

# Riders of the Purple Sage Competitive Trail Ride Rules

**Open Division:** adults ~ award for high point rider.

**Junior Division:** 7 – 15 years of age ~ award for high point rider ~ must wear helmet and be accompanied by an adult rider ~ parent must sign a written authorization form for child.

**Judging:** rider's ability (balance, confidence, non-interference) through the negotiation of obstacles will be judged on a scale of 1- 10 as follows:

10 = excellent, 9 = very good, 8 = good, 7 = fairly good, 6 = satisfactory, 5 = sufficient,

4 = insufficient, 3 = poor, 2 = very poor, 0 = not executed.

There is a time limit of 60 seconds per obstacle. Over time limit = 0 points.

Ties are broken by a plus system. Pluses are given for an exemplary job. This is not a timed event.

Fall of horse or rider is a disqualification

Riders *should* carry a halter, lead rope, hoof pick, knife, hobbles, water bottle and slicker.

No standing martingales/tie-downs/draw reins allowed on ride.

No bareback pads. No stallions. No dogs.

No shorts or sneakers allowed – boots with heel required, hat recommended.

Ponying of additional horses not allowed.

Any excessive force or unsportsman-like conduct is subject to disqualification.

Management reserves the right to refuse entry or disqualify participants.

RSVP Pat Buls: [gentletamer1@peoplepc.com](mailto:gentletamer1@peoplepc.com) or call 505-990-7801

CALL BEFORE YOU HAUL: in case of inclement weather, ride cancellation, etc.,

Call Pat Buls at 575-571-0221 Entry Fee ~ \$20 donation suggested.

First ride sponsored by THE FEED STORE on Dona Ana Road, next to Ray's & Day's.

Second ride sponsored by Horse N Hound Feed Store, West Amador in Las Cruces.