

# **ASHBA Select Series Program**

#### **Mission Statement**

The ASHBA Select Series program encourages more people to show American Saddlebreds and strengthens the show horse market by adding value to our members' competitive experience and providing classes where horses of the same relative level can compete against one another and be marketed as such. These horses are not currently competing at the World's Championship Horse Show. This will provide jobs for many sound, safe, usable horses as well as an entry level for new exhibitors and in doing so, gives breeders a viable marketplace that currently doesn't exist.

# **Blueprint for the Select Series Program**

This is to establish a format of rules and regulations that can be used at all shows, in all regions. The following classes are part of the "Select Series" and can be added to any show as needed for that particular area of the country. Show management is encouraged to add these classes to the regular show schedule as any other class(es) would be. Horses that compete in these standalone ASHBA National Select Series classes will automatically be declared for the program and have their participation counted toward qualifying for the corresponding Select Series Regional Championship upon the show results being submitted to ASHBA by horse show staff. Also, as a result of our programs purpose these separate Select Series classes do not count toward WCHS or National Finals qualifying.

In areas that do not have enough horses to set up a separate class, they can designate an existing class as "Select Series" as long as it meets the criteria of the program and classes we offer, i.e. open to Amateurs/Junior Exhibitors. Shows unable to offer separate "Select Series" classes must have horses submit a program declaration form if they intend to use the designated classes to qualify them for Select Series Regional Championships.

We have also established season-ending Select Series Regional Championships to have a goal to works towards for those in the Select Series Circuit. Additional prizes are offered in those Regional Championships. Horses that have shown at Louisville or National Final in that calendar year will not be allowed to enter these Regional Championships.

# **ASHBA National Select Series Classes**

If a show is offering standalone ASHBA National Select Series Classes presented by State Line Tack these classes must be offered as listed below and will all be held under regular USEF rules and specs. It is requested of horse show management that these classes qualify for their respective division championships. Shows offering these classes do not need to collect or ask entries to submit program declaration forms as all horses that participate will automatically be declared upon ASHBA processing the show results. Shows are asked to submit an ASHBA National Select Series Show Application 14 Days prior to the start of their show.

#### **American Saddlebred**

Amateur/Junior Exhibitor Five-Gaited
Amateur/Junior Exhibitor Three-Gaited
Amateur/Junior Exhibitor Park
Adult/Junior Exhibitor Five-Gaited Show Pleasure
Adult/Junior Exhibitor Three-Gaited Show Pleasure
Adult/Junior Exhibitor Country Pleasure
Adult/Junior Exhibitor Show Pleasure Driving
Adult/Junior Exhibitor Country Pleasure Driving
ASB Country Western Pleasure
ASB Country Hunter Pleasure

# **Hackney Pony**

Adult/Junior Exhibitor Hackney Pleasure Driving Open Roadster Pony to Bike

#### **Road Horse**

Open Road Horse to Bike

# **ASHBA National Select Series Regions & Regional Championships**

The country has been divided into 8 Regions (see below) for the Select Series Circuit with championships held at selected shows. Additional Trophies/Prizes will be secured for these Championships. To be eligible for the Regional Championships an entry must have shown in (1) Select Series class at a qualifying show or declaring for the program and showing in classes of the same criteria in that region in that calendar year. Horses can qualify for more than one Regional Championship by showing in a qualifier in those respective regions.

# \*\* ASHBA will provide the trophies for all Select Series Regional Championship classes.

## REGION 1/2

Arizona, California, Oregon, Washington, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, Idaho, Wyoming, Alberta, British Columbia

#### **REGION 3**

Iowa, Missouri, Colorado, Kansas, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota

#### **REGION 4**

Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Mississippi

# REGION 5/6

Illinois, Wisconsin, Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Ontario (London)

#### **REGION 7**

Kentucky

#### **REGION 8**

Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Tennessee

# **REGION 9/10**

North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia

### **REGION 11/12**

Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Maine, Rhode Island, Vermont, Maryland, Delaware, Ontario (Toronto)



# ASHBA National Select Series Horse Show Frequently Asked Questions

The ASHBA National Select Series presented by State Line Tack was created in 2020 to encourage more people to show American Saddlebreds and strengthen the show horse market by providing classes where horses of a similar competitive relative level can compete against one another and be marketed as such. Horses will be able to compete in classes that qualify for Regional National Select Series Championships in regions across the country.

