

JUDGE'S GUIDELINES

As a reminder, this is a learning experience for the contestants, so they should never receive a 0 in any category **EXCEPT** in horsemanship, where a contestant should receive a 0 from each judge, if she falls off or is bucked off her horse.

MODELING: 1-25pts

Poise and smile (self-projection)
Choreography of pattern (difficulty of maneuver)
Eye contact with judges and audience
Balance and coordination (no wobbles on turns)
Use of stage area

SPEECH: 1-50PTS

Two minute speech: buzzer or bell should sound at end of 2 min.
Contestant is allowed to finish sentence only! If exceeds judges may deduct 5 pts.
Credibility, presentation, and proper movement
Grammar and content
Enunciation and voice projection (manner of speaking clear)
Overall expression (smile, eye contact, remember words)

APPEARANCE: 1-25

Over all appearance. (Clothing clean, boots clean, ECT.)
Posture and fitness (overall impression)
Presentation of smile and poise (thru entire contest)
Presentation of excellence (hair, use of makeup)
Clothing style and fashion (NHSRA approved: no jackets or vest:
plain white shirt
For horsemanship)

IMPROMPTU: 1-25

Composure, confidence and reaction

Answer applicability to topic (knowledge humor, and compassion)

Grammar

Ability to handle one's self in a professional manner

Presentation (development and closure)

Contestants will be isolated during the impromptu. **ALL**

CONTESTANTS WILL BE ASKED THE SAME QUESTION.

Contestants will not be allowed to leave the isolated area until it is their turn to compete and no one will be allowed to contact the isolated contestants.

PERSONAL INTERVIEW: 1-50

Questions may not include topics of religion or sex

Impression of interviewer (self-projection, presentation)

Clarity and confidence

Knowledge of subjects. (Current events, animal husbandry, rodeo, etc.)

Personality (includes character, charm, sincerity; etc)

Interviews will be conducted in a private area. **Only the contestant and judges in attendance.** Judges ask each contestant the **same** questions. Interview should be between 5-10 min. Each contestant is allowed the same amount of time.

HORSEMANSHIP: 1-50

Horsemanship patterns should not be altered in any way. There will be only one go around of horsemanship. Things to look for:

Hands, feet and seat

Riders balance and bounce

Hands in correct position.

Elbows should not bounce

Hand should be above and in front of horn

Straight line from her shoulder, to hip, to her toe.

Heels down, not flat or up.

Over-all look and confidence ;

1. Horse's appearance-cleanliness, grooming. etc
2. Contestant cleanliness, plain white shirt (no extra's)
3. Hat and Boot cleanliness.