Points of Emphasis for 2017

- Communication with show management
- Communication in multiple/concurrent formats
- Tails
- Awareness of new shoeing regulations
- Increase awareness
  - Showmanship
  - Horsemanship
  - Trail
Communication with show management

• **To competition management**
  • Return phone calls and emails (*check spam folders*)
  • Sign and return contracts – negotiate if any issue
  • Ask for additional contact info for travel days if problems

• Choose patterns appropriate to arena and to expected level of exhibitors
• Submit patterns when requested
• Be prepared with score sheets, notebook
• Be proactive
• Dress appropriately
• Thank everyone, including volunteers
Communication in multiple/concurrent formats

- Know the rotation of call judge position
- If call judge planning to stop and back exhibitors on the rail, let the rest of the panel know in advance
- Be aware of position in ring

- Call judge make sure everyone has completed judging in-hand entries
- Share patterns in advance if at all possible; talk about any concerns
- Respect differences of opinion
• Unnatural tails are to be penalized
• If sufficient entrants in class, leave entry with unnatural tail off your card
• If not enough entries, entry should be last on your card
• In-hand
  • Reduce type score
• Scored performance classes
  • Assign ½ point penalty, add a T within a circle
New Shoeing Regulations

- **Effective 1/1/17**
- **Read the entire new rule!!**
- **Tungsten carbide shoes prohibited**
- **Straight bar allowed**
  - Located anywhere within circumference of shoe
- **Egg bar allowed**
  - Uninterrupted, oval shaped shoe
- **Bar shoe prohibited on horses three years old and under**
- **Overall hoof length**
  - 4 ¾” - PB
  - 5 ¼” - HA/AA
- **Measurement from hairline**
Increase awareness

• Showmanship
  • Read new showmanship notebook chapter on AHA website
  • Study tack requirements

• Western Horsemanship

• Trail
  • Western
  • English
  • In-hand