

## TAHSSD Open Horse Show Class Descriptions

**English:** Hunt or Saddle Seat, unless otherwise stated.

**Maiden:** Horse may not have won a 1<sup>st</sup> or purple in the designated class at any show.

**Pro/Am:** Shown by a professional at a flat walk, trot or jog-tot, canter or lope one direction of the arena. Then shown by an amateur (non-pro) at a flat walk, trot or jog-tot, canter or lope the other direction of the arena. Horse may be shown with western, hunt, or saddle seat equipment. Change of riders to be made in the center of arena. Each phase of the competition to count 50%. Professional is an individual who shows, trains, or assists in training a horse or gives riding lessons for pay, directly or indirectly.

**Ride-A-Buck:** Horse is to be ridden bareback with a dollar bill under the rider's leg. Rider's free hand should be visible and not touching the horse or hanging onto the mane. The entry fee of \$1 is paid when entering the gate. Winner takes all.

**Tandem Bareback:** Shown at a flat walk, jog-trot, and lope both directions of the arena. Riders judged on seat, feet, hands, and ability to show good horsemanship as a team.

**Training Walk/Trot:** This class is intended for young and/or green horses. Training equipment is optional, but not preferred.

**Walk/Trot:** May not enter in a class at this show that requires a canter or lope.

**Western/English Versatility:** Shown with western equipment at a flat walk, jog-trot, and lope one direction of the arena. Then shown with english equipment (hunt or saddle seat) at a flat walk, trot, extended trot, and canter the other direction of the arena. Each entry must be shown by the same person. Change of equipment for both horse and rider to be made in the center of arena. Two grooms/attendants may assist in the tack change. Five minutes will be allowed for the tack change. Appropriate equipment and attire are required. Horses are to be judged 50% as a western pleasure horse and 50% as an english pleasure horse.

**Wet Pleasure:** Each rider will carry a glass full of water while riding bareback at a flat walk, jog-trot, and lope both directions of the arena. The glass will be provided and filled by the show committee. The judge may call for any extensions, collections, changes in direction, backing or any other maneuver. At the end of the class, the judge will measure the amount of water left in the glasses. The rider with the most water in his/her glass is declared the winner. Only one winner. In case of a tie, the judge may call for additional maneuvers. The judge's decision is final. Show attire not required but the rider should be neatly dressed and must wear boots with heels.

