

## **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

Teams/Individuals may be entered by completing the enclosed OFFICIAL REGISTRATION FORM and **MAILING TO ADDRESS ON THE FORM**

**NO LATER than JANUARY 5, 2019**

Entry fee of \$125/per Team (3-4 Members) or \$35/per Individual will be charged.

Fees must be submitted with registration form and are non-refundable. Late entries will be accepted. Late registration fee is \$150/per team or \$45/per individual.

**NO REGISTRATION ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED THE DAY OF THE COMPETITION**

- RULE 1 The Hormel system will be used to score the contest. Ties will be broken using Reasons Scores, then Performance Scores. The results as announced at the completion of the contest will be final.
- RULE 2 Appropriate awards will be presented to the High Scoring Individuals and the High Placing Teams in each AGE DIVISION.
- RULE 3 The contest is open to all 4-H Clubs or FFA Chapters.  
All contestants must be bona fide 4-H Club Members or FFA Members in order to participate.  
If an ineligible contestant is used, the team and other members of that team will be ineligible for awards.  
Forms to be completed on Competition Day will require the name of each team member.
- RULE 4 Each CEA or AST in Texas will be permitted to enter as many teams as desired.  
Each team will consist of three (3) or four (4) members with the three high scores counting for team score. Individual contestants not on a team may judge for individual awards.
- RULE 6 Contest will be divided into four (3) age\* divisions: **\*YOUTH AGE AS OF AUGUST 31, 2018**  
*SENIOR: AGE 14-18* *INTERMEDIATE: AGE 11 THRU 13*  
*JUNIOR: 10 AND UNDER (minimum age 8 and in 3rd grade)*
- RULE 7 Only COACHES, CEAs, or ASTs will be allowed to pick up registration packets.
- RULE 8 Each class will consist of four (4) animals.
- RULE 9 At least eight (8) classes will be judged: 2 or 3 Halter Classes AND six to eight (6-8) Performance Classes. Performance Classes will be selected from the following: Western Pleasure, Western Horsemanship, Hunter Under Saddle, Calf Roping, Reining, Hunter Equitation, Western Riding, Trail and Hunter Hack.
- RULE 10 **Seniors** will give four sets of Oral Reasons: One (1) Halter Class and three (3) Performance Classes.  
**Intermediate** Members will give oral reasons on one (1) Halter Class and may choose to give an **OPTIONAL SET** on Performance (Western Pleasure, Hunter Under Saddle, or Reining.) Juniors will **NOT** be required to give ANY Reasons, BUT may choose to give an OPTIONAL SET of Halter for practice. (Awards will be given.)
- RULE 11 Contestants will be allowed twelve (12) minutes for judging each class.
- RULE 12 Contestants will be notified one minute before the time is up. When final time is called, the contestants will hand their scantron to the group leader immediately after judging is finished.
- RULE 13 While the contest is in progress, there will be NO sideline coaching from any adult. (CEA, AST, 4H Leader or Parent). Violation of this rule will cause the individual and their team to be disqualified from all awards.  
NO EXCEPTIONS
- RULE 14 Only contestants and contest officials will be permitted in the judging arenas during the contest.
- RULE 15 While the contest is in progress, there will be NO TALKING between contestants or anyone else except as directed by the contest officials. NO PAGERS, CELL PHONES OR OTHER FORMS OF COMMUNICATION WILL BE ALLOWED ON ANY CONTESTANT. MATERIALS OR PAPERS ARE NOT ALLOWED. NO EXCEPTIONS.
- RULE 16 Scantron Sheets will be used. There will be one (1) scantrons per contestant.
- Rule 17 A CONTESTANT IN VIOLATION OF ANY RULE WILL CAUSE THE INDIVIDUAL AND THEIR TEAM TO BE DISQUALIFIED FROM ALL AWARDS.
- Rule 18 SHOULD THERE BE ANY **SPECIAL AWARDS GIVEN**, THE PERSON RECEIVING THE AWARD **MUST BE PRESENT** TO RECEIVE IT