#### Question: How can my show participate in the National Select Series?

To participate in ASHBA National Select Series as a horse show you can offer any of our 13 standalone classes for American Saddlebreds, Hackney Ponies, and Roadsters **OR** a show can designate a preexisting class on the show bill that meets the same "Select Series" class criteria as a ASHBA National Select Series Regional Qualifier for program declared horses. If your show is interested in offering the ASHBA National Select Series Classes they must complete and submit the **Select Series Show Application** 14 days prior to the start of the show.

Shows that offere ASHBA National Select Series classes will not have to collect program declaration forms. All participating horses will automatically be declared for the program and have their participation counted toward qualifying for the corresponding Select Series Regional Championship upon the show results being submitted to ASHBA. Those shows that do not offer the standalone "Select Series" classes must collect or check to assure entries have submitted a ASHBA National Select Series Horse Declaration form if they intend to use the designated classes to qualify them for a Select Series Regional Championships. Also, the owner of the horse or pony must be an ASHBA member.

#### Question: How much does it cost to participate in the National Select Series?

There are no additional costs or fees to participate in the series other than the requirement for the owner of the horse or pony to be an ASHBA member. National Select Exhibitors will be subject to general horse show fees (entry fees, office fees, etc.) It is up to the shows discretion what that this class entry fee will be. We encourage all shows offering "Select Series" named classes to price and classify them as a qualifier for the division championship.

Question: How many qualifying classes do exhibitors have to show in to be eligible for the regional championship? To be eligible for the Regional Championships an entry must have shown in (1) Select Series class at a qualifying show or submit a declaration for an compete in classes within the region that meet the the criteria of the "Select Series" program and classes we offer, i.e. open to Amateurs/Junior Exhibitors in that region in that calendar year. Horses can qualify for more than one Regional Championship by showing in a qualifier in those respective regions.

#### Question: How do I know what ASHBA Select Series Region my show is in?

Shows can refer to the full state listing of each of the eight ASHBA National Select Series Regions for guidance.

Question: What qualifications do horses have to compete/be eligible to participate? This program is for horses not on the path to the World's Championship Horse Show or equivalent World/National Final in the same calendar year. Also, as a result of our programs purpose these separate Select Series classes do not count toward WCHS or National Finals qualifying. You can track declared horses listed by region on www.saddlebred.com



Signature:

## 2021 ASHBA NATIONAL SELECT SERIES SHOW APPLICATION

The mission of the ASHBA National Select Series presented by State Line Tack is to encourage more people to show and strengthen the show horse market by creating increased value in members show experience with providing classes where horses of the same relative level (those not showing at the World's Championship Horse Show or National Final) can compete against one another. Also, as a result of our programs purpose these classes do not count toward WCHS or National Finals qualifying. We are grateful your show is supporting this program and offering ASHBA National Select Series classes at your show.

