

HWSC EMT Challenge Registration Form & Rules



Challenge Date: ☐ June 13 ☐ July 10 ☐ July 11 ☐ Aug 14 ☐ Aug 15											
Rider Information	Back #										
Rider Name								Rider Age			
Horse Name								Horse Age			
HWSC Member				Б П	NO		Date of Coggins				
PMT Member				□ YES □		NO		Release Signed	☐ YES	□no	
Challenge Classes											
A rider may ONLY choose TWO LEVELS in which to compete (Rookie & Level 1, Levels 1 & 2 or Levels 2 & 3).											
			Lev	el N/A	l	evel 1	l	Level 2	Level	3	
Lead Line (Riding only)											
Rookie In-Hand	Rookie In-Hand										
Rookie Riding											
Miniature Equine / Pony	In-F	Hand									
Miniature Equine / Pony Riding											
Junior Horse In-Hand (5 & under)											
Junior Horse Riding (5 & under)											
Youth In-Hand											
Youth Riding											
Adult In-Hand											
Adult Riding											
Open In-Hand											
Open Riding											
Fun Class			☐ All Levels – Fun class chosen varies by Challenge								
lk a								Coot			
Item	\dashv		Pricing				# Classes	Total	Cost		
Challenge Classes (excludes Lead Line and Fu Class)	Adult		(19+) HWSC Me			\$20.00/class					
	n		Non-men								
			uth			\$15.00/class					
		(18 & under) Non-mem									
Lead Line or Fun Class	4	\$5.00/class									
Office/Grounds Fee	\$10.00 per Horse										
Camping Fee \$15.00 per night											
Total Fees											
As indicated by my signature below, I acknowledge all the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge: Date: DATE							of my				



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Participant Rules

A competitive event for Mountain Trail and Extreme Mountain Trail is known as a challenge. A challenge tests a horse and rider's ability to navigate both natural and man-made obstacles in a safe manner and with technical skills that demonstrate great horsemanship. There will be up to three levels of difficulty that are designed to challenge but not intimidate riders. Attire and tack required for participating must be neat, clean and in good working order. The overall purpose of the Trail Challenge is to promote good horsemanship skills and provide an educational venue for equestrians. Trail Challenge tests an equine and rider on their ability to work as a team and navigate obstacles which they might experience on a trail.

- We will be using the most current copy of the Premier Mount N Trail Association (PMT) Standards, Guidelines, Rules, and Regulations & will be using PMT-certified Judges for all Challenge Events.
 - o PMT Rulebook can be found at hollandwestern.com.
 - See a copy of the rules for acceptable attire, tack, and equipment.
 - All riders ages 18 and younger are <u>required</u> to wear helmets per guidelines provided in HWSC's Rider Release. Helmets are strongly recommended for riders 19 and older.
- Michigan law requires horses to have tested negative for EIA within the previous 12 months prior to entering publicly held exhibitions, fairs, or shows in Michigan; therefore, HWSC requires proof of a negative coggins prior to participation in our events.
- While each rider may be encouraged to become members of Holland Western Saddle Club (HWSC) and the PMT, membership is not required to compete!
 - Membership of HWSC is required to qualify for the Daily High Point awards at each Challenge, and to earn points for the Year End High-Point awards.
 - Membership of PMT is required to earn points for the PMT High Point Program, which awards the top 5 point-earners in every PMT-qualified class each year, as well as combined-level all around buckles for Grand and Reserve Champion high point.
- Individual classes will be placed 1st-6th. Daily and Year End prizes for 1st-3rd will be offered for each division listed below, at each level offered. All lead-liners will receive participation awards.
- Each partnership (rider/horse combination) can enter up to 2 levels:
 - o Rookie Level 1
 - o Level 1 Level 2
 - Level 2 Level 3
- Rookie partnerships may NOT compete in any Level 2 or Level 3 class nor in Open classes.
- Trainers can ONLY enter Open, JR Horse, or Fun Classes.

	Divisions	Levels			
Mini / Pony	Miniature equines (horse or donkey), or Ponies standing 58" or less in height.	Lead Line	This is defined as anybody requiring a lead line from an adult by their side (e.g., a child or equestrian with disabilities). A Lead Line Rider may not compete in classes without a Leader. The Leader shall be a minimum of 18-years old.		
Youth	Participants 18 years old and under based on age as of January 1st.	Rookie	First year the partnership (horse/rider combination) is competing in any organized trail or cowboy race competitions, OR second year the partnership is competing so long as they did not earn more than three first place ribbons in their first year competing.		
Junior Horse	Horses 5 years old and under as of January 1st.	Level 1	Training and/or new partnership, walk only, in hand & riding. Patterns of 6-10 obstacles.		
Adult	Amateurs 19 years of age and over as of January 1st.	Level 2	Intermediate, walk and trot, in hand & riding. Patterns of 9-12 obstacles. 180 & 360 degrees on some obstacles.		
Open	All riders except Rookie and Lead Line.	Level 3	Advanced, walk, trot and canter, in hand & riding. Patterns of 12-16 obstacles. 180 & 360 degrees on some obstacles.		

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