TRAIL RIDER CHALLENGE

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JUDGE: Hallie Tierney

ENTRIES CLOSE AUGUST 10th, 2023 AT MIDNIGHT

CHECK-IN TRAILER HOURS: 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

BEGIN ARRIVAL  Tuesday, August 29, 5 p.m. – 10 p.m.

SHOW  Wednesday, August 30th
10 a.m. Round 1
2 p.m. Round 2
6 p.m. Finals

BEGIN RELEASE  Wednesday, August 30, after Awards Presentation

ALL OUT  Thursday, August 31, Noon

ENTRIES
1. All Nebraska State Fair Equine Entries are online at https://www.statefair.org/competitions/equine-exhibitors

2. Entry Fees.
   a. $75 per horse, per class entered.

3. Additional Fees.
   a. Stall Fee: $20 Stall, per day, per horse
   b. Tack Stall: $10 per Tack Stall
   c. Gate Admission: $5 Exhibitor Ticket, per day, per exhibitor or $25 Exhibitor Wristband, 11-day pass
   d. Parking Pass: $15 per equine show, per vehicle. Designated equine exhibitor parking areas will require a parking pass to be purchased. This parking pass can be purchased when completing online entries or at the livestock check-in trailer.

4. No late entries will be accepted after August 15th, 2023, NO EXCEPTION!!!

SPECIAL RULES
General Rules and Regulations and Health Requirements apply to this division as well as those rules listed below. By submitting entry to the Nebraska State Fair exhibitor agrees to abide by these rules found on the equine web page.
1. An open blank check will be required at the show office at check-in to cover added classes and will be returned at check-out if not classes added.
2. Stall assignments will be made by the Superintendent. In the case of a shortage the Superintendent will have the right to reassign pens, tack pens, etc.
3. All animals occupying stalls must pay a stall fee, whether entered for competition and judging or not.
4. Complete the stabling list for all owners and exhibitors who wish to be stalled together.
5. Assigned stall chart will be posted.

FEED AND BEDDING
Exhibitors will be permitted to bring onto the grounds feed, hay, and bedding for their animal. If you wish to purchase hay, feed, and bedding from the fair you can purchase it from Aurora Cooperative. You can pre-order feed and additional bedding by contacting Aurora Cooperative at 308-750-6653. You can also visit their feed store during the State Fair.

SHOW FORMAT
1. All entries will be exhibited twice. Once on Course 1. Once on Course 2. Rosettes will be awarded on each course and each division.
2. Each entry’s Course 1 and Course 2 scores will be added together. The top 10 rider’s scores overall will come back to ride in the Finals. A Champion and Reserve Champion Trophy Buckle, rosettes 1st through 10th and Premium Money will be awarded based on the scores of the FINAL ROUND.
3. Course 1 & 2 maps will be available at 5:00 p.m. the day before the show in the show office and pdf emailed to email address provided when you enter. The course map for the Final Round will be available at approximately 4:00 p.m. the day of the show.

JUDGING
1. Each obstacle is scored from 0 – 10. The score is based on horsemanship, the horse’s willingness, and fluidity of execution at each obstacle.
2. You have 30 seconds to complete each obstacle. After 30 seconds, the judge will ask you to move on. You cannot move on until the judge signals you on.
3. The course has a time limit. If you run out of time, a whistle will blow, and you will immediately leave the arena. You will receive points for the obstacles you have completed. Failure to leave is DQ (disqualification).
4. Each ride is timed. If you complete the course within the time limit, you will be eligible to receive “time-points”. The fastest ride receives 10 points. Rides within 20 seconds receive 9 points, rides within 40 seconds receive 8 points and so on.

SHOW RULES
1. Each rider will compete in the division of their choice. Divisions are:
a. Open
b. Amateur
c. Green/Young Horse
d. Youth (17 & under)

2. Each horse may only be exhibited once.
3. A rider may enter more than one horse.
5. Trail Rider Challenge and Nebraska State Fair will not be responsible for any accident that may occur to be caused by any horse exhibited at the show or for any article of any kind of nature that may be lost or destroyed or in any way damaged.
6. The Trail Rider Challenge rules will be enforced.
7. No person will be allowed in the show ring during the time of judging except those performing official duties.
8. Riders must wear proper attire. Dress to ride in front of an audience. Long sleeve shirt, hat or helmet, jeans without holes and boots. English attire is welcome.

SHOW SCHEDULE

US FOODS OUTDOOR ARENA

- **Day Before:** 5:00 p.m. – Course Maps, Instructions, & Approximate Ride Times available in Horse Show Office
- **Day Of:**
  - 9:30am – Course 1 Walk-Through and Riders Questions
  - 10:00am – SHOW STARTS – COURSE 1
  - 1:30pm – Course 2 Walk-Through and Riders Questions
  - 2:00pm – SHOW STARTS – COURSE 2
  - 5:30pm – Course 2 Walk-Through and Riders Questions
  - 6:00pm – SHOW STARTS – COURSE 2

PREMIUMS

All premiums will be paid directly from the Nebraska State Fair. Exhibitors receiving more than $600 in premiums will be required to complete a W-9 before receiving payment.

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SHOW RESULTS
1. Scores will be announced, and awards presented at the conclusion of the event.
2. Results will be posted on www.TrailRiderChallenge.com and our Facebook group – www.Facebook.com/groups/trailriderchallenge within 24 hours of completion of the event.
4. No results will be given by phone.

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS DURING FAIR
308-520-5084, Sarah Kucera, Equine Coordinator