

# PATH Intl. Equestrian of the Year Sample Nomination Form

This form is for REFERENCE ONLY. All nominations must be submitted via the online form. This sample nomination form is a tool to help you prepare a complete nomination before starting your online submission.

1. **Nomination submission date:**

2. **Nominee's First Name:**

As it should appear on the award

3. **Nominee's Last Name:**

As it should appear on the award

4. **Nominee's Mailing Address:**

5. **Nominee's City, State, Zip Code:**

6. **Nominee's email address:**

7. **Nominee's phone number:**

8. **Nominator's Name:**

9. **Relationship to Nominee:**

10. **Nominator's Mailing Address:**

11. **Nominator's City, State and Zip Code:**

12. **Nominator's email address:**

13. **Nominator's phone number:**

14. **PATH Intl. Member Center Name:**

Nominating Center must be a current PATH Intl. Member Center or PAC in good standing

15. **PATH Intl. Member Center ID #:**

16. **Name of secondary contact person at center:**

17. **Center's email address:**

18. **Center's Region:**

19. **Please select category of your equestrian nominee:**

Adult Equestrian

Youth Equestrian

PATH International Equine Services for Heroes Equestrian

## **Adult Equestrian of the Year Criteria**

**20. If you Selected Adult Equestrian on #19 please confirm your nominee meets the following criteria:**

- Nominee is at least 18 years old as of January 1, 2017
- The nominee participates in an equestrian activity at a PATH Intl. Member Center in good standing and has a disability/special need.
- 3 reference forms are included with nomination.

**21. Please indicate one of the following:**

- The nominee has achieved the ability to participate in equine activities independently (without the aid of a leader, sidewalker, second set of driving reins) in spite of his/her disability/special need for at least two years.
- The nominee does not participate in equine activities independently.

## **Youth Equestrian of the Year Criteria**

**22. If you selected Youth Equestrian on #19, please confirm your nominee meets the following criteria:**

- Nominee is at least 4 years old, but under 18 as of January 1, 2017
- The nominee participates in equestrian activities at a PATH Intl. Member Center in good standing and has a disability/special need. (The nominee does not need to ride independently)
- 3 reference forms are included with nomination.

## **PATH International Equine Services for Heroes Equestrian of the Year Criteria**

**23. If you selected PATH Intl. Equine Services for Heroes Equestrian on #19, please confirm your nominee meets the following criteria:**

- Nominee is at least 18 years old as of January 1, 2017
- Nominee is a military veteran or is currently a member of the military.
- Nominee participates in equestrian activities at a PATH Intl Member Center in good standing and has a disability/special need.
- 3 reference forms are Included with nomination

# Sample Reference Form (3 separate references to be provided)

A copy of this reference form is available in .doc format to use to help collect your nomination references

**Name of person submitting nomination reference:**

**Email address of person submitting nominating reference**

**How does the person submitting this reference know the nominated equestrian?**

(The person giving the reference is which of the following:)

- Fellow participant
- Parent/guardian of the nominee
- Staff at nominating center
- Volunteer at nominating center
- Board member of nominating center
- Other (please specify)

**Use scale below to rate the following characteristics of your nominee:**

With regard to the following characteristics is the nominee:

- 5: The best individual with whom you have been associated with regard to this characteristic?
- 4: Comparable to the top 25% of the individuals with whom you have been associated, with regard to this characteristic?
- 3: Comparable to the top 50% of the individuals with whom you have been associated, with regard to this characteristic?
- 2: This is not this individual's strength.
- 1: No opportunity to observe the characteristic.

## **IMPORTANT!**

**\*\*Please only provide only THREE (3) #5 ratings for this nominee on the questions below. Providing more than three #5 ratings will result in this reference being disqualified.\*\***

*These ratings should represent the **three strongest attributes** of your nominee.*

**-Nominee has strength, perseverance, good attitude and willingness to learn that makes him/her exceptional.**

**-Nominee demonstrates enthusiasm.**

**-Nominee demonstrates an ability and interest in equine-assisted activities and/or therapies.-**

**-Nominee is achieving his/her lesson and/or therapy goals through participation in equine-assisted activities and/or therapies.**

**-Nominee's long-term goals have been impacted as a result of his/her participation in equine-assisted activities and/or therapies.**

**-Nominee promotes equine activities and has a positive impact on the visibility of equine-assisted activities and therapies as a whole.**

**-Nominee to the best of his/her ability handles and works with the horse in a positive manner, considering the attitude and ability of his/her equine partner.**

**Essay: Please share in 200 words or less a successful lesson or goal this PATH Intl. equestrian has accomplished.**

Please leave off the nominee's name and PATH Intl. Member Center with which he/she is affiliated.

Nominations are judged blindly and it is important to keep your answers as anonymous as possible using generic terms- "this rider", "he" or "she" instead of the participant's name, "the center" or "our center" instead of the center's name, etc. Any mention of the center or name of the nominee in the essay will disqualify the essay from the judging process.