

# Equine Event Planning, LLC

## RULES

### ADOPTED August 2020

Adopted from Ohio Valley Height Pullers Rules

1. Team must pull a distance of 10 feet for a full pull.
2. The pulling track will be 15 feet wide.
3. Team will have 3 attempts at each load.
4. If a 3<sup>rd</sup> attempt is necessary, teamster will have the choice of direction, given there is ample space provided.
5. Teams will be allowed 3 tries to hitch to the sled per attempt. Over 3 tries will result in loss of attempt and no distance will be given for that attempt.
6. If the team is unsuccessful to make a full pull the greatest distance will be their placing distance.
7. If there is a tie in distances, the next greatest distance will be the placing distance.
8. Each teamster will be permitted 2 helpers.
9. Any whipping, line slapping, smacking, kicking, etc. will result in the teamster being immediately ejected from the competition with no distance given for that load.
10. Teamster and helper may not be ahead of the double trees or it shall result in loss of attempt with no distance given for that attempt.
11. No open faced bridles are to be used. If open faced bridles are used the team will not be allowed to participate in the competition.
12. Drivers and helpers may not head the ponies at any time while they are in the pulling area except if there are problems with the ponies or harness. If the teamster or helper does have to head the ponies, the teamster must take the team back outside the pulling area and return in.
13. ONLY the driver will be allowed to call on the team; excluding profane or offensive language.
14. Drivers that lose control of the team during any point of the pull will be ejected from the competition and no distance for that load will be given.
15. In case of a breakdown before the team is hitched to the sled the teamster will be permitted to fix it, the pull will proceed and that teamster will move to the end of the order for that load.
16. In case of a breakdown while the team is hitched to the sled the teamster will be permitted to unhook to fix it and the distance for that pull will stand. The teamster will automatically forfeit their 2<sup>nd</sup> attempt if breakdown occurs during the 1<sup>st</sup> attempt.
17. If tractor is available, sled will be spotted.
18. A rule may be changed if the need arises.
19. If you crossed the load and then rope, it is a full pull. If not ten foot and rope is called, you lose turn.