



# New Jersey State Equine Presentation Competition Public Speaking Score Sheet

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

**Time Limit: 7-10 minutes**

Penalty: 1 point will be deducted from the total score for each minute or fraction of a minute under 7 or over 10 minutes

**Total Points:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Rank:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Tie Breaker:** \_\_\_\_\_

**A. INTRODUCTION**

\_\_\_\_\_ / 10 points

1. Did the introduction serve to create interest in the subject?
2. Was the introduction short and to the point?

**B. ORGANIZATION**

\_\_\_\_\_ / 15 points

1. Were the main points easy to follow?
2. Were the main points arranged in the best order?
3. Were the sentences short and easy to understand?
4. Was the speech interesting?

**C. CONTENT AND ACCURACY**

\_\_\_\_\_ / 20 points

1. Were the facts and information accurate?
2. Was there enough information concerning the subject?
3. Was credit given to the sources of information, if it was appropriate?
4. Was the content appropriately related to the horse industry?

**D. STAGE PRESENCE**

\_\_\_\_\_ / 15 points

1. Was the speaker neat and appropriately dressed?
2. Did the speaker talk directly to and look at the audience?
3. Was the speaker's posture erect, but not stiff?
4. Did the speaker refrain from leaning on the podium?
5. Did the speaker seem relaxed and at ease?



**E. DELIVERY**

\_\_\_\_\_ / 20 points

1. Did the speaker have appropriate voice control?
2. Were all words pronounced correctly?
3. Did the speaker's facial expressions reflect the mood of the speech?
4. If notes were used, was it done without detracting from the speech?
5. Did the speaker seem to choose words at the time they were spoken as opposed to a memorized or ready-type delivery?

**F. GENERAL**

\_\_\_\_\_ / 10 points

1. Did the speaker convey to the audience a sense of wanting to communicate?
2. Did the speech reflect the thoughts and personality of the speaker?

**G. CONCLUSION**

\_\_\_\_\_ / 10 points

1. Was the conclusion short and interesting?
2. Did the conclusion properly wrap up the speech?
3. Could the speaker handle questions easily?

**Time:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Awarded Points:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Minus Time Penalty:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Points:** \_\_\_\_\_

Judge's Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Judge's Comments**