

## **NH 4-H Hippology Contest Trail Class Team Problem**

Your club is sponsoring a 4-H horse show, which includes walk-trot, junior, senior, and adult divisions in western, hunt seat, and saddle seat. The trail class is to be held in the main ring.

Your group's task is to design the trail course for those in the junior, senior, and adult divisions with the materials available on the show grounds. Also indicate what modifications are made for the walk-trot participants.

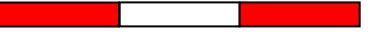
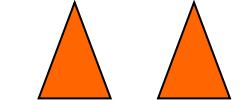
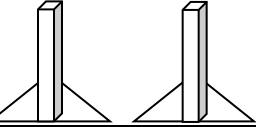
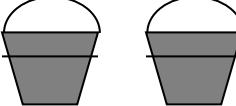
The list of materials is below. Design a trail course that participants will perform individually. The course should be a test of the horse and rider's ability to function as a team over a variety of obstacles and at a variety of gaits.

You do not need to use all the materials. You must include the following in your course

- Walk
- Trot
- Canter on both leads (not for walk-trot participants).
- Halt
- 2 changes of direction
- at least 5 obstacles that test a horse and rider team's agility, responsiveness and trail aptitude, which participants must go around, through, or over

You have **7 minutes** to plan and **5 minutes** to make a presentation to the judges that includes an explanation of your course, showing them the map and explaining the differences that would be incorporated for Walk Trot riders.

## Materials:

Object	How many	
12' long wooden poles, painted in a variety of colors	15	 
12" tall orange road cones	6	
Jump standards	4	
55 gallon drums (barrels)	2	
Small flags on wooden poles	2	
10 quart buckets	2	
Bales of hay	2	
Small pots of flowers	6	
4'X5' stall mats	2	

Team State: \_\_\_\_\_

Team Member Names: \_\_\_\_\_

**SCORING:**

Senior problems without a presentation:

	Possible points	points awarded
Accuracy and completeness All items or areas identified and explained.	25 points	_____
Organization Logical order in solving problem	5 points	_____
Teamwork Problem evenly distributed among team members	5 points	_____
Presentation	5	
Questions	5	
Time Management	5 points	_____
<b>TOTAL</b>	50 points	_____