

AHA Three Judge Scoring System

- 1.1 Each judge in the Three Judge Scoring System will be designated as the Call Judge (#1) or the number two (#2) judge or the number three (#3) judge for each class.
- 1.2 When ties are present the 'Fall of the Cards' will determine the placing (breaking) of the ties. (The highest placing horse of the tied horses on the #1 judge's card will win the tie. If not on the #1 card the #2 card will be consulted and that highest placing will win the tie and if not on the #2 card, the #3 card will be consulted, etc.)
- 1.3 Judges will mark their cards independently with the number of places stated in the prize list for each class plus one reserve/alternate horse. When the class is completed the judge's cards will be given to the scorer to calculate the class placings.
- 1.4 Points will be assigned as follows:
 - a. For ten places 1st will receive 10 points, 2nd will receive 9 points 3rd will receive 8 points, 4th will receive 7 points, 5th will receive 6 points, 6th will receive 5 points, 7th will receive 4 points, 8th will receive 3 points, 9th will receive 2 points and 10th will receive 1 point.
 - b. For five places 1st will receive 5 points, 2nd will receive 4 points, 3rd will receive 3 points, 4th will receive 2 points and 5th will receive 1 point.
 - c. For eight places 1st will receive 8 points, etc.
 - d. For six places 1st will receive 6 points, etc.
 - c. The reserve/alternate does not receive any points and is not considered in the scoring process. This place is used only if there are future disqualifications.
- 2.1 Each of the horses placed by the judges will first be assigned a total number of points as stated in 1.4. These points will be used to select the placings in the class as follows:
- 2.2 Candidate horses for Champion (First Place) will be those horses that appear in first place on all three judge's cards. If a horse is first on two or three of the judge's cards, that horse wins the class. If there are three different horses placed first, the one with the highest number of points wins the class. If there is a tie in points, the 'Fall of the Cards' breaks the tie.
- 2.3 After the Champion (First Place) horse is chosen, the horse(s) placed second below the chosen horse will be a candidate(s) for Reserve (Second) along with the remaining first place candidate horses. If one of these candidate horses has been placed by two or three of the judges, that horse will win Reserve (Second Place) in the class. If there are three different candidate horses, the one with the highest number of points wins the class. If there is a tie in points, the 'Fall of the Cards' breaks the tie.
- 2.4 The Third Place horse will be one of the remaining horses that has the highest number of points earned in the class. Fourth Place, etc. will be the one with the next highest number of points, etc. If there is a tie in points the 'Fall of the Cards' breaks the tie.

Note: There is a possibility that a horse may be placed as Champion (First Place) or Reserve (Second Place) with fewer points than those places third or lower.

Placing the Three Judge Scoring System by Hand

Judge #1	Judge #2	Judge #3	Back #'s	Total Points	Placings
1) 292	132	280	292	12	1) 292
2) 132	280	292	132	12	2) 132
3) 280	292	132	280	12	3) 280
4) 242	92	485	242	2	4) 92
5) 92	141	92	92	4	5) 242
6) 198	485	482	141	1	6) _____
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- 1.4. Assign total points to places 1st through 5th by listing the back numbers of all judges under the back number column (this should be done as horses enter the ring) and the total points in the appropriate column according to 1.4.b.
- 1.4. The sixth place receives no points as this place is only an alternate in case of a disqualification. (1.4.c.)
- 2.2. The candidates for Champion (First Place) will be numbers 292, 132, 280. Since no two judges have placed the same horse, total points will be considered. All three horses have the same number of total points so the 'Fall of the Cards' will be utilized. The #1 judge has selected 292 as the first place, therefore, 292 will be Champion (First Place).
- 2.3. The candidates for Reserve (Second Place) will be numbers 132 (after 1st place is chosen the second place horse behind the chosen horse will be a candidate) 132, 280. Since two judges have chosen number 132, that horse will be named Reserve (Second Place).
- 2.4. The third place horse will be the one with the highest number of points of the remaining horses in the class. Number 280 has 12 points, the highest of the remaining horses and is named 3rd. Number 92 has 4 points and will be named 4th. Numbers 242 and 485 both have 2 points each so the scorer will again refer to the 'Fall of the Cards'. (1.2.) Judge #1 has placed 242 over 485 (242 is placed over 485 because 485 is not on the card so therefore placed lower) therefore, 242 will be named 5th.

