

# **49er's saddle Club**

## **Royalty Contest Rules & Guidelines**

### **Contestant Packet**



**Application Deadline: August 31st**

# 49er's Saddle Club Royalty Contest

## What does it mean to be part of the 49er's Royalty?

Those who wish to be a leader in their community, and further promote the 49er's Saddle Club  
And be a role model for all our members and youth in our community.

Those who are interested in becoming a part of the 49er's Saddle Club Royalty Court should be  
those who love the western way of life and everything it represents, and who want to show the  
rest of the world what can be accomplished while surrounded by this environment.

Those who portray good sportsmanship, horsemanship, high morals, ethical character, and  
advocates for the careful and humane treatment of animals.

## Contestant Eligibility

Each contestant in the 49er's Saddle Club Royalty Contest shall comply with the following,  
effective on the date of competition. Contestants must:

- A. Must be born a female, turn 11 years old and not be older than 19 years of age during her reigning year.
- B. Be enrolled in or graduated from high school or an equivalent (GED program). Can be enrolled in or graduate of an institution of higher education.
  - If currently enrolled, or enrolled throughout reign, must maintain a 2.0 GPA by most recent report card.
- C. Must be single and shall never have been married, had a marriage annulled, or ever been pregnant. She must not cohabit with a boyfriend or member of the opposite sex (excluding relatives) during her reign or be engaged.
- D. Shall not have been disqualified in prior equine Contest competition for misconduct and/or nonperformance.
- E. Must be a current 49er's Saddle Club member in good standing.

## Entry Procedures

Each contestant must complete an official 49er's Saddle Club Royalty Contest Application.  
The application must be received no later than **August 31st**. Mail the application, or  
email **the49erssaddleclub@gmail.com**

**49er's saddle Club / Royalty  
PO Box 1683 Lewiston, ID.  
83501**

## **49er's Royalty contestants are judged in the following categories:**

- A. Horsemanship 1-50 points
- B. Interview 1-50 points
- C. Prepared Speech 1-50 points
- D. Personality 1-25 points
- E. Appearance 1-25 points
- F. Impromptu Question 1-25 points

**The total possible points per contestant is 225 per judge.**

## **JUDGED CATEGORIES**

### **HORSEMANSHIP 1-50 points**

- 6. Horsemanship order will be drawn for, prior to the start of the horsemanship section.
- 7. Contestants will provide their own horse. Contestant will receive a zero (0) from each judge for falling off or being bucked off the horse during the horsemanship pattern. No two contestants may ride the same horse in this event
- 8. Horsemanship will consist of four components: includes a pattern, flag presentation, and a wall run. Collectively, contestants will also do rail work. Judges will look for:
  - a. Equitation: balance, ability, and position of hands, feet and seat when riding; control of mount and the way she handles any situation which may occur
  - b. Pattern: understanding of leads and proper execution of a specific pattern
  - c. Appearance: posture, poise, style, confidence, and awareness of audience. Tack must be clean, safe, and properly cared for.

Pattern to be used is included in this packet. At the Directors' and/or Judges' discretion, patterns may be altered to best fit the arena and ground conditions. Any changes and/or alterations to the horsemanship patterns will be announced to the contestants before the Horsemanship competition begins.

***The pattern will be demonstrated by the reigning 49er's Saddle Club Queen***

### **PERSONALITY**

The purpose of this judged division is to select the young lady who rates the highest in: Intelligence, including common sense and good decision making; overall conversational ability and ability to think on her feet and speak with maturity, intelligence, and imagination; a positive outlook; knowledge of and conversational ability about our Saddle Club, their state and other areas with special emphasis on grammar and enunciation; emits self-confidence, maturity,

high moral standards, sincerity, and integrity; personality as reflected in choices of attire, overall appearance, eye appeal and a noticeable consideration of others; ability to project personality in the arena, on horseback, before an audience or on television; sense of humor and professionalism in all aspects of the competition.

### **APPEARANCE**

The purpose of this judged division is to select the young lady who reflects poise and dignity and who takes pride in their appearance through neatness and cleanliness in every detail; poise which includes posture and lady-like behavior.

Contestants may choose to wear a dress or outfit more than once. Appearance does not mean expensive or flashy; demonstration and knowledge of proper western attire includes color coordination, proper fit, proper boots, crease and hat shape; appropriate dresses, skirts, and blouses.

### **PREPARED SPEECH**

The purpose of this judged division is to select the contestant who rates the highest in public speaking.

