<u>CONGRATULATIONS!</u> Your outstanding performance at the regional has won you the right to compete at the MIHA State Championship. Please read the information below carefully it has all of the information you will need including instructions you will need to follow to have a positive experience while competing at the State Championships.

<u>DATE & LOCATION</u>: The 2017 M.I.H.A. State Championship will be held Thursday, October 12, 2017 through Sunday, October 15, 2017 at the Midland County Fairgrounds.

MIDLAND COUNTY FAIRGROUND RULES: These will be fully enforced.

- A. <u>DOGS OR COMPANION ANIMALS</u> For the first time ever, Dogs will be allowed in the <u>CAMPING AREA ONLY!!!</u> Anyone with a dog in an area other than the Camping area will be expelled without refund. NO EXCEPTIONS!!!! We are experimenting with this for the first time, please don't force us to Ban all dogs again. <u>DOGS OR COMPANION ANIMALS OF ANY KIND WILL REMAIN IN CAMPING AREA ONLY!!!!! Please clean up after your Dogs/Animals in the Campgrounds.</u>
- B. ONLY SHAVINGS & MANURE ARE TO BE LEFT IN HORSE STALLS! No straw, Styrofoam, wood pellets, artificial bedding, or trash are to be left in the stalls. Violators will be fined \$75.00.
- C. NO HORSES ON THE GRASS!! No riding, lunging, grazing or even walking your horse on any grass area. Violators will be expelled from the show.
- D. DECORATIONS: No staple or nails in barns & all duct tape & zip ties must be removed.
- E. NO LIGHTED DECORATIONS, NO ELECTRIC OR OPEN FLAME HEATERS IN THE BARNS, AND NO BLOCKING OR LOCKING ANY BARN DOORS, DUE TO FIRE HAZARDS. CAMPING AREA WATER AVAILABILITY IS VERY LIMITED...BE PREPARED
- F. NO PARKING OF VEHICLES OR TRAILERS IN UNRENTED CAMP SITES. VEHICLES & TRAILERS WITHOUT A CAMPING PERMIT WILL BE TOWED.

RESERVATIONS: The Head Coach for each team must e-mail CHAMPS@MIHA.ORG the stall, shavings, & camping reservation form to the Show Committee as soon as possible, but no later than Friday, October 6th by 9:00pm. NO Reservation, NO Stalls. Once stalls, campsite, & bedding are reserved, your team must pay for it before the first coaches meeting on Thursday. Your team will not be able to compete until all reserved items are paid for. All fees are listed on the reservation form.

STALLS: Stall assignments will be posted. CHECK THE WEBSITE by Sunday Evening before the show

SHAVINGS: There will be extra bags of shavings available, if you should need more. The proceeds from the shavings sales go to help defray the costs of the State Show, so please help support the MIHA program.

CAMPSITES: Campsites will be assigned and posted. CHECK THE WEBSITE. Anyone camping without a camping permit will be charged double. You may not hook your electrical cords into **any barn or building**.

GOLFCARTS: Golf carts are available for rent on a limited first come, first serve basis. If you rent a golf cart you will be responsible for all damages/liabilities and no one but renter is allowed to drive said golfcart.

COACHES DUTIES: Check the WWW.MIHA.ORG website for your coaches slot sheets. You will be able to download your slot sheet, print it off and either scan it to your computer and email back to CHAMPS@MIHA.ORG by Friday 9:00pm October 6th. The office will open at 9:00am on Thursday October 12th. When Coaches check in at the State Show office, you will pay for your reservations, (stalls, camping, and bedding), upon receipt; you will be given your show packet. This packet will have the rider numbers (2 each which are laminated), pattern books if ordered, programs, team ID's, camping permits. Your team will receive three team ID's. You will need your team ID to make a drop/add change in the office, request for a gate hold, or to file a protest. Any coach, assistant coach, adult volunteer, who has the team ID in his or her possession will be allowed to do official business for the team. Without the team ID in his or her possession, the individual will not be able to do any official team business.

