

2019 MQHYA Letter of Intent – Youth World Team

Youth Team Deadline – Completed packet received at MQHA 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). A youth exhibiting more than one horse may be liable for additional fees. Please contact Youth Advisor for explanation.
4. **The items listed below must be fulfilled and submitted together to be considered for a spot on the Youth World Team. If items are sent electronically, please put "WST Letter of Intent, Child's Name" on the subject line.**
 - a. **The completed Letter of Intent.**
 - b. **A \$100 team fee (refundable if a position on the team is declined no later than the mandatory meeting).**
 - c. **A biography (150 words or fewer) containing pertinent information for publication, submitted in Word via email.**
 - d. **A photograph of good quality. I emailed, must be a good resolution attachment.**
 - e. **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 missing. Sponsorships for the World Show, acquired prior to the mandatory meeting, may be used to offset the service hours. See advisor for more information. This money will go to offset team costs and help with team fundraising.**
5. The Youth understands that there may be fundraisers to offset the cost of these trips. Monthly MQHYA meetings may include information on possible fundraisers.
6. The Youth will be chosen based on their point standings from June 1 through May 31 from all age youth or 14-18 youth classes. 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. Any Youth seeking a state spot must understand that they must at least share a tack stall. All tack and feed must be out of the aisle way.
12. 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, 4c and 4d above.
13. The Youth agrees to abide by all team rules supplied to them in advance of this show.
14. 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. The death or disability of a horse may be considered an exception.

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 4): _____

Parent/Guardian Name (Print): _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

I agree 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 _____