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## **EQUINE CANADA 2012 Rule Book**

### **Article G1301 SHOW HACK HORSE OR SHOW HACK PONY:**

#### **Type Characteristics**

Head neat, finely drawn and elegant. Mane must not be roached, may be braided; neck of sufficient length with a trim throat-latch; neck to blend into shoulders which are medium width and not too heavily muscled; medium high and well defined withers the same height as croup; chest well developed but in proportion; forearm not too heavily muscled; back moderately short but well proportioned with height; moderately deep girth and well shaped proportioned with height; sloping pasterns of good length; feet of proportionate size. Show hacks must have vitality, animation, presence, balance and clean limbs showing supreme quality. Soundness is required and blemishes may be penalized. Braiding of mane and tail is optional.

#### **Gaits**

1. Walk – straight, four beat and flat-footed
2. Trot – free, light and crisp, may be required as follows:
  - On contact in a more upright frame
  - Collected rider sitting
  - Extended – on contact – medium speed with legs moving forward with impulsion and the rider posting or sitting
3. Canter may be required as follows:
  - collected
  - normal
  - extended
  - hand gallop

#### **Class Routine:**

1. Horse to enter ring at a walk
2. To be shown at a walk, trot, canter and hand gallop; collected and extended gaits to be called for; to stand quietly; only 8 horses to hand gallop at one time.
3. To be judged on 55% performance, 20% quality, 15% conformation and 10% manners

### **Article G1302 ROAD HACK OR ROAD HACK PONY:**

#### **1) Type & Characteristics:**

Head well shaped, attractive and proportionate; mane may be roached; natural (not set) tail; strong; well shaped neck with good length of rein, good strong shoulder, medium high withers the same height as the croup; moderately muscled forearm, back well proportioned with height; powerful across the loins; good depth of girth; well shaped proportionate quarters showing strength; sloping pasterns of good length; feet of proportion size. The horse or pony must present an appearance of overall substance and refinement. Soundness is required and blemishes may be penalized. Braiding of mane and tail is optional.

#### **2) Gaits:**

Walk – straight, four beat and flat-footed with medium contact

Trot – straight and true; may be required as follows:

- normal on light to medium contact
- strong trot

Canter – normal on light to medium contact

Hand gallop under control †

#### **3) Class routine:**

1. Horses to enter at a walk.
2. To be shown at a flat-footed walk with a reasonably loose rein, trot, strong trot, easy canter and hand gallop. Only 8 horses to hand gallop at one time.
3. To be judged on 55% performance, 20% substance, 15% conformation and 10 % manners.

