

JUNIOR DIVISION OBSTACLE INSTRUCTIONS

2016

OBSTACLE #1 - NEGOTIATE DOWNFALL

There is downfall on the trail, and it is the rider's job to navigate the trail in the safest manner with the least amount of disturbance of the branches. You are judged when you pass the entry cone and until you are beyond the exit cone. You are to start at the entry cone, go forward through the downfall through and beyond the exit cone. Your horse must respond properly to cues and not rush or scatter the branches.

OBSTACLE #2 - FIGURE 8

You are to ride a nice round figure 8 around the two oak trees. Proceed past the entry cone and walk to either side of the first tree and ride a forward figure 8 around the two trees, stepping over the pole at the middle, arriving back at the cone where you started. Proceed past the cone and exit the obstacle. The judge will be looking for even circles and a quiet mount.

OBSTACLE #3 - LOG MOUNT

You will be demonstrating how safe and quiet your horse is to dismount and mount. Rider to go past the entry cone and dismount from either side to the ground, then lead their horse to the log, rider may lead with the reins. Rider to step upon the log and mount their horse from either side. Ride past the exit cone and exit the obstacle.

OBSTACLE #4 - WAGON WHEEL

Rider is to ride their horse in a circle over the poles keeping the circle even and round. Rider to enter the wagon wheel from either direction at the entry/exit cone and complete one full circle, and pass the entry/exit cone and exit the wagon wheel. Proceed out of the obstacle.

OBSTACLE #5 - CROSSING THE LAKE

Rider to demonstrate a safe water crossing. Rider to safely cross the water over the trail. Rider to go past the entry cone, enter the water over the trail, walk along the underwater trail and proceed past the exit cone and exit the obstacle.

OBSTACLE #6 - LABYRINTH

Rider to enter labyrinth at the cone and walk forward through the maze without stepping on or over the poles. Rider to proceed past the exit cone and exit the obstacle.