

# *Flyover States Challenge Series*

## *Show Bill*

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<b>Stock Seat Series</b> September 9-15 September 30-October 6 October 28 -November 3	<b>Hunt Seat Series</b> September 16-22 October 7-13 November 4-10
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\*All shows will be double judged\*

### **Entering the Show**

Shows will be set up through the HorseShowTracker.com platform. These will be done at least two week in advance of the show start date. There will be no limits on the number of riders each school can enter in each division. Teams will enter their riders via the HorseShowTracker.com platform. Divisions with fifteen (15) or less riders will be run as one section, any division with more entries will be split into the appropriate number of sections.

*Entering Divisions:* Riders must enter their IHSA placement level. Unless the rider is within 5 points of advancing divisions they then can show in the upper division. Once riders show in a division they must show in that division for the entire series. Riders do NOT need to be IHSA members, nor will this series affect IHSA eligibility.

### **HorseShowTracker.com**

Every team will need to set up a login on HorseShowTracker.com. Signup/Login is found in the upper right hand corner. Once you have an account you will be able to access the Flyover States Series and enter the runs during the show timeframe. Only one account per team.

### **Fees**

Entry Fee: \$30/series show

HorseShowTracker.com fee (platform and service cost) \$15

Judges fee (professional services) \$5/judge

Prize fee (for end of series prizes) \$5

Fees will be paid directly to the Horse Show Tracker platform and **must be paid prior to the horse show start date**. No refunds will be issued after the start date of the show.

### **Pre-Series Information**

Every school will need to send the committee a list of riders with their prescribed numbers.

Schools also need to send a compiled list of horses and their description. Please fill out the horse description document and send it to the committee. Both documents can be sent to: [flyoverchallenge@gmail.com](mailto:flyoverchallenge@gmail.com)

### **Basic Procedure**

Shows will be set up through HorseShowTracker.com using the schedule above. Shows will be open for seven (7) days to allow for riders to use their weekly lessons for videoing purposes. All patterns will contain a designated view for filming so all rounds can be judged from the same vantage point for consistency. Entries will then be uploaded through the HorseShowTracker.com platform. Judges will judge entries after the show close date in their permitted time frame of three (3) days. Results will then be sent to the show committee and posted on the show's Facebook page and sent via email to team contact.

### **Patterns**

All patterns will be selected by the show committee. As not all schools have the same type of horses available, patterns that allow for either simple or flying lead changes will be preferred to those that require a flying change. All patterns will include a "judge's view" where the pattern must be videoed from. Patterns and courses will be sent out by the show hosts 2 days prior to the show start day.

### **Classes**

- Horsemanship: Classes will have two parts: shortened rail and pattern. The Rail portion will be one direction walk, jog and lope. Patterns will be chosen per division based on IHSA rulebook guidelines.
- Reining: Reining patterns will be chosen through the NRHA bank. In the case of a tie in scores, the judge will use their discretion to determine the winner, there will be no run offs.
- Ranch Riding: Patterns will be chosen through the AQHA pattern bank.
- Equitation on the Flat: Flat classes will have two parts: shortened rail and pattern. Patterns will be sent out two days prior to horse show start day.
- Equitation Over Fences: The course will likely consist of 5-6 fences and no more than 8 total jumping efforts.
  - Fence heights will be noted on the courses.
  - Line distances will be suggested, but the actual number of strides may vary based on the size of the arena available for use. However, lines will be required to be set on a normal twelve foot stride.
  - Fences will have to adhere to IHSA standards as per rule 4308 (page 34), but there is no expectation that the course will be decorated. Schools are free to use as much filler as they have.
  - There will be cross-rail divisions for the Novice and Pre-Novice riders.

### **Draw of Horses**

Whenever possible, a draw of horses is encouraged. Draws can be done prior to the start of the show using a random number generator as it will make it easier to maintain proper social distancing. In the event a school only has one acceptable horse for the rider in a certain division, no draw is required. The relative heights and weights of the riders should be taken into account when determining horses acceptable for each division so that the welfare of the horse and safety of the rider is maintained.

### **Warm up of Horses**

The warm up of horses will be done at the discretion of each school. Wherever practical, we encourage that someone other than the assigned rider warm-up the horse (coach or teammate). We acknowledge that this will not be practically possible for every school.

### **Dresscode**

Riders should dress in a workmanlike manner appropriate to be professionally judged in an arena. For example, hunt seat riders should wear an ASTM-SEI certified helmet, collared shirt, jacket, breeches, and tall boots or paddock boots and half chaps. Stock Seat riders should wear fitted western shirt, pants, heeled boots, chaps optional but encouraged. Stock Seat riders can wear either an ASTM-SEI certified helmet or cowboy hat.

### **Horses and Equipment**

Horses from each school must be serviceably sound, generally healthy, and groomed to a workman-like condition. Their tack should also be cleaned and in good repair. No school identifying images/markings should be present. Each class should have suitable horses both in skill and quantities per division, but horses are allowed to compete with more than one rider in each division as needed. The horse description list will be sent to the showmanager and should list additional acceptable aids. Committee will be responsible for compiling the horse list in a timely manner. All horse/rider combo must be presented to judge in one document, with no school indicators. Horse descriptions must be clear and concise per usual.

### **Points and Prizes**

Points will be awarded as follows: 1st- 7, 2nd- 5, 3rd-4, 4th-3, 5th-2, 6th-1, and recorded into the point tracking system. Ribbons and prizes will not be awarded at each show but rather an end of the series. End of series prizes will be awarded.

### **Videoing**

Videoing of the entry must be completed within the time frame and meet class guidelines (see Class Guidelines document). Videos cannot be edited or altered. If videos are edited or altered the entry will be disqualified. Time stamps are required for each video to be judged. The video must be recorded at the "judge's view" to be judged. If the judge cannot see a clear video they cannot judge you

accordingly. It is the exhibitor's responsibility to make sure the video is appropriate, follows directions and follows the pattern instructions

For best results, film the run in landscape position, do NOT zoom, and check your lighting prior to videoing. The aforementioned will help make sure the horse and rider will be shown in their entirety.

### **Judging**

Judges will be given a three (3) day time frame after the show has ended to submit the results to the show hosts. Judges decisions are final. Scorecards will be sent to coaches or team contact.

### **Covid- 19 Considerations**

Riders should abide by CDC/state/facility/university policy in regards to precautions to slow the spread of COVID-19. Social distancing, sanitizing, etc are highly encouraged.

### **Liability**

Riders should abide by state and facility policies in regards to liability and inherent risk.