LEVELS OF ATTAINMENT

The following information indicates the proficiency required to become an AQHA Judge and for current Judges who must complete a Refresher Exam annually. All Judges exams are now ONLINE.

ASSOCIATE JUDGE

Components	PROFICIENCY			
Theory Exam	The applicant must be able to obtain a minimum overall score of 80%			
Video Judging	The applicant must be able to: A. Correctly identify, a minimum of 80% of the 1 st and last placed horses in each class. B. Correctly identify the order of the placegetters; at least 75% of the time. C. Correctly identify all major penalties in the scored classes; at least 80% of the time			
Co-Judging Assignments	 The applicant must be able to, at all 3 shows: A. Correctly identify, a minimum of 80% of the 1st and last placed horses in each class. B. Correctly identify the order of the placegetters; at least 75% of the time. C. Correctly identify all major penalties in the scored classes; at least 80% of the time 			

ACCREDITED TRAIL JUDGE

Components	Proficiency			
Theory Exam	The Trail applicant must be able to obtain a minimum overall score of 85%			
Video Judging	 The Trail Applicant must be able to: A. Correctly identify a minimum of 90% of the 1st and last placed horses in the trail class. B. Correctly identify the order of the placegetters; at least 85% of the time. C. Correctly identify all major penalties in the trail at least 90% of the time 			
Co-Judging Assignments	The Trail Applicant must be able to, at all three shows: A. Correctly identify a minimum of 90% of the 1 st and last placed horses in the trail class. B. Correctly identify the order of the placegetters; at least 85% of the time. C. Correctly identify all major penalties in the trail at least 90% of the time			

VERSATILITY RANCH LEVEL 1

Components	Proficiency			
Theory Exam	The VR Level 1 applicant must be able to obtain a minimum overall score of 90%			
Video Judging	 The applicant must be able to: A. Correctly identify, a minimum of 80% of the 1st and last placed horses in each class B. Correctly identify the order of the placegetters; at least 75% of the time C. Correctly identify all major penalties in the scored classes; at least 80% of the time 			
Co-Judging Assignments	The applicant must be able to, at all 3 shows: D. Correctly identify, a minimum of 80% of the 1 st and last placed horses in each class. E. Correctly identify the order of the placegetters; at least 75% of the time. Correctly identify all major penalties in the scored classes; at least 80% of the time			

REFRESHER FOR ALL TYPES OF JUDGES:

To be completed on a yearly basis once they have gained their Judges ticket.

REFRESHER ASSOCIATE JUDGE

Components	PROFICIENCY		
Theory Exam	The applicant must be able to obtain a minimum overall score of 80%		
Video Judging	The applicant must be able to: A. Correctly identify, a minimum of 80% of the 1st and last placed horses in each class. B. Correctly identify the order of the placegetters; at least 75% of the time. C. Correctly identify all major penalties in the scored classes; at least 80% of the time		

REFRESHER ACCREDITED JUDGE

Components	PROFICIENCY		
Theory Exam	The applicant must be able to obtain a minimum overall score of 90%		
Video Judging	The applicant must be able to: A. Correctly identify, a minimum of 90% of the 1 st and last placed horses in each class. B. Correctly identify the order of the placegetters; at least 85% of the time. C. Correctly identify all major penalties in the scored classes; at least 90% of the time.		

REFRESHER ACCREDITED TRAIL JUDGE

Components	Proficiency		
Theory Exam	The Trail Judge must be able to obtain a minimum overall score of 85%		
Video Judging	 The Trail Judge must be able to: A. Correctly identify a minimum of 90% of the 1st and last placed horses in the trail class. B. Correctly identify the order of the placegetters; at least 85% of the time. C. Correctly identify all major penalties in the trail at least 90% of the time 		

REFRESHER VERSATILITY RANCH LEVEL 1 JUDGE

Components	Proficiency		
Theory Exam	The VR Level 1 Judge must be able to obtain a minimum overall score of 90%		
Video Judging	 The applicant must be able to: A. Correctly identify, a minimum of 80% of the 1st and last placed horses in each class B. Correctly identify the order of the placegetters; at least 75% of the time C. Correctly identify all major penalties in the scored classes; at least 80% of the time 		

UPGRADE ASSOCIATE TO ACCREDITED JUDGE

Components	Proficiency			
Theory Exam	The Associate Judge must be able to obtain a minimum overall score of 90%			
Video Judging	 The Associate Judge must be able to: A. Correctly identify a minimum of 90% of the 1st and last placed horses in each class. B. Correctly identify the order of the placegetters; at least 85% of the time. C. Correctly identify all major penalties in the scored classes; at least 90% of the time 			
Co-Judging Assignments	The Associate Judge must be able to, at all three shows: A. Correctly identify a minimum of 90% of the 1st and last placed horses in each class. B. Correctly identify the order of the placegetters; at least 85% of the time. C. Correctly identify all major penalties in the scored classes; at least 90% of the time			