

## PROFESSIONAL TO AMATEUR STATUS CHANGE APPLICATION

An Amateur is defined as a person who is 18 years of age or older and who is not or has not been engaged in any activity which would make him/her a Professional. To regain the Amateur status, a former Professional must not participate in any professional activities for a period of **two full years** prior to application (for Amateur Status), i.e., 24 months, and must meet all of the requirements for the Amateur status and card. Falsifying the application for the Amateur status/card will result in disciplinary action.

A Professional wishing to regain Amateur Status will be required to complete the "Professional to Amateur Status Application", and forward to the RMHA for approval. The effective date of the two year waiting period, will begin with the date the application **was received and approved** by the RMHA. During the 2-year waiting period, the Professional will be allowed to obtain a Professional Card and show **their own horses only** (registered in their name or an immediate family member). During the waiting period, the Professional will **not** be able to show in any classes for Amateur, AOT, Novice or Youth.

For a complete list of allowable activities and rules relating to Amateur and Professional Status, refer to the current Rule Book, Section VI. General Show Rules > A. Definition of Exhibitors and Requirements > 3. Amateur, and Section VI. General Show Rules > A. Definition of Exhibitors and Requirements > 4. Professional.

If you have any questions regarding whether or not an activity would be considered professional, contact the RMHA for clarification. ..... By signing below, you agree that you will no longer engage in any activities which would qualify you as a professional according the RMHA Rule Book, and upon successful compliance and completion of a two year waiting period, will be offered Amateur Status. Once Amateur Status is granted, you are agreeing that should you decide to become a Professional again in the future, you will no longer be eligible for Amateur Status at any time again during your show career. This "Change" is only offered one time. Applicant Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date Please email application to: ExecutiveDirector@rmhorse.com. Alternatively, you may mail the request to: Rocky Mountain Horse Association, 71 South Main Street, Winchester, KY 40391 **Tentative Approval by RMHA to Begin 2-Year Period** (Forward "tentative" approved copy to SAC Chair & Applicant) RMHA Executive Director Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ FINAL Approval by RMHA to Allow Amateur Status After 2 Year Period Has Been Met (Forward "final" approved copy to SAC Chair & Applicant) RMHA Executive Director Signature \_\_\_\_\_