

## 2005 SC FFA Horse Judging CDE

**Date: March 5, 2005**

**Location: Clemson University Equine Center**

### **Event Rules:**

1. Team Make-up- A team consists of three or four bona fide FFA members. A team score consists of the total of the top three individual's scores plus the problem solving section.
2. All attire and tack is considered legal in the selection classes.
3. It is highly recommended that all participants be in official FFA dress in the event. (Black jeans are permissible.) Hats are not permitted.

### **Event Format:**

#### A. Equipment

Participants should bring a clean, free of notes, clipboard or notebook for note-taking and a writing utensil. These will not be provided by the contest officials.

#### B. Team Activity

The team activity requires all members of the team to work cooperatively to complete the problem-solving portion of the event. NOT a written test as in the past.

This team activity section may consist of:

- Industry scenarios
  - Nutrition
  - Management
  - Reproduction
  - Marketing
- Identification
  - Breed
  - Tack/Equipment
  - Feed
  - Anatomy

#### C. Individual Activity

##### Selection Classes

There will be a total of six classes judged. Two classes of halter and four classes in performance events, from these classes, two reasons classes will be identified. Oral reasons should not exceed two minutes in length.

Two halter classes will be judged. Halter classes may be represented by the following breeds and types: Quarter Horse, Conformation Hunter, and Paint. All halter classes will be judged as sound.

Four performance classes will be judged. Performance classes may include: Western Pleasure, Western Riding, Reining, English Pleasure (Saddle Seat), Hunter Under Saddle (Hunter Seat), and Hunter Hack. Performance classes will be judged as presented (unsoundness to be penalized accordingly). American Quarter Horse Association reining pattern will be provided to teams prior to the event.

**Reasons :**

Two sets of reasons will be given; those classes will be announced after all classes are finished.

**Preliminary Schedule:**

7:30 AM – Registration  
8:30 AM – Team Activity  
10:30 AM- Halter Classes  
11:00 AM- Performance Classes  
12:30 PM- Lunch  
1:00 PM – Reasons Preparation  
1:30 PM – Reasons

A good source of information is the AQHA “Competitive Horse Judging” handbook. You may order this handbook by calling 806-376-4811. Consult the web site listed under the Horse Career Development Event on the FFA web site for additional references. Be sure to consult the national FFA CDE guidelines for this contest.

The winning team will represent South Carolina in the 2005 National FFA Horse CDE.

Each chapter may bring one team. A team may consist of no more than four (4) students FFA members. No additional (alternate) students are permitted to compete. Please register by sending an e-mail to P. M. Fravel at [fravel@clermson.edu](mailto:fravel@clermson.edu). Include the names of the four contestants.

Lunch will be provided, so please pre-register with Phil Fravel (864) 656-6947 no later than Wednesday, February 16, 2005. There may be a registration fee to cover the cost of the lunch.

The contest official will conduct an advisor/coaches (no students) meeting at the Clemson Ramada Inn 7:30 Friday night prior to the Saturday event. A block of rooms has been reserved at the Ramada Inn for those planning an overnight stay. Feel free to stay at a motel of your choice. For those advisors unable to attend the meeting on Friday night, the contest official will conduct a similar meeting Saturday morning promptly at 7:30 a.m. at the equine center before the contest.

*Please note the actual classes may change due to availability of horses. Any further details or changes will be posted on the SCFFA web page.*