

PURPOSE

The purpose of showing a yearling on a longe line is to demonstrate that the horse has the movement, manners, expression, attitude, and conformation to become competitive under saddle. Because they are yearlings, they are not expected to demonstrate the behavior or quality of a finished show horse but only that performance necessary for a reasonable presentation to the judge(s).

Therefore, the purpose of this class is to reward:

- 1. Quality of Movement
- 2. Manners/Expression/Attitude
- 3. Conformation suitable to future performance

CLASS FORMAT

WILL CONSIST OF THREE PARTS:

- 1. CONFORMATION
- 2. LONGE-LINE DEMONSTRATION3
- 3. IN HAND TRAIL COMPETITION

Show management is required to provide a 5 minute warm-up period for all exhibitors

1. CONFORMATION Each entry will be walked into the arena to the judge and pause for evaluation . They will then trot off straight around a cone and take a place in the line up. All entries will be inspected in this fashion and as the "trot-off" is administered . Horses showing evidence of lameness should be excused from the class at that time.

- 2. LONGEING DEMONSTRATION will begin at the sound of a whistle or other audible indicator when the horse has reached the perimeter of the circle. When the "begin" signal is given, the exhibitor will be allowed 1 ½ minutes(90 seconds) to present the horse at all three gaits in both directions. The exhibitor will be notified after 45 seconds that they have reached "half time". At the end of the 1 ½ minutes , the signal will be given to signify the end of the demonstration.
- 3. IN HAND TRAIL CLASS will be judged on the performance of the horse over & through obstacles, with an emphasis on manners, response to the exhibitor & attitude.

ATTIRE

Conventional Western Attire is mandatory.

EQUIPMENT

Horses are to be shown in a halter. Either a regular or show type halter is acceptable.

1. For the longeing demonstration, the only attachment allowed to the halter is the longe line. The longe-line may not exceed 30 feet in length with a snap attached to the halter. The longe line must hang free from the halter without touching any part of the horse. It is permissible to use a longe whip however disqualification will occur if the exhibitor blatantly strikes the horse with the whip to cause forward motion or lateral movement at any time during the longeing demonstration.

2. For the conformation, a lead shank, such as used in halter or showmanship classes may be exchanged for the longe line prior to the longeing demonstration. No lip chains will be allowed.

JUDGING

- 1. Judge(s) will be outside the longeing circle. The exhibitor will enter the arena and wait for the audible start signal. When the signal is given, the exhibitor will be allowed 1 ¹/₂ minutes (90 seconds) to present the horse. At the end of the 1 ¹/₂ minutes a signal will be given to signify the end of the demonstration.
- 2. The horse will be scored at all three gaits in both directions. Any horse that does not exhibit these three gaits in each direction will be disqualified from the class. Additionally,judges shall immediately excuse any horse that exhibits obvious lameness at any time during the class. Exhibitors may begin work in the direction of their choice (counter or clockwise).3
- 3. At the end of 1 ½ minutes, the signal will be given, and the exhibitor shall at the request of the show management, retire from the longeing area to the far end of the ring. The horses are to stand quietly at the end while the other exhibitors present their horses.
- 4. If the horse is playing on the longe line, it shall not count against the horse. The judge will,however,penalize the horse for excessive bucking or running off, stumbling or displaying attitudes that are uncomplimentary to pleasure horses. Falling down will constitute disqualification.
- 5. Exhibitors are encouraged to exhibit their horse making full use of the 25' radius.
- 6. Exhibitors may show unlimited longe line entries as long as there is a "handler" during all divisions of the competition.
- 7. Score sheets will be available for viewing at the end of the show. A tie breaking judge will be selected prior to the start of the competition.

EQUESTRIANS WITH DISABILITIES COMPETITION FOR INDEPENDENT & SUPPORTEDE EXHIBITORS

EQUESTRIANS WITH DISABILITIES

This competition is open to people with physical or cognitive disabilities that love competing. EWD classes may be held at NSBA approved shows.

PARA-EQUESTRIAN EVENTS

Or can be stand alone events. In order to participate in EWD events, a diagnosis form & acceptable adaptive equipment must be completed.