



**OSDS Year End Awards Point System for
2007**

A Sanctioned Trial is an event that follows OSDS requirements and the points will count toward the Annual Top Team Awards. **The calendar year for points is August 1 through July 31.**

1. The trial must be open to all OSDS Members on an equal opportunity basis. If non-competitive runs will be allowed it must be stated on the entry form so all that enter are aware ahead of time.
2. Entry forms must be published by OSDS in the newsletter and on line at www.odsd.org. Opening and closing dates for entries should be listed on form.
3. Trial Sanctioning application must be submitted to the point secretary at least 30 days before trial and if sanctioned it should state on entry form.
4. Trials running to a standard should state such on entry form.
5. Follow OSDS class definitions. It is not mandatory to offer all classes.
6. Follow ISDS or USBCHA rule book. (web links listed)
7. Limited trials must allow a minimum of 40 teams to enter. Cattle trials-20 teams.
8. Trial Secretary must send complete trial results to the point secretary within 14 days after the event.

Entry Form Deadlines

The OSDS newsletter is published online four times a year. Printed copies are sent to all without Internet access. The deadline date for all trial/clinic entry forms is at least 60 days before the event. Trial/clinic entry forms may be sent to the Newsletter Editor via e-mail for listing on the website, which is free to OSDS members. Posting trial/clinic entry forms submitted by non-members costs \$15.00 and should be sent to the treasurer.

It is requested that a "window of entry opportunity" be listed on the entry form stating the dates when entries will be accepted. This will allow for the unpredictable nature of the postal system. If the number of entries received exceed the limit for the trial, a fair and equitable selection system such as a lottery should be used.

Sanctioned Trial Points and Top Team Awards

Trial results for the year will be collected by an OSDS member (statistician) appointed by the Board. The results submitted by the trial committees are final. Discrepancies in final placing, brought to the attention of the trial committee that result in the adjustment of final scores, are to be reported to the Statistician by the trial committee in writing.

The Statistician will supply the web master with the current team point standings so they can be posted on the website.

Two one-day trials will count as two individual trials for points. No points will be awarded for overall winners. Two one-day trials that limit the second day's running will be calculated from the total number of teams that went to the post the first day. A two-day trial not limited will have points awarded to the overall (cumulative) winners. Invitational trials will not count for points.

Open Ranch Class will be considered **Pro-Novice**. RANCH CLASS that combines NOVICE-NOVICE AND PRO-NOVICE will not count towards either.

Sanctioned Canadian Trials:

OSDS handlers that choose to crossover (running one day in two different classes without mandatory advancement as is allowed in Canada) will only be awarded points in the class they continue in after the Canadian Trial.

Canadian OSDS members will accumulate points only in the class they primarily run in Canada and are required to follow OSDS class definitions when competing in the U.S. for OSDS points.

To qualify for team points in a sanctioned trial, you must be a current paid OSDS member in good standing at the time of the trial. Membership dues must have been deposited in advance of running at an event to accumulate points.

Points will be awarded using the 20% system. The total number of teams to the post in each class is multiplied by .20 to determine the number of points awarded. Points will be rounded up. Points are awarded to OSDS members only for their placement at that trial. A minimum of five teams must go to the post for points to count for that class.

Classes to count for points are-Open, Pro-Novice and Novice-Novice. Cattle classes are Open only.

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| Be sure and Sanction your trial with OSDS so your trial will count for points! |
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