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RIDE WISCONSIN
2027 TRAIL RIDING / DRIVING AWARD PROGRAM

The Wisconsin Horse Council (WHC) Trails Committee sponsors a trail riding / driving program to reward equestrians for enjoying trail riding throughout the year. The intention of the program is to ride and enjoy the many trails in Wisconsin and throughout the country.

Program Guidelines

1. Ride Wisconsin is open to anyone, including non-Wisconsin residents, who are members of Wisconsin Horse Council.
   - If not currently a member, sign up when applying for the Ride Wisconsin program. Application forms and log sheets are available at www.wisconsinhorsecouncil.org, can be emailed in a Word or Adobe Acrobat format, or mailed to participants.
2. Participation in the program is easy and based on hours spent trail riding or driving. The program provides equal opportunity for all participants regardless of riding/driving speed.
3. Logging of hours begins the date the application and paid fees have been received at the Wisconsin Horse Council office and current membership is confirmed. Hours cannot be logged retrospectively.
4. Hours ridden/driven must be logged on a Wisconsin Horse Council official program form. Log sheets are available at www.wisconsinhorsecouncil.org, can be emailed in a Word or Adobe Acrobat format, or mailed to participants. Additional copies maybe printed by participants as needed.
5. Hours logged are for the rider, not the horse or mule. Multiple horses or mules can be Ridden/driven, and participants do not need to own the animal
6. The purpose of the Ride Wisconsin program is to encourage and reward riders for experiencing trail riding. Hours may be accumulated any time participants trail ride or drive anywhere in Wisconsin or out-of-state. Activity needs to be classified as "trail-type" riding/driving.
   - Clarification: Hours may include riding/driving on public trails. Hours may not include riding in an arena or round pen either indoors or outdoors, schooling or training for any type of show, or participation in trail challenge competitions.
   - Competitive distance and endurance riders are eligible, and may include hours logged while competing as long as you are on trails.
     If in doubt contact the Program Manager.
7. Ride Wisconsin is based on the honor system. No proof of hours is required. Any person knowingly falsifying information will automatically be disqualified. No refund of program fees will be issued and future enrollment requests will be denied.
8. Completed log sheets should be submitted to the Wisconsin Horse Council office by January 1 of the following year. Any log sheets received after January 31 of the following year will not qualify.
9. Hours are cumulative from year to year. Awards or recognition will be given at the following Milestone hours: 75, 125, 250, 500, 750, 1000 and every 500 hours thereafter (1500, 2000, 2500, etc.)

BONUS HOURS! Hours you spend working on trails may be counted on your log sheet! **For every hour you volunteer to work on public equine trails, you earn 1.5 hours in the Ride Wisconsin program!**
Contact an officer from the organization that maintains the trail system for a signature on your trail work sheet. There is no limit to the number of hours you may work on trails.
*Suggestions for trail work will be posted on the website

Awards

1. Hour milestone awards will be available for pick up during Midwest Horse Fair the following April at the trail booth. If award winners are not able to attend the MHF, they should make arrangements with someone to pick up their award. Awards not picked up at the MHF will be left at the Wisconsin Horse Council office in Columbus for pick up at a later date. Shipping costs are not included with awards.
2. Names of milestone achievers may be used in various WHC promotional materials. Pictures may also be featured when available.

Cost

1. Ride Wisconsin fees are $15 per year, per participant.
2. Ride Wisconsin fees are intended to cover the cost of the program only. This is not a fundraiser for the WHC.

Join today and begin accumulating hours to earn recognition.

Questions or comments:
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