COACHES MEETING: There will be coaches meetings on Thursday at 12:00 noon, Friday, Saturday an $\frac{1}{2}$ hour after the last class of the day. The Thursday noon meeting will be the coaches meeting before the "Timed Events." Location for coaches meetings is in back of the Main office next to the Trophies.

REGIONAL CHAIRMAN DUTIES: Each Regional Chairman will e-mail your computer program winning teams by Monday October 2nd, 9:00pm following the finish of your Regional Meet the 1st and 2nd place winners of the A, B, C and D Division, to the **CHAMPS@MIHA.ORG** Regional Chairs must also turn in the winning teams folders (include: Team Roster, Horse & Rider Registration with disclaimers, Coggins & Medical Treatment forms) on Thursday morning 10:00 a.m. to the State Show Office.

JOB ASSIGNMENTS: If Regional Chairmen could please recommend any adults to help with the show. State Show manager will consider them for placement and work position. Only adults will be considered and please have them have a high level of expertise before recommending.

ARRIVAL: Coaches and team members/families may arrive at the Fairgrounds on the following Schedule Thursday AM:

7:00 to 7:45	Region C: Districts 5,6,13,17
7:45 to 8:30	Region E: Districts 2,4,7,10
8:30 to 9:15	Region B: Districts 1,11,12,14
9:15 to10:00	Region D: Districts 8,9,18,20
10:00to10:45	Region A: Districts 3,15,16,19

Please use the gate on the South side of fairgrounds off of Airport Road, west of Eastman Avenue, there will be greeters there to help direct you to your barn location, camping and trailer parking areas. The Eastman Avenue entrance will be closed Thursday.

TENTATIVE SHOW SCHEDULE: We say tentative because it is subject to change at any moment. Our plan is to start the show at 8:00 a.m. and continue through the classes listed for that day. However, certain factors may speed up or slow down the start times for some of the classes. For example, if the show runs faster than expected, then the classes will start earlier than listed on the tentative show schedule. Likewise, if the show runs slower than expected, then the classes will start later than listed on the tentative show schedule. Other conditions may speed up, slow down, or alter our schedule as well. Please keep track of how the show is running, listen for announced schedule changes or splits, and be flexible. Your help and understanding will keep your show running more smoothly. The announcers are a convenience not a requirement. Pay attention to the class order and classes prior to yours. It may be helpful to have a coach/parent posted near the arena's to pay attention to the running of the current classes.

General Information

- If a class <u>Order of Go</u> is used, <u>Order of go</u> lists will be given to each coach. You MUST GO IN ORDER. You can switch with a fellow teammate but there are <u>NO other exceptions</u>. If you MISS your order, you MISS your class AND your SLOT is forfeited.
- Riding in covered (between barn 39/36) arena from 5:00 am 10:30pm
- Please be courteous to disciplines that have upcoming classes in makeup arenas
- No riding warm-ups during Showmanship classes. Speed warm-ups should be before or during their classes. Please limit your pleasure riding during that time.
- Riding in indoor & outside arena's 6:00 am 7:00 am
- Riding in indoor & outside arena's after classes are done for the day
- Indoor & outside arena closed at 7:00 am for arena prep, drag & set-up
- All arena / barn lights out at 11:00pm each night
- NO RIDING DOUBLE or with just a HALTER at any time
- We <u>highly encourage</u> use of both numbers on both sides of your pad during any riding classes.

Lunging Information

- Indoor and outside arenas 5:00 am 6:00 am
- Lunging in round pens all day (please 15 minute time periods)

Jumping Information

• Warm up of jumpers in the covered arena before open jump practice in the indoor arena please. See schedule for jumping.

1st Annual Sportsmanship Award

This year we have added the **Annual Sportsmanship award**. This award will be given to the exhibitor the displays the greatest amount of sportsmanship at the State Finals. Each team head coach, board of director in attendance and executive board member will receive ballot. Said head coach, BoD and executive board member can nominate anyone except those on your team or who you have direct/indirect affiliation with. So during the show please keep your eyes peeled for that one special MIHA young adult that truly exemplifies true sportsmanship. Ballots will be collected throughout the show but are due by Saturday night.

