

## **2025 ADEQUAN® NORTH AMERICAN AFFILIATE PROGRAM CONDITIONS**

(NRHA Affiliates in the United States, Canada & Mexico)

### Substitution Amendments Due to Postponement

2025 qualifications were based on a horse and rider combination, with the conditions stating, "Horses must be exhibited by the same rider who qualified with the horse at the ARC." However, due to the Adequan® North American Affiliate Championships being postponed for several months, the following allowances will be made:

#### **1. A qualified Non Pro, Youth or Rookie rider may substitute a horse for the Adequan® NAAC class(es) if the qualified horse is deceased or has been sold.**

- In the instance that a horse has been sold, a transfer must be completed with NRHA no later than the entry deadline for the class(es).
- For Adequan® NAAC Novice Horse Non Pro Level 1, 2 and 3 classes, a qualified Non Pro, Youth or Rookie rider may only substitute a horse that was eligible for the same class in 2025.
- If a horse is deceased, NRHA must be notified in writing so the horse may be noted as "Deceased" on its NRHA record.
  - If the rider does not enter a substituted horse, the stall deposit will be refunded (per the 2025 Adequan® North American Affiliate Program Conditions, 3. "In the event of the veterinarian certified death of a qualified horse, the stall deposit will be refunded.").
- A substitution fee of \$50 will be charged for any substitution made. Payment must be submitted to the NRHA Events office no later than the entry deadline for the class(es).

#### **2. For Mexico region qualifiers**

- Due to APHIS–USDA regulations restricting the importation of horses from Mexico, qualified members may compete in the class(es) for which they originally qualified.
- If the originally qualified horse cannot be imported, the member may substitute another horse for a fee of \$50 per horse. All other eligibility requirements for the substituted horse must be met. Non Pro and Youth riders must complete an NRHA lease to meet the ownership requirements of their class(es). This must be completed by the entry deadline for the class(es).

FAQs:

**Q:** If my eligibility changes for 2026, will I still be able to show in the class I qualified for in 2025?

**A:** Yes. Qualifications earned for the 2025 Adequan® NAAC will carry forward to the rescheduled event. For any other classes held at the NRHA Derby, current NRHA eligibility rules will apply.

**Q:** I qualified for the Youth 14–18 division for 2025, but I will no longer be a Youth member in 2026. Can I still show in the NAAC Youth 14–18 at the postponed event?

**A:** Yes. You may compete in the Adequan® NAAC Youth 14–18 at the 2026 NRHA Derby. However, you must hold the correct membership type to show as a rider. Associate and General memberships do not meet this requirement.