WISCONSIN HORSE COUNCIL
2027 SHOW JUDGE OF THE YEAR
Nomination Form

Sponsored by the Wisconsin Horse Council, Inc. in cooperation with the Midwest Horse Fair®, the Judge of the Year award is an annual award based on contributions to Wisconsin's equine industry as a show judge.

Requirements to be nominated for WHC Judge of the year:

- Nominee must be a Wisconsin Horse Council certified judge
- Nominee must be 25 years old or older
- Nominee must be a Wisconsin Horse Council member at the time of nomination
- Nominee must be a Wisconsin resident
- A completed nomination form sent to the Wisconsin Horse Council office is required

Clubs, associations, or individuals may submit nominations. Self-nominations are not accepted.

I/We would like to **nominate** the following judge to be honored as the 2027 WHC Show Judge of the Year:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Daytime Phone: (_____)_____ Evening Phone: (_____)_____

E-mail address: _____

Name & address of nominee's local newspaper (and e-mail, if known): _____

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A plaque of recognition will be presented to the winner at the Wisconsin Horse Council Awards Ceremony on Sunday, April 18, 2027 during the Midwest Horse Fair® at the Alliant Energy Center in Madison WI.

Nominated by:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Daytime Phone: (_____)_____ Evening Phone: (_____)_____

E-mail address: _____

Please complete this **2-page nomination form** and return it to our office in Columbus. Only fully completed forms will be considered for this award. You may mail, fax, or send it electronically as a Word document. Handwritten forms need to be legible. You **may include 1 additional page of information** with a completed form.

Nominations must be postmarked no later than December 1, 2026.

Mail to: Wisconsin Horse Council
Attn: Awards Committee
PO Box 72
Columbus, WI 53925

phone: 920-623-0393
e-mail to: info@wisconsinhorsecouncil.org
subject: Awards Nomination

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Nominee name _____

1. Is the nominee a Wisconsin resident? _____
2. Is the nominee 25 years or older? _____
3. Is the nominee a current member of Wisconsin Horse Council (WHC)? _____
4. Does the nominee hold a current WHC Judge Card? _____
5. What other Judge Cards does the nominee hold? _____

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6. Is the nominee a competitor and/or trainer as well as a judge? _____

   _____ competitor _____ trainer (check one or both or none)

Please consider if your nominee possesses the attributes of a good show judge – someone who adheres to the standards of honest and fair judging and thereby raises the overall perception and quality of the equine show industry.

You may include narrative from personal experiences with the nominee and/or examples of what you think make this individual an outstanding judge and how he/she is worthy to be Show Judge of the Year.

Think about the following characteristics when nominating someone as Show Judge of the Year and try to give examples of why you think this person will make a great candidate for this award.

- Does this individual possess a working knowledge of breed and discipline rules and standards?
- Does this individual strive to improve their judging knowledge through continuing education?
- Does this individual practice what is considered good ethics (or ethical behavior) both in his/her professional and personal life?
- Does this individual exhibit good sportsmanship as a judge and/or competitor?
- Does this individual contribute to the quality of open show judging in Wisconsin? How?
- Does this individual engage in activities outside of judging to help people improve their show skills and become better competitors? What type of activities?