MIHA State Championship Show Schedule

Date	Time	Location	Event	Division/Order
	7:00 to 11 AM	Fairgrounds	TEAM ARRIVAL Use Airport Rd gate (US-10 service drive)	ALL Cars, Trucks, Trailers, Campers
	11:00AM – 12 PM	Outside	Trail Walk Through (Per Rulebook)	All Divisions
	NOON	Behind Main Office	Coaches Meeting	All Divisions
	1:00 PM	Outside	Trail	A, B, C, D
λAζ	11:00 to 11:45 AM	Indoor	Open jump schooling	Division. A Regional A, B, C
THURSDAY	11:45 to 12:30	Indoor	Open jump schooling	Division A Regional D, E
E	12:30 to 1:15	Indoor	Open jump schooling	Division B
	1:15 to 1:45	Indoor	Open jump schooling	Division C & D
	1:45 PM	Indoor	Arena Dragged	
	2:00 PM	Indoor	Equitation Over Fences	D, C, B, A
	5:30 PM	Indoor	Flag Race	D, C, B, A
	5:30 PM	Outdoor	Western Riding	Α
	30 Minutes after last class 30 Minutes after Opening Ceremonies	Indoor Behind Main Office	Opening Ceremonies Coaches Meeting	All participants All Coaches

Date	Time	Location	Event	Division/Order
	8:00 AM	Indoor	Western Fit. & Show.	A, D on North B, C on South
	9:30 AM	Indoor	Huntseat Fit & Show	A, D on North B, C on South
	11:00 AM Indoor	Indoor	Saddle Seat Fit & Show	A, D on North B, C on South
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	4:30 PM	Outside	Western Riding	B, C, D
4:30 PM 30 minutes after last class	Indoor	TIMED EVENT (Speed & Action)	A, B, C, D	
		Behind Main Office	Coaches Meeting	All Coaches

	Time	Location	Event	Divisions/Order
>	8:00 AM	Indoor	West. Equitation West. Bareback	B, C B, C
	8:00 AM	Outside	West. Equitation West. Bareback	A, D A, D
★	11:00 AM	Indoor	Huntseat Equitation	A, B, C, D
R	12:30 AM	Outside	Huntseat Bareback	A, B, C, D
SATURDAY	4:30 PM	Outside	Saddle seat Pattern	A, only
SA	4:30 PM	Indoor	Cloverleaf	B, D, A, C
	30min after last Class	Stands of Main Arena	Coaches Meeting	All Divisions
	After Coaches Meeting	Behind Main	Pizza Party	All Coaches
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SUNDAY	8:00 AM	Outside	Saddle Seat Pattern	C, B, D only
	8:30 AM	Indoor	2-Man Relay	A, C, B, D
	30 min after last run	Indoor	Closing Ceremonies	All Divisions

2017 MIHA STATE SHOW INFORMATION PACKET HOTELS/MOTELS In Midland, Michigan:

Here are some other Midland Hotel and Motels to contact:

The Sleep Inn 2100 W. Wackerly St. Midland, Mi 48640 Ph: 989. 837.1010

Baymont Inn 2200 W. Wackerly St. Midland, MI 48640 Ph: 989.631.0070/800.422.2744

Midland Motor Hotel 1815 S. Saginaw Rd. Midland, MI 48640 Ph: 989.631.0570/800.866.3393

Best Western Plaza Resort 5221 Bay City Rd Midland, MI 48642 Ph: 989.496.2700/800.825.2700

The H Hotel 111 W. Main Street Midland, MI 48640 Ph: 989. 839.0500 Hampton Inn 6701 Eastman Ave Midland, MI 48642 Ph: 989.837.4000/800.426.7866

Midland Resort 1500 W. Wackerly St. Midland, MI 48640 Ph: 800.622.4220

Suburban Holiday Inn 810 Cinema Drive Midland, MI 48640 Ph: 989.794.8500

Spring Hill Marriott 520 Joe Mann Blvd Midland, MI 48642 Ph: 989.837.2700