

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF
IOWA CUTTING HORSE ASSOCIATION
(Amended January 26, 2013)

ARTICLE I

Section 1. This Association shall be known as the Iowa Cutting Horse Association.

Section 2. The term for which it shall exist shall be for 100 years.

Section 3. The purpose of the Iowa Cutting Horse Association is to encourage the development of and public interest in livestock and ranching through the promotion and sponsorship of public cutting horse contests; public exhibition of cutting horses in conjunction with cattle and livestock; the presentation and participation of cutting horse events in other livestock exhibitions, shows and expositions; to encourage the observance of the standard rules for cutting horse contests as set forth by the National Cutting Horse Association; to assist in the election and appointment of judges and directors or spokesmen for such contests, exhibitions, and expositions; and to encourage the breeding of finer cutting horses.

Section 4. The principal office or place of business of the Association shall be the residence of the duly appointed Secretary of this Association. The legal address shall be the same.

Section 5. There shall be no capital stock and in lieu of stock certificates, membership cards, signed by the Secretary and/or Treasurer of this Association, shall be issued to all members.

Section 6. Membership cards are non-transferable.

Section 7. There will be a vote regarding the approval of shows outside the boundaries of the State of Iowa by the ICHA Board of Directors. The results of this vote shall constitute an Amendment to the By-Laws of the Association to fall under an addition to the Article 1 Section 3 or as a new Section 7 to Article 1.

ARTICLE II

Section 1. The officers of the Association shall be President, Executive Vice-President, Secretary and/or Treasurer. The President and Vice-President shall be elected from the membership at large at a meeting held as close to the beginning of the NCHA year as can be scheduled, and voted on by all members in attendance regardless of district. The Secretary and/or Treasurer is to be appointed by the Board of Directors on willingness and merits of the office on a non-voting basis.

Section 2. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Association. He shall be an ex-officio of all committees.

Section 3. The Executive Vice-President shall perform all the duties of the President when the President is absent from any of the meetings of the members or the Board of Directors of the membership.

Section 4. The Secretary and/or Treasurer shall keep the minutes of all of the meetings, keep and safeguard the records and funds of the Association, and shall be the ex-officio

secretary of all meetings. He/she shall be required to make a report of all activities of the Association and of receipts and disbursements of funds each year at the annual meeting. The Secretary and/or Treasurer shall issue membership cards or certificates; conduct, supervise, count, and record the balloting of all elections; and perform such other duties as pertain to this office, including those assigned to him/her from time to time by the Board of Directors.

Section 5. Any vacancies in the office of President, Executive Vice-President, Secretary and/or Treasurer, or Director must be filled within 30 days after such vacancy occurs by a meeting of the Board of Directors called for this specific purpose.

ARTICLE III MEMBERS

Section 1. The Annual meeting of the members of this Association shall be held as close to the beginning of the NCHA years as can be scheduled and in a place designated by the Board of Directors. It shall be the duty of the Secretary and/or Treasurer to notify the members of the time and place at least 10 days in advance of said meeting.

Section 2. Special meetings of the members and/or voting by official ballots from the card holding membership may be held at such time and place that may be designated in a notice whenever called in writing at least 30 days in advance direction of the President, or by a majority of the Board of Directors, or by a signed notice of not less than 20% of the membership of the members in good standing.

Section 3. 20% of the paid membership, as of 30 days after the annual meeting, shall constitute a quorum at any meeting and a majority of such a quorum shall decide any question that may arise from any meeting. Any membership meetings may be adjourned from day to day and time to time until said quorum appears.

Section 4. Each membership is entitled to 1 vote. There shall be no proxy votes in this Association.

Section 5. The order of business at any meeting of the members shall be: Roll call, proof of due note, readings and disposal of minutes, report of officers and directors, election, unfinished business, new business, adjournment.

ARTICLE IV DIRECTORS

Section 1. There shall be eight District members of the Board of Directors and they shall manage the affairs of the Association. For the purpose of electing Directors in this Association, the state of Iowa shall be divided into four districts and each district shall elect 2 directors. As of the date of organization, the members of each District shall elect one (1) director for a one year term and one (1) director for a two year term. The boundaries of District 1 are as follows: on the North, the Iowa State Border; on the West by the Iowa State Border; on the South by Highway 30; and on the East by Highway 69. District 2 shall have the following boundaries: on the North side by the Iowa State Border; on the East by the Iowa State Border; on the South by Highway 30; and on the West by Highway 69. District 3 shall be bounded: on the North by Highway 30; on the East by Highway 69; on the West by the Iowa State Border; and on the South by the Iowa State Border. District 4 shall have the following boundaries: on the North by Highway 30; on the West by Highway 69; and on the East and South by the Iowa State Borders. Directors

from each district shall be elected by the members of each district that are present at the annual meeting.

Section 2. In addition to the District Directors there shall be two (2) Directors-at-Large elected by the general membership.

Section 3. In the event that there is not enough membership in a District to provide for two Directors, the vacancy may be filled by appointment of a Director-at-Large by the Board of Directors. The term of the special director shall be for one year or until the next general membership meeting.

Section 4. The retiring President is to be held on as an ex-officio member of the Board until his replacement is replaced.

Section 5. Things not covered within the ICHA Constitution and By-Laws and/or ICHA Rules and Regulations or the NCHA Rules are covered by Robert's Rules of Order.

ARTICLE V MEMBERSHIP, DUES, ETC.

Section 1. Membership in the Iowa Cutting Horse Association shall be open to all persons interested in cutting horses.

Section 2. Individual memberships are \$30.00. Family memberships are available at an increase in fee of \$5.00. Family memberships include the member, this member's spouse, and minor children who are single and not more than 18 years of age on January 1 of the year in which the contest is held. Family memberships should list each individual name with the Secretary and/or Treasurer. Memberships are due by April 1, but will be accepted until the close of the current year's show season with the ICHA Association rights and privileges and the year end award standings starting after the membership dues have been paid.

Section 3. All membership fees and dues shall be paid to the Secretary and/or Treasurer.

Section 4. The fiscal year of this organization shall be January 1 to December 31 of each year.

Section 5. Members only will be issued membership cards.

Section 6. In order for a horse to be eligible for any points, awards or any other benefits offered by or sponsored by the Association, both the owner(s) and the rider(s) must be members in good standing of the Association.

ARTICLE VI AMENDMENTS

Section 1. Any By-Laws may be repealed, modified, or amended, and the By-Laws may be adopted at regular or special meetings of the members of this Association if 30 days notice is given to the members specifying such items of business to come before the meeting. Any changes are to be submitted to the Secretary and/or Treasurer before the annual meeting.