**Explanation of values: TX competition June 2022**

**I will start with half the value of each category and give plus or minus points in that category The total of all category’s**

**Max points you can get =100 Minimum 0. After the pluses and minuses are added or subtracted from half the value points of that category that will be your category score. Think of it as a bronc riding score 50 average 75 very good 100 impossible.**

**Trick value will be added to that #: The trick value will remain the same if the trick is done. There are possible deductions from the trick vale for the following. Not holding it for very long. Falling off, falling out of trick….etc. There will be no pluses in this category**

1. **Horse Speed:** **40 pts total**: **20 points half**

Not judged on MPH. but on if the horse is moving his legs rapidly so he appears to be going fast.

I have a film of my Mini horse running really fast with my 16hand horse behind him going at a slow lope. Same speed different effect.

Another consideration is that the horse uses the full arena and does not cut the corners.

Safety is always first. So do not make your horse go

beyond its capability. **Page1**

1. **Presentation: 32 Points total: 16 points half.**

Showmanship

Overall appearance, color and cleanliness

Of horse and Equipment

Presentation and position

Selling run to audience

Smoothness of trick or routine

use of entire arena: don’t waste it by going in your trick late or getting out of it early.

Do you finish your run with a bang or fizzle?

Horsemanship

1. **Technicalities: 24 points 12 points half**

Transitions

Execution: using the entire arena

Amount of lift in ground work

removing feet from straps before end of run

Finish sitting in saddle if possible.

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1. **Bonus combos: 2 pts each for a total of 4 1 points for 1**

**2 points for 2 some examples of connecting or**

**“combo tricks“ Secret Trick, Releasing hand from mane on One Foot Stand, Around the Horn and vault.**

1. **Point Value: according to trick: Will be added to the total score above**

Full point value: will be given if the trick is done. If 2 tricks are done half of the value of each trick added together will be the full value. If the trick is not fully accomplished. There will be a possible deduction in the trick value also. You must do the tricks you have listed or 0 points will be awarded for a trick or combo you did not do or that you did another trick in its place.

**Safety Rules:**

1: 17 years and under Safety Riding Helmets required

18 and over optional

2: Reins are to be placed under throat latch.

This will keep them from going over the horse’s head or keep them from getting longer on one side. This makes the possibility of catching your foot or your horse’s hoof in the reins less**. Page 3**

**FYI Candy’s Pet Peeves:**

1: You don’t hold the reins in any other trick! Why hold them in the Hippodrome stand???

2: I like to see what your arms are doing Particularly in a strap trick or sell out. Naked arms that blend in with the back ground make that hard to see.

3: If you hold your arms in a square U position (straight to the side then bent up at the elbows in the Hippodrome or Stroud you look like the scare crow from the wizard of OZ,

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