



Franklin County Equestrian Club (FCEC) General Rules for Year End Awards

All points are awarded to horse/rider combinations. 1st, 2nd...6th place earns **6, 5...1** points respectively.

To receive points, rider must be a member of Franklin County Equestrian Club and horse/rider combination declared prior to show/event. You need not be a horse owner however; horse/rider combination must be declared.

FCEC membership application cannot be completed at a sanctioned show. They must be received prior to show/event. Anyone can compete in a sanctioned class, however to receive points you must specify with the FCEC Points Secretary before the show which horse and rider combination you are competing with.

Each individual membership includes one (1) horse/rider combination that can compete for year end points for that individual. Each family membership includes two horse/rider combinations that can compete for year end points. Horse/Rider combinations must be specified to the FCEC Points Secretary before points can accumulate. Each additional horse/rider combination can be purchased for an additional \$10.00. Horse/Rider combinations are open to any division.

FCEC will issue back numbers beginning with 8000 and shall be worn by the declared horse/rider combination at all FCEC shows/sanctioned shows. With the expectation any horse/rider combinations that have been declared BRHF member would default to the BRHF back number.

All the information on show sheets must be completed with the horse(s) name and rider name. In order to receive FCEC points all information must be completed on the show registration form. To be eligible for year-end award(s) a minimal of three (3) hours of volunteer work must be completed at an FCEC Show/Event. **Members may elect to OPT Out of completing the minimal volunteer hours and pay \$30.00 Awards fee.**

All entries must have a negative Coggins within the last twelve (12) months.

Show management reserves the right to add, cancel or combine classes. IF, 3 or less in a class Youth & Adult will be combined. Inappropriate conduct from participants or spectators will result in removal from the show. In order to receive points a rider must ride in the show even if there is only one entry.

Appropriate attire is encouraged, but not required. Safety headgear will not be penalized in any class. However, anyone under the age of eighteen (18) **MUST** wear an ASTM certified helmet while mounted. – **NO EXCEPTIONS! Violators will be asked to leave the premises and refunds WILL NOT be given!!!!**

Neither the Franklin County Equestrian Club (FCEC), nor any of its members, families, organizers, property owners nor employees shall be held responsible for accident, damage, injury, illness or loss to the animals, personal property, exhibitors, spectators, or any other persons on the show grounds.

Any violation of published rules at a given show will result in forfeiture of all points from that event.

The FCEC Board of Directors reserves the right to refuse or revoke any membership due to unsportsmanlike conduct or animal abuse.

Beginner/Novice Rider: Rider will be considered a beginner for twelve (12) months from the first date of showing in any discipline. Note: Changing disciplines does not restart the twelve (12) month clock.

Junior Rider: Rider who is twelve (12) years and under, as of January 1st.

Youth Rider: Rider who is seventeen (17) years and under, as of January 1st.

Adult Rider: Rider who is eighteen (18) years and over, as of January 1st.

The following is a list of divisions and classes in which points can be accumulated within the division. Awards will be awarded 1st – 6th place at the year-end awards ceremony.

Leadline Division: Participants in this division must be on a leadline accompanied by parent, guardian or trainer as lead/sidewalker(s). Classes must be separate classes offered not combined with regular classes. The purpose of this division is to build confidence in our future riders by offering an array of classes. **NO Cross entry in Junior Division.**

No horse/rider combination required to obtain FCEC year end points.

- Leadline Barrel Race
- Leadline Open Walk Only
- Leadline Pole Bending
- Leadline Speed Barrels
- Leadline Catalog Race

Junior Division: Participants in this division may be accompanied by parent, guardian or trainer in ring to provide verbal assistance and to provide assist to the rider should rider's safety be in jeopardy. These classes must be separate classes offered not combined with regular classes. The purpose of this division is to build confidence in our

future riders by offering an array of classes. No horse/rider combination required to obtain FCEC year end points. Age limit to 12 years of age. **No crossover to Leadline Division. Any member who does will forfeit points accumulated in Junior Division.**

- Junior Open Walk Only
- Junior Open Walk/Trot
- Junior Barrel Race
- Junior Pole Bending
- Junior Speed Barrels
- Junior Texas Barrels
- Junior Stake Race

Therapeutic Division: Therapeutic classes will be open to any age. The purpose of this class is to allow therapeutic riders the opportunity to display their achievements and abilities. Rider may be accompanied by a walker as deemed by necessary party(ies). No horse/rider combination required to obtain FCEC year end points.

