Rules, Definitions

Judges decision is final. Any unsportsmanlike conduct, profanity or public intoxication in the arena or show grounds will disqualify any contestant. NO PETS ALLOWED ON FAIRGROUNDS per San Patricio County Fairground regulations.

REFUNDS: Entry fees are non-refundable. Returned checks for insufficient funds will be assessed an additional \$35.00.

CLASS CANELLATION: We reserve the right to combine any class having two or less entries.

<u>RULES: AQHA:</u> Unless otherwise stated definitions of individual classes available. **No martingales, roping reins or mechanical hackamores will be allowed. CURRENT COGGINS REQUIRED FOR ALL HORSES.**

ATTIRE: Chaps, Hunt coats optional. Boots, jeans/riding breeches, long sleeve shirts, western hat or helmet required. No short sleeve shirts/T-shirts, or tennis shoes will be allowed in the show arena. Protective headgear is recommended for all youth riders.

TWO MINUTE RULE: Gate will be closed two minutes after the last horse enters the arena, unless a tack change has been requested prior to class. Tack and horse must be at out gate ready for the tack change NOT AT THE BARN and gateman notified of tack change.

CLASS CHANGES: no class changes will be accepted less than thee classes prior to change, changes must be made at the office

<u>WALK-TROT RIDER:</u> NO CROSS ENTERING OF RIDER INTO ANY CLASS CALLING FOR A CANTER/LOPE. Once you have loped/cantered at a STHSS show you cannot go back to walk/trot rider again.

ONLY HORSES 5 and under may be shown in a snaffle or Bosal and ridden with two hands.

<u>ADULT MAY ASSIST CLASSES</u> for beginner riders10 and under, and special needs riders. Someone at least 16 yrs old may assist child at halter and walk/trot classes. No horses led off bit, must use halter or cavesson. NO STALLIONS. <u>Protective headgear recommended</u>

<u>HI-HPOINT RULES:</u> TEAM IS ONE HORSE - ONE RIDER. Must register for highpoint prior to first class entered at individual shows for daily Hi-point and Reserve awards. Age of rider and horse as of January 1, of each year. Rider may compete for more than one hi-point at daily shows where eligible. Once a rider/horse team has competed in a lope/canter division they may not compete in W/T division however; Rider may compete in W/T division on a different horse.

END OF YEAR AWARDS Rider must declare at the beginning of the year the division and horse that they will compete on. Rider may only compete in one division for end of year award. One horse may only be ridden by two riders in two different divisions for end of year awards. To be eligible for end of year awards a fee of \$25 must be paid prior to the first show they enter for points to count. Riders who sign up for end of year awards will be issued (laminated) numbers to use all show season (replacement fee \$10) a copy of coggins may be kept in their file until date expires. Exhibitor is responsible for updating coggins. You may go online and pre-enter for each show, we will automatically enter you in your division for the same classes as previous show, unless indicated otherwise. Must sign release at office at each show and pay prior to entering first class. Requesting to substitute a horse due to injury or illness will be considered by STHSS Show Board based on documented proof of injury/illness. Download Sign Up form for year- end award and bring to show.

STALLS: Reserve 5 stalls and receive a tack stall free. Must bring your own shavings. Stalls have individual outlets, wash racks at both ends of stall barn. YOU MUST let the office know if you plan to stay over Saturday night so we can notify the facility management. NO HORSE MAY BE TIED TO THE TRAILER OVER NIGHT, MUST BE IN A STALL. If you plan to arrive after 9:00 p.m. you must make a reservation with either the facility or STHSS. Reservations may be made online at our website. www.southtexashorseshowseries.com

POINT SYSTEM

# in class	1^{st}	2^{nd}	3^{rd}	4^{th}	5^{th}	6 th	7^{th}	8 th
8	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
7	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	
6	6	5	4	3	2	1		
5	5	4	3	2	1			
4	4	3	2	1				
3	3	2	1					
2	2	1						
1	1							

No points awarded for Championship classes. In the case of a tie, the rider with the most first place wins, if they are still tied then the most number of seconds etc until tie is broken.