

* Sport Horse Rules *

1. Braiding is optional. Bandages of any kind are forbidden during a class.
2. Handlers are to wear slacks and comfortable shoes and may carry a whip.
3. In classes with foals shown with their dams, each foal must have its own handler.
4. Foals, weanlings and yearlings are to be shown in halters; two year olds and older must be shown in a simple snaffle bit with two reins and head stall with throatlatch. Noseband is optional.
5. A judge may excuse from the ring, any horse who is unruly or one whose actions may threaten or endanger others.
6. Horses are to be shown in an open position, i.e. with all four legs visible to the judge from either side of the horse.
7. All Primary Handlers and Riders must sign an **ENTRY FORM for EACH HORSE** that they ride or handle in the Breeders Show. **Each Primary Handler/Horse and Rider/Horse combination** requires a separate number and entry form. This Handler's Release should be used for all Assistant Handlers (anyone who has not signed an entry form for the horse in question). The entry number for EVERY horse that the Assistant Handler may handle or assist with in the competition ring should be listed in the space provided. **Assistant Handlers Release** must be picked up and signed at the show secretary's desk on show day. If handler is a Jr, release needs to be signed by parent/guardian and can be mailed if requested.
8. My (our) signature(s) on the entry form signifies that I(we) have read the rules and both sides of the entry form and agree to be bound by them.

BREEDING SHOW CLASS PROCEDURES

The triangle measures approximately 30 meters on each side. (In cases of bad weather, we can move inside to an 80 x 75 arena).

In-Hand Classes – Individuals

At the beginning of a class, handlers will be asked to bring their horses into the holding area. Following a posted or announced order, entries will approach the judging area one at a time, walk to the apex of the triangle and await the judge's request to proceed on the triangle. The handler will lead the horse on the perimeter of the triangle at walk and trot, returning to the apex to stand the horse for conformation judging or to repeat any movement at the judge's request. The judge may choose to judge conformation either before or after judging the horse's movement on the triangle.

At the completion of the judging, the handler will lead the horse away from the judging area. At the same time, the next entry will enter the judging area promptly. After all horses have been shown on the triangle, some or all may be recalled to be shown at the walk and trot.

In-Hand Classes – Groups

Groups are to be shown one group at a time, but not necessarily on the triangle. At the discretion of the judge, they may be asked to move at the trot and then at the walk, either in a line or moving around the arena. Upon completion of the judging of the horses' movement, they will stand for conformation judging.

Under Saddle Classes

Dress: Attire must conform to USEF DR120.

Riders are encouraged to wear protective headgear.

For flat classes, the horses are to perform in simple snaffle bits.

The horses are to enter on the left rein and to be shown at the walk, trot, and canter both ways of the arena.

USDF Materiale Class Procedures

Horses will be evaluated according to the criteria listed on the USDF Material Class Scoresheet.

Horses will be evaluated under saddle at the walk, trot and canter in both directions of the arena.

In addition, four and five year old horses may be asked to lengthen the stride at the trot and canter. Rider's dress must conform to the USEF DR120. Horses must be at least 36 months of age to participate in Material classes.