

## Markel Virtual Prepared Speech Contest

Judge: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Score \_\_\_\_\_

| Score / Possible Points | Item                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Comments |
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| _____/ 10<br>points     | <p><b>Introduction</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Did the introduction serve to create interest in the subject?</li> <li>• Was introduction short and to the point?</li> <li>• Was a catchy title used?</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |          |
| _____/ 20<br>points     | <p><b>Organization</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Were the main points easy to follow?</li> <li>• Were the main points arranged in the best order?</li> <li>• Were sentences short, east to understand?</li> <li>• Was the speech interesting?</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |          |
| _____/ 20<br>points     | <p><b>Content and Accuracy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Were facts and information correct?</li> <li>• Was enough information concerning the subject provided?</li> <li>• Was credit given to sources of information, if appropriate?</li> <li>• Was content appropriately related to the horse industry?</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |          |
| _____/ 20<br>points     | <p><b>Delivery</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Did the speaker(s) have appropriate voice control?</li> <li>• Were all words pronounced correctly?</li> <li>• Did the speaker's facial expressions reflect the mood of the speech?</li> <li>• If notes were used, was it done without detracting from the speech?</li> <li>• Did the speaker(s) seem to choose words at the time they were spoken? (Avoid a memorized or read-type delivery)</li> <li>• Did the speech reflect the thoughts and personality of the speaker(s)?</li> </ul>  |          |
| _____/ 20<br>points     | <p><b>Stage Presence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Was the speaker neat and appropriately dressed?</li> <li>• Was the speaker friendly?</li> <li>• Did the speaker(s) talk directly to the audience?</li> <li>• Did the speaker(s) look at the audience?</li> <li>• Was posture upright but not stiff?</li> <li>• Did the speaker(s) refrain from leaning on podium or desk?</li> <li>• Did the speaker(s) seem relaxed and at ease?</li> <li>• Did the speaker(s) convey to the audience a sense of wanting to communicate?</li> </ul> |          |
| _____/ 10<br>points     | <p><b>Conclusion</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Was the conclusion short and interesting?</li> <li>• Did conclusion properly wrap up the speech?</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |          |