

# INTERCOLLEGIATE HORSE JUDGING CONTEST

Division 79

## Intercollegiate Horse Judging Committee

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**Entry Deadline:** September 13, 2017

**Entry Fee:** \$125 per team or \$25 per individual

**Late Entry Deadline:** September 20, 2017

**Late Entry Fee:** Entry Fee plus \$50 per team or \$10 per individual

**Coaches Meeting:** There will be no coaches meeting. Patterns will be emailed the day prior to the contest.

**Contest:** Monday, October 2 at 9:00 a.m. in the Ford Truck Arena and Mustang Arena.

### SPECIAL RULES

1. **Entries:** Entries must be submitted online by September 13. If your college or university is not properly entered by the late entry deadline, you will not be eligible to judge the day of the contest. Final team selection will be given at enrollment on Sunday.
2. **Team Eligibility:** Participants must be full-time undergraduate college students in good standing as determined by their school requirements. A minimum grade point average of 2.5/4.0 (ct.) is recommended. Participants may not be an approved judge of any national horse association. Any two-year junior or four-year senior college or university may participate in the contest. Any inquiries as to the eligibility of a team member or members should be directed to the National Horse Judging Team Coaches Association at info@nhjtca.org.
3. **Junior College Division:** Teams will consist of no more than four (4) members and not less than three (3) members. Four-member teams will have an alternate option with the lowest score overall being discarded. However, the alternate is eligible for individual awards. Three member teams will not have an alternate option.
4. **Senior College Division:** Teams will consist of no more than five (5) members and not less than four (4) members. Five-member teams will have an alternate option with the lowest score overall being discarded. However, the alternate is eligible for individual awards. Four-member teams will not have an alternate option.
5. **Individuals:** Individuals may judge and are eligible for individual awards.
6. **Tickets:** Passes which will admit the coach and team members onto the show grounds will be mailed to the coaches.
7. **Arrival:** All judging contestants will enter through Gate 7 off of 15th street. Contest and Check In will be held in the Mustang Arena.
8. **Contest Procedures:** Timing and conduct of classes will be conducted under the guidelines of the National Horse Judging Team Coaches Association. All horses will be considered sound of mouth, wind and limb in halter and judged as they go in performance. All tack and attire will be considered legal. Each class will consist of four horses. Handlers/riders will be identified with numbered vests. Placing cards will be provided. Contestants must provide their own writing materials (pen or pencil). Contestants may use clipboards, notebooks, plain paper, and blank score sheets. Contestants may not have in their possession horse judging manuals, texts or lists of terms. Violation of this rule will result in disqualification. A group leader will be placed in charge of each group of contestants. Contestants are responsible for turning in their cards to the group leader when time is called. Late cards will not be accepted.
9. **Talking & Communication Devices:** While the contest is in progress, there will be no talking between contestants or anyone else except as directed by contest officials. No pagers, cell phones or other forms of communication will be allowed on any contestant. Violation of this rule will result in disqualification. Coaches will not have contact with their contestants at any time during the judging and reasons sessions. Violation of this rule will result in disqualification.
10. **Scoring:** Fifty points will constitute a perfect score in placing the animals and fifty points will constitute a perfect score for oral reasons. The low score will be discarded in each category (performance halter, performance, reasons, overall). Placing cards must be completed in full to be tabulated. Cards that are blank, illegible or marked with more than one placing will receive a zero score. All tabulated results of the contest will be considered official and no change will be made unless an error is made in entering a score or placing by contest official. Errors made by contestants will not be corrected once the placing card has been delivered to a contest official, including a group leader.
11. **Classes:** 2 to 3 Performance Halter Classes and 5 to 8 Performance Classes, which may include one or more of each of the following: Western Pleasure, Hunter Under Saddle, Western Riding, Reining, Western Horsemanship, Trail, Hunt Seat Equitation, Ranch Riding, Heading, and Tie Down Roping.
12. **Reasons:** Junior and Senior College contestants will give four sets of reasons, three performance and one halter. Contestants are to note every class as if it were going to be a reasons class. Once reasons classes have been decided we will let contestants know.
13. **Lunch:** Lunch will be provided to contestants immediately following the judging portion.
14. **Awards:** Awards will be presented to:

Jr. Team Overall	1st - 3rd — Plaque
Jr. Team Halter, Performance & Reasons	1st - 3rd — Rosette

Jr. Individual Overall	1st — Buckle, 2nd - 3rd — Plaque
Jr. Individual Halter, Performance & Reasons	1st - 3rd — Rosette
Sr. Team Overall	1st - 3rd — Plaque
Sr. Team Halter, Performance & Reasons	1st - 3rd — Rosette
Sr. Individual Overall	1st — Buckle, 2nd - 3rd — Plaque
Sr. Individual Halter, Performance & Reasons	1st - 3rd — Rosette

15. **Hotel:** We have reserved a block of rooms at the Tulsa Marriott Southern Hills Hotel. Please make your hotel reservations with the Tulsa Marriott Southern Hills Hotel, (918) 493-7000 or at [www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/tulsa-tulsa-marriott-southern-hills](http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/tulsa-tulsa-marriott-southern-hills), as they are the host hotel for the contest and offer a special room rate. Ask for the Tulsa State Fair Horse Judging Contest block. Reservations need to be made prior to September 21.