

## Show Rules & Etiquette

We have a great show season ahead, and to make it even better - also so as not to have any confusion at the time of the shows, we would like to highlight a few rules and show procedures.

For the Ideal Pinto classes - **GROOMS MUST WEAR PROPER ATTIRE**. The best way to make sure you have that would be to keep a collared smock with your show gear. Proper attire means long sleeves and a collar on the shirt - **NO** shorts and flip flops. Jeans and tennis shoes are permissible.

For those of you with ponies and mini's - they will need to be measured this year at each show. They **MUST** be measured before you are eligible to show. You will not be able to enter the arena until this is done. Please try to have this done as soon as you arrive. The national office will be holding a seminar for those who will be handling the measuring at the shows at the March convention - and when we have further information on this, we will let you know.

We would also like to help avoid the "rush" in the office, so please get your entries made as soon as possible to avoid any inconvenience or delays. Our show office will also be closing during our lunch break to give our office staff a chance to eat and take a break. So **IF** you have paperwork you need to do please take care of it before or after that time.

Also to help make our shows run more smoothly and timely, please come to the gate and get checked in when your class is being called to do so. This allows our gate staff to know that you are there, in the proper class and with the proper attire and back number on. A suggestion on keeping the proper back number with the right horse is to write the horse's name on the back of the number and keep your numbers in a designated place where they're easy to get to. This helps to eliminate confusion in the ring, or possibly your elimination from a class.

If you have a scratch, add, or tack change between classes, please let the gate staff know. We don't want anyone to miss their class but we have to be informed if there are problems or changes so that we aren't holding up the show.

Also, should you have a grievance you **MUST** present it to a member of the grievance committee in writing. That way we have a record of the complaint and if it needs to go before the board we have the paper work to be able to follow up on.

We would like everyone to have a safe show season - and if there are improvements that you feel can be made, please let us know.