

## CLASSES

(Must have a minimum of 2 teams in a Class)

**FREESTYLE:** Any number of riders allowed. A minimum of four (4) minutes and a maximum of six (6) minutes are allowed. Music of choice. Points may be scored on how appropriate the music was to the maneuvers performed and the pace the horses set to the music used. Primary emphasis shall be placed on the drill, uniforms, tack, equitation and music.

**THEME:** Any number of riders allowed. A minimum of four (4) minutes and a maximum of six (6) minutes is allowed. Music of choice. Props are allowed. Props must be set up during your courtesy lap. Points may be scored on how appropriate the music was to the maneuvers performed, the pace the horses set to the music used and the appropriateness of the music and costume to the theme of the drill. Safe props to enhance your Theme may be used in the arena. This is not Theatrical Theme and riders are not allowed to exit and re-enter the arena. (Green Division only: no flags or props may be carried by riders!)

**QUADS:** Team of four (4) riders. No restrictions on how Quad team positions are filled. Quad teams will be considered part of your full team. If a team of 10 chooses to bring in four additional, different riders for Quad Classes, only the team of 10 will be eligible for awards, not the added riders.

## DIVISIONS

(Must have a minimum of 3 teams to win buckles)

**GREEN (Beginner/Inexperienced Rider):** Walk Trot Only. No restrictions on ages of riders. No limit on years of riding until 8 years of age. If 8 years or older, may only ride in Green two (2) years. Must have only (1) experienced rider in the Green Division. No flags or props. There will be 15 point deduction for carrying flags or props per Judge. If a Green team rider rides in any other Division, they are no longer eligible to ride in the Green Division, including classes within the same show season.

**NOVICE (Intermediate Rider):** Must demonstrate walk, trot and canter. No restrictions on ages of riders. Rider is considered Novice for up to two (2) years. A Coach may decide if they want to move their Novice team up after one year of competition. If a Novice team rider rides in any other Division, they are no longer eligible to ride in the Novice Division, including classes within the same show. No experienced rider allowed in Novice. Riders are allowed to carry flags or props.

**YOUTH/4-H (Experienced Rider):** No Gait Restrictions. All riders in this Division will be 18 years of age and under at the beginning of the show season. Riders are allowed to carry flags or props. Maneuvers may not be repeated in the Open Division (See Page 9 for Details). This does not include Quad and Theme Classes. Maneuver form found under Resources on SEMDTA website.

**OPEN (Experienced Rider):** No Gait Restrictions . No restriction on ages of riders. Riders are allowed to carry flags or props. Maneuvers may not be repeated in the Youth Division (See Page 10 for Details). This does not include Quad and Theme Classes. Maneuver form found under Resources on SEMDTA website.