

Area 6 Series

Rules and Regulations

1. The Area 6 Series (A6S) is open to NCHA affiliates and producers from North Dakota, South Dakota and Minnesota upon application and approval of the A6S Advisory Board. Application is made by verbal request to an Advisory Board member.
2. The term "affiliate" in these rules and regulations includes both NCHA affiliates and NCHA show producers that have made application and been approved part of A6S.
3. Any contest approved by the A6S advisory board to count towards A6S standings must be executed pursuant to the rules of the National Cutting Horse Association (NCHA).
4. All A6S rules shall work in conjunction with the NCHA rules.
5. There shall be an appointed member from each of the affiliates participating in the A6S to act on the A6S advisory board. This member is responsible for communication about the A6S with the members of the affiliates.
6. Affiliates participating in the A6S are to provide the A6S Advisory Board with show dates they would like included in the A6S. The A6S shows are at the sole discretion of the A6S Advisory Board. The approval of the A6S shows may be modified at the advisory board discretion, provided notice can be made to all participating affiliates. An email sent to members of the participating affiliates will be considered due notice.
7. Prior to the first approved A6S show, the advisory board will make a determination as to the approved A6S shows for that coming year.
8. All shows approved by the A6S must also be approved by the NCHA.
9. No affiliate may have more than 2 shows different than the other participating affiliates (i.e if one affiliate has 6 shows the other affiliates must have 4).
10. Standings will be calculated based on a point system utilizing the number of places paid in the class. If the class pays 2 monies, the class winner will receive 3 points, 2nd place will get 2 points, all other entries will get 1 point. A zero score does not earn points. Added money will have no impact on standings.
11. All shows in the A6S must offer all of the NCHA approved weekend classes unless specifically approved by a majority vote of the advisory board.
12. All shows approved by the A6S shall consist of the format of two NCHA approved shows and these shows shall be Saturday and Sunday shows.
13. Only NCHA approved weekend classes are considered as A6S classes. LAE classes and non-NCHA approved classes are not part of the A6S shoot-out eligible classes.
14. The A6S approval fee of \$8.00 per horse entry per A6S approved class shall be included in the stock and office charge and sent to the A6S secretary/treasurer along with the results of the show within ten days of the close of the show. Said money will be used to pay for A6S "shoot out" awards and added money as determined by the A6S Advisory Board. Failure to pay the \$8 approval fee will result in the show not counting towards A6S standings.
15. A checking account for Area 6 will be established with the Area 6 chairperson and the secretary/treasurer as signatures on record. If the A6S chooses to close, any money left in the account shall be dispersed evenly among those affiliates participating in the A6S in the previous year.

16. Pay-outs for the A6S approved cutting contests shall be in accordance with the payouts mandated by the NCHA, except for payouts at the A6S "shoot out" which shall be a winner take all format or 60/40 for classes with 2 or more contestants in it.
17. The eligibility of the horse and/or rider to enter specified cutting classes will be based on the lifetime earnings of said horse and/or rider as of January 1st of the fiscal year in which the contest is held in accordance with NCHA official records.
18. Any person making a protest on the eligibility of any horse and/or rider shall be responsible for notifying one of the A6S advisory board members. Any actions taken are the discretion of the A6S advisory board.
19. An A6S "shoot out" will be held at the end of the last A6S show with a maximum of four contestants, in each eligible class, being eligible to compete. The four contestants are determined by most points earned at the A6S approved shows. In the case of a tie in points, the number of contestants may be increased at the discretion of the advisory board. If a contestant who is in the top four in a class is unable to compete in the "shoot out", then the next highest point earner who has met the criteria of eligibility for the "shoot out" shall be eligible to take the place of the contestant who is unable to compete.
20. The "shoot-out" is not an NCHA approved show and money won at the "shoot-out" does not count towards NCHA earnings.
21. To be eligible for the "shoot out", the contestant must have competed in a minimum of fifty percent of the approved A6S cutting horse events produced by each affiliate, i.e. if there are four days of approved cuttings produced by FNG, 4 days of cuttings produced by SDCHA and 4 days produced by ND, the competitor must have competed in a total of six days of the approved cuttings with 2 of those being from A6S approved SD produced, two from A6S approved ND produced shows and 2 from A6S approved FNG produced shows.
22. To be eligible for the A6S, both the owner and rider must be a member of the NCHA and the A6S affiliate that they are competing in. If the A6S is hosted by an affiliate that does not have a membership, the membership is waived for that affiliate only. Said memberships must be current at the time the points are earned in order to count toward the "shoot out" standings.
23. The "shoot out" shall consist of a clean slate format, with the contestants scoring the highest in the class being the champion of said Area 6 Series class.
24. The location of the A6S "shoot out" can be rotated from one affiliate to another on an annual basis and will be determined by the advisory board.
25. There will be an entry fee for the contestants in the shootout to cover the fresh cattle per entrant and will be determined by the A6S advisory board prior to the "shoot-out". Class order will be: 1st set: Open, Non Pro, \$25NH, \$5NH. 2nd Set: \$50Am, \$25NHNP, \$5NHNP, Sr. Youth. 3rd Set: \$35NP, 15Am, 2LR, Jr Youth. The cattle sets may be decreased to 2 based on the number of contestants participating, at the discretion of the A6S advisory board. The draw within classes is based on points. For example, open rider in 1st place, then open rider in 2nd place, then open rider in 3rd place, then open rider in 4th place, then Non Pro rider in 1st place, then Non Pro rider in 2nd place, etc.

2018 A6S INFORMATION

Affiliates/producers approved to participate in A6S:

SCHA
NDCHA
FNG productions

AREA 6 SERIES APPROVED SHOWS

April 21 & 22 FNG Productions
April 28 & 29 NDCHA
July 7 & 8 NDCHA
September 29 & 30 FNG Productions

CURRENT ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS

Chairman/Director and ND affiliate member: Darrell Parsons

Sec/Treas: Natalie Miller

SD affiliate member: Heather Sutton

FNG Productions member: Bob Janssen