1. SHOW INFORMATION			
Horse Show Name:	Location:	Dates:	
	- 1		
Show Manager or Contact Person:	Email:		
City, State Zip:	Phone:		
Date You Need Program Materials by :			
2. ASHBA NATIONAL SELECT SERIES CLASS RULES & PROTOCOL			
ASHBA National Select Series classes will be held under regular USEF breed rules and specs. Owners will have to compete in Select Series classes at regional shows or declare their horse as a Select Series horse in order to qualify for a Regional Championship. Owners must be an ASHBA member to be eligible to participate in qualifying and regional championship classes. Horses that show at the World's Championship Horse Show or National Final in the same calendar year as a Regional Championship will be ineligible to show at that Regional Championship. (1) National Select Series qualifying class is needed to qualify for the Regional Championship. Separate Select Series classes <i>do not</i> require entries to submit a ASHBA National Select Series Horse Declaration Form. All entries who participate in separate Select Series classes will be declared upon results being submitted to ASHBA office. All standalone classes must be offered exactly as they are written below. Also, as a result of our programs purpose these classes do not count toward WCHS or National Finals qualifying.			
3. ASHBA NATIONAL SELECT SERIES CLASSES SHOW WILL OFFE	ER		
Amateur/Junior Exhibitor Five-Gaited Amateur/Junior Exhibitor Three-Gaited Amateur/Junior Exhibitor Park Adult/Junior Exhibitor Five-Gaited Show Pleasure Adult/Junior Exhibitor Three-Gaited Show Pleasur Adult/Junior Exhibitor Country Pleasure Adult/Junior Exhibitor Show Pleasure Driving	ASB Weste ASB Hunto Hackney F  Open Roa	r Exhibitor Country Pleasure Driving rn Country Pleasure er Country Pleasure Pleasure Driving (New for 2021) dster Pony to Bike (New for 2021) d Horse to Bike (New for 2021)	
4. ASHBA NATIONAL SELECT SERIES PROMOTION			
Show Photographer: Social Media Accounts:			
Can You Hang Promotional Banners:			
Would You Host State Line Tack as a Vendor at Your Show?			
**This ASHBA National Select Series Horse Show Application Show to Recieve Promotional Support or Pro			

Date:

Print Name:



# ASHBA National Select Series Exhibitor Frequently Asked Questions

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#### Question: How can my horse or pony participate in the National Select Series?

To participate in ASHBA National Select Series qualifying classes or a regional championship you must either compete in standalone ASHBA National Select Series classes or submit a declaration for an compete in classes within the region that meet the the criteria of the "Select Series" program and classes we offer, i.e. open to Amateurs/Junior Exhibitors.

Horses who show in ASHBA National Select Series classes will automatically be declared for the program and have their participation counted toward qualifying for the corresponding Select Series Regional Championship upon the show results being submitted to ASHBA by horse show staff. Those unable compete in separate "Select Series" classes must submit a ASHBA National Select Series Horse Declaration form if they intend to use the designated classes to qualify them for a Select Series Regional Championships. Also, the owner of the horse or pony must be an ASHBA member.

#### Question: How much does it cost to participate in the National Select Series?

There are no additional costs or fees to participate in the series other than the requirement for the owner of the horse or pony to be an ASHBA member. You will be subject to general horse show fees (entry fees, office fees, etc.) which will be different depending on the show.

Question: How many qualifying classes do I have to show in to be eligible for the regional championship? To be eligible for the Regional Championships an entry must have shown in (1) Select Series class at a qualifying show or submit a declaration for an compete in classes within the region that meet the the criteria of the "Select Series" program and classes we offer, i.e. open to Amateurs/Junior Exhibitors in that region in that calendar year. Horses can qualify for more than one Regional Championship by showing in a qualifier in those respective regions.

#### Question: Can I show in multiple regions?

You can show your horse in as many qualifying regions as you want. However, only qualifying classes in the same region as the regional championship will count for that regional championship. Be sure to review the ASHBA National Select Series Regions as they do differ slightly from our ASHBA Regions.

Question: What if my horse ends up showing at the World's Championship Horse Show or National Final? Also, as a result of our programs purpose these classes do not count toward WCHS or National Finals qualifying. If you show your horse at the World's Championship Horse Show or equivalent World/National Final in the same calendar year as a regional championship you will not be eligible to show in that regional championship.



#### 2021 ASHBA NATIONAL SELECT SERIES HORSE DECLARATION

The mission of the ASHBA National Select Series presented by State Line Tack is to encourage more people to show American Saddlebreds and strengthen the show horse market by providing classes where horses of the same relative level (those not showing at the World's Championship Horse Show) can compete against one another. Also, as a result of our programs purpose these classes do not count toward WCHS or National Finals qualifying.

