

Evening gentlemen attire shall be formal dinner jacket, ruffled or tucked white shirt or color. Formal jacket to be suitable or black suitable material to include but not limited to brocade or velveteen. Trousers of black, dark blue or midnight blue. Formal bowtie, black socks and shoes and dress hat.

To show all-around action at a Park Trot and not faster. Must stand quietly and must back easily. To be judged on manners, quality and performance.

Attendant/header can be available during line-up, but if a parasol is used and opened an attendant/header must be present. If no attendant/header and parasol is opened entry will be disqualified. This is a safety factor.

MODERN PLEASURE SHETLAND PONY

Driving Performance Division Rules

2.6 General Rules

A. Tack and Equipment

1. Modern Pleasure Driving ponies are to be shown to a suitable two-wheeled cart with foot basket or four-wheeled vehicle, but not a viceroy, racing sulky or fine harness rig.
2. Modern Pleasure Driving ponies are to wear a show-type harness, including side or over checks, square or round blinkers with straight or broken snaffle bit. A properly fitted cavesson or nose band is required. Check bit and martingales are optional. No Liverpool bits, curb chains, or curb straps are allowed.

2.7 Modern Open Pleasure Driving Class Definition

- Open Pleasure Pony to be shown barefoot or with a evenly weighted shoe of uniform thickness and an optional light pad. Toe clips and/or side clips are permitted. No artificial attachments such as lead chunks, weights, rings, etc., are allowed. Artificial appliances (rubber bands, chains, shackles, etc.) are prohibited in the ring or warm up area at the horse show. Cross-entering between Modern Open Pleasure and Modern

Country Pleasure classes will not be allowed at the same show.

- A. **Modern Open Pleasure Driving Class** to be judged **25% on conformation and 75% on manners, quality and performance.** There should be light contact with the mouth, slight flexion at the poll without evidence of undue restraint. The pony should be higher headed than a Modern Country Pleasure pony and have a free way of moving. The checkrein should not interfere with the relaxed and free way of going. Ponies are to enter the ring to the right and be shown **both ways in the ring at the “Walk”, “Pleasure Trot” and “Extended Trot”.** Excessive speed and extreme action are to be penalized. Extreme action to be defined as consistently at or above level. The “Walk” should be a relaxed flatfooted walk, a four beat straight movement and not a jog trot. The “Pleasure Trot” should be easy going, square with elasticity and freedom of movement. The “Extended Trot” should be ground covering, open and reaching. **Ponies are to be lined up in the center of the ring, stand quietly and back readily.** Driver to be dressed in appropriate attire (not silks or colors), **header optional (except youth class).**
1. Ponies shown in Modern Open Pleasure Driving are not eligible for any other driving division.
- B. **Modern Ladies Pleasure Driving Class** is the same as Modern Open Pleasure Driving Class and is limited to mares and geldings.
- C. **Modern Youth Pleasure Driving** to be judged the same as Modern Open Pleasure Driving. **Attendants (riders) are optional.** Limited to mares and geldings.
- D. **Modern Amateur Pleasure Driving** is to be judged on the same basis as Modern Open Pleasure Driving, driver meeting the ASPC/AMHR/ASPR requirements for Amateur status.
- F. **Modern Junior Pleasure Driving Class** shall be for the Shetlands, four years old and younger, 46” and under (44 ½” and under for two year olds). To be judged on same basis as Modern Open Pleasure Driving.

- F. **Modern Limit Pleasure Driving Class** is open to ponies that have not won six (6) first place ribbons in Class “A” or “AA” shows with competition. Ponies shall be judged on the same basis and are subject to the same specifications as the Modern Open Pleasure Driving.
- G. **Modern Pleasure Driving Championship/Stake Class** is to be judged on the same basis and subject to the same specifications as Modern Open Pleasure Driving.

2.8 Modern Country Pleasure Pony Class Definition

- Entries are to be shown barefoot or with a evenly weighted shoe of uniform thickness and an optional light pad. Toe clips and/or side clips are permitted. No artificial attachments such as lead chunks, weights, rings, etc., are allowed. Artificial appliances (rubber bands, chains, shackles, etc.,) are prohibited in the ring or warm up area at the horse show.

- A. **Modern Open Country Pleasure Driving Class to be judged 25% on conformation and 75% on manners, quality and performance.** There should be light contact with the mouth, slight flexion at the poll without evidence of undue restraint. The pony should be relatively high headed and have a free way of moving. The checkrein should not interfere with the relaxed and free way of going. Ponies are to enter the ring to the right and be **shown both ways of the ring at the “Walk”, “Pleasure Trot” and “Extended Trot”**. Excessive speed and extreme action are to be penalized. Extreme action to be defined as consistently at or above level. The “Walk” should be a relaxed flatfooted walk, a four beat straight movement and not a jog trot. The “Pleasure Trot” should be easy going, square with elasticity and freedom of movement. The “Extended Trot” should be ground covering, open and reaching. **Ponies are to be lined up in the center of the ring, stand quietly and back readily.** Driver to be dressed in appropriate attire (not silks or colors), **attendant header optional (except in youth class).**

1. Ponies shown in Country Pleasure driving not eligible for any other driving division.
- B. **Modern Ladies Country Pleasure Driving Class** is the same as Open Modern Country Driving and is limited to mares and geldings.
- C. **Modern Youth Country Pleasure Driving Class** to be judged the same as Open Modern Country Pleasure Driving. **Attendants (riders) are optional.** Limited to mares and geldings.
- D. **Novice Driver Modern Country Pleasure Driving Class** is to be judged on the same basis as Open Modern Country Pleasure Driving. For the purpose of this class a driver is a novice until such time as he/she wins three (3) first place ribbons in any “C”, “B”, “A” or “AA” shows.
- E. **Junior Pony Modern Country Pleasure Driving Class** shall be for the Shetlands, four years old and younger, 46” and under (44 ½” and under for two year olds). To be judged on same basis as Open Modern Country Pleasure Driving.
- F. **Limit Modern Country Pleasure Driving Class** is open to ponies that have not won six (6) first place ribbons in Class “A” or “AA” show with competition. Ponies shall be judged on the same basis and are subject to the same specifications as Open Modern Country Pleasure Driving.
- G. **Modern Amateur Country Pleasure Driving Class** is to be judged on the same basis as Open Modern Country Pleasure Driving, with driver meeting the ASPC/AMHR/ASPR requirements for Amateur status.
- H. **Modern Country Pleasure Pony Driving Championship/ Stake Class** is to be judged on the same basis and subject to the same specifications as Modern Open Country Pleasure Driving class.