1. Each contestant is required to give a three minute (minimum)
2. Speeches will be judged on content, delivery, personality, as well as organization and subject relevancy to required topic.
3. Use of microphone may or may not be available.
4. Eye contact and projection to audience
5. Presentation should show Enthusiasm and Flair

### **PERSONAL INTERVIEWS**

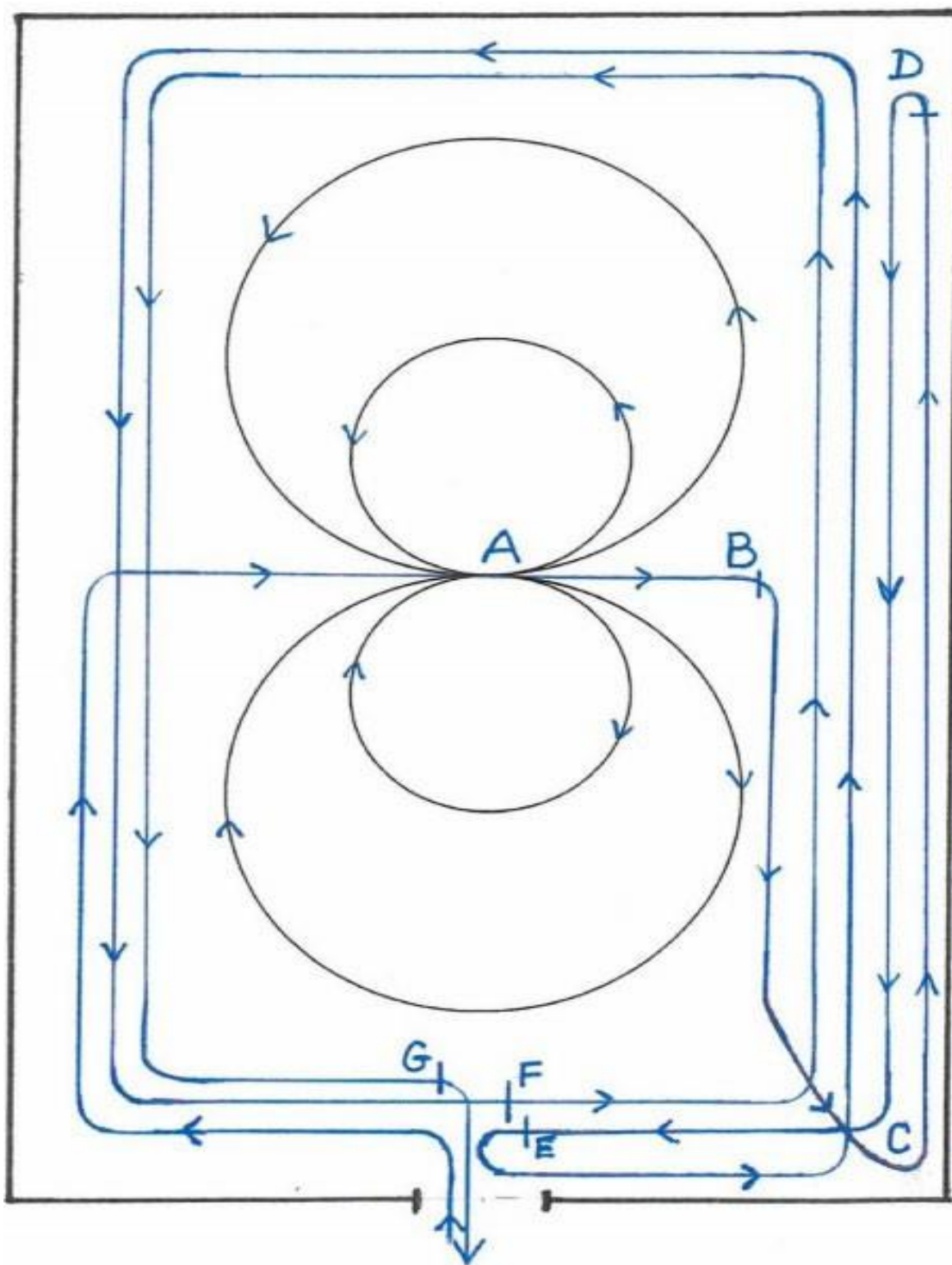
Each contestant will be interviewed privately at least once by the judges. Judging criteria includes:

1. Correct answers to questions related to knowledge of the contest, knowledge of the 49er's saddle Club, equine knowledge (including tack, horse care, feeding, diseases, anatomy, etc.) & current events.
2. Appearance & Personality

### **IMPROMPTU QUESTION**

Questions will be asked of each contestant during the contest. Questions may relate to the sport of professional rodeo and/or current events. Judging criteria includes:

1. Ability to answer the question.
2. Delivery
3. Knowledge
4. Enunciation
5. Appearance & Personality



### HORSEMANSHIP PATTERN

Enter the arena and walk to Position A. Begin figure 8 work to the right at a fast lope and make the larger figure 8. Reduce speed and go into the smaller figure 8. Stop at Position B. Trot to Position C. Begin fast pace at Position C, coming to a stop at Position D. Turn away from fence at Position D and proceed to the Exit gate at a fast pace doing a presentation ride. Stop at gate. Make a 180 degree turn to the left (towards gate) at Position E. Take flag from contest personnel and circle the arena once at a speed of the contestant's choice. Stop at the gate and hand flag to contest personnel at Position F. Make a second circle around arena as a presentation ride. Come to a stop at the gate at Position G and exit the arena.









