

Education and Evaluation Commission

POINTS OF EMPHASIS

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• **PERFORMANCE HALTER**

- Clarification & further education forthcoming
- Paddock control – EEC directive that paddock control be same conduct as in the ring
- Primary consideration - Performance Halter horse should have the structure and balance that allows him/her to do his/her job while moving freely and staying sound.

• **COUNTRY ENGLISH PLEASURE**

- Possible solutions – future shoeing changes and/or elimination of strong gaits
- Go to the chart for minor/major faults
https://www.arabianhorses.org/export/content.export/judges-stewards/js-docs/Chart_CountyEnglishPleasure.pdf

- **BE PREPARED TO JUDGE**

- Read rules and prize list
- Appropriate pattern selection – bring copies of patterns submitted to the show in advance
- Copies of score sheets, just in case show does not provide most current versions

- **Accountability to J&S Commissioner**

- All aspects of judging – following class specifications and criteria.
- Continued communication from the J&S Commissioner to judges
- Process includes 2-way communication, can lead from warning to removal from AHA list of accredited judges

• Performance in General

- Continued emphasis on ring management – pushing horses to the rail
- Positioning of judges when in panel
- Hand gallop/extended lope – keep *excessive speed* from happening

• Tails

- Unnatural tails – greater awareness!!
- New rule approved at Convention effective date *12/1/2023*.