



### HORSEMANSHIP PATTERN FOR NMSU

- Walk through gate. Stop.
- Walk along north fence through east fence.
- Pick up trot **before** Judges on east fence.
- Pick up lope middle of south arena along fence.
- Continue to lope along middle of west arena fence then turn right to start small, slow figure-eight to the right. Start figure-eight in center of arena.
- At end of your small figure-eight start your large fast figure-eight.
- End your fast figure-eight in front of Judges with slid-stop, DO NOT get to get to close to judges. This will lead to point reductions.
- Once you have stopped finish with backing your horse four steps and stop•
- Dismount your horse. (queens mount mandatory for queen contestant only)
- Walk your horse to the judges for the horsemanship interview.
- When the judges have dismissed you, mount and proceed back to gate along west fence, You can walk or trot back.
- Get ready for freestyle (2-3 minutes)
- Flag run's will follow. Flag boots can be worn during horsemanship pattern.
- We will end horsemanship competition with a queens run.