An individual is considered an Amateur exhibitor when he/she is no longer eligible to show in the Youth program. For Amateur eligibility purposes, the age of an individual as of August 1 will be maintained throughout the point scoring year.
2. Remuneration restrictions.
  - a. For a period of 36 months (three years) prior to the date of an application for Amateur status is received in the PHAA office, an applicant may not have shown, ridden, trained or assisted in training (led, ridden or driven) a horse for remuneration, either directly or indirectly; not received remuneration for instructing another person in riding, driving or training a horse; nor received remuneration for instructing another person in showing a horse in competition.
  - b. An individual may not have shown, ridden, trained or assisted in the training of a horse for which the individual's spouse, at the time, accepted any form of remuneration, either directly or indirectly, for training, assisting in training, or showing of said horse in competition for a period of 36 months (3 years) prior to the date an application for Amateur status is received in the PHAA office.
  - c. Entry Fees. An individual who has had the entry fees paid would still be eligible for Amateur status. Payment of entry fees by someone other than the immediate family shall not be considered remuneration unless entry fees were paid for service rendered.
  - d. Amateur status. Amateur status may be maintained only by continual refusal of remuneration.
  - e. The following activities shall not affect the amateur qualification of an individual –
    - i. The writing of books pertaining to horses
    - ii. Accepting remuneration for judging or stewarding
    - iii. Receiving prize money
    - iv. Having the occupation of farrier, veterinarian, thoroughbred trainer or trotting trainer.
    - v. Owning or operating a saddlery, stud or breeding farm or boarding stables.

**Rule Explanation -**

Basically the rule means that anyone who is employed by a training establishment to do duties other than riding, breaking, training, schooling, driving, showing or preparing halter horses is eligible to be an amateur.

Spouses and immediate family of a trainer are also able to be an amateur as long as they are not involved with the breaking, training, schooling, riding or showing of any of the horses the trainer is being paid to work.

If you are not being paid money for any of those tasks in the rules, but you are exchanging goods or services for those tasks you would also be seen to be receiving remuneration indirectly.

Halter preparation has been included as a professional as those preparing halter horses are being paid for their duties in the same manner someone would be paid to train and / or show a horse under saddle.

An amateur is able to show someone else's horse on occasion as long as it is for a favour and receive no reward in any way for the favour.