- Equitation Walk
- Equitation Slow Trot
- Trail
- Barrels
- Poles
- Flag Race

Obstacle Division: The purpose of this division is to allow riders an opportunity to maneuver through various obstacles set up by the judge at or by show committee in the arena for the Trail Class. As well as, cover marked trails for a distance navigating through trail obstacles at FCEC's Competitive Trail Rides. The goal of the division is to demonstrate partnership between horse and rider.

Members will accumulate points (1st – 6th place) by participating in FCEC's Competitive Trail Rides or entering in Obstacle Class at any FCEC or Sanctioned Show towards Year End Awards.

Trail Riding Division: The purpose of this division is to allow riders the opportunity to earn awards for the time spent on trail rides with their **registered horse/rider combination(s)**. Points will be accumulated by rider no matter how many horses are ridden as long as they are **registered** with rider. This division is separated for Youth and Adults.

Placement will be based on trail ride hours to be submitted electronically or via mail within two (2) weeks of the trail ride to the FCEC representative at points.fcec@yahoo.com or club's mailing address. Description of the ride along horse/rider combination and length of ride must accompany the entry. Hours will be accumulated by horse/rider combination and posted on the club's website.

Ranch Horse Division:

- Consists of three classes:
 - Ranch Riding W/J
 - Ranch Riding W/J/L
 - Ranch Riding (Pattern)
- Ranch riding will be shown at the walk, jog, lope on a reasonably loose rein without undo restraint, horses must work both directions of the ring at all three (3) gaits, judge may ask for extension of the jog. (junior and senior horse, senior horse must be ridden one handed).
- **No Crossover in Western Pleasure Attire or Tack.**

Walking Horse/Racking Division:

- Walking Horse Equitation
- Walking Horse Plantation Specialty (no canter)
- Trail Racking
- Country Pleasure Racking
- Ambling

English Divisions:

Youth English Pleasure Division:

- Model English
- English Equitation Walk/Trot
- English Pleasure Walk/Trot
- English Pleasure Walk/Trot/Canter
- English Go As You Please

Adult English Pleasure Division:

- Model English
- English Equitation Walk/Trot
- English Pleasure Walk/Trot
- English Pleasure Walk/Trot/Canter
- English Go As You Please

Western Divisions:

Youth Western Pleasure Division:

- Model Western
- Western Pleasure Horsemanship
- Western Pleasure Walk/Jog
- Western Pleasure Walk/Jog/Lope
- Western Pleasure Go As You Please

Adult Western Pleasure Division:

- Model Western
- Western Pleasure Horsemanship
- Western Pleasure Walk/Jog
- Western Pleasure Walk/Jog/Lope
- Western Pleasure Go As You Please

Hunter Division:

Youth Hunter Division:

- Model Hunter
- Youth Hunter Under Saddle Walk/Trot
- Youth Hunter Under Saddle Walk/Trot/Canter
- Youth Hunter Equitation Walk/Trot/Canter
- Youth Hunter Hack-A Walk/Trot/Canter (2 jumps-pattern posted at show determined by show manager).
- Youth Hunter Hack-B Walk/Trot/Canter (2 cross rails-pattern posted at show determined by show manager).

Adult Hunter Division:

- Model Hunter
- Adult Hunter Under Saddle Walk/Trot
- Adult Hunter Under Saddle Walk/Trot/Canter
- Adult Hunter Equitation Walk/Trot/Canter
- Adult Hunter Hack-A Walk/Trot/Canter (2 jumps-pattern posted at show determined by show manager).
- Adult Hunter Hack-B Walk/Trot/Canter (2 cross rails-pattern posted at show determined by show manager).

