

## 2017 CT horse evaluation Rules

### **Event Rules :**

- Each team will be comprised of four members. All four scores will be used to determine the total team score.
- It is highly recommended that participants wear FFA Official Dress for this event. Black slacks and black boots are acceptable (for ladies and gentlemen) during the selection and reason portions of the contest.
- All attire of riders and handlers and all tack is to be considered legal in the selection classes.
- All halter horses will be judged as sound, and all performance classes will be judged as they go, in regard to soundness.
- AQHA novice rules will be used in Hunter Under Saddle, Ranch Pleasure and Western Pleasure classes in reference to head set and head carriage.
- Any participant in possession of an electronic device or talking in the event area is subject to disqualification.

### **INDIVIDUAL ACTIVITIES IDENTIFICATION CLASS (50 POINTS)**

Participants will identify breeds and/or colors and markings of horses, tack and equipment as well as leg conformation deviations (i.e., toed out, toed in, sickle hocked etc.,) items. Each problem will be worth two points each, 25 items total.

**SELECTION CLASSES (200 POINTS)** There will be a total of four classes evaluated, consisting of halter and performance classes.. There will be two classes of reasons, one reasons class in halter and one in performance.. Classes will be approximately 12–15 minutes in length. All classes will be 50 points. Halter classes will be evaluated. Halter classes may be represented by the following breeds and types: Quarter Horse, Conformation Hunter, Appaloosa, Arabian, Paint, American Saddlebred and Morgan. All halter classes will be evaluated as sound. Performance classes will be evaluated. Performance classes may include: Western Horsemanship, Hunt Seat Equitation, Western Pleasure, Ranch Pleasure, Western Riding, Reining, English Pleasure (Saddle Seat), Hunter Under Saddle (Hunt Seat), Trail and Hunter Hack. Performance classes will be evaluated as presented and all horses as sound unless otherwise stated. Patterns and scoresheets will be provided to the students prior to the start of the event for all classes requiring patterns.

### **ORAL REASONS (100 POINTS)**

There will be one-performance oral reasons class selected from Western Pleasure, Ranch Pleasure, Western Riding, Western Horsemanship, Hunt Seat Equitation Reining, English Pleasure (Saddle Seat) and Hunter Under Saddle (Hunt Seat). (50 points each) There will be one Halter oral reasons class

selected from the halter classes listed above (50 points each) Note: Points will be deducted if participants use notes during oral reasons presentations

**TEAM ACTIVITY (50 POINTS TOTAL)**

**Part 1 – Practical Application Activity.(200 points)** The CT State Horse Evaluation CDE will have only one team activity. Participants will be answering questions and gathering information from practical application activities. Teams will complete one activity. Participants will have up to ten minutes for the activity. Examples of the practical activity will include one of the following: feed/hay selection, injections, lameness, and selecting equipment to properly shoe a horse.

**Part 2 – Team Scenario and Presentation (100 points)** This part of the team activity requires all members to work cooperatively to complete the problem solving portion. Teams will orally present solutions to problems found in the given scenario. Teams will have 5-7 minutes to organize and prepare information and 5-7 minutes to present solutions to judges. Judges may ask clarifying questions to the teams. For a sample scenario, see the reference section of this handbook 2017-2021 National CDE Handbook Examples topics include but not limited to: • Nutrition • Management • Anatomy • Marketing/current trends • Health and Animal welfare (care and well-being) • Reproduction

**Scoring :** The event is organized into the following parts, classes and point values: INDIVIDUAL ACTIVITY Points per individual Identification Class 50 points. Halter/Performance Classes – 4 total classes 200 points Halter Oral Reasons –one 50 points Performance Oral Reasons – one- 50 points TOTAL INDIVIDUAL CLASSES SCORE 350, TEAM Practical ACTIVITY 200 Points per team. Team Scenario Activity – only one worth 100 points .

**SCORING**

Individual Activity	Points Per individual
Identification Class	50 (25 items 2pts each)
Halter/Performance Classes 4	200
Halter oral reasons	50
Performance oral reasons	50
Total Individual Classes score	350
Team Activity	Points per team
Team Practical Application Activities (one)	250
Team Scenario/Presentation	100
Total Team Activity Score	350

References : refer to the 2017 National FFA CDE Handbook