



# New to 2026 Leaderboard Season

## Show Horse & Showman Leaderboard

The Show Horse & Showman Leaderboard recognises riders competing in both Show Horse and Showman disciplines throughout the leaderboard season. Points earned in eligible classes are combined to determine the overall leaderboard standings within each age group.

### 1. Purpose of Show Horse & Showman Leaderboard

The leaderboard aims to:

- Encourage rider participation across both Show Horse and Showman classes.
- Reward consistent performance throughout the season.
- Provide a transparent, fair, and easy-to-understand points system.
- Celebrate rider achievement at all levels—lead line to young adult competitors.
- Encourage riders to participate in a variety of events

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### 2. Eligible Classes

Points are awarded for rider placings from 1st to 6th in the following:

- Show Horse Rider Classes
- Showman Classes (including jumping and non-jumping Showman events)
- Official and Unofficial Competitors

Points are awarded for rider Champion and Reserve Champion in all the Hack classes (Show Hack, Show Hunter, Show Hunter Ponies)

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### 3. Age Groups

Riders are ranked only within their age group, regardless of the height of their horse/pony or the level of the event.

Age categories for the 2026 season:

- **Lead Line**
- **10 years & under**
- **11–14 years**
- **15–17 years**
- **18–24 years**
- **Open & Adult Riders**



## All Phase Showman Events

For multi-phase Showman competitions:

- Points are based on the rider's age group, *not* the height or difficulty level of the phase.
  - Points will be allocated for all eligible classes, regardless of whether the event is run as a Jumping or Non-Jumping Competition.
  - Riders in mixed-age classes are still eligible for points. Even if they compete against riders who are younger or older, their placing will be converted to their correct age group.
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## 4. Placing Points

Leaderboard points are awarded per event for places 1st through 6th in all eligible classes.

1st= 6 points, 2nd= 5 points, 3rd= 4 Points, 4th= 3 points, 5th= 2 points, 6th= 1 points

Additional points are awarded for horse/pony Champion and Reserve results where applicable.

Champion Receives = 2 points

Reserve Champion Receives = 1 Point

### Key Points:

- Both official and unofficial classes count and accrue the same number of leaderboard points.
  - Points are allocated to the rider and horse combination by age.
  - Riders competing in mixed-age classes remain eligible for points. Placing will not be altered based on age, riders will receive points for the placing they earn, regardless of the ages of the other competitors.
  - All classes, regardless of level or height will have points allocated to the horse and rider combination under the rider's correct age category.
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## 5. Leaderboard Calculation

A rider's overall leaderboard score is the combined total of:

- Show Horse rider class points
- Showman class points (by age)
- Any earned Champion/Reserve bonus points

All points earned throughout the season contribute to the rider's final ranking in their age group

## 2026 Leaderboard

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Classes	Age Group
Rider	Open/Adult Riders
Rider	18 - 24 years
Rider	15 - 17 years
Rider	11 - 14 years
Rider	10 & Under
Rider	Leadline

For all further clarification or guidance, please refer to the 2026 Sports Leaderboard Terms and Conditions

