

## **Abbreviated Version of the HDS Recognized Schooling Shows Dressage Competition Requirements**

1. Horses may enter no more than 2 consecutive levels at the show. Horses are limited to a maximum of three (3) dressage rides per day at Fourth Level and below or two (2) dressage rides per day above 4<sup>th</sup> level.
2. At the salute, riders must take the reins in one hand. Female riders must let the free arm drop loosely along their side and incline head in a bow. Male riders may either remove hat and/or drop arm loosely at side.
3. Use of voice or tongue “clicking” during execution of the test will result in “error” for that movement.
4. If the horse leaves the arena with or without the rider (all 4 feet outside the fence, between the time of entry and the time of exit at A, the competitor shall be eliminated.
5. In case of equality of points the competitor with the highest marks received under General Impressions shall be declared the winner. When the scores for general impressions are also equal, the horses must remain tied. Errors on the test may NOT be used to break ties.
6. If a mathematical error on the score sheet is discovered, it must be brought to the attention of the schooling show competition management within 1 hour of the official posting of the scores from the last class of the competition day.
7. At least 50 minutes must be scheduled between start times for a rider’s tests on different horses unless he/she has agreed to a shorter interval between tests. Time intervals should be allowed between rides for a judge’s breaks.

### **Awards**

1. Ribbons will be handed out after all scoring is done for the class.
2. HDS Hi Point awards shall be given only to current year HDS members:
  - HDS Hi Point Tri-color sashes: Junior/YR and Amateur Hi Point for Training thru PSG ONLY.
  - HDS Hi Point Medals: Junior/YR and Amateur HI Point for GAG and Intro ONLY.

The full HDS Schooling Show requirements are available on the Houston Dressage Society website.

## Schooling Show Classes

Green as Grass	I
Green as Grass	II
Green as Grass	III
Introductory	A
Introductory	B
Training Level	Test 1
Training Level	Test 2
Training Level	Test 3
Training Level	Test 4
First Level	Test 1
First Level	Test 2
First Level	Test 3
First Level	Test 4
Second Level	Test 1
Second Level	Test 2
Second Level	Test 3
Third Level	Test 1
Third Level	Test 2
Third Level	Test 3
Fourth Level	Test 1
Fourth Level	Test 2
Fourth Level	Test 3
Prix St. George	
Sit a Buck*	13 and under
Sit a Buck*	14 to 18
Sit a Buck*	19 and over

\*Sit a Buck is a cash class where rider must ride bareback keeping a ten dollar bill under her seat during walk and trot. Winner of the class receives the Jackpot – all the \$10.00 bills in the class. In the event that a tie needs to be broken, canter may be required to help determine a winner.