



UPHA Ribbons Of Service Rules For 2010 Show Season

1. Purpose Of Program. This UPHA program is designed to encourage, challenge, and reward saddleseat equitation riders who participate in horse show competitions riding American Saddlebreds, Arabians, Morgans, or National Show Horses in order to raise funds for a charitable organization that helps those less fortunate; commit to helping others through hours of hands-on community service; educate themselves and others about the needs and important work of a charitable organization such as St. Jude Children's Research Hospital; and prepare themselves to discuss how participation with horses helps riders learn the value of hard work, sportsmanship, poise, and a rewarding relationship with an equine partner. The participant raises funds for charity by soliciting contributions for each saddleseat equitation class he or she completes.

2. Eligibility To Participate. A saddleseat equitation rider of any age may participate in fundraising. Any saddleseat equitation rider under the age of 17 may compete for prizes and scholarships. Academy riders are not eligible to participate in the UPHA Ribbons Of Service program. To participate, a saddleseat equitation rider must submit the Application for UPHA Ribbons Of Service to, and receive approval from, UPHA. Each applicant must declare an equine breed affiliation (see breeds in Paragraph 1, Purpose Of Program). No person is permitted to use the UPHA Ribbons Of Service logo or name in conjunction with any fundraising activity unless that person has been approved for participation in the program by UPHA.

3. Fundraising.

Deadlines. Participants in the UPHA Ribbons Of Service program may start collecting pledges and funds on November 1, 2009 for the 2010 show season. All collected funds should be forwarded to UPHA by the 30th day of each month, with the final remittance reaching UPHA by October 31, 2010. It is the rider's responsibility to collect and forward all funds and forms to UPHA by October 31, 2010 in order to be eligible for awards, prizes and scholarships.

Minimum Fundraising. To be eligible for awards, prizes or scholarships, a participant must raise at least \$1,000.00 in sponsorships.

Sponsorships. A sponsor must pledge to contribute a predetermined amount of money to the rider's selected charity, as evidenced by the completed and signed UPHA Ribbons Of Service Sponsorship Form provided by UPHA. There is a minimum of \$10 per sponsor, per saddleseat equitation class completed by the participant. There is no maximum amount a sponsor may pledge or contribute per class. All payments must be made payable to UPHA Foundation, Inc.

Tax Deductibility. UPHA Foundation, Inc., is a 501(c)3 organization, and contributions are tax-deductible to the fullest extent of the law.

4. Community Service. Hours of community service performed must be documented on the UPHA Ribbons Of Service Community Service Form provided by UPHA. Community service hours must be approved by parents and trainers of the saddleseat equitation rider prior to the community service being performed. The participant is reminded that community service is defined as that "a person performs for the benefit of his or her local community." Some examples of community service recommended for the UPHA Ribbons Of Service program are: cleaning a park; collecting much-needed items including clothes, shoes, food, blankets, etc.; getting involved with Habitat for Humanity, American Red Cross, or a humane society; cleaning up the side of the highways or roads; reading to the elderly in nursing homes; helping out a local fire or police department; performing health assessments; helping out at a local library; and tutoring developmentally disabled children for free. UPHA reserves the right to disqualify any hour(s) of community service deemed improper or inconsistent with Paragraph 1 (Purpose Of Program). To be eligible to receive any award, prize, or scholarship under the UPHA Ribbons Of Service program, a participant must have completed a minimum of 10 hours of documented community service.

5. Selected Charitable Organization. St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, located in Memphis, Tennessee, is the UPHA Ribbons Of Service program's designated recipient of funds raised by participants in 2010. However, participants may choose another charitable organization to receive the funds he or she raises and forwards to UPHA Foundation, Inc. To request UPHA's approval to select a charitable organization other than St. Jude, the applicant must submit a short essay about the selected charity and why he or she chose it. The request must include a fundraising goal and the name, address, phone number, and e-mail address of a representative of the organization whom UPHA may contact. The request must be approved by UPHA before any fundraising can occur. Participants are reminded that any charitable organization designated to receive funds through the UPHA Ribbons Of Service program must lawfully aid in the welfare of persons or animals in need.

6. Awards, Prizes and Scholarships. Minimum fundraising amount and community service hours are required to be eligible to win awards, prizes or scholarships. An award will be given to participating saddleseat equitation riders who raise the most funds while participating in saddleseat equitation classes at horse shows; the award is available for participants in each of four equine breeds (American Saddlebreds, Morgans, Arabians, or National Show Horses). An overall award will be given to the participant who raises the most funds of all participants in the UPHA Ribbons Of Service program. In the event of a tie created by two or more participants having raised an equal amount of funds, the participant with the highest number of community service hours (as accepted by UPHA) will be selected as the winner. Awards may be accompanied by prizes and/or scholarships, which may change from time to time, and are provided by donors of the UPHA Ribbons Of Service program and UPHA. A listing of available awards, prizes, scholarships and donors will be available by request from UPHA. Scholarships will be paid according to rules established by UPHA; payments are subject to recipient's submission to UPHA of allowable expenses incurred for higher education. No prize will be given until a tax identification number is provided by recipient. Prize recipients are responsible for payment of any taxes due thereon.

7. Revision Of Rules. If UPHA finds that any revision of the UPHA Ribbons Of Service Rules For 2010 Show Season is necessary, such revision will be promptly mailed to each participant.

