

Pony/Mini Measurer

Mission: To be available to MPtHA exhibitors, at shows, to measure ponies and minis.

Be familiar with the rules at the state and national level and paperwork involved with this responsibility.

Keep the pony and mini measurement sticks in his/her possession and bring them in good working order to each show.

Notify show office or post the times and place that ponies will be measured at each show.

Act in a professional and friendly manner at all times.

From PtHA Rule Book, Registration, C8, A.General:

1. Pony Classification – Must be over 38 inches but not exceeding 44.0 hands (56 inches) at maturity, measured at the withers.
2. Miniature Classification – Must be 34 inches or under at maturity, measured at the last hair of the mane.
3. "B" Miniature Classification – Must be over 34 inches but not exceeding 38 inches, measured at the last hair of the mane.

From PtHA Rule Book, Registration, C8, C.Measurement of Animals:

1. Stand the animal on a smooth, level, solid surface (i.e., cement, plywood) in such a position that the front legs are vertical and the back of the hocks are in a vertical line with the point of the animal's hindquarter.
2. For ponies, the head is to be held low enough to reveal the highest point of the withers. With the animal in this position, measure the vertical distance from the highest point of the withers to the ground, using the arm of the measuring standard.
3. For miniatures, the head and neck shall be in a natural position, facing forward. With the animal in this position, measure the vertical distance from the last hair of the mane to the ground, using the arm of the measuring standard. Differentiate between short body hair and mane hair, to determine measuring point.
4. The standard must be a straight, unbendable stick and should be provided with a plumb bob or spirit level to make sure the standard is perpendicular from withers to the ground and that the crosspiece is parallel with the ground surface.

5. A Pony may be measured unshod and then shown shod. The height of shoe does not count in the measurement, provided the Pony is measured unshod. If a pony is measured shod, the shoes are included in the total height measurement.