

## 2017 MQHYA Letter of Intent – NYATT TEAM

### NYATT Deadline – Completed packet postmarked by June 15

This letter will serve as notice to the MQHYA, of the intent of the undersigned to participate in the National Youth Association Team Tournament (NYATT) representing the Michigan Quarter Horse Association. This letter will only apply to one American Quarter Horse. The Youth that is referred to in this letter agrees to and understands the following:

1. The Youth must be a member in good standing of MQHA and AQHA.
2. The Youth will participate in a minimum 3 MQHYA Board Meetings within the qualifying period.
3. The Youth will pay all fees assessed to MQHA by OQHA for showing this horse (stall and class fees and any other fees not covered by MQHYA).
4. **The items listed below must be fulfilled to be considered for a spot on the NYATT team:**
  - a. **The completed Letter of Intent.**
  - b. **A biography containing pertinent information for publication.**
  - c. **A photograph of good quality, for reproduction.**
  - d. **The Youth (not a substitute) must provide volunteer hours. There must be at least ten (10) total volunteer hours, with at least five (5) of the hours volunteered to MQHA. The remaining five (5) hours may be documented community service hours. In the case of a Youth who has participated on the Youth World Show Team, these hours will be reduced to two (2) hours volunteered to MQHA. If the service hours are not completed, MQHA will require a payment of \$50 per hour for each hour not fulfilled. This money will go to offset team costs and help with team fundraising.**
5. The Youth understands that there are fundraisers to offset the cost of these trips. The Youth should contact the Youth Advisor for more information.
6. For the NYATT, Youth will be chosen based on their point standings from September 1 through the Harbor Classic. The best ten (10) judges' scores will be used to tabulate the qualifying points. Any out of state youth must show at four of the MQHA approved circuits offered during the qualifying period and have an approved AQHA hardship on file with MQHA, to be considered for a position on the team. Two (2) youth will be chosen for each class offered.
7. To be fair to all Youth involved, if a Youth accepts a position on a team and does not show in their class without prior written approval of the team Advisor, they will not be eligible for participation on that team the following year.
8. Youth interested in a spot on the NYATT team will participate in the required NYATT meeting in August. The date and time will be announced.
9. If a class is not filled in the above manner, the position will be offered first to any MQHYA Board/Committee member in good standing with their MQHYA Board obligations and who has shown at four (4) MQHA approved circuits in the desired class, within the past fifteen (15) months. Any remaining slots will then be offered to the general MQHYA membership.
10. If a Youth is asked to fill any open position for NYATT, they are required to provide items #3 and #4a, 4b and 4c above. In addition, there will be a fee of \$200, which helps offset team costs (i.e. team clothing).
11. The Youth agrees to abide by all team rules supplied to them in advance of these shows.
12. The Youth Advisor and the Selection Committee may waive any of the requirements above for any special conditions that may arise from a Youth participant provided that the exception is approved by both the MQHYA and MQHA Board of Directors. The death or disability of a horse will be considered an exception.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ AQHA #: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Exhibitor NSBA #: \_\_\_\_\_ Shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_ Jacket Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Horse \_\_\_\_\_ Registration #: \_\_\_\_\_ Owner NSBA # \_\_\_\_\_

Owner of Horse: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Owner Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle classes: showmanship    horsemanship    western pleasure    hunter under saddle    equitation

Parent/Guardian Name (Print): \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

The undersigned agrees to comply with all rules and decisions set forth by the MQHA board, MQHYA board, and the MQHYA Selection Committee.

Signature of Youth \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_