



Ranch Sorting Team Penning Association

Judge's Test

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RSTPA Judge's Test Information and Review of Judge's Responsibilities

Please Print:

First Name: _____

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15.2 Guidelines for Judges

- 1. The Event Producer may select any reputable person to apply to become a RSTPA approved Judge. All Judges must be familiar with the RSTPA Rules.**
- 2. The Judge is responsible for enforcing the RSTPA Rules and class Producers as outlined in the RSTPA Rulebook. The Judge is responsible for checking each herd as it enters the arena for correct head count, proper numbering, and number readability. The Judge shall also watch for lame or crippled cattle.**
- 3. All approved Judges will be placed on a RSTPA Approved Judges list on the RSTPA Website.**

I agree to all the above statements, terms and conditions.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____



RSTPA Judge's Test True and False Questions

Please Print:

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Please write out the word TRUE and FALSE for your answer to the LEFT of the number.

- 1. If the entry fee for a class is less than \$35 the Producer has the option of a 1 Go and Top Ten regardless of the number of teams.**
- 2. RSTPA reserves the right to disqualify a contestant who does not act in a sportsmanlike manner. This includes abusive schooling or treatment of horses.**
- 3. In extreme instances, substitution of a rider after a team has made its original ride may be allowed at the discretion of the judge.**
- 4. Open Arena Sorting can be special sanctioned by RSTPA.**
- 5. Spotting cattle is not allowed in Ranch Sorting Classes and contestants can be disqualified if caught spotting cattle.**
- 6. If a rider falls off their horse that team automatically receives a NO Time.**
- 7. In a Rookie #9 HC (2 cap on sorter) and both contestants are #1 or #2, they can take turns sorting and holding the gate.**
- 8. RSTPA requires all riders to have a current membership to participate in an RSTPA Event.**
- 9. All RSTPA divisions are handicapped.**
- 10. If it is determined by the Judge during a set that a cow becomes unfit then that cow will be replaced, but no re-rides for previous teams will be allowed.**



RSTPA Judge's Test Multiple Choice

For the Multiple Choice Section questions 11-24, please circle the letter of the answer that best answers the question.

11. A team has how much time to enter the arena before being disqualified?
 - a. 45 seconds
 - b. 1 minute
 - c. 30 seconds

12. If a duplicate number is called within the same set of cattle a re-ride will be given?
 - a. Immediately
 - b. At the end of the class
 - c. After the next cattle change

13. Which of the following is the dress code for Contestants and Judges?
 - a. Any shirt with buttons and a collar, boots or tennis shoes, any sort of hat
 - b. Western Attire: long or short sleeved western shirt and boots. Western hat is optional. No ball caps.
 - c. Whatever contestant or judge want.

14. Which of the following teams would place the highest in a class?
 - a. A team that sorts cattle in three go's
 - b. A team that sorts cattle in two go's, but has more cattle than teams that sorted in all three
 - c. The team that sorts the most cattle in the least amount of time regardless of how many go's they sorted in.

15. After the cattle are settled in the arena, who is responsible for checking each herd for the right amount of cattle, numbering and readability?
 - a. The Producer
 - b. The Judge
 - c. The Announcer

16. What is the recommended opening between the two sorting pens?
- 12' to 16'
 - 14' to 16'
 - 12' to 14'
17. Who is responsible for enforcing the RSTPA Rules and class procedures?
- The Show Secretary
 - The Announcer
 - The Judge
18. A contestant is guilty of misconduct and fines, the fine is determined and assessed by?
- The Producer and Person
 - The Judge and Producer
 - The Judge and Person
19. What is the amount of handicap a #8 rated team has in Open Ranch Sort Class?
- 8 seconds
 - 6 seconds
 - 10 seconds
20. A sorting run begins when:
- Team member picks a number and gives it to the Judge so he or she will know what cow the team is sorting.
 - The contestants head for the cattle.
 - The judge indicates that cattle are ready by raising his flag, the nose of the first horse crossed the start/foul line and the Announcer give the team their number.
21. At what point does a Judge count a cow as being sorted?
- When the cow crosses the opening with their shoulder
 - When the cow starts through the hole with his head
 - When the cow is completely through the opening to the sorted side of the pen

- 22. In the case of mechanical errors or downed cattle, do contestants have any options?**
- a. They have to take the cattle sorted and time when the run was stopped.**
 - b. Yes, contestants can take their time on the cattle already sorted when the run was stopped by the official or re-ride immediately with same number and beginning time of Zero.**
 - c. No, they have to have a re-ride.**
- 23. In a #10 Ranch Hand Sort Class, where the contestants are the same rating, are they allowed to alternate with the sorting of the cattle?**
- a. No, because in the # 10 RH there is 1 sorter and 1 gate person.**
 - b. Yes, because they are rated the same.**
 - c. They can do whatever it takes to sort the cows.**
- 24. How many cows are allowed to be used in the Rookie #9 Sort?**
- a. 10 head and 1 blank**
 - b. 10 head and 2 blank**
 - c. 10 head and up to 4 blanks**
- 25. In a sort class what is the judge's Call if there's 1 identical number at the time of the run?**
- a. Give the team their choice for a re-ride or to keep their time.**
 - b. An immediate mandatory re-ride on the same numbered cow.**
 - c. Disqualify the team with no re-ride.**



RSTPA Judge's Test Fill in the Blank Questions

Please fill in the appropriate answers in the blanks to best answer the questions. Entire questions must be answered correctly, partial credit will not be given.

26. The Masters Division all Riders must be ____ years of age the day of the event.
27. In a class of 75 teams, 3rd place team will receive ____ points.
28. If lap timers are not used all ties are brought back to the final round of a class, unless more than ____ positions are created.
29. A ____, ____ or ____ second allotted time limit for each division will be required at Producer's discretion. RSTPA recommends a ____ second clock.
30. All classes are required to be up to a ____ ride limit, with a maximum of ____ picks
31. A Producer has ____ options for settling cows.
32. In a 3 man 2 gate class, even # cows go thru gate on the ____ side. Odd # cows go thru gate on ____ side. #0 numbered cow is considered a ____ cow.
33. In all 3 man events, for classes with more than ____ teams, it is the Producer's discretion to use a 3rd go, as long as the ride fee is less than \$ ____.

Thank you for taking the RSTPA Judge's Test.
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