

2017 MQHYA Letter of Intent – Youth World Team

Youth Team Deadline – Completed packet postmarked by May 15

This letter will serve as notice to the MQHYA, of the intent of the undersigned to participate in the AQHA Youth World Show 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 of two (2) MQHYA Board Meetings within the qualifying period.
3. The Youth will pay all fees assessed to MQHA by AQHA 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 Youth World 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. 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. The Youth will be chosen based on their point standings from September 1 through May 31. The best ten (10) judges' scores from MQHA approved shows will be used to tabulate the qualifying points. Four (4) youth will be chosen for each class offered. Two (2) additional youth per class may be selected where space allows.
7. To be eligible for a spot, a Youth must show to ten (10) judges at MQHA shows during the qualifying period and have at least ten (10) MQHA points in the event requested.
8. Any Youth who nationally qualifies in two events will be offered a state spot if they have shown to at least ten (10) judges at MQHA shows and earned a minimum of ten (10) MQHA points in the class requested.
9. 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.
10. Youth interested in a spot on the Youth World Team agree to attend the required World Show meeting in June. The date and time will be announced.
11. If a Youth is asked to fill any class where Michigan qualifying is not an option (i.e. jumping, cutting, etc.), the youth will be required to provide items #3 and #4a, 4b and 4c above, and pay \$100. This money will go to offset team costs and help with team fundraising.
12. The Youth agrees to abide by all team rules supplied to them in advance of this show.
13. 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 if the exception is approved by both the MQHYA and MQHA Board of Directors.

PLEASE PRINT

Name _____ Date of Birth _____
AQHA #: _____ AQHA Expiration Date: _____ Shirt Size: _____ Jacket Size: _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Cell phone: _____ Home Phone: _____ Email: _____
Name of Horse _____ Registration #: _____
Owner of Horse: _____ Phone #: _____
Owner Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

REQUIRED List classes in order of preference (max 5): _____

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 _____