1. OWNER INFORMATION		
Name:		
Address:		
City, State Zip:	Phone:	
Email:	ASHBA Membership #:	
2. HORSE INFORMATION		
2. Holde III chimation		
Horse Name:		
Torse Name.		
Registration #:	Trainer Name:	
3. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION		
Rider Name:		
Select Series Division:	ASHBA Region(s) You Compete:	

#### 4. ASHBA NATIONAL SELECT SERIES RULES

ASHBA National Select Series classes will be held under regular USEF breed rules and specs. Owners will have to declare their horse as a Select Series horse by submitting this in order to qualify for a Regional Championship. Owners must be an ASHBA member to be eligible to participate in qualifying and regional championship classes. Horses that show at the World's Championship Horse Show or National Final in the same calendar year as a Regional Championship will be ineligible to show at that Regional Championship. It is up to each Region to determine if the Regional Championship qualifying classes are separate Select Series classes or existing classes. If you are only competing in separate Select Series classes you DO NOT need to submit this Horse Declaration Form, as you will automatically be declared for the program upon horse shows submitting the results to ASHBA. Reminder NO Select Series Qualifier or Regional Championship Class qualify for WCHS or National Finals. The Select Series will include the following classes:

Amateur/Junior Exhibitor Five-Gaited
Amateur/Junior Exhibitor Three-Gaited
Amateur/Junior Exhibitor Park
Adult/Junior Exhibitor Five-Gaited Show Pleasure
Adult/Junior Exhibitor Three-Gaited Show Pleasure
Adult/Junior Exhibitor Country Pleasure
Adult/Junior Exhibitor Show Pleasure Driving

Adult/Junior Exhibitor Country Pleasure Driving
ASB Western Country Pleasure
ASB Hunter Country Pleasure
Hackney Pleasure Driving (New for 2021)
Open Roadster Pony to Bike (New for 2021)
Open Road Horse to Bike (New for 2021)

Signature: Print Name: Date:



# **ASHBA National Select Series Horse Show Preparation Check List**

Is your Horse Show interested in offering stand alone ASHBA National Select Series Classes? Please review the questions below to make sure you are prepared and can fulfill all the necessary actions to participate.

#### If Yes:

- Have you filled out the ASHBA National Select Series Horse Show Application?
- Will you be able to return the application form to ASHBA 14 days prior to show?
- Have you designated how many of the 13 available classes you will be offering at your show?
- Do you check for ASHBA Membership at your horse show?
- o Do you know what ASHBA National Select Series Region your competition is in?
- o Do you need/want promotional materials from ASHBA or State Line Tack?

#### If No:

- Will you designate classes already in your schedule as qualifiers for ASHBA National Select Series declared horses for your region?
- Will you accept program declaration forms from exhibitors for applicable qualifying classes?
- Will you submit the declaration forms you collect at the show when you send in your show results to ASHBA?
- Can you check for ASHBA Membership for those interested in declaring their horse for the program at the show?



# **ASHBA National Select Series Exhibitor Preparation Check List**

Are you the owner, trainer, or exhibitor of a horse or pony that would like to participate in the ASHBA National Select Series? Please review the questions below to make sure you are prepared and can fulfill all the necessary actions to participate. \*\*Horses intending to show in a World Championship or National Final in the same calendar year of the ASHBA National Select Series Regional Championship they intend to compete are not eligible.

#### - If Yes:

- o Have you reviewed the program qualifications and class list options?
- Do you know what 2021 ASHBA National Select Series Regional Championship you would like to qualify for and compete?
- Do you know if that region is offering stand-alone ASHBA National Select Series classes for your division?
  - If yes, you must compete in a minimum of (1) standalone ASHBA National Select Series class in the region and in the division, you desire to compete at that Regional Championship. All horses that compete in standalone Select Series classes will automatically be declared for that Regional Championship and qualified for the division they competed in.
  - If no, you must declare your horse or pony for the program prior to the designated 2021 ASHBA National Select Series Regional Championship you wish to compete so we can verify your horse has met the qualification requirements for that Region.