

# POAC Rule Change Proposal Form

1. Proposed Change (select only one):  
\_\_\_\_ Add new rule  
\_\_\_\_ Delete existing rule Reference Rule as it appears in the Current Official Handbook & Subsequent Supplements: Rule # \_\_\_\_\_ Page# \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_ x Change existing rule Reference Rule as it appears in the Current Official Handbook & Subsequent Supplements: Rule # 9 Page# 25-35  
2. Proposed Effective Date: \_\_\_\_ x January 1, 20 22 Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
3. Is this proposal changing a rule that was implemented within the last two years: Y (N)  
4. Explain why this rule change is needed: (Use attachments if needed)  
Currently, there are no timelines for our Protests. Protests can be drug out as long as the Show Committee and Executive Committee allow. Protests should be handled in a timely matter to allow corrections to be made as needed. There is also NO appeal process to our Protests. All Protests are handled at the state show committee level. There should be an appeal process to protect both the State Show Committee and the Charging party. The Charging party should also be kept in the loop during the entire process.  
5. Contact Information of person submitting/proposing change:  
Name: Rikki Clark  
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Daytime Phone: 913-302-9686  
E-Mail: ponypoa@aol.com  
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 12/28/21  
6. Writing proposed rule changes:  
a. Define the problem and develop as many possible solutions as you can by asking others for input.  
b. Choose one possible solution that appears to be the most appropriate and that fits the mission and goals of POAC.  
c. Determine if any other rules would be affected if your proposal were to be adopted, and specify the rule numbers.  
d. Submit proper wording for a proposed rule change by typing or neatly printing the exact wording being proposed. If you propose changes to existing language, strike-through the words you propose to delete. Type in bold and italics the words you propose to add.  
e. Meritorious proposed rule changes submitted with sufficient documentation and specific explanations detailing reasons for the change will be assigned to the respective committee(s). Rule changes submitted without sufficient documentation and specific explanations detailing reasons for the change will not be assigned to a committee

Return completed form to: POAC / Rule Change – 3828 S. Emerson Avenue – Indianapolis IN 46203. .  
[accounting@poac.org](mailto:accounting@poac.org) DUE FEBRUARY 1<sup>ST</sup>

## RULE 9. RULES VIOLATIONS - RIGHTS, PROCEDURES AND PENALTIES

### B. Complaints.

#### 4. Submission and Disposition of Complaints Through CEO.

##### a. Complaints for Violations of Show Rules.

If, after reviewing the complaint, the CEO determines that sufficient prima facie evidence has been presented to warrant a hearing on the alleged violation of POAC Show Rules, the CEO shall transfer such complaint to the Show Committee for a hearing conducted pursuant the procedures set forth in this rule for hearings conducted by the Show Committee. ***The CEO will notify the charging person in writing by mail or electronically of the decision to transfer the complaint to the Show Committee.*** If the CEO determines that prima facie evidence has not been presented to support a complaint for violation of Show Rules, the CEO shall dismiss the complaint, notify the charging party, and may assess against the person filing the complaint costs, including attorneys' fees, incurred by the POAC in reviewing any frivolous or unfounded complaint. ***The CEO will have 15 days from the day the complaint is submitted to determine if sufficient prima facie evidence has been presented or not and notify the charging person of the decision.***

### C. Hearing Procedures

a. Notice. The Show Committee shall provide prompt written notice to person(s) accused of Show Rule(s) violations, ***and the charging person***, and in no case provide notice less than 7 days prior to a scheduled hearing, unless by agreement between ***all*** the parties involved and the POAC, ~~or for good cause shown.~~ ***These hearings may be done in person and/or may be done virtually or electronically.***

#### b. Hearing Date

(1) ~~Where possible,~~ the Show Committee ~~should~~ ***is required to*** hold hearings within 15 days of receiving the complaint from the CEO. However, where circumstances will not permit a hearing to be held within 15 days, the Show Committee shall schedule such hearing as soon as feasible under the given constraints ***but must have written permission from all parties involved and the POAC.***

#### f. Appeal Process

(1) ***Decisions of the Show Committee may be appealed to the POAC Executive Committee in writing by mail or electronically within 15 days of the date of the decision of the Show Committee.***

(2) ***The POAC Executive Committee will schedule a hearing to consider the appeal within 7 days of receiving notice of the appeal.***

(3) ***The Hearing by the Executive Committee will follow the Hearing Procedures as listed in Rule9, C.***

(4) ***The decision of the POAC Executive Committee is final and binding on all parties.***