



6-HORSE HITCH REQUIREMENTS FOR THE FINALS

HHPCS Policy #2 – For Six Horse Hitches

SECTION 1: In order to qualify for the Haflinger and Hitch Pony Championships 6-Horse hitch Finals each hitch must:

- 1 Be a current paid member in good standing of the Haflinger and Hitch Pony Championships.
- 2 Abide by all rules and guidelines as set forth by the Board of Directors and approve by the Membership.
- 3 Be one of the top six (6) hitches in total points in the year of competition.
- 4 Hitch will receive 1 point for showing in a class and 1 point for each hitch they place above.
- 5 The owner of a qualifying six (6)-Horse hitch for the finals MUST OWN at least four (4) of the horses that are hitched for the Final's class or classes.
- 6 In the event of a tie for the finals a two (2) tier tie breaker will be used, this consists of first comparing their head to head competition; if there was none then whoever competed in the LEAST amount of Qualifying shows to get their tied points shall win the tie.
- 7 A Hitch that has qualified for the "Finals" must either accept or decline the invitation to the finals within 72 hours from notification
- 8 In the event a qualified hitch declines to attend, the exhibitor with the next highest number of points will be invited and so on down the line with the goal of having six (6) hitches compete in the Haflinger and Hitch Pony Championships Final.
- 9 In the event a Hitch withdraws from the finals after acceptance and the Board of Directors determines, by majority vote, that said withdrawal was without just cause, The Board may, by majority vote, impose a penalty, not to exceed 2 years, forfeiting the hitch from competing in the HHPC Finals and forfeiting HHPC benefits.
- 10 In the event a Qualified Hitch for the finals has to decline for any emergency or reason that might arrive; it will be at the discretion of the Board of Directors by majority vote.
- 11 Only one hitch per membership will be allowed in the Finals.