



Equine Champion Challenge Study Guide 2009

2009 Equine Champion Challenge Contest Guidelines

Participants will be separated into categories and divisions. Once the orientation begins, contestants must not communicate with any person outside the competition. **Absolutely no communication with parents, advisors, friends or any other fair attendee will be allowed.**

Dress Code:

Contestants **must** wear clean neat riding clothes, not necessarily horse show clothes.

Contest Format:

Written Test: Each Champion Challenge participant must qualify for the preliminary round by completing a written exam that is specie specific. (i.e., equine exhibitors will answer equine questions). The top scorers from the written exam will move on to the preliminary round.

Preliminary Round: Each station will consist of five questions from the below mentioned categories.

Semifinal Round: There will be four stations with four or five questions at each station.

Final Round: Finalists will be interviewed by a panel of agricultural, community and government leaders. Questions will include general agricultural issues.

Following the preliminary round, scores will immediately be tallied and the semifinalists will be announced. The semifinals will begin immediately following the announcement of results.

In the event that there is a tie in any round, the tie will be broken based upon the highest exhibitor scores from Champion Challenge categories in the below stated order:

1. Nutrition
2. Reproductive Practices
3. Tack and Proper Usage
4. Equine Health Management
5. Breeds and Breed Characteristics
6. Confirmation and Physiology
7. Disciplines and Horsemanship Skills

Sample Questions:

1. The respiration rate for a horse is
 - a. 12-20 breaths/min
 - b. 36-44 breaths/min
 - c. 20-35 breaths/min
 - d. 56-60 breaths/min

2. A western class in which there are a mandatory 8 lead changes is called which of the following:
 - a. Reining, Pattern 2
 - b. Western Riding
 - c. Horsemanship
 - d. Working Cowhorse

Resource Materials:

www.vetmed.ucdavis.edu/ceh/default.htm

www.ca.uky.edu/agripedia

www.equinenutritioncenter.com

www.thehorse.com

www.horseadvice.com/advisor

www.yourhorsehealth.com

www.purinamills.com

www.ker.com

“Encyclopedia of the Horse” Crescent Books, a division of Random House

www.randomhouse.com

“Horses and Horsemanship” by E.M. Ensminger

“Horses” by Warren Evans

“Feeding and Care of the Horse” by Lon D. Lewis

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