

Communication – Prepared Speech Scorecard

Criteria	Elements Considered	Score	Judges Comment(s)
Topic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prepared speech topic is appropriate and relates to one or more of the following areas: Miniature Hereford history, Miniature Hereford marketing, General beef cattle management and health, or the future of Miniature Herefords 	<hr style="width: 20%; margin: 0 auto;"/> out of 5 points possible	
Presentation Length	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contestant presentation of the ‘prepared speech’ met the following length requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Junior contestants prepared a speech that is 1 to 3 minutes in length ○ Intermediate contestants prepared a speech that is 5 to 10 minutes in length ○ Senior contestants prepared a speech that is 5 to 10 minutes in length 	<hr style="width: 20%; margin: 0 auto;"/> out of 5 points possible	
Professionalism	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contestants appearance showed professionalism (i.e. contestant did not arrive to the contest wearing muddy boots, wash-rack attire, etc.) • Contestant was professional in the delivery of the speech and while answering judges questions • If utilized, speech aids were used appropriately and professionally & adhered to restrictions based on contestant age: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Junior contestants may use notecards (3” x 5” size) as desired. Juniors may (although NOT required) create and use a static poster or prop to accompany his/her speech. ○ Intermediate contestants may use notecards (3” x 5”) as desired. Intermediate contestants have the option (although are NOT required) to create a PowerPoint presentation to accompany his/her speech. Please note that if contestant reads directly from the PowerPoint slide, then the contestant will receive a 50% deduction in overall score. ○ Senior contestants are prohibited from utilizing notecards. Senior contestants have the option (although are NOT required) to create a PowerPoint presentation to accompany his/her speech. Please note that if contestant reads directly from the PowerPoint slide, then the contestant will receive a 50% deduction in overall score. 	<hr style="width: 20%; margin: 0 auto;"/> out of 10 points possible	

Presentation Style, Voice, and Confidence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contestant had a unique and successful style of presentation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Use of movement and gestures was appropriate and enhanced overall presentation quality • Contestant voice was easily heard (i.e. did not speak too quietly) • Contestant was confident in speech presentation • Contestant delivery of the speech materials was impactful 	<p style="text-align: center;">_____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">out of 15 points possible</p>	
Response to Judges Question(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All contestants will be asked a minimum of one question from the panel of judges. Contestant answered the judges' question(s). • Contestant response to the judges question(s) were accurate and of sufficient quality (age-dependent expectations) 	<p style="text-align: center;">_____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">out of 5 points possible</p>	

TOTAL POINTS: _____ out of 40 points possible