Gymkhana Divisions:

Youth Division:

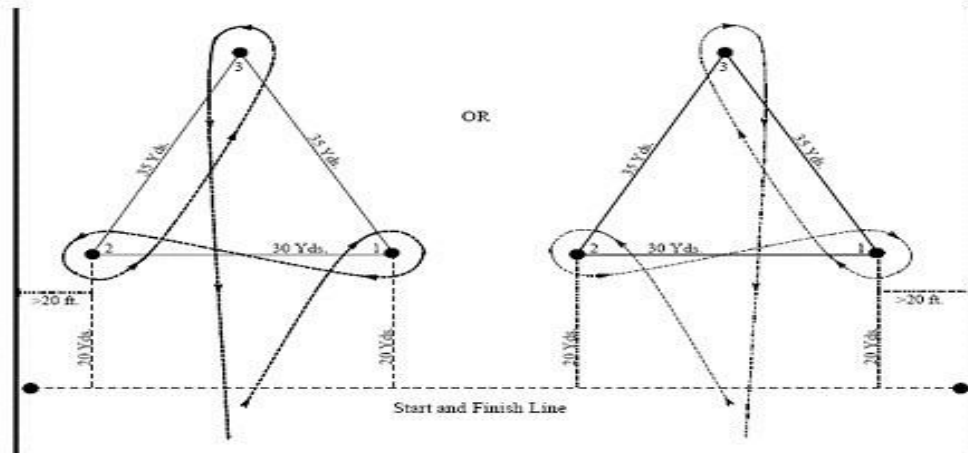
- Cloverleaf Barrels
- Pole Bending
- Speed Barrels
- Texas Barrels
- Stake Race

Adult Division:

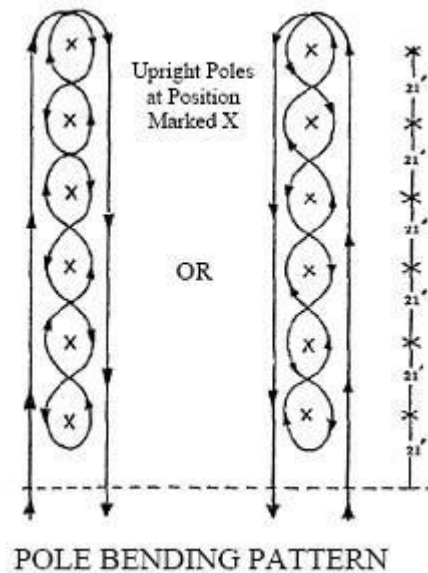
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Cloverleaf Barrel: Three barrels 1st and 2nd barrels must be a minimum of 30' from timing line and 15' from side fences and 3rd barrel must be minimum 30' from back fence. Five (5) second penalty per barrel knocked down.

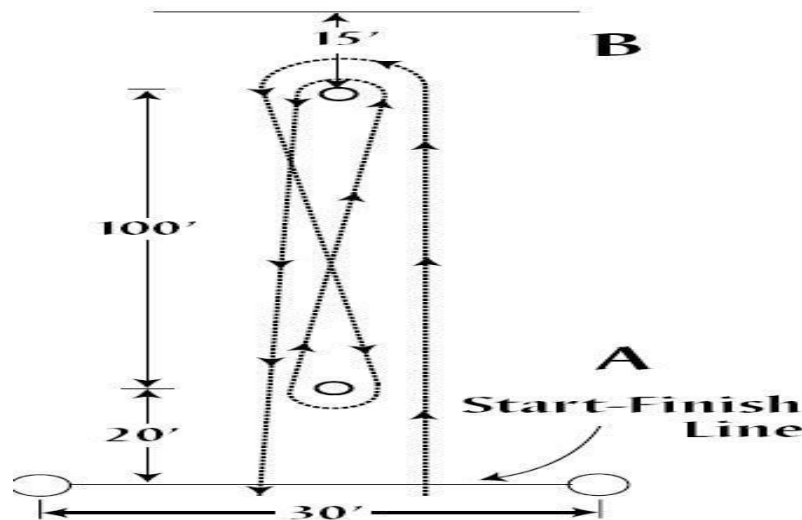
Dimensions below can be decreased in 5-yard increments:



Pole Bending: Six poles, first pole 21' from timing line, 21' spacing between poles. Five (5) second penalty per pole knocked down.



