**EquiSkill LLC Pattern Awards – 2025 Guidelines**

-Purpose: The purpose is to encourage horsemanship skills, promote pattern work, emphasize objective

judging, and reward participation in TWH Equitation Division classes.

-EquiSkill Awards are for the Equitation Division. Riders completing a pattern in any equitation class at

participating shows are eligible including:

 Stock Seat Equitation Adult Walking Equitation

 Youth Walking Equitation 4-H Equitation

 Bareback Equitation

-A show offering 3 or more equitation classes may qualify to offer EquiSkill Awards.

-A minimum 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place awards will be given. More are possible pending donations and sponsors. There is no cost to show management.

**SCORING FOR PATTERN AWARDS:**

* Judge(s) will score patterns using the Equiskill Pattern Score Sheet & Credit/Penalties chart. Scribe(s) are optional.
* Each pattern ridden must be scored.
* If there are multiple judges for a class, the rider’s score from each judge will be added together and averaged to determine their score for that class.
* Riders who compete in multiple classes: their score from each class will be added together and averaged. This final average will be their score for award purposes.
	+ - Example: rider receives a 72 in Stock Seat and 75 in Adult Equitation. Their final average is 73.5 for award purposes.
* The final scores will be placed in numerical order from highest to lowest to determine award winners. The highest score wins.
* If the show uses a multiple judge system, each judge must score the same number of maneuvers on the score sheet for the pattern in the class.
* There will be no rounding up or down of scores.
* If a rider is not asked to complete the pattern they will not earn a score. Example, a judge may select the top 4 out of 8 entries to complete the pattern. Thus, those 4 will have a score for the awards but remaining will not.
* In the event of a tie, the winner will be the rider who competed against the most total entries in all their equitation classes.

-Riders may request a copy of their score sheets for education and training.

-Award winners may be announced during the show at a time beneficial to show management.