

## NCQHYA CONGRESS TEAM QUALIFYING RULES

The purpose of this team is to represent the North Carolina Quarter Horse Association at the Congress in the NYATT competition. You should feel immense pride and a sense of accomplishment if selected to participate on this team. The youth of NCQHYA have a great tradition of representing NCQHA at a high level.

### **Qualifying Dates:**

July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026

- A. Qualifying shows are all NCQHA approved shows.
- B. AQHA points will be used, and members are required to furnish, to the youth advisor, a copy of their most current AQHA printout. Level 2 and Level 3 points will be given first consideration for team positions, if there are any remaining openings Level 1 points will be considered.
- C. Two (2) team members and alternates will be selected for the following events:
  - a. Showmanship at Halter
  - b. Western Horsemanship
  - c. Reining
  - d. Hunter Under Saddle
  - e. Barrel Racing
  - f. Western Pleasure
  - g. Equitation
- D. Members are required to submit a list of their points printout from NCQHA approved shows.
- E. Members must submit their first and second choice of class in which to participate. In the event there is an open slot refer to rule I.
- F. Alternates will be selected from the next youth in line with the highest accumulated points from the qualifying shows.
- G. Should no qualifiers apply with AQHA points from the qualifying shows, team members will be determined from the NCQHA points.
- H. In the event NCQHYA is sending more than one team, teams will be chosen in order of highest qualifying points submitted for NCQHA team, and next highest points for next team, etc.
- I. In the event there is an open slot on a team, the Youth Advisor may move an exhibitor to another team for that exhibitor to participate in more than one class.
- J. Only Congress team members who competed in their event during the NYATT Competition will be allowed to participate or receive awards during the NYATT

Walk-In Ceremonies. Absolutely no mascots or alternates who did not compete in a NYATT class will be allowed to march in. This is a NYATT rule.

- K. Each NYATT Team member will have one NYATT class paid and be given a \$200 stall credit in the form of cash or debit card by NCQHYA.

## NCQHYA TEAM REQUIREMENTS

### NYATT Competition at Congress

1. Youth must be a current member of NCQHA and NCQHYA. *Points count from date of active membership.*
2. Level 2 and Level 3 points will be given first consideration for team positions, if there are any remaining openings Level 1 points will be considered.
3. Printouts must be received on or before deadlines. July 1, 2026. **No exceptions.**
4. Youth must participate in all fundraising events.
5. NCQHYA members who wish to participate on the Team are ***REQUIRED to*** sell a minimum of \$250 in Youth Sponsorships. To clarify, this means the YES Conference, Youth World, and Congress each require a minimum of \$250 Youth Sponsorships be sold.
6. Sponsorship packets along with monies **MUST** be turned in by June 1, 2026. Anyone not in compliance with the sponsorship and fundraising requirements, **WILL NOT** have their entries accepted by the Youth Advisor. **NO EXCEPTIONS** will be made to this rule!
7. NYATT team members must participate in their respective event(s) to receive their NCQHYA gifts and funding.
8. Each team member and parent of team member for NYATT must sign and return to the Youth Advisor a Participation/Commitment Agreement. It must be signed before entries are sent.

**PLEASE REMEMBER:** Youth must be a current member of NCQHYA and meet team rules requirements. Print-outs must be received by the Youth Advisor on or before July 1, 2026.

**NOTE:** Any youth Qualifying for the NYATT must also comply with TEAM REQUIREMENTS! See Team Requirements.

It is an honor to make any team that represents North Carolina at any National level event, and it is the desire of NCQHYA to allow participation as much as possible to its members. Please feel free to contact your Youth Advisor, Courtney Clagg with any concerns or questions related to Team Requirements or Rules. Her email [courtneyclagg@yahoo.com](mailto:courtneyclagg@yahoo.com) or you may reach her at 704-860-5361.

Please sign and have a parent or guardian also sign below to acknowledge the NCQHYA Congress NYATT Team Qualifying Rules and NYATT Team Requirements.

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Youth Signature

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Youth Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent or Guardian's Signature

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