Stake Race: Timed event. Two poles set 100' apart, the first 20' from the start/finish line; the second 120' from the same line. The rider crosses the start line, rides down the side of the course (side optional) to pole B, rides to pole A, turns pole A in the opposite direction and rides back to pole B, turns pole B in the opposite direction of A, and rides across the finish line, completing a figure 8 pattern. Rider must remain in designated lanes. Turning a pole the wrong direction is considered off course. Knocking pole(s) over results in disqualification.



Speed Barrel: Timed event. Barrel is placed at same place as, the third barrel in the barrel racing pattern. Knocked over barrel results in disqualification.

Texas Barrels: Timed event. Last barrel is placed same as third barrel in the barrel racing pattern-two other barrels placed directly in front of the third barrel-spaced a 21" apart like Poles. Pattern is run like Pole pattern, except only three barrels are used. 5 second penalty per knocked down barrel.

NOTE: Western or Barrel Saddle is required for Gymkhana and Games Division(s).

Games Division:

- Baton Race
- Bloomer Race
- Catalog Race
- Flag Race
- Keyhole

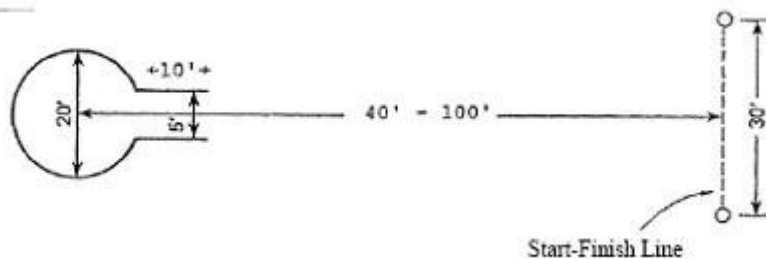
Baton Race: Requires two (2) horses and riders. Time will begin when first horse/rider combination goes through start cones. Rider will race around arena staying between cones and arena fencing. When arriving to start/finish line will pass Baton to second horse/rider combination who will race around arena. Time will stop when second horse/rider combination is back to start/finish line. If Baton is dropped or off pattern it will be considered a No Time.

Bloomer Race: Requires one (1) horse and two (2) riders. Rider(s) will accumulate points by their performance and no horse/rider combination will be required. Time starts when horse and first rider goes through start cones racing towards end of arena. Rider will dismount remove Bloomers from pole, putting them on, mounting horse and returning to rider two. Who will put Bloomers on, mount horse race to end of arena placing Bloomers back on pole and racing back to finish line. Time will end when second rider returns. Points will be awarded to FCEC members for their declared horse/rider combination for class placement.

Catalog Race: Announcer will call out a page number. Time starts when horse goes through start cones. Rider may or may not dismount to tear their page from a catalog placed on a barrel. Horse must go around the barrel. Time stops when horse goes through the start cones and the rider has the correct page from the catalog. Timed event.

Flag Race: Rider starts holding small flag, races to end of arena, switches flags with one placed in a bucket atop a barrel approximately 30' from end of arena. Rider must travel around barrel, disqualified if flag is dropped, exchange not made or flag doesn't remain in bucket. Timed event.

Keyhole Race: Time event. Using flour or lime the pattern below is marked out. Time starts as contestant crosses the start/finish line. Contestants proceed through five (5) foot opening, turn left or right in circle, and then proceed back through opening to start/finish. Contestant is disqualified if horse steps on or outside the markings of the circle or opening.



Roping Division:

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