

# What is Sport Horse in Hand?

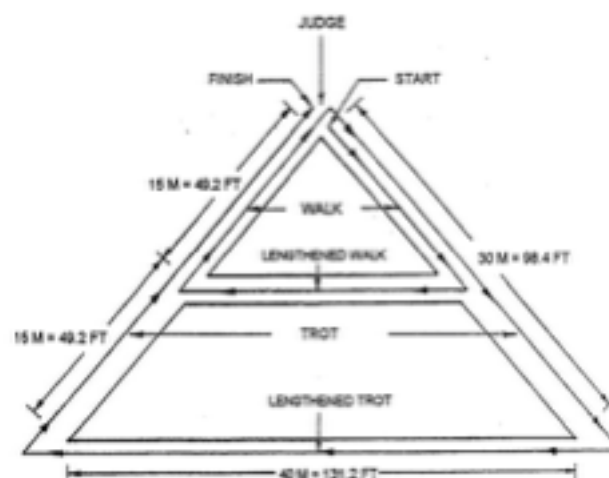
In a Sport Horse in Hand (SHIH) class, your horse's conformation is evaluated in terms of potential trainability, potential performance and predisposition to soundness. Form to function is emphasized. Blemishes are not to count unless resulting from conformation faults. Gaits are to be evaluated in terms of purity, quality and correctness. Correct gaits which contribute to ease in training and the horse remaining sound and useable are most important.

Horses are shown on the triangle and are scored individually. You will first present your horse to the judge at the point of the triangle. When the judge is ready, you will walk your horse around the small triangle and then trot around the large triangle. You will then present your horse again and leave the arena when asked.

One handler may show multiple horses within the same class. Horses over 3 years old must show in a dressage or hunter type bridle. Horses aged two years may be shown in a bridle (as listed above), or a plain leather stable halter. Horses under age two years must be shown in a plain leather stable halter. Conservative casual attire is recommended for the handler.

Arabian and HA/AA classes will be scored on this card: [https://www.arabianhorses.org/.content/judges-stewards/js-docs/SportHorse\\_InHand\\_Individual\\_Score.pdf](https://www.arabianhorses.org/.content/judges-stewards/js-docs/SportHorse_InHand_Individual_Score.pdf)

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**Join us at our Beat the Heat Show July 14th & 15th, 2018 in Melville, SK to give Sport Horse in Hand a try!**

Our goal at the PAWWSHA Beat the Heat show is for everyone to have fun and try something new! Other classes offered include Western and English Dressage, Western Suitability Halter, Trail (Western, English, and In-Hand), Reining, Western Horsemanship, Ranch Riding, Western Riding, Sport Horse Show Hack, Sport Horse Under Saddle, and English Equitation.

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